# **FORM CF-16 INSTRUCTIONS**

This form must contain original signatures in ink and be notarized or subscribed to.

Copies of signatures, including those on faxes, PDFs, or other electronic files, are not acceptable.

# CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE OR PARTY POSITION MAY BE REQUIRED TO FILE THIS FORM.

#### FILE THIS FORM IF:

You are a candidate with an authorized committee that will make all of the candidate's required campaign financial disclosure filings. These committee filings would include all the financial activity of the campaign, including the financial activity of the candidate.

#### DO NOT FILE THIS FORM IF:

- You are a candidate with an authorized committee and you have additional financial activity that will not be reported by your committee: Candidates with an authorized committee that have, or plan on having, any financial activity that will not be disclosed by the committee, including the financial activity of the candidate, are required to disclose this other financial activity by filing financial disclosure reports on the required filing dates. These reports would be in addition to the committee's reports. For NYS-BOE filers, see Additional Information below.
- You are a candidate **without an authorized committee:** Candidates that do not have an authorized committee are required to disclose all the financial activity of the campaign, including the financial activity of the candidate, by filing disclosure reports on the required filing dates. For NYSBOE filers, see Additional Information below.

### WHEN COMPLETING THIS FORM, THE CANDIDATE MUST:

- Provide the office sought, district # (if applicable), candidate's full name, residential address (no P.O. Boxes allowed), county, and telephone number(s).
- Provide an original signature (copies of signatures, including those on faxes, PDFs, or other electronic files, are not acceptable).
- Have this form notarized, or subscribed to by a commissioner of deeds.
- File this form at least 32 days prior to the first election to which it relates.
- Provide additional sheets if this form does not provide enough spaces for the candidate information.
- File an amended CF-16 any time information on the original form changes, other than an election year.

Note: The optional mailing address may include a P.O. Box . E-mail address, Social Security number, cell and business telephone numbers are optional.

#### WHERE TO FILE THIS FORM:

- Candidates for statewide office, NYS Senate/Assembly, Supreme Court Justice, and certain party offices: File this
  form with the New York State Board of Elections (NYSBOE).
- Local candidates (all other offices/party positions): File this form with the applicable city or county board of elections. In addition, file an original of this form with NYSBOE if your authorized committee plans to raise or spend more than \$1,000 in a calendar year.
- Village candidates: File this form with the village clerk unless the county board is running the village election. If so, file with the county board of elections, and also file an original of this form with NYSBOE if your authorized committee plans to raise or spend more than \$1,000 in a calendar year.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- If the committee named by the candidate on this form (1) does not register by filing the CF-02 form, and (2) does not then file the required disclosure reports, the candidate will be responsible for filing the reports.
- The committee identified on this form must file the CF-03 form in order to complete the authorization process.
- Candidates required to file with NYSBOE who are not required to file this CF-16 (see above) must submit the *Candidate Campaign Finance Registration Form to Request NYSBOE Filer ID# and PIN* form CF-04.