



**Texas Silver Haired Legislature  
Dallas County Elections  
2021-2023**



# CANDIDATE PACKET

The following forms must be submitted to the Dallas Area Agency on Aging  
**no later than February 26, 2021:**

- Candidate Information Form
- Hold Harmless Statement
- Code of Conduct Statement
- Official Candidate Petition

# Texas Silver Haired Legislators Candidacy Requirements

**Note: Elected Texas Silver Haired Legislators officials must pay their own expenses to attend all meetings.**

1. Must be age 60 years or older prior to filing for election.
2. Must be a resident of the AAA area to file as a candidate in that area.
3. Must be a registered voter of the State of Texas. The Candidate Information Form will be used for certification (Form 103).
4. Must be willing to participate in all activities required and expected of Texas Silver- Haired Legislators.
  - a. Prior to election or appointment, a candidate must sign and agree to comply with the TSHL Code of Conduct and the Hold Harmless Agreement for AAAs. (Form 104, 104.1)
5. If elected to the Executive Committee, the member will report results of the Executive Committee meetings to other TSHL legislators in his or her district within 10 working days after the committee meeting.
6. Must file for candidacy: Candidates must fill out these and other appropriate forms provided by the local area agency on aging.
  - a. Form 103 – Candidate Information Form
  - b. Form 104 – Hold Harmless Statement
  - c. Form 104.1 – Code of Conduct Statement
  - d. Form 105 – Official Candidate Petition (**first time filing only**)
7. The candidate must provide a postal address where constituents can contact the member. The address must be available for publishing in TSHL documents and on the TSHL web site. Members are encouraged to also make their phone numbers and email addresses available to constituents. (Amendment 12, September 10, 2003).
8. To become a candidate, an individual must complete an official *Candidate Petition (Form 105)* by obtaining 25 signatures from registered voters who are 60 years of age or older at time of signing, and who live in the area the candidate seeks to represent. With the submission of required forms, the person becomes an official TSHL candidate. **This form 105 (petition) is only required at the first time a candidate files for TSHL.** A candidate may not take part in the balloting procedure and validation.
9. Qualified voters may sign a petition for only one candidate.

**February 26, 2021 DEADLINE for Candidates to file for Election and turn in required forms to the Dallas Area Agency on Aging.**

# 19th Texas Silver-Haired Legislature

## Candidate Information Form

Print Name:	_____	,	_____	_____
	Last		First	Middle
Address	_____			
	_____	, TX	_____	
	City		Zip Code	
Phone	_____	Fax	_____	
Email:	_____			
Voter Registration Certificate Number	_____			
Identify the AAA region you will be representing:	_____			
By completing this form, I hereby declare that I am a registered Texas Voter, 60 years of age or older prior to filing for election, a resident of <u>Dallas County</u> Area Agency on Aging.				
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Signature	Date			

**PLEASE RETURN TO THE DESIGNATED AREA AGENCY ON AGING  
BY FEBRUARY 26, 2021**

Dallas County Area Agency on Aging

ATTN: Corina Castro

1341 W. Mockingbird Ln., Suite 1000W

Dallas, Texas 75247

E-mail: [ccastro@ccadvance.org](mailto:ccastro@ccadvance.org)

Phone Number: (214) 871-5065

# 19th Texas Silver-Haired Legislature

## HOLD HARMLESS STATEMENT

To the Dallas County Area Agency on Aging,

by \_\_\_\_\_, *candidate or member of Texas Silver-Haired Legislature*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, as a Candidate for election or appointment to the TSHL do hereby make the following statement:

In conjunction with my participation as a member of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature in TSHL activities, including TSHL elections, and to the fullest extent permitted by law, I agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Dallas County Area Agency on Aging and their directors, managers, staff, agents, and volunteers and assigns from and against any and all claims brought by me arising out of or resulting from my participation in TSHL activities, including elections, unless such claim or claims arise out of the sole negligence or willful misconduct of Dallas County Area Agency on Aging and/or their representatives, agents, or servants. "Claim" as used in this agreement means any financial loss, claim, suit, action, damage or expense, including but not limited to attorney's fees.

I affirm that I voluntarily make this statement without mental reservation, duress, or any consideration or benefit that may accrue to me as a member of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature both present and future. (Amended November 20, 2006)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (Printed)

STATE OF TEXAS}

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Before me, a notary public, on this day personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing document, and being by me first duly sworn, declared that the statements contained therein are true and correct.

Given under my hand and seal of office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_. A.D. \_\_\_\_\_

Notary Public (Or AAA Official)

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

Signed original filed with local area agency on aging and forwarded to Pat Gleason-Wynn, Chair Election and Credentials Committee, [tshlpatgleason@gmail.com](mailto:tshlpatgleason@gmail.com).

# 19<sup>th</sup> Texas Silver-Haired Legislature

## CODE OF CONDUCT STATEMENT

To the SECRETARY, TSHL and copy to the Director, Dallas County Area Agency on Aging,

Submitted by a member or prospective member of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature (TSHL):

I, \_\_\_\_\_, as a

\_\_\_ Duly elected member of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature (TSHL) or a

\_\_\_ Candidate for election or appointment to the TSHL do hereby make the following statement:

I, as a Silver-Haired Legislator, dedicate myself to carrying out the mission of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature, and do hereby obligate myself to the highest standards of dignified behavior, precluding any conduct which embarrasses, offends or abuses others, especially in committee hearings, business meetings, during TSHL annual sessions, and at public forums.

Further, I pledge to do the following:

1. Recognize that, at all times, the chief function of the TSHL is to serve the best interests of older Texans and to be their non-partisan advocate to the Texas Legislature.
2. Understand TSHL is non-partisan, and I will not use my status as a TSHL member in any partisan activities.
3. Accept as a personal duty the responsibility to keep up-to-date on emerging issues and to stay informed as a resource person to my constituents.
4. Uphold the Bylaws and Procedures as adopted by the TSHL membership and to consciously work for the "good of the order."
5. Respect the structure and responsibilities of the Executive Committee and provide them with facts and advice as a basis for their making policy decisions.
6. Conduct TSHL operational duties with positive leadership as exemplified by open communication and a willingness to listen and to speak in moderation as diverse opinions are being expressed.
7. Observe professional standards both in form and content for all public communications, including email, never demeaning others.
8. Demonstrate the highest standards of personal integrity, truthfulness and courtesy in all TSHL activities so as to inspire the public's confidence and trust.
9. Avoid any interest or activity that is in conflict with the conduct of my official duties.
10. Respect and protect privileged information to which I have access in the course of my official duties.
11. Encourage the professional development of all TSHL members.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (Printed)

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STATE OF TEXAS}

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Before me, Director of a Texas Area Agency on Aging Office, or a notary public, on this day personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing document, and being by me first duly sworn, declared that the statements contained herein are true and correct.

Given under my hand and official capacity this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public or AAA Director

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

# 19th Texas Silver-Haired Legislature

## OFFICIAL CANDIDATE PETITION

STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATION: I, the undersigned, hereby declare my intention of running for the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature. I further certify that I am a registered Texas voter, 60 years of age or older at time of signing, and a resident of the Dallas County Area on Aging Region. My Texas Voter Registration Number is \_\_\_\_\_. **This petition is required of new candidates only.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Signature  
We, the undersigned, do hereby declare that we are registered Texas Voters, 60 years of age or older at time of signing, and are residents of the region served by the Dallas County AREA AGENCY ON AGING.

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