

# NWPC-VA Candidate Application for Endorsement

## **NOTE: APPLICATION DEADLINES**

Primary Election Endorsement: April 1, 2023 at 11:59PM ET

General Election Endorsement: August 18, 2023 at 11:59PM ET

The National Women's Political Caucus-VA is a multi-partisan grassroots organization dedicated to increasing women's participation in the political process at all levels of government. In 2020 the Virginia chapter was founded with the following goals:

- Increase women's participation in the political process.
- Increase the number of women in elected and appointed positions.
- Support candidates who support women.
- Draft legislation that centers on equality and the needs of women.

## **What are the basic criteria for endorsement?**

### **The applicant must:**

- identify as female;
- support full reproductive rights, including abortion;
- support certification and publication of the Equal Rights Amendment as the 28th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution;
- support legislation that provides increased access to childcare and other dependent care programs;
- have met all the requirements and has been declared an official candidate by the [Virginia Department of Elections](#)

### **The applicant must:**

- support our goals, meet our endorsement criteria, and publicize your NWPC-VA endorsement if received.

Please complete and submit the online application for consideration to the National Women's Political Caucus-VA.

Once submitted, you will receive an email notification. We will email you by April 3, 2023 to schedule a 30 minute interview. You will be notified by email by April 28, 2023 about the status of your endorsement.

Please direct any questions to VP of Endorsements Committee at [va.nwpc.endorsements@gmail.com](mailto:va.nwpc.endorsements@gmail.com).

\* Required

## NOTE TO APPLICANT

In preparation of completing the application process in a timely and complete manner, we suggest you first gather all necessary materials (e.g., high resolution headshot, resume, short-bio, contact information for campaign staff) before beginning the submission process.

Please note, questions with an \*asterisk are required for this application.

1. Applicant's First Name \*

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2. Applicant's Last Name \*

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3. Do you identify as Female?\* \*

*Mark only one oval.*

Yes

No     *Skip to question 50*

4. Candidate Race/Ethnicity. Check all that apply \*

*Check all that apply.*

White

Black

Asian or Pacific Islander

Indigenous

Hispanic or Latina

I prefer not to say

Other

## 5. Personal Email \*

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## 6. Applicant Phone Number \*

XXX-XXX-XXXX

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## 7. Applicant's Address \*

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## 8. What elected office are you seeking? \*

*Mark only one oval.* VA Delegate VA Senate

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What is the district number of the seat you are seeking? (Example: House District 65 or Senate District 16).

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## 10. Date of General Election: \*

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*Example: January 7, 2019*

## 11. Date of Primary Election: \*

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*Example: January 7, 2019*

12. What is your party affiliation? \*

*Mark only one oval.*

- Democrat
- Republican
- Independent
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

13. What type of election are you seeking endorsement? \*

*Check all that apply.*

- Primary
- General Election
- Special Election
- Open Seat

14. Have you ever run for office? \*

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No

15. If yes,  
please give us details about the outcome.

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**PRIOR EXPERIENCE**

16. Please tell us about the elected office (s) you held and dates served. \*

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17. What is your prior elected or appointed governmental and/or community experience? (Indicate offices held, campaign or community experience and/or sources of candidate training). \*

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Campaign Information

*This next section is all about your campaign. We understand that your campaign may be not be fully staffed at the moment. Please give us your current campaign status. When we do the interview, we can update any information.*

18. Tell us about your campaign office: Number of paid and volunteer staff \*

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19. Tell us about the makeup/diversity of your campaign office staff. \*

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20. Please provide the name, email address and phone number for your key campaign contact person: \*

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21. Please provide your Campaign Website \*

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22. Please provide your Campaign Twitter handle.

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23. Please provide your Campaign Facebook page handle.

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24. Please provide your Campaign or Candidate Instagram handle.

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25. Please provide your Campaign TikTok handle.

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26. Please provide any other campaign social media information

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### NWPC Priority Issues

The mission of NWPC is to increase the number of women in elected and appointed positions and support candidates who prioritize women's issues. Please answer the following questions.

27. Do you support elimination of discrimination based on sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, race/ethnicity, age, religion, nation of origin, marital status, socioeconomic status, and disability? \*

*Mark only one oval.*

Yes

No

28. Do you support the certification and publication of the Equal Rights Amendment as the 28th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution? \*

*Mark only one oval.*

Yes

No

29. Do you support reproductive rights and reproductive justice, including but not limited to, passing protective legislation in Virginia to safeguard women's bodily autonomy in all healthcare decisions, e.g. Constitutional right to abortion? \*

*Mark only one oval.*

Yes

No

30. Do you support increased access to childcare, paid family leave and other dependent care policies? \*

*Mark only one oval.*

Yes

No

31. Do you support health care equity for all Virginians? \*

*Mark only one oval.*

Yes

No

32. Do you support environmental justice in our most vulnerable neighborhoods? \*

*Mark only one oval.*

Yes

No

33. Do you support developing real and lasting criminal justice reform? \*

*Mark only one oval.*

Yes

No



34. Do you support education equity for all Virginia children, no matter their zip code? \*

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

35. Tell us how you worked to show your support for any of these priority issues. Be specific. \*

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36. List your top three legislative priority issues/areas. \*

If you have drafted legislation or advocated for any of your priority issues mentioned, please write 'drafted legislation' or 'advocated' next to the priority area.

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***Demographic Make-up of your Political Subdivision***

37. Tell us about your district (relevant demographics such as rural, urban, suburban, \* median income, racial/ethnic makeup).

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38. How many years have you lived in the district in which you are running? \*

*Mark only one oval.*

- 0-1 years
- 2-4 years
- 5-9 years
- 10-14 years
- >15 years

NWPC-VA

***The following information is for our purpose and helps us to meet the needs of our members. Membership is encouraged; it is not a requirement for endorsement.***

39. Why is it important to your campaign to receive the endorsement of NWPC-VA? \*

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40. Are you a member of NWPC-VA? \*

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes  
 No  
 Not yet!

41. Have you attended NWPC-VA trainings and/or events? \*

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes  
 No

42. Are you aware that NWPC National offers an online audio Campaign Training course at no cost to members? \*

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes  
 No

43. NWPC-VA offers endorsed candidates an opportunity to participate fully in our supportive community. Endorsed candidates have access to our online and in-person events. Are you interested in learning more about this opportunity?

*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes  
 No

44. Is there anything else you would like to share about yourself or your candidacy? \*

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***Candidate Statement***

This section is for you to provide a resume/bio statement and other relevant information.

45. Upload your resume here. \*

Files submitted:

46. ***Please add any additional information not on your resume regarding your education, employment and volunteer background.***

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47. **First time candidate only:**

*If not on your resume, list any relevant extensive advocacy experience and any legislator (s) you worked with on those issues.*

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48. Please attach a short bio that we can use on our website. Max 200 words \*

Files submitted:

49. Please attach a high resolution campaign photo that we can use on our social media channels. \*

Files submitted:

### Confirmation Section

50. I hereby affirm that the information provided in this questionnaire is true and complete. I understand that all information on this form is subject to verification. \*

*Mark only one oval.*

I affirm

I do not affirm

51. Please enter your name below to represent your signature. \*

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52. Date \*

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*Example: January 7, 2019*

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