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FORUM FOR REPUBLICAN DEMOCRACY (FORD)

NOMINATION RULES

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PART 1

INTRODUCTION

WHEREAS there is a registered political party in Kenya known as the Forum for Republican Democracy (FORD) (hereinafter "The Party"), the party has in accordance with its constitution established these nomination rules

1. These Rules shall be cited as the "Forum for Republican Democracy (FORD) Nomination Rules" hereafter referred to as the "Rules".
2. These Rules are in accordance with the Party Constitution.
3. These Rules shall govern the nomination of Party Candidates in respect of any election or elections to be held under the Constitution of Kenya, the Political Parties Act 2011, the Elections Act 2011 and any other relevant Laws of Kenya

PART II

NATIONAL NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE AND NOMINATION

4. The National Executive Council shall before the commencement of nomination procedures establish a National Elections Board ("The Board"), which shall supervise and guide the nomination of Party Candidates. The said Board shall consist of a chairman and four other members all of whom shall be well established, respected and knowledgeable members of the party.
5. The Board will elect a deputy from among the other four members.
6. The Board will, with the approval of the National Executive Committee appoint a Director of Elections and a Deputy Director of Elections.
7. The Board shall organize, co-ordinate and supervise all elections of the party.
8. The Board shall send an invitation, in a format considered appropriate by the Board, for party members wishing to vie on the party ticket to submit their application in the manner provided herein.
9. The Board shall set a timetable for the completion of the nomination of Party candidates before any election or elections.
10. The Board shall appoint officials or agents to assist the Board in the Conduct of the Nomination of Party candidates.

11. The Board will serve for a renewable term of three (4) years.
12. Voting for the nomination of Party candidates shall be by secret ballot on the basis of a simple majority.

PART III

NOMINATION OF PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE

13. Where there is more than one candidate for nomination as the party presidential candidate, the party's presidential candidate shall be nominated by the Annual Delegates Congress.
14. Only registered members of the party shall be entitled to attend the Annual Delegates Congress and to vote thereat.
15. The chairman of the Board shall declare the nominated candidate and the presidential candidate shall then be issued with a certificate of Nomination signed by authorized party official/s.

PART IV

NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR PARLIAMENTARY AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

16. Any party member seeking nomination of the Party in respect of Parliamentary and County Government Elections shall submit to the Board at the party headquarters an application in writing with copies thereof to the Branch. Such application shall be accompanied with copies of National Identity Card and elector's card and other relevant requirements under the Law. The application shall also be accompanied with the relevant nomination fees as prescribed by the Board. The applicant shall deliver his/her application personally to the Board.
17. No party member shall be nominated as a party candidate unless he has
 - a. A valid party membership number.
 - b. Has been a member of the party for not less than three (3) calendar months
 - c. An elector's card
 - d. A national identity card and is,

- e. Qualified to be a member of parliament or a County government in accordance with the Constitution of Kenya and the Elections Act 2011
 - f. Paid nomination fee in full.
18. The Board shall set down the time and place of nomination of party candidates.
 19. The Board shall ensure compliance with the provisions herein.
 20. If after the close of the receipt of nomination papers for any seat in parliamentary or County Government and or any other election there is only one valid application, the applicant shall be declared nominated as the Party Candidate.
 21. If after the close of the receipt of nomination papers there are more than one candidate, then a nomination election shall be held in accordance with these Rules.
 22. The National Executive Committee shall determine the number of delegates who shall participate in the nomination exercise.
 23. At the close of the poll the ballots shall be counted and the winner of the election declared nominated as the Party candidate by the returning officer.
 24. A party candidate shall have the right to appoint in writing two (2) agents during the election.
 25. After the poll, the returning officer shall prepare in triplicate a return of the election showing the results thereof and thereafter send the original copy of the return to the Board.
 26. Where the party does not have candidates, the Board shall source for candidates and issue them with automatic nomination certificates.
 27. In order to achieve the Constitutional requirement that not more than 2/3 of members of elective or appointed bodies shall be of the same gender, and further to have the youth and the marginalized involved in politics, the Board shall, in consultation with the National Executive Committee take special measures to ensure that is done.

PART V

PARTY LISTS

28. The Board in consultation with the National Executive Committee shall prepare party lists in accordance with the Constitution of Kenya and all relevant Laws.

29. No party member shall be nominated to a party list unless he/she has

- a. A valid party membership number.
- b. Has been a member of the party for not less than one (1) year.
- c. An elector's card
- d. A national identity card and is,
- e. Qualified to be in the Party List in accordance with the Constitution of Kenya and the Elections Act 2011 for the seat for which the Party is submitting a Party List.

30. Party members nominated on the party list shall be members who are active, well established, respected and knowledgeable members of the party.

PART VI

NOMINATION FEES

31. Any party member seeking nomination of the Party shall pay the following nomination fees:

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| a. President | - Kshs. 500,000/= |
| b. Senator | - Kshs. 100,000/= |
| c. Governor | - Kshs. 100,000/= |
| d. Member of National Assembly | - Kshs. 60,000/= |
| e. Woman Member of National Assembly | - Kshs. 50,000/= |
| f. County Ward Representative | -Kshs. 20,000/= |

32. Any Party member who is a woman, youth or a person with disability (with the exception of the Woman Member of National Assembly) shall pay the following fees:

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| a. President | - Kshs. 400,000/= |
| b. Senator | - Kshs. 100,000/= |
| c. Governor | - Kshs. 100,000/= |
| d. Member of National Assembly | - Kshs. 50,000/= |
| e. County Ward Representative | - Kshs. 15,000= |

PART VII

GENERAL

33. Any member or contestant who is dissatisfied with the results of the Nomination shall appeal to the National Executive Committee within three days after the declaration of the nomination.
34. The National Executive Committee shall after considering the appeal confirm or reject the nomination and where a nomination is rejected the nomination exercise shall be repeated.
35. The decision of the National Executive Committee shall be final.
36. The National Executive Committee shall assist in the nomination process.
37. The National Executive Committee may issue directions and enact procedures for the better carrying out of these Rules.

PART VIII

NOMINATION CERTIFICATES TO IEBC

38. The Nomination Certificate/s to the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission shall be signed by authorized party official/s.

PART IX

ADHERENCE TO THE PARTY CODE OF CONDUCT

39. Any party member nominated by the Party must adhere to the code of conduct as provided for in the Party Constitution and any breach of the Code of conduct shall attract disciplinary procedures as provided for in the Party Constitution.

PART X

INTERPRETATION

40. In the Rules , unless the context otherwise requires:
 - “Branch” means a Branch established under the Constitution,
 - “Constitution” means Constitution of the party.
 - “Election Official” means Chairman or member of the National Elections Board and Nomination Board, Director of Elections or His Deputy or official or agent appointed hereunder.

"Board" means National Elections Board established herein.

"National Executive Committee" means National Executive Committee established under the Constitution,

"Party" means the Forum for Republican Democracy (FORD)