

# VERMONT GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 3, 2026

## Consent of Candidate Form

(Independent Justice of the Peace Candidates)

See page 2 for instructions and filing information

This Consent of Candidate and your Petition/Statement of Nomination must be filed at the same time in the Town or City Clerk's office, **no sooner than MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2026 and no later than 5:00 p.m. on MONDAY, JULY 20, 2026.**

Please type or print clearly.

Office: JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Name on Ballot: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Party: \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*By signing, you are consenting to have your name appear on an official election ballot with the name, residence, and party provided above. If using a nickname as part of your Name on Ballot, you are also signing and swearing or affirming to the following statements: I have been commonly known by this nickname for at least three years prior to this election. My nickname does not constitute a slogan, nor does it indicate a political, economic, social, or religious view or affiliation. I understand the nickname will appear in quotation marks between my first and last name on the ballot (i.e., John "Smitty" Smith). 17 V.S.A. §2361*

Candidate Demographic Data (optional):

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Race/Ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Information for the Campaign

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

All information provided will be a public record and will appear on the Secretary of State's website.

**INFORMATION FOR INDEPENDENT JUSTICE OF THE PEACE CANDIDATES**  
**GENERAL ELECTION, November 3, 2026**

SIGNATURES REQUIRED to be added to General Ballot – 17 V.S.A. § 2402(b)(1)(E)

For Justice of the Peace - 30 or one percent of the legal voters of the municipality, whichever is less.

WHERE TO FILE – 17 V.S.A. § 2401

Independent candidates for Justice of the Peace file with your town or city clerk. Candidates can call the Elections Division with any questions (802) 828-2363.

WHEN YOU FILE: 17 V.S.A. § 2402(d)(1)(B)

**No sooner than MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2026 and No later than 5:00 p.m. on MONDAY, July 20, 2026**

Note: Under Vermont law, "filed" means "deposited in the regularly maintained office of the official with whom the filing is to be made." 17 V.S.A. § 2103(13)

CONSENT FORM: 17 V.S.A. § 2402(d)(1)

A Consent of Candidate form must be filed at the same time as your Statement of Nomination (petition). YOUR NAME WILL NOT BE PRINTED ON THE BALLOT if you fail to file both forms at the same time. Petitions will not be accepted on a rolling basis. All petition pages and the consent form must be filed at the same time.

NAME OF PARTY: 17 V.S.A. § 2403

The political party or other name on the petition/statement shall be substantially different from the name of any political party organized in Vermont and may not be more than three words. THE WORD PARTY WILL NOT APPEAR ON THE BALLOT. It shall also be different from any name on any other statement of nomination for the same office presently on file with the Secretary of State for the same election. If party name is left blank, the word "Independent" will be printed on the ballot.

**INFORMATION FOR SIGNERS**

WHAT IT MEANS TO SIGN – Your signature doesn't necessarily indicate that you support the candidate.

HOW MANY PRIMARY PETITIONS YOU MAY SIGN – 17 V.S.A. §2354

There are no restrictions on the number of petitions a voter may sign.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, please visit our website at <https://sos.vermont.gov/elections/> or call Elections Division in the Office of the Secretary of State at (800) 439-8683 (toll-free within VT) or (802) 828-2363.

