

CANDIDATE FILING FOR CERTAIN OFFICES SUSPENDED

The North Carolina Court of Appeals just issued an order temporarily suspending filing for **congressional and legislative offices**. By order of the court (attached), the county boards may not file candidates for State House and State Senate until further notice. Likewise, the State Board may not file candidates for U.S. House until further notice.

This is a temporary stay to permit the parties to submit their arguments to the Court of Appeals. The court then will make a decision whether to continue the suspension or lift it. We will let you know as soon as we have further word from the courts.

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The following order was entered:

The motion for temporary stay filed by Plaintiffs on 6 December 2021 is allowed in part to enjoin Defendants from opening of the candidate-filing period for the 2022 primary elections for Congress, the North Carolina Senate, and the North Carolina House of Representatives pending this Court's ruling on Plaintiffs' 'Petition for Writ of Supersedeas or Prohibition.' The period for Defendants to respond to Plaintiffs' petition shall close at 12:00 p.m. on 9 December 2021. A ruling on the petition will be made upon Defendants' filing of their responses or the expiration of the response period if no response is filed.

By order of the Court this the 6th of December 2021.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this the 6th day of December 2021.



Eugene H. Soar
Clerk, North Carolina Court of Appeals