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Use of Nickname on Ballot - Acknowledgement

If you plan to designate a nickname on your candidate oath form other than a generally recognized shortened version of your legal name ("Rob" or "Bob", "Bill" for William, "DJ" for David Joseph) you should provide notice of your intention well in advance of the qualifying period and make a satisfactory showing that you are generally known by the nickname or that you have used the nickname as part of your legal name. Failure to provide such information in advance may result in not having sufficient time during the qualifying period to determine if the nickname may be printed on the ballot.

Attached to this Notice is an Affidavit that also supporting documentation that you may consider submitting in advance to show that the nickname is legitimate.

NOTE: Division of Elections Opinion 86-06 states: "Descriptive information such as a title (for example, Dr. or M.D.), although not part of a person's name, is permissible only when two persons of the same name or whose names are so similar as to reasonably cause confusion, seek the same office." Therefore, ordinary, even if a candidate is commonly referred to a "Doctor," "Professor," or "Colonel," those titles would not be allowed as a nickname or as a part of a nickname unless such descriptive information is reasonably necessary to avoid confusion among candidates.

I have received the "Use of Nickname on Ballot" information.	
Candidate's Signature	Date
Print Candidate's Name	

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AFFIDAVIT OF (Candidate legal name)
STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF Monroe
BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared (insert legal name of (Candidate), who being first duly sworn or placed under affirmation, says:
1. My legal name is I am over the age of eighteen (18) and the contents of this affidavit are true and correct.
2. I am a candidate for the office of
3. My nickname is I am generally known by this nickname or have used it as part of my legal name. I have not created the nickname to mislead voters. I plan to designate this nickname on my candidate oath as the name I wish to have printed on the ballot when I submit the candidate oath form during the qualifying period for the above office.
4. Attached are (insert #) documents that show that my nickname is one by which I am generally known or is one that I have used as a part of my legal name: (list the title of any documents or affidavits from other persons reflecting that the candidate is generally known by the nickname or that it has been used as part of the candidate's legal name)
Further, affiant sayeth not.
Signature of Affiant
Printed/Typed Name of Affiant
Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of 20_ by (insert legal name of candidate)
(SEAL)Notary
Printed Name
Personally known or Produced Identification
Type of Identification Produced
http://dos.myflorida.com/elections/candidates-committees/qualifying/