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## **2018 ELECTIONS CALENDAR**

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- Calendar entries pertaining to the Mississippi Levee District Elections are printed in blue.
- Calendar entries pertaining to Campaign Finance deadlines are printed in green.

### **JANUARY**

**2<sup>nd</sup>** Qualifying Period Begins: First day candidates may qualify for U. S. Senate, U. S. House of Representatives, Supreme Court Justice, Court of Appeals Justice, Chancery Court Judge, Circuit Court Judge, County Court Judge and Mississippi Levee Commissioner. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-299, 23-15-359, 23-15-977, Gen Laws of 1930, Ch. 85*)

Legislative Session Begins. (*MS Const. 1890 § 36; Miss. Code Ann. § 5-1-7*)

**9<sup>th</sup>** Voter Roll Maintenance: County Election Commissioners meet to conduct voter roll maintenance and purge ineligible voters from SEMS. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-153(1)(a)*)

**10<sup>th</sup>** Campaign Finance Reporting Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Periodic Reports due in the appropriate office for 2017 judicial candidates and political committees which supported or opposed a 2017 judicial candidate. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(ii)*)

**31<sup>st</sup>** Campaign Finance Reporting Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Annual Report due in the appropriate office for candidates, current officeholders and political committees. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(iii)*)

## MARCH

**1<sup>st</sup>** Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Party Primary and independent candidates for U. S. Senate and U. S. House of Representatives. State Executive Committees forward to the Secretary of State's Office copies of all candidates' statements of intent no later than 6:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-299(3), 23-15-299(4)(b), 23-15-359(3)*)

**5<sup>th</sup>** Candidate List(s) Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: State Executive Committees provide to the Secretary of State's Office a list by name, mailing address and office sought, of candidates for U. S. Senate and U. S. House of Representatives who filed qualifying papers on or before the qualifying deadline. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-296*)

**7<sup>th</sup>** National Voter Registration Act, Systematic Purging Deadline: This date is within ninety (90) days of a federal election. No voters may be removed from the voter roll after this date based upon the confirmation card process. However, voters MAY continue to be removed from the voter roll based upon proof of death, conviction of a disenfranchising crime, adjudication of incompetence and a written request for removal signed by the voter. (*52 U. S. C. A. § 20507*)

## APRIL

**1<sup>st</sup>** Sine Die: Legislative Session Ends (*Miss. Const. 1890 § 36*)

**6<sup>th</sup>** Permanently Disabled Voters List: Circuit Clerks deliver the list to the County Election Commissioners to purge ineligible voters. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3)*)

Absentee Ballot Applications Available: Applications for the June Primary Elections must be available in the Circuit Clerks' Offices to eligible absentee voters. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-625*)

**16<sup>th</sup>** Primary Election Sample Ballot Deadline: State Executive Committees provide the names of qualified candidates to the Secretary of State's Office and the Secretary of State's Office publishes the Primary Election sample ballot in SEMS. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-331*)

**21<sup>st</sup>** UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline: Circuit Clerks' Offices send by email, mail or fax absentee ballots for the first and second (runoff) Primary Elections to UOCAVA voters who have requested an absentee ballot by state application, Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) or Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) since **January 1, 2018**. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-685*)

Absentee Ballots Available: Absentee ballots must be available in the Circuit Clerks' Offices as of this date. Absentee ballots must be mailed within 24 hours to voters who submitted an application before ballots became available, once ballots are available. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-715*)

Permanently Disabled Voters List: Election Commissioners return revised list to Circuit Clerks for Primary Elections. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3)*)

**26<sup>th</sup>** Absentee Ballot Deadline for Permanently Disabled Voters: Circuit Clerks' Offices mail absentee ballots to voters on the county's revised permanently disabled voters list. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(4)*)

**30<sup>th</sup>** Voter Registration: Circuit Clerks' Offices **may** remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the lunch/noon hour, for voter registration. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)*)

## MAY

**1<sup>st</sup>** Voter Registration: Circuit Clerks' Offices **may** remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the lunch/noon hour, for voter registration. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)*)

Voter Roll Maintenance: County Election Commissioners meet to conduct voter roll maintenance and purge ineligible voters from SEMS. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-153(1)(b)*)

