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Commonwealth of Virginia

Absentee Ballot Application

Submit a separate form for each person and for each election. Must Complete Parts A through D (and E/F if applicable).

I am registered to vote in the County/City of: _____

I am applying to vote in: ☐ General Election or Special Election ☐ Democratic Primary ☐ Republican Primary

To be held on:

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 Printed Last Name: _____

PART A Under Virginia law a registered voter may qualify to vote absentee by completing one of the following statements.

Note: First time voters who registered by mail may be ineligible to apply to vote absentee by mail. See Instructions.

→ I will be absent on Election Day from the county/city in which I am registered to vote because of the following:

- ☐ 1A Student attending (name/address of school): _____
- ☐ 1B Spouse of student attending (name/address of school): _____
- ☐ 1C Business (name of employer or business): _____
- ☐ 1D Personal business or vacation (place of travel—VA city/county or State or Country): _____
- ☐ 6A Active duty Merchant Marine or Armed Forces (Branch/Rank or Rate, Service ID): _____
- ☐ 6B Spouse or dependent living with a member of 6A (Branch/ Rank or Rate, Service ID): _____
- ☐ 6C Temporarily residing outside US, cohabitant spouse or dependent (if your Virginia residence is **no longer available to you**, provide your last date of residence in Virginia): _____
- ☐ 6D Temporarily residing outside US for employment, cohabitant spouse or dependent (if your Virginia residence is **no longer available to you**, provide your last date of residence in Virginia): _____

→ I will be unable to go to the polls in person on Election Day for the following reason:

- ☐ 2A My disability or illness (nature of disability or illness): _____
- ☐ 2B I am primarily and personally responsible for the care of a disabled/ill family member confined at home.
Their Name: _____ Nature of their Disability/illness: _____
- ☐ 2C My pregnancy.
- ☐ 5A I have a religious obligation (religion and nature of obligation): _____

→ I am:

- ☐ 1E Working and commuting to/from home for 11 or more hours between 6:00 AM and 7:00 PM on Election Day.
Working/Commuting:

 AM –

 PM.
Name of business or employer and workplace address: _____
- ☐ 3A Confined, awaiting trial (place/address of confinement): _____
- ☐ 3B Confined, convicted of a misdemeanor (place/address of confinement): _____
- ☐ 4A An electoral board member, registrar, officer of election, or custodian of voting equipment.
- ☐ 7A Requesting a ballot for **presidential and vice-presidential electors only**. (Ballots for other offices/issues will not be sent.)

What You Should Know, From Page EF-5

Answer: YES! BECOME AN ELECTION OFFICER. Call 703 324-4706 or check web site www.fairfaxcounty.gov/eb. The hours are long but you can split a shift if you get someone to do it with you. You get paid, and can see all your neighbors. (You are usually assigned to your home precinct.)

4) What happens if bad weather and traffic prevents you from getting to the polls on time?

Answer: Protocol exists for extending hours, but it was not implemented by the political parties last February during the primary.

5) Will I need to show some sort of I.D.?

Answer: Yes. The General assembly passed legislation that requires you to provide I.D. or sign an Affirmation of Identity in order to vote.

6) What forms of I.D. are acceptable?

Answer: The following will work:

- Virginia voter identification card (see why you need to save it?)
- Va. Driver's license or special ID card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles
- Valid U.S. passport
- Military ID
- Any Federal, state or local government issued ID
- Employer issued photo
- Social Security Card

7) What if I turn up without any of these?

Answer: You may sign, under oath, an Affirmation of Identity, which is your certification in writing that the name and address information being provided is correct.

8) I am a busy person. When am I least likely to stand in a long line?

Answer: 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. are the least busy times. You may wonder why we don't vote on weekends or declare a holiday so that all don't have to interrupt jobs to vote. We will take a look at that in next month's study. An additional note on this issue: an increased number of election workers would make shorter lines for all. Go to www.fairfaxcounty.gov/eb to find out about becoming an election worker or to download an application.

9) What kind of voting machine will I be using?

Answer: According to County Election officials, "every precinct will have at least one optical scanner and from 3 to 6 touch screen machines (depending upon the size of the precinct.) Voters will be encouraged (but not required) to use the


paper ballot which will keep the lines moving faster since more voters can vote at the same time. The County is planning to print enough paper ballots for 100% turnout, so it won't be caught short!" Optical scanner voting machines are being introduced in response to recently passed state law to answer concerns about electronic machines not leaving a paper trail. See sample paper ballot, which must be run through an optical scan reader.

