2020 HUDSON COUNTY ELECTION CALENDAR

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Hudson County Clerk

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Hudson County Executive Tom DeGise was re-elected to his fifth full, four-year term in November 2019, which will expire on December 31, 2023. He is Hudson’s longest serving County Executive.

County Executive DeGise has served as the Chairman of the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) and continues to serve on its executive board tirelessly promoting his belief that infrastructure investment is a key driver for private sector job growth.

He has been honored by a host of community and civic organizations for his dedication to the environment, homelessness reductions efforts and for supporting the independence of individuals with disabilities.

Prior to his election as County Executive, Mr. DeGise was Jersey City’s longest-serving Municipal Council President, holding that office from 1993 to 2001.

He entered public life as a community leader during the 1980’s, founding the New #28 School Neighborhood Association and eventually chairing the Heights Coalition of Neighborhood Associations (HCNA), a group dedicated to improving quality of life in Jersey City’s Heights Section.

The County Executive proudly served for more than two decades as a Jersey City public schools teacher and administrator. He earned his bachelors degree in Political Science from St. Peter’s College in 1973.

He has two grown daughters, Linda and Amy. Mr. DeGise and his wife, Caren, still live in the Jersey City Heights neighborhood where he grew up.
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**January 2020**

- **New Year’s Day**
  - Office Closed

**Marked Dates**

- **January 1**
  - National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day

- **January 5**
  - Voter Registration Deadline for January Special School Election

- **January 20**
  - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
  - Office Closed

- **January 27**
  - Special School Election

- **February 1**
  - Lunar New Year
Kenneth Kopacz
Freeholder - District 1

Kenneth Kopacz is a product of the Bayonne Public School system having attended Henry E. Harris Elementary School and Bayonne High School. His hard work and dedication first became clear on the baseball field where he was selected as team captain of both his high school and college teams. Kenneth completed his undergraduate and graduate studies at St. Peter’s College.

Kenneth has worn many hats in the field of Education. He began his career as a teacher at Henry E. Harris School and then served as an administrator at Woodrow Wilson School. During this time, Kenneth coached football, basketball and baseball for Bayonne High School. He then went on to serve as the principal of Washington Community School in Bayonne, NJ. Kenneth is now the Assistant Superintendent of Schools for the Bayonne Board of Education.

Mr. Kopacz has served on several local organizations including President of the Simpson Baber Foundation for the Autistic, Chairperson for the Bayonne Economic Opportunity Foundation and Trustee for the Bayonne Board of Education Credit Union.

Kenneth is married to Kimberly, who is a teacher in the Jersey City Public Schools. Together they have a daughter, Kelsey, and a son, Kenneth.
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**Key Dates:**

- **Groundhog Day**
- **Super Bowl Sunday**
- **Valentine’s Day**
- **President’s Day**
- **Office Closed**
- **Voter Registration Deadline for March Special School Election**
- **Mardi Gras**
- **Ash Wednesday**
Known for a questioning mind and an ability to get things done, William O’Dea was elected freeholder by one vote in a hotly contested election amongst county committee people to fill the unexpired term of Freeholder Henry “Hank” Gallo, who died unexpectedly in September 1997. In November 1998, Freeholder O’Dea roundly defended his seat, obtaining the electorate’s full support, for the remaining one year of the term.

Now serving his seventh full term, Freeholder O’Dea is Chairman of the Public Resources Committee, Chairman of the Banking Committee, Trustee of the Hudson County Community College and member of its Board of School Estimate, and a member of the Hudson County Schools of Technology Board of School Estimate. He is also a member of the following committees: Taskforce on the Homeless; Contracts Review; Public Safety; and Environment, Health and Human Services.

This native of Jersey City has previous experience as an elected official, having served two consecutive terms, elected in 1985 and 1989, as a Jersey City Councilman. Currently, Bill O’Dea is Deputy Executive Director of the Elizabeth Development Company, considered the best-administered Enterprise Zone development company in the country.

Freeholder O’Dea is a graduate of St. Peter’s Preparatory in Jersey City, where he won the Silver Medal in Oratory Competition and the Silver Medal in Business Law. For his many academic successes, he was included in Who’s Who Among American High School Students. Bill graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelors of Science degree from St. John’s University. He won Gold Key Awards as a top student in criminal justice and in political science.

