

INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTING THE SPECIAL WRITE-IN VOTE BY MAIL VOTER'S BLANK BALLOT (SPECIAL PAPER BALLOT)

Please follow these instructions for voting your Special Write-in Vote By Mail Voter's Blank Ballot (also referred to as the "Special Paper Ballot"). This Special Paper Ballot is available only to voters covered by the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA). UOCAVA voters are: (a) active members of the military, their spouses and their voting-age dependents residing with them; and (b) civilians residing temporarily or permanently outside the United States. This Special Paper Ballot contains the list of candidates for the offices for which you are qualified to vote.

In addition to these instructions, you should also receive the following attachments:

- Special Paper Ballot
- Ballot Return Envelope with Certification

VOTE YOUR BALLOT

The name of each office is followed by the list of certified party candidates for that office. To vote, you must connect the two parts of the arrow to the right of the candidate's name for each office on your ballot. Vote for one candidate for each office unless instructed otherwise.

CERTIFICATION

After you vote your ballot, complete the information on the Certification Form. Sign on the signature line, print your name and include the date you completed the Certification. Your Special Paper Ballot will be counted ONLY if the Certification is signed and returned with your voted ballot.

RETURNING YOUR VOTED BALLOT AND CERTIFICATION

Place your voted Special Paper Ballot inside a small envelope and mark the envelope, "BALLOT ENVELOPE." Place your Ballot Envelope and the completed Certification inside a larger envelope. A sample of the larger ballot return envelope is attached for your use. Voted ballots must be returned by mail, in person, by the spouse, parent, child, brother or sister of the voter, by a licensed motor carrier or submitted to a U.S. embassy or U.S. consulate for return to the United States. (You must pay the postage to return your ballot and supporting documents. You may avoid postage cost only if you adhere the printed sample envelope to the face of your mailing envelope AND if the ballot is returned from a location **inside** the United States, including military APO and FPO, or through a U.S. embassy or U.S. consulate. **Note: If you use an embassy/consulate, and if the service is available, ask to have your ballot envelope date and time stamped.**)

DUPLICATE BALLOTS AND BALLOT VOTING WEBSITE

In addition to this mailed/faxed Special Paper Ballot, you will also be sent an Official Ballot by mail when they become available from our printer. Also from Sept. 21, 2018 through Nov. 6, 2018 you can visit our new website <https://cboe-military-overseas.com> and mark your Special Paper Ballot online to print out and mail to our offices. The online ballot **cannot** be submitted online or by fax. After marking the online ballot, you must print and return that ballot and certification in the same manner outlined above. If we do not receive your voted Official Ballot in the mail by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, Nov. 6, 2018, we will count the votes on your previously voted and returned Special Paper Ballot. If we do not receive ANY ballot by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, we will still accept and count your mail returned voted ballot (either Special Paper Ballot or Official Ballot) through Nov. 20, 2018, as long as the returned ballot is postmarked on or before Nov. 6, 2018, or, if the postmark is not visible, then as long as the certification date is on or before Nov. 6, 2018.

QUESTIONS?

Call the Chicago Election Board at 312-269-7865 or email your questions to fpca@chicagoelections.net

The Board of Election Commissioners for the City of Chicago thanks you for the opportunity to assist you in exercising your right to vote!