



D.C. Bar Communities Steering Committee Elections

Election Timeline, Candidate Eligibility, Campaigning, Voter Eligibility, and Voting Process

Election Timeline

*The Community Steering Committee election process generally follows the schedule below, beginning in late fall/early winter. **Please check back each election cycle for the current election calendar, important deadlines, candidate information, and voting dates.***

- 1. Candidate Interest Period.** Community members interested in serving on a Steering Committee submit a [Candidate Interest Form](#).
 - 2. Candidate Eligibility Review.** The Communities Office reviews eligibility and prepares the proposed election slates, in coordination with sitting Steering Committees and the Communities Committee.
 - 3. Slate Approval.** The Communities Committee reviews and approves the proposed slates for each Community.
 - 4. Candidate Profile Submission.** Candidates submit a biography, statement, and photo for publication on the election website and ballot.
 - 5. Voting Period.** Eligible Community members receive electronic ballots and cast their votes.
 - 6. Election Results.** Results are announced, and newly elected Steering Committee members begin preparing for the upcoming term.
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Candidate Eligibility

Individuals who, by the eligibility date established for the D.C. Bar elections, are members in good standing (active, inactive, or judicial) of the D.C. Bar and members of the Community in which they seek to serve are eligible to be nominated for election to that Community's Steering Committee, subject to the D.C. Bar Communities Policies and Procedures.

Candidates may seek election to the Steering Committee of any Community of which they are a member but may not seek election in more than two Communities during a single election cycle.

Campaigning

Candidates may campaign for election in accordance with applicable D.C. Bar and D.C. Bar Communities policies.

Following confirmation of their nomination, candidates will receive campaign guidance from the Communities Office, including information about the use of Community listservs and other campaign-related activities.

Voter Eligibility

Individuals who, by the eligibility dates established for the D.C. Bar elections, are members in good standing (active, inactive, or judicial) of the D.C. Bar and members of the Community in which they wish to vote are eligible to participate in that Community's Steering Committee elections.

D.C. Bar Communities subscribers who are not members of the D.C. Bar are not eligible to vote.

Voting Process

Community Steering Committee elections are conducted electronically each year.

Eligible voters will receive voting instructions and a personalized ballot during the election period. Ballots include only the Communities for which members are eligible to vote.

Specific election dates and voting deadlines vary from year to year.