Bill O’Dea knows that politics is, at times, theater. He has actually taken his talents in that direction, and is the author of two plays and six screenplays. He is also the author of the novel, “The Legacy of Haguesville.” Freeholder O’Dea, however, takes his politics very seriously, and served as Executive Director of the Jersey City Democratic Party.

**March 2020**

- **1** Nomination Petition Filing Deadline for Annual School Election at 4:00pm
- National Read Across America Day
- **2** Nomination Petition Filing Deadline for May Municipal Election
- **3** Petition Filing Deadline (Proposed)
- St. Patrick’s Day
- **4** First Day of Spring
- **5**
- **6** Employee Appreciation Day
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- **8** Daylight Savings Time Begins
- **9** Nomination Petition Filing Deadline for June Primary Election
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- **27** Ballot Draw (3pm) (Proposed)
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- **29** Nomination Petition Filing Deadline for Annual School Election
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- **31** Voter Registration Deadline for Annual School Election
Jerry Walker
Freeholder - District 3

Jerry Walker is the co-founder and CEO of the non-profit organization, Team Walker. In 1996, The Jersey City native returned from a successful basketball career to give back to his community and make a difference in the lives of youth.

Team Walker provides academic and athletic afterschool and summer programs for over 500 boys and girls from the ages of 3 to 18 through structured STEM learning, safe recreational activities and access to positive role models. Jerry’s motto is to give youth a first chance to be great that way they’ll need fewer second chances.

In 2014, Jerry’s dream of building a state of the art community center was realized. The Team Walker Learning Center has allowed him to expand programming to the entire Hudson County community. Whether he is providing a free Farmers Market for families in District 3 or providing free G.E.D or ESL classes at the Learning Center, Jerry believes in making a difference in the lives of others.

Jerry has served on several local organizations including the Jersey City Job Search Assistance Program and as a board member to his Alma Mater, St. Anthony High School. He is a graduate of Seton Hall University where he is a Life Skills Coach and also serves as a Supervisor for the Jersey City Department of Recreation.

Jerry is married to ShaRhonda and together they have a son, Chace and two daughters Rochelle and Shannon.
April Fool’s Day

Deadline for Change of Party Affiliation Declaration Forms for Primary Election
Passover Begins

Palm Sunday

Easter Sunday

Deadline to apply for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot by mail for Annual School Election

Deadline to apply in person at the County Clerk’s Office for Vote-By-Mail Ballot for Annual School Election by 3:00pm

Annual School Election Day Voter Registration Deadline for May Municipal Election

Tax Day

Passover Ends

Annual School Election Day

Earth Day

Take Your Child to Work Day

Ramadan Begins
Joel Torres
Freeholder - District 4

Joel Torres is a Democratic elected member on the Hudson County Board of Chosen Freeholders. He previously served as the President of the Jersey City Board of Education and completed a three-year term in December 2017. Joel is actively involved in his local community where he is involved in issues including, but not limited to, education, improving programming and services for individuals with disabilities, Autism awareness, expanding Public Health programming, substance abuse prevention, older adult services, and support services for local residents.

Born and raised in Jersey City, he grew up in various areas, from Bergen-Lafayette, to West Side, to Downtown, to where he resides now in the Western Slope section of the Heights. His parents, both born in Puerto Rico, moved to Jersey City in the late 1970’s.

Joel graduated from St. Mary’s Grammar and High School in Downtown Jersey City. In 2011, Joel graduated with a Bachelor’s of Science in Public Health and a minor in Latin American & Latino Studies with Summa Cum Laude Honors from Montclair State University (MSU). In May 2014, he received his Masters of Arts in Public and Organizational Relations from MSU.

He is currently the Manager for the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention Team (ADAPT), a countywide volunteer group focusing on decreasing and preventing underage drinking and substance abuse in Essex County, based out of Orange, New Jersey.

