

Texas Silver-Haired Legislature

Notice to Eligible Voters of the Houston-Galveston Area Agency on Aging District

Notice to File for Candidacy

To all eligible voters in the State of Texas, sixty years of age or older prior to the filing date for the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature (TSHL) election and residing in the above-named Area Agency on Aging region, notice is hereby given that any qualified and interested voter may file for candidacy for membership in the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature.

TSHL members participate in all required and expected activities of Texas Silver-Haired Legislature at their own expense without compensation. Candidates must file a notice of candidacy with the said Area Agency on Aging during established business hours by **February 28, 2023** at

3555 Timmons Ln. Suite 120

Street Address

Houston, TX 77027

City

Zip

Due Notice of Election with voting information will be posted **March 14, 2023**.
Qualified voters of the named Area Agency on Aging may vote by Mail-in
Ballots by **April 18, 2023** or in person on **April 28, 2023**.

By direction of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature's Elections & Credentials Committee.

Form 101 – Notice to File for Candidacy

Texas Silver-Haired Legislature

Hold Harmless Statement

To the _____ Area Agency on Aging, and the _____ Council of Governments by _____, candidate or member of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature (TSHL)

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 TSHL in TSHL activities, including TSHL elections, and to the fullest extent permitted by law, I agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the _____ Area Agency on Aging and the _____ Council of Governments, their directors, managers, staff, agents, 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 the _____ Area Agency on Aging and/or the _____ Council of Governments or their representatives, agents, staff members or volunteers.

“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 and in sound mind 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.

Signature

Name (Printed)

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF _____

Before me, a notary public, (or director of a Texas AAA) 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 Director)

My commission expires _____

Original form to AAA Director

Form 104 – Hold Harmless Statement

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Code of Conduct Statement

To the Director, of _____ Area Agency on Aging. Submitted by a prospective member of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature (TSHL):

I, _____, as a candidate for election or appointment to the TSHL do hereby voluntarily make the following statements:

I, as a Texas Silver-Haired Legislator, dedicate myself to carrying out the mission of TSHL, 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 all TSHL sessions, at public forums, or any other occasion where I represent TSHL.

Further, I pledge to do the following:

1. Recognize that the chief function of the TSHL is always to serve the best interests of older Texans and to be their non-partisan advocate with the Texas Legislature, and I will not use my status as a TSHL member in any partisan activities.
2. Accept as a personal duty the responsibility to keep up to date on emerging issues, technology use (to include email, internet research, word-processing, and virtual meetings), and to stay informed as a resource person to my constituents.
3. Uphold the Bylaws and Policies & Procedures as adopted by the TSHL membership and consciously work for the "good of the order."
4. Respect the structure and responsibilities of the Executive Committee and provide them with facts and advice as a basis for their making decisions.
5. 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.
6. Read and respond in a timely manner to all communications from TSHL and observe professional standards both in form and content for all public communications, including email, never demeaning others.
7. Demonstrate the highest standards of personal integrity, truthfulness, and courtesy in all TSHL activities to inspire the public's confidence and trust.
8. Avoid any interest or activity that conflicts with the conduct of my official duties.
9. Respect and protect privileged information to which I have access in the course of my official duties.
10. Encourage the professional development of all TSHL members.

Signature

Name (Printed)

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 _____

Original form to AAA Director

Form 105 – Code of Conduct Statement

