

**PROCEDURES OF THE OKLAHOMA BAR ASSOCIATION
GOVERNING THE ELECTION OF LAWYER MEMBERS TO THE
JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION**

1. Article 7-B, Section 3, of the Oklahoma Constitution requires elections be held in each odd numbered year by active members of the Oklahoma Bar Association to elect two members of the Judicial Nominating Commission for six-year terms from Congressional Districts as such districts existed at the date of adoption of Article 7-B of the Oklahoma Constitution (1967).
2. Ten (10) active members of the association, within the Congressional District from which a member of the commission is to be elected, shall file with the Executive Director a signed petition (which may be in parts) nominating a candidate for the commission; or, one or more County Bar Associations within said Congressional District may file with the Executive Director a nominating resolution nominating such a candidate for the commission.
3. Nominating petitions must be received at the Bar Center by 5 p.m. on the third Friday in May.
4. All candidates shall be advised of their nominations, and unless they indicate they do not desire to serve on the commission, their name shall be placed on the ballot.
5. If no candidates are nominated for any Congressional District, the Board of Governors shall select at least two candidates to stand for election to such office.
6. Under the supervision of the Executive Director, or his designee, ballots shall be mailed to every active member of the association in the respective Congressional District on the first Friday in June, and all ballots must be received at the Bar Center by 5 p.m. on the third Friday in June.
7. Under the supervision of the Executive Director, or his designee, the ballots shall be opened, tabulated and certified at 9 a.m. on the Monday following the third Friday of June.
8. Unless one candidate receives at least 40 percent of the votes cast, there shall be a runoff election between the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes.
9. In case a runoff election is necessary in any Congressional District, runoff ballots shall be mailed, under the supervision of the Executive Director, or his designee, to every active member of the association therein on the fourth Friday in June, and all runoff ballots must be received at the Bar Center by 5 p.m. on the third Friday in July.
10. Under the supervision of the Executive Director, or his designee, the runoff ballots shall be opened, tabulated and certified at 9 a.m. on the Monday following the third Friday in July.
11. Those elected shall be immediately notified, and their function certified to the Secretary of State by the President of the Oklahoma Bar Association, attested by the Executive Director.
12. The Executive Director, or his designee, shall take possession of and destroy any ballots printed and unused.
13. The election procedures, with the specific dates included, shall be published in the Oklahoma Bar Journal in the three issues immediately preceding the date for filing nominating resolutions.