In previous years, he was the President of the Alfred E. Zampella PS #27 Parent Teacher Association. As President, Joel brought resources to the school community, including private and public grants, Christmas gifts for the students, and meals for disadvantaged families. He also advocated on a local and state-level for much needed modifications and improvements to the school facility.
**MAY 2020**

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Deadline to apply for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot by mail for May Municipal Election

Deadline to apply in person at the County Clerk’s Office for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot for May Municipal Election by 3:00 pm

May Municipal Election Voter Registration Deadline for June Primary Election

Deadline to apply for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot by mail for June Primary Election

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Law Day

National Day of Prayer

National Military Spouse Day

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May Municipal Election Voter Registration Deadline for June Primary Election

Deadline to apply for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot by mail for June Primary Election

Mother's Day

Cinco de Mayo

Deadline to apply for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot by mail for June Primary Election

Peace Officers Memorial Day

Armed Forces Day

Office Closed

Eid al-Fitr

Memorial Day
Anthony L. Romano, Jr.
Chairman Pro-Tempore
Freeholder - District 5

A lifelong resident of the City of Hoboken, Anthony L. Romano, Jr., has dedicated his life to public service and advancing the interests of the public. Anthony was a member of the Hoboken Police Dept. for 32 years, rising to the rank of Captain. He is currently the Hudson County Freeholder, 5th District, representing Hoboken and Jersey City Heights since 2009.

In recent years, Mr. Romano approved improvements to all County roads and the safe rehabilitation of Newark Street in Hoboken. He renovated two new playgrounds in Columbus Park and restored the tennis and basketball courts. Thanks to Freeholder Romano's hard work, the area underneath the viaduct at 14th street, now has dog park, passive recreation area, basketball courts, and street hockey.

Anthony is an advocate for the senior citizens and veterans. With the aid of county funds, American Legion Post 107 was able to construct a new meeting room and 6 new apartments for homeless veterans.

Romano believes that young people need activities to build character, self-esteem, learn to work with others, and respect others. Anthony sponsors boys and girls teams in Pershing Field and Washington Park league. As well as, an annual fall girl’s softball tournament, contributor to the Hoboken Little League and the youth summer basketball league.

He supports Hudson County Building Trades and the Central Labor Council. Anthony is an active member in the Elks Lodge, Knights of Columbus, Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, NJHL, FOP, IPA, Dante Alighieri Society, WPA, RNA, HALEA, NJ PBA, NOBLE, NAACP, and Sons of American Legion Post 107. Anthony is also the liaison to the Hudson County Community College, chair of the County Veteran Committee, and chair of the Public Safety Committee which consist of Prosecutor’s Office, OEM, Sheriff’s Office and Dept. of Corrections. As well as, a lector at St. Peter & Paul and St. Lawrence Churches.
Deadline to apply in person at the County Clerk’s Office for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot for June Primary Election by 3:00pm

Primary Election Day
Polls Open 6am-8pm
Last day for Independent Petitions to be filed for November General Election by 4:00pm
Freeholder Tilo Rivas is a well-traveled and former member of the City Commission of Union City. A retired research scientist for Kraft Foods Global Biscuit Group in East Hanover, New Jersey, he has also worked as a television and print journalist in both the United States and his native Dominican Republic. In both his work with Kraft and as a member of the media, he has traveled extensively abroad and domestically.

Educated at Santo Domingo Autonomous University, where he studied communications, Mr. Rivas is very active in a variety of cultural, political and community organizations, including the Cuban-Haitian Aid Center in West New York and Union City, the Hispanic Cultural Foundation of Hudson County, the New Jersey Hispanic Parade of Hudson County, the Union City Dominican Empowerment Political Action Committee (DEPAC), and the Committee to Celebrate 500 Years of the founding of the City of Santo Domingo.

Mr. Rivas has served on the Union City Redevelopment Agency, the Union City Board of Education, and as Chairman of the Union City Board of Education School Safety Committee. He has also served as a Democratic Committeeman and as a member of the New Jersey Cuban Parade Press Committee, as well as being a founding member of the Union City Public Library Friends, Inc.

On the Freeholder Board he serves as Chairman of the County Government Oversight & Policy Review Committee, and as a member on the following committees: Education; Personnel; Transportation; Women and Minority Affairs; and Purchasing.

