



Nominations and Elections Committee: Nominee Appeal Process

1. Within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the Nominations and Election Committee's ("NEC") determination of a nominee's ineligibility to be slated as a candidate for an elective office, the nominee's may submit a written request to the NEC Chair to provide a summary of the reasons supporting the NEC's determination.
2. Within five (5) calendar days of receipt of the NEC's response, the nominee may file a written appeal with the NEC Chair.
3. If the nominee files an appeal, then the nominee's appeal must include the following information:
 - a. Basis for the appeal, which must be limited to correct:
 - i. A material error that affected the outcome of the NEC's determination, which must be rationally related to the reasons disclosed by the NEC under Section 1, above
 - ii. A technical error with the system used by nominee to submit the application, or
 - iii. An error in the application submitted to the NEC
 - b. Supporting documentation for the basis for appeal; and
 - c. Whether the nominee requests an opportunity to make the appeal directly to the NEC, provided that the NEC conducts an appeal hearing.
4. Within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the written appeal, the NEC Chair will forward a copy of the nominee's appeal and supporting materials to NEC members for review.
5. If the NEC members accept the applicant's basis for appeal, then the NEC will conduct an appeal hearing via conference call; a majority of NEC members must participate in order to conduct the hearing.
6. If the nominee requests to participate in the hearing, then, within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt of the appeal, the NEC Chair will notify the nominee of the date of the appeal hearing.
7. In order to prevail on appeal, a nominee must receive a 2/3 affirmative vote from the NEC members voting at the appeal hearing.
8. Within five (5) calendar days of the date of the appeal hearing, the NEC Chair shall notify the nominee of the NEC's decision in writing.

9. The decision of the NEC on a nominee's appeal is final.
10. If the applicant prevails through the appeal, then the applicant will be listed on the slate of candidates. Please note that due to the timing of the appeal, an initial slate of candidates may already be published prior to the appeal.