



## OFFICIAL CALL

### District Convention of the 1<sup>st</sup> Congressional District of the Republican Party of Virginia June 4, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. EDT Atlee High School 9414 Atlee Station Road in Mechanicsville

As Chairman of the 1st Congressional District of the Republican Party of Virginia and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the District Committee, I, Jeff Ryer, do hereby issue this Call for a District Convention to be held at Atlee High School, 9414 Atlee Station Rd, Mechanicsville VA 23116-2600, or its alternate site, starting at 10:00 a.m. EDT, with registration beginning at 9:00 a.m. EDT, on June 4, 2022, for the following purposes:

1. Electing a District Chairman of the Republican Party; and
2. For the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention.

#### Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of the 1st Congressional District under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, regardless of race, religion, national origin or sex, who are in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and who, if requested, express in open meeting either orally or in writing as may be required, their intent to support all of its nominees for public office in the ensuing election, may participate as members of the Republican Party of Virginia in its mass meetings, party canvasses, conventions or primaries encompassing their respective election districts.

#### Composition of Convention

The District Convention shall be composed of delegates and alternate delegates of the respective units they represent. Representation shall be based on a percentage of the total number of Republican votes cast in each county and city in the last gubernatorial and presidential election combined. Each unit is allowed one (1) Delegate Vote for each two hundred fifty (250) Republican votes cast or major portion thereof. Each unit shall be entitled to at least one (1) Delegate Vote. The delegates and alternates shall be elected in county and city mass meetings, party canvasses or conventions that shall be called for this purpose in conformity with the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia by each unit committee. Each unit's maximum number of delegates is equal to up to five (5) times its respective Delegate Vote.

Military delegates will be selected in conformity with the RPV Plan of Organization, as follows:

1. Any Military Member who is otherwise qualified under Article I to participate in Republican Party actions and who complies with the procedures to become a delegate to any Convention as set forth in the Official Call of the Convention, Mass Meeting, or Party Canvass called for the purpose of selecting delegates and alternates to that Convention (other than a national Republican Convention), and who produces valid military identification or other proof of active-duty status shall be certified as a delegate and shall not be required to be elected as a delegate.

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2. The number of delegates certified in this manner shall count toward each unit's maximum allowable number of convention delegates.
3. Military Members who are certified as delegates pursuant to Art VIII(H)6 of the Party Plan who are unable to attend the convention in person due to obligations of their official military orders, shall have their votes cast within their unit delegation according to candidate preference ballots. Candidate preference ballots shall list the Military Member's rank order preference among candidates (i.e., first choice, second choice, third choice, etc.). Their votes shall be cast for the highest ranked choice candidate who remains eligible to receive a vote in a particular round of voting.
4. Candidate preference ballots shall be made available by the Official Committee calling the convention no less than twenty (20) days prior to the convention and returned to the Chairman of the Official Committee that called the convention not less than three (3) days prior to the convention.

#### Ranked Choice Voting

If more than two (2) qualified candidates file for District Chairman, the Convention will use Ranked Choice Voting.

#### Chairman Candidate Filing Requirements

Candidates for District Chairman must declare their candidacy in writing, accompanied by a payment of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), payable to the 1<sup>st</sup> District Republican Committee, to District Treasurer George Clark, 705 Mobjack Pl Ste A, Newport News VA 23606-1966, which must be received by 5:00 p.m. EST on February 18, 2022. Postmarks do not govern.

#### Delegate Candidate Filing Requirements

Candidates for Delegate or Alternate must fulfill the filing requirements and applicable deadlines of their respective unit, submitting a payment of ten dollars (\$10.00), payable to their unit committee, prior to their election. Units may provide for Delegate forms to be filed online, but must also allow the option of filing by paper form.

#### Certification of Delegates

The delegates present in a given delegation shall designate which alternate delegates shall vote in the place of an absent delegate except where the electing body electing the delegates has determined another method of alternate delegate selection. The said delegates and alternate delegates to the District Convention so elected shall be certified in writing with their respective names and addresses including zip codes over the signatures of the permanent chairman and permanent secretary of the unit mass meeting or convention, or of the unit chairman of the unit committee which may have conducted a party canvass to select the delegates and alternate delegates.

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ALL CERTIFICATIONS AND DELEGATE FILING FEES COLLECTED BY UNIT COMMITTEES, REGARDLESS OF THE DATE OF LOCAL MASS MEETING, PARTY CANVASS OR CONVENTION must be postmarked no later than seven (7) days prior to the convening of said convention, Saturday, May 28, 2022. After the filing deadline of the certification, no change may be made except a certified alternate delegate may be made a delegate. A copy of the published call of the convention, mass meeting or party canvass called for the purpose of selecting delegates and alternate delegates to said convention, must accompany the certification with the date of publication included. Certification should be mailed or delivered as follows:

Original and Payment – George Clark, 705 Mobjack Pl Ste A, Newport News VA 23606-1966

Second Copy – Edgar Doleman, PO Box 177, Wicomico Church VA 22579-0177

Third Copy – For the unit's records

A delegate or alternate delegate is not certified until his name, address and phone number has been provided on the certification.

The units and respective voting strengths are as follows (unless revised by the Republican Party of Virginia):

UNIT	DELEGATE VOTE	UNIT	DELEGATE VOTE
Chesterfield	324	Middlesex	32
Essex	23	New Kent	73
Gloucester	110	Northumberland	35
Hanover	290	Poquoson	42
Henrico	266	Richmond	19
King and Queen	18	Westmoreland	40
King William	54	Williamsburg-James City	192
Lancaster	29	York	151
Mathews	30	TOTAL	1,728

#### Cancellation Provisions

If only one (1) qualified candidate files for District Chairman, that candidate shall be deemed elected and the Convention cancelled. The filing fee for that candidate shall be retained by the 1<sup>st</sup> District Republican Committee and all filing fees for delegates and alternates to the Convention shall be retained by their respective unit committee.