He and his wife, Marianela, have two sons, Kenneth and Daniel.
JULY 2020

- Nomination Petition Filing Deadline for Board of Education Election Candidates for General Election
- Parent’s Day
Caridad Rodriguez
Freeholder - District 7

Caridad Rodriguez was elected to the Hudson County Board of Freeholders, representing the County’s District 7 municipalities of West New York, Weehawken and Guttenberg, in November 2014 and re-elected in November 2017. She is the first Cuban-American female to hold the office of Hudson County Freeholder.

Mrs. Rodriguez is a dedicated public servant who previously served in the New Jersey Assembly representing the 33rd District from 2008 to 2011. She was the first female and Hispanic Assembly representative for the 33rd District and the first Cuban-American Assemblywoman in the State of New Jersey. In the Assembly, she served as Vice-Chair on the Human Services Committee and as Member of the Public Works and Transportation Committee.

In May of 2011, Mrs. Rodriguez resigned her Assembly seat in order to be sworn in as a Commissioner of her home town of West New York, a seat she won in the 2011 Municipal Election. During the first year of her term, Mrs. Rodriguez served as Commissioner of Revenue and Finance. She subsequently served as the Town’s Commissioner of Public Safety for the remainder of her term. In 2014, Mrs. Rodriguez received a commendation from the West New York Police Department for her outstanding performance as Public Safety Commissioner, a position she resigned effective December 31, 2014 so that she could begin her public service as Freeholder on January 1, 2015.

Caridad has served as the Executive Assistant for the Honorable Albio Sires since 1996, including 12 years of service in the Office of the West New York Mayor. She is noted for being a hands-on problem solver for the citizens of West New York.

Caridad Rodriguez is married to Joseph for 52 years, mother to 3 children and grandmother to 7 grandchildren.
Purple Heart Day

Official Ballot Position Drawing for November General Election 3:00pm

Deadline for Submission for a Municipal or County Governing Body to file a request with the Hudson County Clerk to have a Public Question appear on the November Election Ballot Deadline for Withdrawal of Board of Education Candidates

Senior Citizen’s Day
Anthony P. Vainieri, Jr. - Chairman Freeholder - District 8

Born in Jersey City, and a lifelong resident of North Bergen, Anthony P. Vainieri, Jr. attended Horace Mann Grammar School and North Bergen High School. He is a college graduate with a degree in Funeral Service and is licensed by the State of New Jersey as a Practitioner of Mortuary Science. He is currently the Manager and Co-Owner of the Vainieri Funeral Home in North Bergen. He also holds a New Jersey State Real Estate Salesperson License.

Freeholder Anthony P. Vainieri, Jr. serves as the Chief of Staff for North Bergen Mayor Nicholas J. Sacco and was formerly Chairman of the North Bergen Zoning Board of Adjustment. He previously served as a member of the Hudson County Schools of Technology Board of Education, member of the New Jersey State Board of Mortuary Science, Commissioner of the North Bergen Housing Authority and Hudson County Democratic Committeeman.

On the Board of Freeholders, Mr. Vainieri serves as Chairman of the Finance, Budget & Administration Committee, Chairman of the Transportation Committee, Member of the Hudson County Schools of Technology Board of School Estimate and as Liaison to the Technology/MIS Committee. He also serves on the following Committees: Contracts Review, County Banking, Public Resources and Public Safety.

Anthony is the son of former North Bergen Commissioner and State Assemblyman Anthony P. Vainieri and Natalie Vainieri. He has three sisters, one being Assemblywoman Valerie Vainieri Huttle, and is the father of two children, Anthony III and Antonia.
Deadline to submit Public Questions for November School Board Elections to County Clerk

Voter Registration Deadline for September Special Election
Last day a vacancy can occur for Primary Election Nominees

Labor Day Office Closed

Last Day to fill Primary Election Nominee Vacancies
Patriot Day

Constitution and Citizenship Day
National POW/MIA Recognition Day
Rosh Hashanah Begins

Rosh Hashanah Ends
First Day of Fall

Yom Kippur Begins
September Special Election
Albert J. Cifelli  
Freeholder - District 9

Having grown up in the town that Frank E. Rodgers built, Albert J. Cifelli didn’t stray too far from those Harrison roots, and chose to settle in the neighboring town of Kearny. Al received his Bachelors of Arts degree from Rutgers University, Newark, graduating magna cum laude, and pursued his Juris Doctor degree from Rutgers Law School, Newark.

