

INSTRUCTION SHEET FOR REQUEST FOR WATCHER'S CERTIFICATE BY CANDIDATE

25 P.S. §2687 Appointment of Watchers:

(a) ... Each candidate nominated or election in accordance with the provisions of this act shall be entitled to appoint two watchers for each election district in which such candidate is voted for...

(b) Each watcher so appointed must be a qualified registered elector of the county in which the election district for which the watcher was appointed is located ... Watchers shall be required to show their certificates when requested to do so.

25 P.S. §3502 Perjury:

Any willful false statement made under oath or affirmation or in writing, statement that it is so made, although such oath or affirmation may not have actually been made, by any person regarding any material matter or thing relating to any subject being investigated, heard, determined or acted upon by any county board of elections, or member thereof, or by any court of judge thereof, judge of election, inspector of election, or overseer, in accordance with the terms of this act, shall be perjury ...

The Delaware County application for watcher's certificate offers the ability to apply for fifteen (15) certificates on one application. Please list the **watchers name**, their **registered address, the community where you are requesting them to be a watcher** and the **division**. For example:

1.	John Doe,	201 W. Front St.,	Radnor	1-1
	Watcher name,	Registered address	Municipality,	Ward/Precinct

Additional points to follow when completing the application for watcher certificates are:

- Candidate should indicate at the top of the form in the section labeled "**Special Instructions for Pick-Up**" who specifically the candidate wishes the Bureau of Elections to release processed watcher certificate to. If this section is left blank, certificates will be released to whoever requests them.
- When completing the watcher information, the Bureau requests that the **information is typed**, this method will allow for more accurate processing.
- If applying for a large number of watcher certificates the Bureau requests the party **organize applications by town**, grouping one community together on applications.
- Application must include the **candidate's original signature** at the bottom right corner of the application (or the designated agent). To do so the candidate must send correspondence to the County Bureau of Elections indicating the office they are seeking and identify their appointed representative. The notice must be dated and signed (**original signature**) by candidate. Once this notice is filed in the Bureau of Elections the representative may sign the applications for watcher certificates.
- Application for watcher's certificate may be submitted to the Bureau from September 21, 2026, through November 3, 2026. The Bureau encourages **application for certificates by October 23rd** to allow sufficient processing time. Certificates requested by October 28th will be available October 30th and certificates requested between October 29th and October 30th will be available by November 2nd and request received November 2nd will be available by 11:00 a.m. on November 3, 2026. **Requests made on November 3, 2026 will be made available as time allows.**

REQUEST FOR WATCHER CERTIFICATES - BY CANDIDATE

Delaware County Bureau of Elections
Government Center Building
201 West Front Street
Media, PA 19063

Special Instructions for Pick-Up

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Furthermore, an elector seeking public office may not be a Watcher anywhere that their name appears on the ballot.

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Attention Chief Clerk:

I hereby request the following Watcher Certificates issued to the persons for the Election in accordance with the names listed below:

Name	Registered Address	Watcher At: Municipality	Ward Precinct
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Candidate ID#:

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I hereby declare under the penalty of perjury, pursuant to 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904, that the above statements are true and correct based upon my personal knowledge, information and belief.

RESPECTULLY SUBMITTED:

SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE or PROXY [Original]

PRINTED NAME CANDIDATE

NAME OF OFFICE SEEKING - POLITICAL PARTY