

## Oklahoma Candidate Qualifications District Attorney

**Oklahoma Statutes, Title 19, Section 215.2:** “Any person, otherwise qualified, who has been a resident of the state for two (2) years, a registered voter in the district and a resident residing within such district for at least six (6) months immediately preceding the filing period, a duly licensed attorney for at least five (5) years, and at least twenty-eight (28) years of age, prior to the date of filing for the office, shall be eligible to hold the office of **district attorney**. The district attorney shall reside in the district from which the district attorney was elected during the term of office.”

**Oklahoma Statutes, Title 26, Section 5-105:** “A. Except as provided in subsection C of this section, to file as a candidate for nomination by a political party to any state or county office, a person must have been a registered voter of that party for the six-month period immediately preceding the first day of the filing period prescribed by law and, under oath, so state. Provided, this requirement shall not apply to a candidate for the nomination of a political party which attains recognition less than six (6) months preceding the first day of the filing period required by law. However, the candidate shall be required to have registered with the newly recognized party within fifteen (15) days after such party recognition.

“B. Except as provided in subsection C of this section, to file as an independent candidate for any state or county office, a person must have been registered to vote as an independent for the six-month period immediately preceding the first day of the filing period prescribed by law and, under oath, so state.

“C. To file as a candidate in 2022 for nomination by a political party for State Senator, State Representative, or County Commissioner for any regular or special election to be held after April 5, 2022, a person must have been a registered voter of the political party no later than December 31, 2021. To file as an independent candidate in 2022 for State Senator, State Representative, or County Commissioner for any regular or special election to be held after April 5, 2022, a person must have been registered to vote as an independent no later than December 31, 2021.”

**Oklahoma Statutes, Title 26, Section 5-105a:** “A. A person who has been convicted of a misdemeanor involving embezzlement or a felony under the laws of this state or of the United States or who has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to such misdemeanor involving embezzlement or felony or who has been convicted of a crime in another state which would have been a misdemeanor involving embezzlement or a felony under the laws of this state or has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to such crime shall not be eligible to be a candidate for or to be elected to any **state**, county, municipal, judicial or school **office** or **any other elective office** of any political subdivision of this state for a period of fifteen (15) years following completion of his sentence or during the pendency of an appeal of such conviction or plea.

“B. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to preclude a person who has received a pardon from being eligible for or from holding public office.”