Al practices law with partner Ken Davie in the Town of Harrison. He is a member of the Hudson County Bar Association, New Jersey State Bar Association and is past president of the West Hudson Bar Association. He has served as Public Defender and as Municipal Prosecutor in the Town of Kearny and Public Defender in the Town of Harrison. He also has served as a member of the West Hudson Hospital Board of Governors for 10 years, serving two terms as Chairman of the Board.

On the Board, Freeholder Cifelli serves as Chairman of the Contract Review Committee, Chairman of the Ethics Committee and as Liaison to the Hudson County Improvement Authority. He also serves on the following committees: Personnel, County Banking, Finance, Budget and Administration, and Environmental, Health & Human Services.

Al and his wife, the former Joan Walsh of Kearny, have two children, James and Mary Katharine, and are members of St. Stephen’s Roman Catholic Church.
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Alberto G. Santos
Clerk to the Board of Freeholders

Mayor Alberto G. Santos has been Mayor of Kearny since January 1, 2000. He was re-elected to a two-year term as Mayor in 2001 and 2003; after the mayoral term of office was lengthened from two years to four years, he was re-elected to a four-year term as Mayor in 2005, 2009, 2013 and 2017. Previously he served as councilman of Kearny’s Second Ward for one year.

Mayor Santos is a graduate of Georgetown University (Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service), B.S.F.S., and the New York University School of Law, J.D. and LL.M. (Tax Law). He is admitted as an attorney in the States of New Jersey and New York. He also serves as the Clerk to the Hudson County Board of Chosen Freeholders. He was previously an Associate in the New York office of Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton.

Mayor Santos is a member of the Kearny Planning Board, Kearny Economic Zone Development Corporation, Kearny Municipal Utilities Authority and the North Hudson Council of Mayors. He is Chairman of the Town’s Department of Public Works Committee and the Kearny Democratic Party.
Day Light Savings Time

Deadline to apply in person at the County Clerk’s Office for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot for November General Election by 3:00pm

November General Election
Polls Open 6am-8pm

Veteran’s Day
Office Closed

Voter Registration Deadline for December Special Election

Thanksgiving Day
Office Closed

Black Friday
Office Closed

Cyber Monday
HUDSON COUNTY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS

E. Junior Maldonado
County Clerk

Diane Coleman
County Register

Joseph J. Ryglicki
County Surrogate

Frank X. Schillari
County Sheriff
E. Junior Maldonado – Hudson County Clerk

E. Junior Maldonado was elected as Hudson County Clerk to a five year term November, 2017 and will serve until December 31, 2022. He was sworn into office January, 2018 by Governor Phil Murphy. This historic election makes him the first County Clerk in New Jersey State history to be of Puerto Rican descent. As Hudson County Clerk, he is responsible for the Elections Division, the Passport Division and the Public Records/Arcives Division. Before Junior was elected Clerk, he served as District Four Hudson County Freeholder when he won the Special Election in November, 2013 to fill the unexpired term of former Freeholder Eliu Rivera. In November, 2014 he was elected to a full three-year term and selected as Chairman of the Board at their annual reorganization meeting in January, 2015.

As a Freeholder, he served as Chairman of the Tourism & Cultural Affairs – Economic Development & Housing and Personnel Committees. He served as a member of the Public Safety, County Government Oversight & Policy, Family Services, Finance, Budget & Administration and Purchasing Committees, along with serving as the HCIA Liaison and Hudson County’s representative on the New Jersey Association of Counties (NJAC).

Junior’s career spans over 35 years of law enforcement and public service experience including his recent position as Deputy Executive Director of the Hudson County Improvement Authority. Prior to that, he served a four-year term as Councilman for the Downtown Ward of Jersey City, along with three terms as Chairman to the Jersey City Redevelopment Agency. He is also the former Chairman of the Jersey City Housing Authority Board of Commissioners, having served in that capacity for a consecutive four years in a row at that time.

