# DEMOCRATIC CALL TO CAUCUS FOR 30<sup>th</sup> House of Delegates Democratic Committee Convention

Whereas it is the duty of the *Culpeper County* Democratic Committee to issue the Call to Caucus for the purpose of electing delegates to the 2017 30<sup>th</sup> House of Delegates District Democratic Convention which will be held on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of April in 2017, beginning at 10 am, in the Culpeper County Democratic Committee Head Quarters located at 102 North Main Street, Culpeper, VA, 22701, on the second floor. Now therefore be it resolved that the *Culpeper County* Democratic Committee hereby issues the Call to Convention for the 2017 Democratic Party Caucus to convene at *noon*, at the *Culpeper Co. Democratic Committee* 102 North Main Street, Culpeper, VA, 22701 for the sole purpose of electing delegates to the 30<sup>th</sup> House of Delegates District Democratic Convention, and the following provisions shall govern the assembled/unassembled caucus, to wit:

# 1. Notice Requirements

The *Culpeper County Democratic* Committee shall cause to be published the time, date and location of the Caucus at least 7 days prior, but not more than 2 weeks before said caucus. All notices shall be published in a paid political advertisement in a newspaper or on the Committee's website of general circulation in each precinct in which the Caucus is to be held.

2. The caucus shall be held at 102 North Main Street, Culpeper, VA, 22701. Doors will open at *noon* and voting will cease at 4 pm. The caucus shall be an unassembled caucus. All registered voters in *Culpeper Co.* who are willing to sign the caucus participation form shall be allowed to participate. The 10 delegates and 5 alternates from Culpeper as candidates with the most votes at the close of the caucus shall be declared the delegates to the 30<sup>th</sup> House of Delegates Democratic Convention. Those with the next highest number of votes shall be declared the alternates to that convention. The Caucus shall be held on *April 15*.

# 2. Conduct of the Caucus

The watch of the chair of the *Culpeper County* Democratic committee shall be the official clock of the caucus. The chair of the *Culpeper County* Democratic Committee shall oversee the caucus. He will publicly announce the opening of voting at *noon* and shall publicly announce when five minutes are left for voting. At 4 pm the chair shall note the last person in line to vote. No person who enters the line after 4 pm shall be allowed to vote. For a candidate to receive delegates they must meet the standard 15% threshold, Delegate will be allocated based on total percentage each candidate receives. After allocation the highest vote getter shall become delegates pledged to candidates.

Prior to the start of the caucus, the *Culpeper County* Democratic Committee chair shall appoint a Tellers' Committee to count the ballots. All participants in the caucus must fill out a caucus participation form stating that they are registered voters in *Culpeper County* in the 7th Congressional District and that they are Democrats.

# 3. Candidate Requirements

All candidates for delegate and alternate shall file a declaration of candidacy form on or before 5:00 pm, *April 10*, with *chair at 1117 Virginia Avenue, Culpeper, VA, 22701*. Only those candidates properly prefiled may have their names on the ballot at the unassembled caucus. If the correct number or less file for 30<sup>th</sup> District delegate by the deadline above, they will be declared elected and that particular caucus will be cancelled.

#### 4. Affirmative Action

It shall be the duty of each *Culpeper County Democratic Committee* officers and member to take all feasible steps to encourage broad participation in the caucuses. Discrimination on the basis of race, sex, age, color, national origin, religion, ethnic identity or economic status in the delegate selection process is prohibited.

# 5. Call Distribution

It shall be the duty of the Culpeper County Democratic Committee Chairman to distribute a copy of the Call to Caucus to all members of that local committee and any other individuals interested in participating. It shall further be the duty of the *Culpeper County* Democratic Committee Chair to cause this Call to Caucus to be publicized through the news media of the County as is feasible.

<b>Adopted:</b> 03 / 09 / 2017	J. Harold A. Boyd
(Date)	(Signature of Democratic Committee Chair)



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# The Seventh District Democratic Committee Calling the 2013 Seventh District Democratic Convention

#### **RESOLVED:**

By the Seventh District Democratic Committee at its meeting of February 16, 2017, that:

#### I. Call to Convention

Pursuant to the authority vested in this Committee by the Virginia Democratic Party Plan (State Party Plan) the Seventh District Democratic Committee (7th District Committee) hereby calls a District Convention to convene at 11:00 A.M., on May 6, 2017 at 919 East Main St, Richmond, Virginia 23219.

This District Convention shall: **Nominate twenty (20) persons, ten (10) men and ten (10) women** to serve as the 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Democratic Committee and serve on the Democratic Party of Virginia's State Central Committee **starting June 17, 2017 until June, 2021** when a new district committee is elected.

