



### **Petition & Public Financing Instructions**

**Thank you for helping collect Petition Signatures and “Public Financing Qualifying Contributions” to help get David on the ballot for the 2020 Election!** We can only do this with the help of volunteers across the state. To get on the ballot, David must collect at least **3,518 petition signatures from registered Democrats**. We will need to collect more than that to ensure that we qualify and that all signatures are “good” signatures.

In addition, David will be applying for “Public Financing,” which is eligible for candidates for appellate level judicial races. To do this, David must collect **1,253, \$5-contributions (along with the signed form) in order to receive public financing to run his campaign.**

### **Here are the general guidelines:**

#### **Petition Signatures:**

- This is something all candidates must do to appear on the ballot – this is only to allow them to run (the signer doesn’t have to vote for this person)
- **Signers must be a registered Democrat in New Mexico**
- Signers must sign, print name, print address and city/zip where they are registered to vote
- If a signer is not registered, they can sign but they must register by February 1, 2020, in order for their signature to count
- Since this is a statewide office, signers can be from anywhere in New Mexico
- There are NOT separate pages for separate counties; residents from multiple counties can all sign the same page
- Turn in your signatures as you go – our goal is to have this done early, so don’t wait until the end. We need to turn these in on February 4, 2020, to the Secretary of State
- You must turn in the original petition pages with original signatures (not copies or PDFs, etc)
- **Primary Election Day is June 2, 2020; General Election Day is November 3, 2020**

#### **\$5-Qualifying Contributions:**

- **Any registered voter in NM may contribute \$5 and sign a form (they can be Democrat, Republican or Decline-To-State/Independent or any other party)**
- Signer needs to fill out the “Qualifying Contribution Receipt,” sign on the “Contributor” line, and return to you (this is what we turn into the Secretary of State)
- You need to sign on the “Qualifying Contribution Collector” line under “Acknowledgement” before turning into the campaign (if someone just mails to the campaign, a campaign official will sign)
- There is NO receipt for the signer, but you are welcome to make a copy of the form (or the signer can take a picture of it with their phone, etc.)
- \$5 can be either check, cash or money order (we cannot accept credit cards); Please note that checks are payable to “NM Public Election Fund” and will NOT be turned into the SOS until February or March of 2020 (these are due by March 17, 2020 to SOS), so checks will not clear the bank until then
- Form needs to be filled out where the signer is registered (if signer is not registered, the form is void and the \$5 goes into the NM General Fund and does NOT count towards our goal)

**Return forms to:**  
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You can also download these forms at [www.KeepJusticeThomson.com](http://www.KeepJusticeThomson.com). Folks can download the forms at the website and mail in and/or you can email pdf’s of the forms to your contacts and ask them to mail in.