His career in law enforcement included seven years as a Detective with the Hudson County Prosecutor’s Office and two years with the Narcotics/Gambling Strike Force. In 1985, he was promoted to Senior Detective and assigned to the newly created Special Investigations Unit. There, he specialized in white collar and organized crime investigations. He is a former member of the elite Emergency Services Tactical Unit having concluded his training at the prestigious Prince George County Police Academy located on the outskirts of Washington, D.C.

Throughout his life, Junior has been an involved citizen in the Jersey City community. He served as President/Founder of the Fiestas Patronales Committee, an organization that cultivated educational and cultural programs benefiting the Hispanic community and supported organizations such as the Catholic Charities Relief Fund, UNICEF International, the Roberto Clemente Little League, COBRA Baseball League, the Jersey City Boys Club and the anti-drug treatment program, Hogar Crea.

His leadership and community activities include serving as President and Advisor to the Jersey City Puerto Rican Parade Committee and being an active member of the Mid-Hudson American Kiwanis Club, the Hispanic Law Enforcement Association of Hudson County, the Roberto Clemente Little League and the Knights of Columbus Paulus Hook Council #475. He has also served as a member of the New Jersey Democratic State Committee, a Jersey City Committeeman and Democratic Ward Leader. He has been a member of the Statewide Latino Task Force, Lambda Sigma Upsilon Fraternity National Board of Directors, National Association of Latino Elected Officials and the Hispanic Elected Local Officials.

Junior has resided in Jersey City for nearly his entire life. He is a graduate of Jersey City’s Public School # 39 and James J. Ferris High School. Junior served in the United States Navy and was selected Company Honor Man at his graduation ceremony for finishing top of his class. He attended Rutgers University in New Brunswick and is the proud father of Eric and Kelly Anne Maldonado.
APPLICATION FOR VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT

NAME

STREET ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE

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WARNING

This application must be received by the County Clerk not later than 7 days prior to the election, unless you apply in person or via an authorized messenger during County Clerk’s office hours, but no later than 3 P.M. the day prior to the election.

VOTING INFORMATION

1. You must be a registered voter in order to apply for a Mail-In Ballot.
2. Once you apply for a Mail-In Ballot, you will not be permitted to vote by machine at your polling place in the same election.
3. You will receive instructions with your ballot.
4. If returning your Mail-In Ballot in person it must be received by the County Board of Elections before close of polls on Election Day. If returning your Mail-In Ballot by mail, it must be postmarked no later than Election Day and received by the County Board of Elections no later than 48 hours after the time of the closing of the polls for the election.
5. Do not submit more than one application for the same election.
6. You must apply for a Mail-In Ballot for each election, unless you designate otherwise under Section 1.

PLEASE NOTE

A voter may apply for a Mail-In Ballot by mail up to 7 days prior to the election. He or she may also apply in person to the County Clerk until 3 P.M. the day before the election.

Voters now have an option of automatically receiving a Mail-In Ballot for all future elections. If such voter no longer wants this option, the County Clerk’s office must be notified in writing.

INSTRUCTIONS

• Fill out application.
• Print and sign your name where indicated.
• Mail or Deliver application to the County Clerk.

DO NOT FAX OR E-MAIL

Unless you are a Military or Overseas Voter

Please Seal with Tape and Return
Application For Vote by Mail Ballot

Please type or print clearly in ink. All information required unless marked optional.

I hereby apply for a Mail-In Ballot for:
(CHECK ONLY ONE)

☐ ALL FUTURE ELECTIONS, until I request otherwise in writing.

Or for ONLY ONE of the following: ☐ General (November)
☐ Primary (June) ☐ Municipal ☐ School ☐ Fire
☐ Special ___________ To be held on __/__/____

(MILITARY/OVERSEAS VOTER ONLY)
I request Vote-By-Mail Ballots for all elections in which I am eligible to vote and I am (CHECK ONLY ONE)

☐ A Member of the Uniformed Services or Merchant Marine on active duty, or an eligible spouse or dependent.

☐ A U.S. Citizen residing outside the U.S. and I intend to return.

☐ A U.S. Citizen residing outside the U.S. and I do not intend to return.

☐ A U.S. Citizen residing outside the U.S. and I have never lived in the U.S.

PLEASE NOTE: Your ballot can only be sent to the mailing address supplied on this application.
If your mailing address changes, you must notify the County Clerk in writing.

