Deputy Director

Minimum Qualifications

a. Education

A candidate for deputy director of a board of elections must have a high school diploma or have attained the equivalency of a high school diploma (GED). College level education is desired.

b. Election related experience and skills

A candidate for deputy director of a board of elections must have a baseline understanding of the rules, processes, procedures, and equipment used in local election administration, including:

- Operating voting machines used in the county and other automated office equipment;
- Managing a successful and efficient database;
- Using, understanding and applying election law terminology;
- Knowing the basics of Ohio's "Sunshine Laws" governing open meetings and public records; and
- Receiving and implementing assignments and instructions from board members and the Secretary of State's Office;

c. General Managerial experience and skills

A candidate for deputy director of a board of elections must, to the satisfaction of a majority of the board, have the experience and capability to manage the day-to-day operations of that county's board of elections (this requirement is scalable to the size and needs of the local operation). To this end, the candidate must possess:

- Effective written and interpersonal communication abilities;
- Strong organizational skills and attention to detail;
- Familiarity with relevant state and federal human resources policies and practices;
- Familiarity with the handling of budgets and public appropriation of funds;
- Ability to perform duties assigned by the law, the county board of elections, and/or the Secretary of State;
- Ability to convey or exchange information, including giving and managing assignments or direction to board personnel;

- Ability to adapt and to perform in a professional manner under stressful or emergency situations;
- Ability to comprehend a variety of informational documents;
 and
- Ability to conduct self at all times in a professional and courteous manner.
- d. Successful completion of a criminal background check

Before a board of elections considers a candidate for deputy director, the candidate must complete <u>Form 307</u> (kept on file with the board of elections). Before being selected as deputy director, the candidate must pass, to the satisfaction of a majority of the board members as described below, at minimum, a statewide criminal background check conducted at the expense of the board of elections.