

## **2008 TIMELINE**

**MAJOR PARTY - May-June:** State committee of each major political party holding a national convention calls a state party convention, under rules proposed in advance and adopted by the committee, to elect delegates and alternates to the national convention.

**MAJOR PARTY - August-September:** National party conventions. In Vermont, major parties must execute sworn statement certifying names, towns of residence and mailing addresses of persons nominated by the convention to serve as electors and shall PROMPTLY (within five days of convention) file the sworn statement with the secretary of state, along with a Consent of Candidate form for each of the persons nominated.

**INDEPENDENT – Monday, June 2:** First day for independent candidates to file petitions and Consent of Candidate forms (for candidate and electors) with the Office of the Vermont Secretary of State.

**MINOR PARTY - Friday, September 5:** First day for minor party candidates to file Statements of Nomination, Consent Forms (for candidate and electors) and Notice of the State Committee Meeting with the Office of the Vermont Secretary of State.

**INDEPENDENT/MINOR PARTY - Friday, September 12:** Last day to file independent petitions or minor party nominations with the Office of the Vermont Secretary of State.

**MAJOR PARTY - Thursday, September 18:** Major party chairs must certify in writing the names of the presidential and vice presidential candidates selected at the party's national convention by this date.