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Last Name (Type or Print)   First Name (Type or Print)   Middle Name or Initial   Suffix (Jr., Sr., III)

2

Address at which you are registered to vote:
Street Address or RD#   Apt.

3

Municipality (City/Town)   State   Zip

4

Mail my ballot to the following address:
☐ Same Address as Section 3

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Date of Birth (MM / DD / YYYY) Day Time Phone Number

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E-Mail Address (Optional)

8

Signature

9

Today’s Date (MM / DD / YYYY)

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Assistor: Any person providing assistance to the voter in completing this application must complete this section.

Name of Assistor (Type or Print)   Signature of Assistor

Address

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Authorized Messenger:

Any voter may apply for a Mail-In Ballot by Authorized Messenger. Messenger shall be a family member or a registered voter of this County. No Authorized Messenger can (1) be a Candidate in the election for which the voter is requesting a Mail-In Ballot or (2) serve as messenger for more than THREE qualified voters per election.

I designate ____________________________ to be my Authorized Messenger.

Address of Messenger   Print Name of Authorized Messenger

Signature of Voter

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OFFICE USE ONLY

Voter Reg # ________________

Muni Code # _______ Party ________________

Ward _______ District ________________
1. Check all boxes that apply:  
- New Registration  
- New Address Change  
- Political Party Affiliation  
- Signature Update  
- Vote By Mail  
- Signature Update  
- Voter Registration Application

2. Are you a U.S. Citizen?  
- Yes  
- No  
(If No, DO NOT complete this form)

3. Are you at least 17 years of age?  
- Yes  
- No  
(If No, DO NOT complete this form)

4. Last Name  
First Name  
Middle Name or Initial  
Suffix (Jr., Sr., III)

5. Date of Birth (MM / DD / YYYY) / /  
Gender (Optional)  
- Female  
- Male  
Office Time Stamp

6. NJ Driver's License Number or MVC Non-driver ID Number  
If you DO NOT have a NJ Driver's License or MVC Non-driver ID, provide the last 4 digits of your Social Security Number. ___ ___ ___ ___

- "I swear or affirm that I DO NOT have a NJ Driver's License, MVC Non-driver ID or a Social Security Number."

7. Home Address (DO NOT use PO Box)  
Apt.  
Municipality (City/Town)  
County  
State  
Zip Code

8. Mailing Address (if different from Home Address)  
Apt.  
Municipality (City/Town)  
County  
State  
Zip Code

9. Last Address Registered to Vote (DO NOT use PO Box)  
Apt.  
Municipality (City/Town)  
County  
State  
Zip Code

10. Former Name if Making Name Change

11. Day Phone Number (Optional)  
E-Mail Address (Optional)

12. Do you wish to declare a political party affiliation?  
- Yes, the party name is ____________________________  
- No, I do not wish to be affiliated with any political party.

13. Request for Mail-In Ballot for all future elections (Optional)  
- I wish to receive a Mail-In Ballot for all future elections until I request otherwise in writing to the County Clerk's office.  
- Mail my ballot to the following address if different from Mailing Address above.

14. Declaration - I swear or affirm that:  
- I am a U.S. Citizen  
- I live at the above home address  
- I am at least 17 years old, and understand that I may not vote until reaching the age of 18  
- I will have resided in the State and county at least 30 days before the next election  
- I am not on parole, probation or serving a sentence due to a conviction for an indictable offense under any federal or state laws  
- I understand that any false or fraudulent registration may subject me to a fine of up to $15,000, imprisonment up to 5 years, or both pursuant to R.S. 19:34-1

15. Signature of Registrant: Sign or mark and date on lines below

Important Instructions for sections 7, 8, 13 and 14

7. Registrants who are submitting this form by mail and are registering to vote for the first time: If you do not supply any of the information required by section 7, or the information you provide cannot be verified, you will be asked to provide a COPY of a current and valid photo ID, or a document with your name and current address on it to avoid having to provide identification at the polling place.  
Note: ID Numbers are Confidential and will not be released by any governmental agency. Any person who uses such numbers illegally shall be subject to criminal penalties.

8. If you are homeless, you may complete section 8 by providing a contact point or the location where you spend most of your time.

