

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

**168.413a Incumbent circuit court judge; affidavit of candidacy.**

Sec. 413a. (1) Any incumbent circuit court judge may become a candidate in the primary election for the office of which he or she is an incumbent by filing with the secretary of state an affidavit of candidacy not less than 134 days prior to the date of the primary election. However, until December 31, 2013, if an incumbent judge of the circuit court was appointed to fill a vacancy and the judge entered upon the duties of office less than 137 days before the date of the primary election but before the fourteenth Tuesday before the primary election, the incumbent judge may file the affidavit of candidacy not more than 3 days after entering upon the duties of office. Beginning January 1, 2014, if an incumbent judge of the circuit court was appointed to fill a vacancy and the judge entered upon the duties of office less than 137 days before the date of the primary election but before the fifteenth Tuesday before the primary election, the incumbent judge may file the affidavit of candidacy not more than 3 days after entering upon the duties of office.

(2) The affidavit of candidacy shall contain statements that the affiant is an incumbent circuit court judge for the circuit in which election is sought, that he or she is domiciled within the circuit, and that he or she will not attain the age of 70 by the date of election, and shall contain a declaration that he or she is a candidate for election to the office of circuit court judge.

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