# **Republican Committee Member Qualifications and Duties**

### OVERVIEW

The job of a Republican committee member is extremely important because committee members represent the registered Republican voters in their district. Committee members also represent the Republican Committee of Mercer County to the voters in their district. To many people, The Committee person is the Republican Party, since he or she is the first and most accessible GOP contact, and often the only link between the Party and the people.

### QUALIFICATIONS

- A Republican committee member must be a registered Republican residing in the election district from which he or she is elected.
- Two Committee persons represent each district in Mercer County. In some NJ counties there may be one woman and one man elected to the position in every district.
- Each Elected committee member serves a four-year term elected during the primary Election of the Presidential election years.
- The Municipal Chair appoints those to fill committee vacancies with the consent of the municipal committee members. Appointed committee members serve for the remainder of the term they are filling.
- A committee member who resigns must submit a written resignation to his/her Municipal Chair.

## DUTIES OF A REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE MEMBER

The committee member's primary goal is to elect qualified Republicans to office and to promote the principles of the Republican Party. The committee member is active throughout the year, interacting with the voters and working to elect qualified Republicans to office. These responsibilities do not just occur on Election Day or at a committee meeting.

#### MAIN DUTIES OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE:

- Communicate with and service the voters in your district
- Circulate Candidate Nominating Petitions
- Register Voters to become "Republican" Voters
- Deliver Vote by Mail Applications and encourage Early Voting and Voting in general
- Canvass (walk door to door) with candidates
- Distribute campaign material before an election
- Make Get-Out-The-Vote phone calls and personal door to door visits
- Cover the polls on Election Day as a poll worker or Challenger
- Recruit and train volunteers to assist you and our Republican party
- Identify, recruit, select, and support qualified Republican candidates
- Help with Republican fundraisers
- Vote on endorsement of Republican candidates
- Attend Republican meetings and events