



CUYAHOGA COUNTY
BOARD OF ELECTIONS

PETITION-PRE CHECK NOTICE **PLEASE READ**

A candidate can request a pre-check of his/her petition before filing. A pre-check is optional and is executed only at the candidate's request. The process consists of signature verification against our registration records and an examination of the petition content.

It is to your advantage to submit a petition for a pre-check as early as possible, giving ample time to collect more signatures, if needed. **ALTHOUGH A PRE-CHECK MAY DETERMINE ENOUGH VALID SIGNATURES, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOU FILE TWICE THE MINIMUM AMOUNT REQUIRED.** Remember, once a petition is filed, no additional part-petitions can be accepted.

If a candidate requests a pre-check of his/her petition; the **ORIGINAL** petition must be presented to the Candidate & Voter Services Division. Each candidate will have one opportunity for a pre-check. Therefore, it is to your advantage to submit as many signatures as possible to meet your minimum requirement. The reverse side of this notice lists the deadline dates for submitting the petition for a pre-check. The dates are based on a predetermined number of business days before the actual filing deadline.

Once the process is complete, the candidate or designated contact person will be notified by telephone. *Please pick up the petition within three business days after notification that the petition is ready.* Filing an accurate, completed petition is the candidate's responsibility. We advise the candidate to do a thorough examination of all part-petitions using the petition instructions that are distributed to you and your charter/Ohio Revised Code.

Additional information concerning this procedure may be obtained by contacting the Candidate & Petition Services Division at 216-443-3298.



2009 DEADLINES FOR PRE-CHECKING OF PETITIONS

Petition Filing Deadline	Pre-Check Deadline
2/19/2009	2/5/2009
3/6/2009	2/20/2009
3/21/2009	3/6/2009
5/4/2009	4/20/2009
6/10/2009	5/27/2009
6/15/2009	6/1/2009
6/16/2009	6/2/2009
6/25/2009	6/11/2009
7/1/2009	6/17/2009
7/10/2009	6/26/2009
8/5/2009	7/22/2009
8/20/2009	8/6/2009
9/4/2009	8/21/2009
9/19/2009	9/4/2009