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**5<sup>th</sup>** Voter Registration: Circuit Clerks' Offices **MUST** remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. for voter registration. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)*)

**7<sup>th</sup>** Voter Registration Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Applicants who register in-person in the Circuit Clerks' Offices **no later than 5:00 p.m. today** and those who mail registration applications **post-marked no later than today (5/7/2018)** are eligible (if qualified) to vote in the June Primary Elections. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-37(2), 23-15-47(2)(a)*)

Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Candidates for Mississippi Levee District (Bolivar, Washington, Humphreys and Sharkey Counties only). (*General Laws of 1930, Ch. 85, General Laws of 1968, Ch. 574, General Laws of 1983, Ch. 317*)

**10<sup>th</sup>** Campaign Finance Reporting Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Periodic Reports due in the appropriate office for 2018 judicial candidates and political committees supporting or opposing 2018 judicial candidates. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(ii)(e)*)

**11<sup>th</sup>** Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Candidates for Non-Partisan Judicial Offices, i.e., Mississippi Supreme Court Justice, Mississippi Court of Appeals Justice, Circuit, Chancery or County Court Judge. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-975, 23-15-977*)

**22<sup>nd</sup>** Appointment of Poll Workers: Deadline by which County Election Officials appoint poll managers for the Primary Elections. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-265*)

Publication of Notice of Poll Worker Training: County Election Officials must post notice of the time and location of poll manager training at the Courthouse and publish the same in a newspaper at least five (5) days prior to the date of the training. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(4)*)

**25<sup>th</sup>** Publication of Notice of L&A Testing: County Election Officials must provide public notice of the time and location of L&A testing at least five (5) days prior to the date of the testing. Candidates, candidate representatives, political parties, news media and the public are permitted to observe L&A testing. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(b)*)

**26<sup>th</sup>** UOCAVA Voter Registration Deadline: To be eligible to vote in the upcoming Primary Elections, Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in **actual receipt** of a completed FPCA from a UOCAVA voter. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-677(2)*)

Circuit Clerks' Offices OPEN for Absentee Voting from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653*)

**28<sup>th</sup>** **STATE HOLIDAY**

**29<sup>th</sup>** Campaign Finance Reporting Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Pre-Election Reports due in the respective Circuit Clerk's Office for Mississippi Levee District candidates. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(i)*)

**31<sup>st</sup>** Poll Manager Training Deadline: No poll manager or resolution board member may serve in the Primary Election(s) unless he/she has received training within the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the date of the election. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(a)*)

## JUNE

**2<sup>nd</sup>** In-Person Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' Offices OPEN from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653*)

- 3<sup>rd</sup> L&A Testing Deadline. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(a)*)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Absentee Ballot by Mail Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in **actual receipt** of absentee ballots returned by mail for ballots to be timely. This is not a postmark deadline but an actual receipt deadline. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-637*)
- 5<sup>th</sup> **PRIMARY ELECTION DAY** for U. S. Senate and U. S. House of Representatives. Polling places open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-1031*)

**GENERAL ELECTION DAY:** Mississippi Levee District Commissioner (Bolivar, Washington, Humphreys and Sharkey Counties only). (*General Laws of 1930, Ch. 85, General Laws of 1968, Ch. 574, General Laws of 1983, Ch. 317*)

UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerks' Offices by 7:00 p.m. from **only** UOCAVA voters by email, fax or mail are timely, and should be delivered to the voters' respective precincts for processing by the poll managers. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6)*)

- 6<sup>th</sup> Late Received Absentee Ballots: The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received by the Circuit Clerks' Office after the applicable deadlines must be stamped with the date and hour of receipt and retained for twenty-two (22) months. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-647*)
- 8<sup>th</sup> Campaign Finance Reporting Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Periodic Reports due in the appropriate office for 2018 judicial candidates and political committees supporting or opposing 2018 judicial candidates. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(ii)(e)*)

- 12<sup>th</sup> Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Last day affidavit voters who cast an affidavit ballot by reason of voter photo ID may present an acceptable form of photo ID or complete an affidavit of religious objection in the Circuit Clerks' Offices. (*Miss. Const. 1890 § 249-A*)

Campaign Finance Reporting Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Pre-Runoff Election Reports due in the respective Circuit Clerk's Office for Mississippi Levee District candidates on the June 19, 2018 General Runoff Election Day ballot only. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(i)*)

