

**MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 116 of 1954**

**168.426k Primary and general election; incumbent judge as candidate; printing designation of office on ballot; 2 or more judgeships; listing categories of candidates on ballot; death or disqualification of incumbent judge; application of subsection (3).**

Sec. 426k. (1) In the primary and general election for a judge of the municipal court of record, an incumbent judge who is a candidate shall have printed upon the ballot under the name of the candidate the designation of that office.

(2) In the primary and general election for 2 or more judgeships of the municipal court of record, each of the following categories of candidates shall be listed separately on the ballot, consistent with subsection (3):

(a) The names of candidates for the judgeship or judgeships for which the incumbent is seeking election.

(b) The names of candidates for an existing judgeship or judgeships for which the incumbent is not seeking election.

(c) The names of candidates for a newly created judgeship or judgeships.

(3) If the death or disqualification of an incumbent judge triggers the application of section 426f(2), then for the purposes of subsection (2) and section 426d(3), that judgeship shall be regarded as a judgeship for which the incumbent judge is not seeking election. The application of this subsection includes, but is not limited to, circumstances in which the governor appoints an individual to fill the vacancy and that individual seeks to qualify as a nominee under section 426f(2).

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