

FSIN OFFICE

SECOND NOTICE OF FSIN ELECTION

Head Office

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DECLARATION DAY:

12:00 noon

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

NOMINATION DAY:

Wednesday, October 4, 2023

ELECTION DAY:

Thursday, October 5, 2023

Declarations must be submitted to the Electoral Officer and have all required documentation to be considered an official declaration.

The following sections of the *FSIN Election Act* are applicable to individuals wishing to seek elected office:

PART V CANDIDATE AT AN ELECTION

ELIGIBILTY FOR OFFICE

- 43. A person wishing to be a Candidate for an Executive position shall be:
 - a) at least eighteen (18) years of age as of Declaration Day;
 - b) a member of a First Nation that is signatory to the FSIN Convention Act; and
 - c) eligible to sit as a Board member for FSI Inc., which includes being of sound mind and does not currently have the status of bankrupt.
- 44. A person shall be ineligible as a candidate for an executive position if:
 - a) he/she has been found to have sworn false affidavits in relation to Election Act Forms; or
 - b) he/she has failed to complete a Waiver Form, as appended to the FSIN Election Form Regulations Election Act Form 1 1; or
 - c) he/she has been convicted of fraud, theft or a breach of trust or found civilly liable for fraud, theft or for breach of trust by a court in Canada or elsewhere; or

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- d) he/she has been convicted, within five (5) year preceding the date of the election, of a criminal offense under the Criminal Code of Canada; or
- he/she has failed to disclose outstanding criminal charges as sworn in Form 7 Declaration of Qualification Regulations respecting Election Act Forms; or
- f) has a current civil court action against the FSI Inc. and/or its Institutions.

DECLARATION OF INTENT AND ELECTION MATERIAL PACKAGE

- 45. A person wishing to be a Candidate for an Executive position shall file the following documents with the Electoral Officer:
 - a) Declaration of Intent; and
 - b) the complete Election Material Package with the Electoral Officer no later than 12:00 noon on Declaration Day. No declarations shall be accepted from any person who enters the FSIN office after 12:00 noon on Declaration Day.
- 46. All Prospective Candidates shall contact the Electoral Officer anytime within thirty (30) days prior to Nomination Day to file the Election Material Package with the Electoral Officer.
- In the event that Declaration Day falls on a Saturday, a Sunday or a statutory holiday, the Declaration Day shall be the next business day.
- 48. All Candidates running for an Executive position shall be required to submit the following documentation on or prior to Declaration Day:
 - Declaration of Intent such as form as appended to the FSIN Election Form Regulations — Election Act (Form 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5) whichever is appropriate;
 - b) Declaration of Qualifications such form as appended to the FSIN Election Form Regulations Election Act (Form 7);
 - Consent and Release for Disclosure of Criminal Record Information such form as appended to the FSIN Election Form Regulations — Election Act (Form 8);
 - d) Waiver of Liability, Indemnity Agreement for Participants in FSIN Election such form as appended to the FSIN Election Act Form Regulations — Election Act (Form 1 1);
 - e) candidate contact information;
 - f) criminal record check; and
 - g) non-refundable Election Bond.

- 49. For the purpose of filing a Declaration of Intent, the mover and seconder:
 - a) shall be a Chief or Councillor/Headperson elected to office at the time of filing the Declaration of Intent;
 - b) are not required to be the mover and seconder on Nomination Day;
 - c) shall verify that they have seen the Candidate's criminal record check; and
 - d) shall not sign a Declaration of Intent form for a Candidate knowing that he/she is not eligible to be a Candidate.
- 50. The Electoral Officer shall keep the contents of the Election Material Package and Declarations of Intent confidential and secure.
- 51 . Following the Credential Committee's meeting to verify eligibility of Prospective Candidates, the Electoral Officers shall provide notice to the Prospective Candidate, in written form, of the approval or refusal of:
 - a) the Prospective Candidate's Declaration of Intent to seek position and/or
 - b) the Prospective Candidate's Election Material Packages.
- 52. Upon Verification of Candidate eligibility, written notification from the Electoral officers shall be provided to FSIN First Nation band offices, tribal councils, and media of the following:
 - a) the list of Candidates for each position, including the Candidate's First Nation membership; and
 - b) the contact information provided by the Candidate.

APPEARANCE BEFORE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

- 53. Candidates shall appear, if requested by the Credentials Committee, in the event that clarification is required.
- 54. Any Candidate who is asked to appear before the Credentials Committee shall do so at their own expense.

ELECTION BOND

- 55. A Declaration of Intent must be accompanied by a non-refundable Election Bond in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00).
- 56. The non-refundable Election Bond shall be deposited to the FSIN Legislative Assembly Office. These monies will be used to offset the costs associated with the Election.
- 57. Where the Credentials Committee has declared a Candidate ineligible to seek Executive position, the individual shall forfeit his/her Election Bond.

CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK

- 58. To ensure compliance with the section relating to the Declaration of Intent, a person wishing to run as a Candidate in an Election is required to:
 - submit a complete Criminal Record Check at the time he/she a) submits his/her Declaration of Intent;
 - b) the Criminal Record Check submitted must be dated within the six (6) months prior to Declaration Day.

WITHDRAWAL OF A DECLARATION OF INTENT

59. A Candidate may withdraw a Declaration of Intent by notifying the Electoral officer in writing. Any Candidate who withdraws will not be refunded the Election Bond.

A copy of the FSIN Election Act and Candidate Information Package is available on the FSIN website (www.fsin.com), FSIN office or by contacting the Electoral Officer, Milton Burns.

Contact information for Electoral Officer is:

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The Candidate Information Package (required forms) has also been provided to Tribal Council and First Nation offices.

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Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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