Appointment of Poll Workers for Primary Runoff Elections: Deadline by which County Election Officials appoint poll managers for the Runoff Elections. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-265*)

Publication of Notice of Poll Worker Training for Primary Runoff Elections: County Election Officials must post notice of the time and location of poll manager training at the Courthouse and publish the same in a newspaper at least five (5) days prior to the date of the training. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(4)*)

- 14<sup>th</sup>** Canvass of Returns and Announcement of Results: County Election Officials forward certified election results to the respective State Executive Committee. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-597*)
- 15<sup>th</sup>** Tabulated Statement of Party Vote: Deadline by which State Executive Committees declare primary election results, forward to MSOS the tabulated statements of the vote, announce the names of the party nominees and submit the names of candidates for the Primary Runoff Elections. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-599*)
- Delivery of Returns for Mississippi Levee District Commissioner: County Election Commissioners in Bolivar, Washington, Humphreys and Sunflower Counties forward to the Secretary of State's Office their county's Mississippi Levee District General Election certified recapitulation. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-603*)
- No candidate shall be certified as elected unless all required campaign finance reports have been filed with the respective Circuit Clerk's Office. (*Miss. Code Ann. 23-15-811*)
- 16<sup>th</sup>** Circuit Clerks' Offices OPEN for Primary Runoff Election Absentee Voting from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653*)
- Circuit Clerks' Office must mail an absentee ballot to all voters on the county's permanently disabled voters list and to those voters who complete an absentee ballot application before Primary Runoff Election absentee ballots are available. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-629(4), 23-15-715*)
- 18<sup>th</sup>** Publication of Notice of L&A Testing for Primary Runoff Election: County Election Officials must provide public notice of the time and location of L&A testing at least five (5) days prior to the date of the testing. Candidates, candidate representatives, political parties, news media and the public are permitted to observe L&A testing.
- 19<sup>th</sup>** GENERAL RUNOFF ELECTION DAY: Mississippi Levee District Commissioner (Bolivar, Washington, Humphreys and Sharkey Counties only). (*1968 Act, Section 2, Ch. 574*)
- 21<sup>st</sup>** Poll Manager Training Deadline for Primary Runoff Election: No poll manager or resolution board member may serve in the Primary Runoff Election(s) unless he/she has received training within the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the date of the election. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(a)*)
- 23<sup>rd</sup>** In-Person Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m., for Primary Runoff Election: Circuit Clerks' Offices OPEN from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653*)
- 24<sup>th</sup>** L&A Testing Deadline for Primary Runoff Election. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(a)*)
- 25<sup>th</sup>** Absentee Ballot by Mail Deadline, 5:00 p.m., for Primary Runoff Election: Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in **actual** receipt of absentee ballots returned by mail for ballots to be timely. This is not a postmark deadline but an actual receipt deadline. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-637*)

**26<sup>th</sup>** **PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION DAY** for U. S. Senate and House of Representatives. Polling places are open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-1031*)

UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m., for Primary Runoff Election: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerks' Offices by 7:00 p.m. from only UOCAVA voters by email, fax or mail are timely, and should be delivered to the voters' respective precincts for processing by the poll managers. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6)*)

**27<sup>th</sup>** Late Received Absentee Ballots: The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received by the Circuit Clerks' Offices after the applicable deadlines must be stamped with the date and hour of receipt and retained for twenty-two (22) months. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-647*)

**29<sup>th</sup>** Delivery of Returns for Mississippi Levee District Commissioner: County Election Commissioners in Bolivar, Washington, Humphreys and Sunflower Counties forward to the Secretary of State's Office their county's Mississippi Levee District General Runoff Election certified recapitulation. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-603*)

No candidate shall be certified as elected unless all required campaign finance reports have been filed with the respective Circuit Clerk's Office. (*Miss. Code Ann. 23-15-811*)

## JULY

**3<sup>rd</sup>** Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Last day affidavit voters who cast an affidavit ballot by reason of voter photo ID may present an acceptable form of photo ID or complete an affidavit of religious objection in the Circuit Clerks' Offices. (*Miss. Const. 1890 § 249-A*)

**5<sup>th</sup>** Canvass of Returns and Announcement of Primary Runoff Election Results: County Election Officials forward certified election results to the respective State Party Executive Committee. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-597*)

