

**MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 116 of 1954**

**168.193 Candidate for county offices; nominating petitions; signatures; form; nonrefundable filing fee in lieu of nominating petitions; deposit and use of fee.**

Sec. 193. (1) To obtain the printing of the name of an individual as a candidate for nomination by a political party for an office named in section 191 under a particular party heading upon the official primary ballots, there must be filed with the county clerk nominating petitions signed by a number of qualified and registered electors residing within the county as determined under section 544f. Nominating petitions must be in the form prescribed in section 544c. The county clerk shall receive nominating petitions up to 4 p.m. of the fifteenth Tuesday before the August primary.

(2) To obtain the printing of the name of a candidate of a political party under the particular party's heading upon the primary election ballots in the various voting precincts of the county, there may be filed by the candidate, in lieu of filing nomination petitions, a nonrefundable filing fee of \$100.00 to be paid to the county clerk. Payment of the fee and certification of the candidate's name paying the fee are governed by the same provisions as in the case of nominating petitions. The fee must be deposited in the general fund of the county and must be used only for the purchase and maintenance of voting equipment.

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