13. You may declare a political party affiliation or you may declare to be unaffiliated, regardless of any prior party affiliation. If you are a previously affiliated voter who wants to change political party affiliation or become unaffiliated, you must file this form no later than 55 days before the primary election in order to vote in the primary election. Completing section 13 is OPTIONAL and will not affect the acceptance of your voter registration application.

14. If you wish to receive a Mail-In Ballot for all future elections, mark the appropriate box in section 14. You will continue to receive Mail-In Ballots for all future elections until you request otherwise in writing to your County Clerk's office.

Need More Information? Check boxes below if you would like to receive more information about:
- voting by mail
- polling place accessibility
- voting if you have a disability, including visual impairment
- becoming a poll worker
- available election materials in this alternative language:
You can register to vote if:
- You are a United States citizen.
- You are at least 17 years of age.*
- You will be a resident of the State and county 30 days before the election.
- You are NOT currently serving a sentence, probation or parole because of a felony conviction.

*You may register to vote if you are at least 17 years old but cannot vote until reaching the age of 18.

Registration Deadline: 21 days before an election
Your County Commissioner of Registration will notify you if your application is accepted. If it is not accepted, you will be notified on how to complete and/or correct the application.

Questions? visit Elections.NJ.gov or call toll-free 1-877-NJVOTER (1-877-658-6837)
SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT ELECTION DATES

JANUARY
7 Voter Registration Deadline for January Special School Election
28 Special School Election

FEBRUARY
18 Voter Registration Deadline for March Special School Election

MARCH
2 Nomination Petition Filing Deadline for Annual School Election at 4:00pm
9 Nomination Petition Filing Deadline for May Municipal Election
10 March Special School Election
30 Nomination Petition Filing Deadline for June Primary Election
31 Voter Registration Deadline for Annual School Election

APRIL
8 Deadline for Change of Party Affiliation Declaration Forms for Primary Election
10 Official Ballot Drawing for June Primary Election at 3:00pm
14 Deadline to apply for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot by mail for Annual School Election
20 Deadline to apply in person at the County Clerk’s Office for Vote-By-Mail Ballot for Annual School Election by 3:00pm
21 Annual School Election Day
21 Voter Registration Deadline for May Municipal Election

MAY
5 Deadline to apply for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot by mail for May Municipal Election
11 Deadline to apply in person at the County Clerk’s Office for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot for May Municipal Election by 3:00pm
12 May Municipal Election
12 Voter Registration Deadline for June Primary Election
26 Deadline to apply for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot by mail for June Primary Election
30 Election Division Open for Vote-By-Mail in person 9am-1pm

JUNE
1 Deadline to apply in person at the County Clerk’s Office for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot for June Primary Election by 3:00pm
2 Primary Election Day – Polls Open 6am-8pm
2 Last day for Independent Petitions to be filed for November General Election by 4:00pm

JULY
27 Nomination Petition Filing Deadline for Board of Education Election Candidates for General Election

AUGUST
10 Official Ballot Position Drawing for November General Election 3:00pm
25 Deadline for Submission for a Municipal or County Governing Body to file a request with the Bergen County Clerk to have a Public Question appear on the November Election Ballot
25 Deadline for Withdrawal of Board of Education Candidates

SEPTEMBER
4 Deadline to submit Public Questions for November School Board Elections to County Clerk
8 Voter Registration Deadline for September Special Election
8 Last day a vacancy can occur for Primary Election Nominees
10 Last Day to fill Primary Election Nominee Vacancies
29 September Special Election

OCTOBER
13 Voter Registration Deadline for November General Election
27 Deadline to apply for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot by mail for November General Election
31 Election Division Open for Vote-By-Mail in person 9am-1pm

NOVEMBER
2 Deadline to apply in person at the County Clerk’s Office for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot for November General Election by 3:00pm
3 November General Election – Polls Open 6am-8pm
17 Voter Registration Deadline for December Special Election

DECEMBER
8 December Special School Election

All dates are presumed accurate as of the date of printing. The dates are subject to change due to conditions beyond the control of the County Clerk’s Office, such as changes to the law, unusual weather conditions or other natural disaster, acts of war or other unforeseen circumstances. Confirm all dates and deadlines independently prior to filing any official documents.