**6<sup>th</sup>** Tabulated Statement of Party Vote: Deadline by which State Executive Committees declare primary runoff election results, forward to MSOS the tabulated statements of the vote, announce the names of the party nominees and submit the names of candidates for the General Election. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-599*)

**10<sup>th</sup>** Campaign Finance Reporting Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Periodic Reports due in the appropriate office for 2018 judicial candidates and political committees supporting or opposing 2018 judicial candidates. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(ii)(e)*)

## AUGUST

**8<sup>th</sup>** Qualifying Period Begins: First day candidates may qualify for County School Board, Districts 3 and 4; Municipal Separate School District Trustee; Special Municipal Separate School District Trustee; or Consolidated/Consolidated Line School District Trustee. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 37-5-9, 37-7-211, 37-7-225, 37-7-711*)

National Voter Registration Act, Systematic Purging Deadline: This date is within ninety (90) days of a federal election. No voters may be removed from the voter roll after this date based upon the confirmation card process. However, voters MAY continue to be removed from the voter roll based upon proof of death, conviction of a disenfranchising crime, adjudication of incompetence and written requests for removal signed by the voter. (52 U. S. C. A. § 20507)

## SEPTEMBER

**7<sup>th</sup>** Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Candidates for County School Board, Districts 3 and 4; Municipal Separate School District Trustee; Special Municipal Separate School District Trustee; or Consolidated/Consolidated Line School District Trustee. (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 37-5-9, 37-7-211, 37-7-225, 37-7-711)

Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Candidates for County or County District Special Election(s). (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-839(1))

Permanently Disabled Voters List: Circuit Clerks deliver the list of permanently disabled voters to the Election Commissioners to purge ineligible voters. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3))

Absentee Ballot Applications Available: Applications for the November General Election must be made available to eligible absentee voters. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-625)

**10<sup>th</sup>** Voter Roll Maintenance: County Election Commissioners meet to conduct voter roll maintenance and purge ineligible voters from SEMS. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-153(1)(d))  
**NOTE:** This date is within ninety (90) days of a federal election. No voters may be removed from the voter roll after this date based upon the confirmation card process. However, voters MAY continue to be removed from the voter roll based upon proof of death, conviction of a disenfranchising crime, adjudication of incompetence and written requests for removal signed by the voter. (52 U. S. C. A. § 20507)

**12<sup>th</sup>** General Election Sample Ballot Deadline: The Secretary of State's Office publishes the General Election sample ballot in SEMS. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-367(3))

**22<sup>nd</sup>** UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline: Circuit Clerks' Offices send by email, mail or fax absentee ballots for the General Election to UOCAVA voters who previously requested an absentee ballot by state application, FPCA or FWAB since **January 1, 2018**. (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-683, 23-15-691, 23-15-692, 23-15-699)

Absentee Ballots Available: Absentee ballots must be available in the Circuit Clerks' Offices as of this date. Absentee ballots must be mailed within 24 hours to voters who submitted an application before ballots became available, once ballots are available. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-715)



Permanently Disabled Voters List: Election Commissioners return revised list to Circuit Clerks for General Election. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3))*

**27<sup>th</sup>** Absentee Ballot Deadline for Permanently Disabled Voters: Circuit Clerks' Offices mail absentee ballots to voters on the county's revised permanently disabled voters list. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(4))*

## OCTOBER

**1<sup>st</sup>** Voter Registration: Circuit Clerks' Offices **may** remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the lunch/noon hour, for voter registration. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2))*

**2<sup>nd</sup>** Voter Registration: Circuit Clerks' Offices **may** remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the lunch/noon hour, for voter registration. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2))*

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**8<sup>th</sup>** In-Person Voter Registration Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Applicants who register in-person in the Circuit Clerks' Offices **no later than 5:00 p.m. today** are eligible (if qualified) to vote in the November General Election. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2))*

**9<sup>th</sup>** Postmark Date, Mail-In Voter Registration Deadline: Applicants who mail registration applications **post-marked no later than today, 10/9/2018**, are eligible (if qualified) to vote in the November General Election. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-47(2)(a))*

**10<sup>th</sup>** Campaign Finance Reporting Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Periodic Reports due in the appropriate office for 2018 judicial candidates and political committees supporting or opposing 2018 judicial candidates. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(ii)(e))*

