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### Candidates qualify with **SECRETARY OF STATE**

The qualifying fee shall be paid in cash or by certified or cashier's check on a state or national bank or credit union,  
United States Postal money order, or money order issued by a state or national bank or credit union. (R.S. 18:464)  
Checks/Money Orders Payable To: Louisiana Department of State

STATE OFFICE	<b>QUALIFYING FEE</b> (R.S.18:464(B)) Qualifying fee collected from each candidate.	<b>STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FEE</b> (R.S.18:464(C)) Additional fee collected from each Democratic and Republican candidate.	<b>PARISH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FEE</b> (R.S.18:464(D)) Additional fee collected from each Democratic and Republican candidate, <b>IF ASSESSED by Parish Committee.</b>	<b>NOMINATING PETITIONS</b> (IN LIEU OF FEES) (R.S.18:465(C)) Required number of signatures of voters eligible to vote on the office.
<b>Presidential Electors (slate)</b> <b>(Non-affiliated ONLY)</b> (R.S. 18:1254A)	\$1,000.00	0 (cannot assess)	0 (cannot assess)	5,000 Not less than 500 from each Congressional District
<b>Presidential Nominee</b> <b>(Presidential Preference Primary)</b> (R.S. 18:1280.22 A)	\$1,000.00	\$375.00	0 (cannot assess)	1,000 Affiliated with party from each Congressional District
<b>Governor</b>	\$750.00	\$375.00	0 (cannot assess)	5,000 Not less than 500 from each Congressional District
<b>Lieutenant Governor</b> <b>Secretary of State</b> <b>Attorney General</b> <b>Treasurer</b> <b>Commissioner of Agriculture</b> <b>Commissioner of Insurance</b> <b>U.S. Senator *</b>	\$600.00  (Only Dem. & Rep.: U.S. Senator)	\$300.00	0 (cannot assess)	5,000 Not less than 500 from each Congressional District
<b>U.S. Representative *</b>	\$600.00 (Only Dem. & Rep.)	\$300.00	0 (cannot assess)	1,000
<b>Associate Justice, Supreme Court *</b> <b>Public Service Commissioner *</b>	\$450.00 (Only Dem. & Rep.)	\$225.00	0 (cannot assess)	1,000
<b>Judge, Court of Appeal</b>	\$450.00	\$225.00	0 (cannot assess)	500
<b>Member, State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education *</b>	\$600.00 (Only Dem. & Rep.)	\$300.00	0 (cannot assess)	1,000

\* Per Acts 1 of the 2024 First Extraordinary Legislative Session and 640 of the 2024 Regular Legislative Session, starting in 2026, only Democratic and Republican party candidates can qualify by paying the fee for party primary elections. All other parties and non-affiliated candidates must qualify via nominating petition.

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LOCAL OFFICE (Orleans Parish excepted)	QUALIFYING FEE (R.S.18:464(B)) Qualifying fee collected from each candidate.	STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FEE (R.S.18:464(C)) Additional fee collected from each Democratic and Republican candidate.	PARISH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FEE (R.S.18:464(D)) Additional fee collected from each Democratic and Republican candidate, IF ASSESSED by Parish Committee.	NOMINATING PETITIONS (IN LIEU OF FEES) (R.S.18:465(C)) Required number of signatures of voters eligible to vote on the office.
State Representative	\$225.00	\$112.50	\$112.50	400
State Senator	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	500
Judge, District Court: District	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	½ of 1% of registered voters as of 30 days before end of qualifying
Judge, District Court: Subdistrict/Election Section	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	½ of 1% of registered voters as of 30 days before end of qualifying
Judge, Family Court: East Baton Rouge (only) Judge, Juvenile Court: Election Section (Caddo, East Baton Rouge)	\$225.00	\$112.50	\$112.50	½ of 1% of registered voters as of 30 days before end of qualifying
Judge, Juvenile Court: Section (Jefferson)	\$225.00	\$112.50	\$112.50	400
District Attorney	\$225.00	\$112.50	\$112.50	500
Judge, Parish Court Sheriff Clerk of Court Assessor Coroner Parish President	\$225.00	\$112.50	\$112.50	400
Police Juror/Parish Council (parishwide or district) School Board	\$115.00	\$ 57.50	\$ 57.50	100

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Judge, City Court Marshal, City Court Justice of the Peace Constable (J. P. Court) Greater Lafourche Port Commission Member	\$ 75.00	\$ 37.50	\$ 37.50	100
Democratic/Republican State Central Committee Member	\$ 75.00	\$ 37.50	0 (cannot assess)	Lesser of 400 or 10% of voters affiliated with party
Democratic/Republican Parish Executive Committee Member	\$ 75.00	0 (cannot assess)	\$ 37.50	Lesser of 400 or 10% of voters affiliated with party

### MUNICIPAL OFFICE – Candidates pay qualifying fee or submit nominating petition according to population shown by the latest federal decennial census. R.S. 18:464(B)(3)

<b>MUNICIPAL POPULATION</b>	<b>QUALIFYING FEE</b> (R.S.18:464 (B)) Qualifying fee collected from each candidate.	<b>STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FEE</b> (R.S.18:464 (C)) Additional fee collected from each Democratic and Republican candidate.	<b>PARISH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FEE</b> (R.S.18:464 (D)) Additional fee collected from each Democratic and Republican candidate, <b>IF ASSESSED by Parish Committee.</b>	<b>NOMINATING PETITIONS</b> (IN LIEU OF FEES) (R.S.18:465 (C)) Required number of signatures of voters eligible to vote on the office.
0 to 4,999	\$ 40.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	50
5,000 to 24,999	\$ 75.00	\$ 37.50	\$ 37.50	200
25,000 to 49,999	\$150.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	300
50,000 to 99,999	\$225.00	\$112.50	\$112.50	500
100,000 to 299,999	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	750
300,000 or more	\$375.00	\$187.50	\$187.50	1,000

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### ORLEANS PARISH ONLY Candidates qualify with **CRIMINAL DISTRICT CLERK OF COURT**

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State Representative	\$225.00	\$112.50	\$112.50	400
Judge, Civil/Criminal District Court Magistrate, Criminal District Court	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	500
District Attorney	\$225.00	\$112.50	\$112.50	500
Judge, Juvenile Court Sheriff Clerk of Court Assessor Coroner	\$225.00	\$112.50	\$112.50	400
Judge, Municipal and Traffic Court (A.G. #78-798) Judge, First/Second City Court (A.G. #86-468) Constable, First/Second City Court Clerk, First/Second City Court Mayor Councilmember (ALL)	\$375.00	\$187.50	\$187.50	1,000
School Board	\$115.00	\$57.50	\$57.50	100
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