

Certificate of Appointment & Oath of Watcher - Drop Box

Date: _____

County: _____

General Information

Who can be a Watcher? An eligible elector other than a candidate on the ballot who, depending on the type of election or activity, has been selected by one of the following:

- a political party chairperson on behalf of the political party,
- a party candidate at a primary or recall election,
- an unaffiliated candidate at a general, congressional vacancy, nonpartisan, or recall election
- a registered agent or designated filing agent for a registered issue committee supporting or opposing a ballot issue or ballot question

If selected by a political party chairperson or a party candidate the watcher must be affiliated with that political party or unaffiliated as shown in the statewide voter registration system. If selected by an unaffiliated candidate, the watcher must be unaffiliated as shown in the statewide voter registration system. [Section 1-1-104(51), C.R.S.]

Who cannot be a Watcher? Neither candidates nor members of their immediate families by blood, marriage or civil union to the second degree may be poll watchers for that candidate. [Section 1-7-108(2), C.R.S.]

Direction to the Watcher:

1. You must list all drop box locations you intend to observe and the dates and times you intend to observe them on this form.
2. You must *bring the following to the County Clerk's Central Office* prior to observing a drop box during an election:
 - a. This completed form;
 - b. Proof of completion of approved watcher training; and
 - c. The identification badge you will wear while observing a drop box.
3. An election official will then review each item, confirm watcher eligibility, and administer the watcher oath on the second page of this form.
4. When you arrive to observe a drop box location you must bring a copy of this form and present it to:
 - a. The supervisor election judge of a voter service and polling center (VSPC) that is open, if the drop box is located within or outside the building where the VSPC is located; OR
 - b. The County Clerk if the drop box is located outside the Clerk's office.

Select the Election Type/Activity AND Who the Watcher Represents in the Table Below:

Election Type or Activity:		Who May Have a Watcher:		Who Certifies Appointment:
Coordinated Nonpartisan Election <i>Section 1-7-107, C.R.S.</i>		Candidate		Candidate
		Proponent and opponent of ballot issue/question		Registered issue committee(s)
General or Congressional Vacancy Election <i>Section 1-7-106, C.R.S.</i>		Unaffiliated or write-in candidate		Candidate
		Political party		State or county chairperson
		Proponent and opponent of ballot issue/question		Registered issue committee(s)
Primary Election <i>Section 1-7-105, C.R.S.</i>		Political Party		State or county chairperson
		Candidate for nomination on ballot		Candidate
Recall Election <i>Section 1-12-113, C.R.S.</i>		Proponent of recall		Registered issue committee
		Elected official subject to or opponent of recall		Elected official or reg'd issue committee
		Political party (for partisan recall only)		County party chairperson
		Named or write-in successor candidate		Candidate

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Appointment of Watcher

_____ is certified to act as a watcher for the election specified above.

(Appointed Individual) First, Middle, Last Name

Year of Birth

(Printed Name of Certifying Individual)

(Title of Certifying Individual)

(Candidate, Party, or Issue Committee Represented)

(Signature of Certifying Individual)

(Date Signed)

Oath of Watcher (to be completed in the presence of an election official prior to drop box observation)

I have taken the watcher training required by Election Rule 8.1.5 so that I may observe voters dropping ballots off at a drop box.
(required)

I, _____ affirm that I am an eligible elector, that my name has been submitted to the designated election official, and that I will not in any manner make known to anyone the result of counting votes until the polls have closed. Additionally, I affirm that I will not attempt to determine how any elector voted, or record or disclose any confidential voter information that I may observe.

(Printed Name of Watcher)

(Signature of Watcher)

(Date Signed)

(Printed Name of Election Official Administering Oath)

(Signature of Election Official Administering Oath)

(Date Signed)

Drop Box Location(s)	Observation Date(s)	Observation Time(s)