



Petition for Recount by Candidate

Subject to 13-16-201(1)(a), (1)(b), or 13-16-211, MCA, a defeated candidate may file a verified petition stating that the candidate believes that a recount will change the result and that a recount of the votes for the office or nomination should be conducted.

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By _____
Deputy or filing officer

PETITION TO BE FILED WITH SECRETARY OF STATE COUNTY ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR

To the Honorable Secretary of State or County Election Administrator:

I, the undersigned candidate for the office of _____, in the _____ Election held on _____, 20____, believe that a recount of votes cast for said office will change the result and that a recount of the votes for the office or nomination should be conducted and hereby petition for a recount of the ballots cast for said office.

CERTIFICATION OF PETITION FOR RECOUNT - CANDIDATE MUST SIGN IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR AN OFFICER OF THE OFFICE WHERE THE FORM IS FILED

Signature of Candidate _____ Date _____

NOTARY OR AUTHORIZED OFFICER

State of Montana
County of _____

Signed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20____ by _____
Printed Name of Candidate

Where to file for Federal, Statewide, State District and Legislative offices:
 Montana Secretary of State
 State Capitol, 2nd Floor, Room 260
 PO Box 202801
 Helena, MT 59620-2801
 Online: sosmt.gov/elections
 By Fax: 406-444-2023

Where to file for County, City and most Local District offices:
 County Election Office
 A list of county election offices may be found at: sosmt.gov/elections

Signature of Notary or Public Official _____

Printed Name of Notary Public _____

Notary Public for the State of _____

Residing at: _____

My commission expires: _____, 20____

[SEAL/STAMP]

FOR ELECTION OFFICE USE ONLY:

Date petition received: _____ Amount of bond, if needed[±]: _____

Candidate name	Votes received
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

TOTAL VOTES CAST FOR THIS OFFICE: _____

of votes difference between winning candidate and candidate filing this petition: _____

Percentage difference _____*

*Note: Take the vote difference divided by total votes cast and multiply by 100. This is the percentage difference. A recount is permitted if the percentage difference is within the limits specified in 13-16-201, MCA.

± In certain cases specified in the law, the candidate must post a bond to pay the costs of the recount.