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**Important Upcoming Deadlines: Last Day to File Nominating
Petitions is August 5, 10-Day Challenge Period begins August 8**

Washington, DC – The District of Columbia Board of Elections (DCBOE) is reminding all candidates and the public of two important deadlines in the ballot access process for the November 3, 2026 General Election:

- **Wednesday, August 5, 2026:** Deadline for candidates to file nominating petitions, petition supplements, and/or any additional forms necessary for ballot access in the November 3, 2026 General Election.

All required documents should be filed at DCBOE's offices at 1015 Half Street, SE, Suite 750 by 5:00 pm on Wednesday, August 5, 2026. Candidates should arrive with their petition sheets counted and numbered, along with other documents ready to file.

- **Saturday, August 8, 2026:** Nominating petitions are posted for the 10-day challenge period that ends on **Monday, August 17, 2026 at 5:00 pm.**

In addition to its normal weekday hours of 8:15 am to 4:45 pm, DCBOE will be open weekends (Saturday, August 8; Sunday, August 9; Saturday, August 15; and Sunday, August 16) from 8:30 am to 4:45 pm during the challenge process.

To learn more about the challenge process, visit <https://www.dcboe.org/candidates/petition-challenge-process>. For more information about the ballot access process, visit <https://www.dcboe.org/candidates/candidate-ballot-access-information>.

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