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...in the contest for President of the U.S.	1.5% of all registered N.C. voters who voted in the most recent election for N.C. Governor.	Noon on the day of the primary election to CBE.	N.C.G.S. §163-122(a)(1), N.C.G.S. §163-209
...in the contest for N.C General Assembly if district lies in more than one county.	4% of all registered N.C. voters in the district, as of January 1 of the election year.	Noon on the day of the primary election to CBE.	N.C.G.S. §163-122(a)(1)
...in a statewide contest.	1.5% of all registered N.C. voters who voted in the most recent election for N.C. Governor.	Noon on the day of the primary election to CBE.	N.C.G.S. §163-122(a)(1)
...in a district contest except for N.C. General Assembly.	1.5% of all registered N.C. voters in the district, as of January 1 of the election year.	Noon on the day of the primary election to CBE.	N.C.G.S. §163-122(a)(2)
...in a contest for Superior Court or District Court Judge.	2% of all registered N.C. voters in the district, as of January 1 of the election year.	Noon on the day of the primary election to CBE.	N.C.G.S. §163-122(a)(1)

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...in a county contest or single-county legislative district contest.	4% of all registered N.C. voters within the county or district, as of January 1 of the election year.	Noon on the day of the primary election to CBE.	N.C.G.S. §163-122(a)(3)
...in a municipal contest.	1.5% of all registered N.C. voters within the municipality.	Noon on the Friday preceding the 7th Saturday before the election.	N.C.G.S. §163-122(a)(4)