WHAT LWVFA DOES TO SERVE VOTERS

The League of Women Voters to the Rescue


The League of Women Voters was formed right after women obtained the right to vote in order to make sure these new voters became informed voters. We feel we are needed more than ever these days, and not just for women. Consequently the LWV of the Fairfax Area puts considerable effort into providing the following informational voting services. The first three items also appear on our website, www.lwv-fairfax.org:

- **VOTER'S GUIDE**—Local and state Leagues request biographies, photos, and answers to questions of those qualified to be on the ballot. Their answers will be published in the *Connection Newspapers* throughout the City of Fairfax and Fairfax County approximately two weeks before the election.
- **"WHAT'S ON THE BALLOT?"**—In user-friendly language and in readable form, the League publishes every autumn a list of all the decisions the voters will be making, including candidates and bond issues. This publication will appear on our website and in our October newsletter in late September. Printed versions will be passed out at League voter outreach events (community fairs, etc.) before the election. Each library will receive copies as well as governmental offices.
- **FACTS FOR VOTERS**—Updated yearly, this is an easily accessible listing of every elected official (and some appointed ones) for voters in Fairfax County and City of Fairfax from the President of the U.S. to local school board members and administration. Voting registration information, registrar's offices, local and regional libraries and more are included. Distribution is the same as in "What's on the Ballot?"
- **VOTING 101 CLASSES**—for this election they will be held in four regional libraries in October: Chantilly, Oct. 8, 7:30 p.m.; the City of Fairfax, Oct. 5, 2:00 p.m.; Reston, Oct. 15, 7:30 p.m.; and Sherwood, Oct. 12 at 2:00 p.m. Classes will cover in more detail much of the information



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FAMOUS NAMES DEMONSTRATION BALLOT

Completely fill in the Oval opposite the name of each candidate you wish to vote for as shown 

<p style="text-align: center;">PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)</p> <p>THOMAS JEFFERSON <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ABRAHAM LINCOLN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>JOHN F. KENNEDY <input type="radio"/></p> <p>DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER <input type="radio"/></p> <p>FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">POET LAUREATE (Vote for ONE)</p> <p>MARIANNE MOORE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ROBERT FROST <input type="radio"/></p> <p>CARL SANDBURG <input type="radio"/></p> <p>T.S. ELIOT <input type="radio"/></p> <p>EZRA POUND <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">COMMISSIONERS FOR NATIONAL PASTIMES (Vote for TWO)</p> <p>JIM THORPE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>BILL RUSSELL <input type="radio"/></p> <p>JOE DIMAGGIO <input type="radio"/></p> <p>PEGGY FLEMING <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> Write-in 1</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> Write-in 2</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">COMMISSIONER OF AMERICAN LITERATURE (Vote for ONE)</p> <p>ERNEST HEMINGWAY <input type="radio"/></p> <p>WILLIAM FAULKNER <input type="radio"/></p> <p>JOHN STEINBECK <input type="radio"/></p> <p>SINCLAIR LEWIS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION (Vote for ONE)</p> <p>AMELIA EARHART <input type="radio"/></p> <p>CHUCK YEAGER <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ORVILLE WRIGHT <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NEIL ARMSTRONG <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MINISTER OF COMIC RELIEF (Vote for ONE)</p> <p>LUCILLE BALL <input type="radio"/></p> <p>BOB HOPE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>CAROL BURNETT <input type="radio"/></p> <p>LILY TOMLIN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>
<p>TURN BALLOT OVER TO CONTINUE VOTING</p>		

covered in this study. This program will also be given at the Reston Community Center October 8.

- **PHONE BANKS**—Starting October 28, voting information seekers can call the League Office (703 658-9150) between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- **WEB SITE**—www.LWV-Fairfax.org—will contain “What’s on the Ballot” and all the information in this study starting the first week in September.
- **LINK TO NATIONAL LEAGUE INFORMATION SITE.** Our local site will provide a link to a

valuable source of voting information for the entire county, www.VOTE411.org

- **DEBATES**—Our local League is currently arranging for televised candidate debates for Districts 8, 10 and 11 which will be televised on Channel 10 (Fairfax County Public Television) at their Merrifield location.
- REGISTRATION**--League members will be helping to register voters at several locations around the county until October 6.