# II. Allocation and Election of Delegates and Alternates

The Seventh District Convention shall be composed of 175 delegates and 43 alternate delegates (alternates) to be elected from Amelia, Chesterfield County, Culpeper County, Goochland County, Henrico County, Louisa County, Nottoway County, Orange County, Powhatan County and Spotsylvania County, in accordance with the provisions of this Call. Accordingly, these numbers shall be elected:

		DELEGATES		ALTERNATES		
CD	LOCALITY					
7	Amelia County	2		1		
7	Chesterfield County	59		13		
7	Culpeper County	8		2		
7	Goochland County	6		1		
7	Henrico County	64		15		
7	Louisa County	7		2		
7	Nottoway County	3		1		
7	Orange County	6		2		
7	Powhatan County	4		1		
7	Spotsylvania County	16		5		
	CD7	175		43		

#### III. Allocation of District Committee Members

The allocation of district committee members shall be as follows:

Amelia 1 Chesterfield 4 2 Culpeper Goochland 1 Henrico 5 Louisa 1 Nottoway 1 Orange 1 Powhatan 1 Spotsylvania 3 20 **TOTAL** 



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These allocations are in effect with the caveats voted by the seventh cd committee as of February 13, 2017 which specifies the conditions for an unfilled slot and for at-large slots.

# IV. Pre-filing for Delegate and Alternate Delegates

- A. Delegates and alternates shall be elected in accordance with provisions of the State Party Plan and this Call, including gender balance.
- B. Pre-filing forms shall be made available by the 7<sup>th</sup> District Democratic Committee to the county and city committees at Cost. Alternatively, county and city committees may print their own pre-filing form, provided the 7<sup>th</sup> District Democratic Committee approves the form in advance.
- C. No filing fee shall be required nor requested by any jurisdiction for delegate or alternate.

#### D. Timeline

The pre-filing deadline shall be 5:00 p.m., Monday, April 10, 2013, for caucuses held on Saturday, April 15, 2017, and 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 12, 2013, for caucuses held on Monday, April 17, 2017. Delegate candidates for 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional Democratic District Conventions shall pre-file with their respective chairs or with designees for such chairs.

#### V. Filing for State Central Committee.

Filing for state Central Committee shall be done on the form provided (see attached). The form and check must be received by Abbi Easter, Chair by seven days prior to the district convention, May 6, 2017 by 5-. Only those persons properly pre-filed and in a timely manner will be shown on the ballot.

# VI. Subcommittee Appointed and Empowered to Act

A special subcommittee consisting of the Chair, First Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and such other persons as the District Chair shall appoint is empowered to act for and in the name of the District Committee in making additional plans and arrangements and finalizing dates and location for the execution of the resolution and to fill in the blanks of this draft call as time permits.

#### VII. Publication, Affirmative Action, Discrimination Prohibited

The officers and members of the District Committee shall take all reasonable affirmative action to publicize these party activities and retain full participation by all segments of the Democratic Party of the Seventh Congressional District in them. Discrimination on the basis of race, sex, age, color, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, or economic status in the conduct of these activities is prohibited. All Democrats are encouraged to participate in the delegate selection process.

Pertinent parts of this Call shall be publicized in accordance with the Party Plan on the 7<sup>th</sup> District Website, the Democratic Party of Virginia website and county and city committees websites.



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# Seventh Congressional District of the Democratic Party of Virginia

# District Committee Membership Filing Form

I, the undersigned, hereby state that I am a Democrat, that I am a registered voter in the precinct, city, or county listed below, that I believe in the principles of the Democratic Party, and that I do not intend to support any candidate who is opposed to a Democratic nominee in the next ensuing election.

PLEASE PRINT:		
NAME		
ADDRESS		
CITY	ZIP	
MAILING ADDRESS (if different)		
PHONE (H)(O)	(C)	
E-MAIL		
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 7 COUNTY	Y/City:	
PRECINCTGENDER		
Employer		
Occupation		
Place of Employment		
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All candidates for election to the 7<sup>th</sup> CD Democratic Committee must file by 5p, seven days before the meeting at which the vote will occur (May 6, 2017) with Abbi Easter, chair. There is a filing fee of \$25.00 made payable to the 7<sup>th</sup> District Democratic Committee.

Filings will be accepted by mail, in person or electronically. Filing is not considered complete until form and check are received.

Filings may be sent to: Abbi Easter, 2611 Cherrytree Lane, North Chesterfield, VA 23235 or abbieaster@gmail.com. Please contact Abbi to arrange in person filing.

Only those individuals who file completely and in a timely manner will be eligible for election.

# **Culpeper County Democratic Committee**

# **Delegate Pre-filing Form 2017**

As stated in the Democratic Party of Virginia's Party Plan:

Each person participating in a caucus or filing as a delegate must sign that he or she:

- a) Is a Democrat;
- b) is a registered voter within the county or city for which the caucus is held;
- c) Believes in the principles of the Democratic Party; and
- d) Does not intend to support any candidate who is opposed to a Democratic nominee in the next ensuing election.

I, the undersigned, having read the above provisions, hereby state that I am a Democrat, I am a registered voter in the precinct, city, or county listed below, that I believe in the principles of the Democratic Party, and I do not intend to support any candidate who is opposed to a Democratic nominee in the next ensuing election.

PLEASE PRINT:			
NAME			
ADDRESS		_	
CITY	ZIP		
MAILING ADDRESS (if different)			
PHONE(H)		_(w)	(C)
E-MAIL			
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: 7th			
House of Delegates District: 30th			
COUNTY OR CITY: <u>Culpeper Co.</u>			
PRECINCT			
Filing For: Delegate Alternate			
Committed to Ben Hixon or Annette Hy	de or Uncommi	tted	
\$10 administ	ration fee paid	waived	
County committees must submit the certified Delegates Democration	ed list of delegates and al		the 30 <sup>th</sup> House of
Signature	Date _	/ / 2017	