**26<sup>th</sup>** Publication of Notice of Poll Worker Training: County Election Commissioners post notice of the time and location of poll manager training at the Courthouse and publish the same in a newspaper at least five (5) days prior to the date of the training. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(4))*

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Circuit Clerks' Offices OPEN for Absentee Voting from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653)*

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**30<sup>th</sup>** Campaign Finance Reporting Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Pre-Election Reports due in the appropriate office for 2018 judicial candidates, school board candidates and political committees supporting or opposing any 2018 candidate or balloted measure. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(i))*

## NOVEMBER

**1<sup>st</sup>** Poll Manager Training Deadline: No poll manager or resolution board member may serve in the Primary Election(s) unless he/she has received training within the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the date of the election. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(a))*

**3<sup>rd</sup>** In-Person Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' Offices OPEN from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653)*

**4<sup>th</sup>** L&A Testing Deadline. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-541.6(3)(a))*

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**6<sup>th</sup>** **GENERAL ELECTION DAY** for U. S. Senate and U. S. House of Representatives, Judicial Offices, County School Board Members and certain School District Trustees. Polling places are open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

**REGULAR SPECIAL ELECTION DAY** for county and county district vacancies. Polling places are open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerks' Offices by 7:00 p.m. from **only** UOCAVA voters by email, fax or mail are timely, and should be delivered to the voters' respective precincts for processing by the poll managers. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6))*

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- Publication of Notice of Poll Worker Training for Runoff Election: County Election Commissioners post notice of the time and location of poll manager training at the Courthouse and publish the same in a newspaper at least five (5) days prior to the date of the training. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(4))*
- 16<sup>th</sup>** Delivery of General Election Returns Deadline: County Election Commissioners forward to the Secretary of State's Office their county's certified recapitulation from the General and/or Special Elections, which must be signed by a quorum (majority) of the election commissioners. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-603)*
- 17<sup>th</sup>** Circuit Clerks' Offices OPEN for Runoff Election Absentee Voting from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653)*  
 Circuit Clerks' Offices must mail an absentee ballot to all voters on the county's permanently disabled voters list and to those voters who complete an absentee ballot application before Runoff Election absentee ballots are available. *(Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-629(4), 23-15-715)*
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- 24<sup>th</sup>** In-Person Runoff Election Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' Offices OPEN from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653)*
- 25<sup>th</sup>** L&A Testing Deadline for Runoff Election. *(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(a))*

**26<sup>th</sup>** Runoff Election Absentee Ballot by Mail Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in **actual receipt** of absentee ballots returned by mail for ballots to be timely. This is not a postmark deadline but an actual receipt deadline. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-631(1)(c), 23-15-637*)

Meeting of the State Board of Election Commissioners to Determine Election of Judges for Supreme Court and Court of Appeals (absent Runoff Elections). (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-607*)

**27<sup>th</sup>** **GENERAL RUNOFF ELECTION DAY** for Judicial Offices and certain School District Trustees (Municipal Separate and Consolidated/Consolidated Line School Districts only). Polling places are open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

**SPECIAL RUNOFF ELECTION DAY** for county and county district vacancies. Polling places are open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerks' Offices by 7:00 p.m. from **only** UOCAVA voters by email, fax or mail are timely, and should be delivered to the voters' respective precincts for processing by the poll managers. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6)*)

**28<sup>th</sup>** Late Received Absentee Ballots: The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received by the Circuit Clerks' Office after the deadline must be stamped with the date and hour of receipt and retained for twenty-two (22) months. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-647*)

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**4<sup>th</sup>** Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Last day affidavit voters who cast an affidavit ballot by reason of voter photo ID may present an acceptable form of photo ID or complete an affidavit of religious objection in the Circuit Clerk's Office. (*Miss. Const. 1890 § 249-A*)

**7<sup>th</sup>** Delivery of Runoff Election Returns Deadline: County Election Commissioners forward to the Secretary of State's Office their county's certified recapitulation from the Runoff Elections, which must be signed by a quorum (majority) of the election commissioners. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-603*)

**17<sup>th</sup>** Meeting of the State Board of Election Commissioners to Determine Election of Judges for Supreme Court and Court of Appeals. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-607*)