

SELECTING A NOMINEE

AUTHORITATIVE GUIDELINES - The selection process is set forth in Section 6.03 of the Property Tax Code. This process is not an "election" governed by the Texas Election Code. It is an independent procedure unique to the property tax system.

ELIGIBILITY - An appraisal district director must reside in the appraisal district for at least two years immediately preceding the date he or she takes office. Most residents are eligible to serve as a director. An individual that is serving on the governing body of a city, county, or school district is eligible to serve as an appraisal district's director.

An employee of a taxing unit served by the appraisal district is not eligible to serve as a director. However, if the employee is an elected official, he or she is eligible to serve.

A statute relevant to the Board selection process prohibits nepotism and conflict of interest for appraisal district directors and chief appraisers. In summary, the law states that:

....."a person may not serve as director if closely related to anyone in the appraisal district or if related to anyone who represents owners in the district, or if the person has an interest in a business that contract with the district or a taxing unit. A chief appraiser may not employ someone closely related to a member of the board of directors".

FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS - The applicable statutes require the board of directors to meet not less often than once each calendar quarter.