



JAIN SOCIETY OF METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON

2018 ELECTIONS NOMINATION FORM

To Be Filled By Nominator:

I hereby nominate: _____ for the position of (select one only):

Member, Board of Trustees

Executive Committee Positions

President

Director of Events

Vice-President

Director of Facilities

Secretary

Director of Public Relations

Joint Secretary

Director of Publications

Treasurer

Director of Technology

Joint Treasurer

Director of Volunteers

Director of Education

Date

Full Name of the Nominator

Signature of the Nominator

To Be Filled By Nominee:

I accept the above nomination, and if elected, agree to serve the JSMW to the best of my abilities. Furthermore, I certify with my signature below, that I have read the amended Constitution, approved on October 7, 2018, in its entirety.

Date

Signature of the Candidate

E-Mail Address

Home Phone Number

Cell Phone Number

Office Phone Number

Nomination Form completely filled and signed by Nominator and Nominee must be submitted to the Election Committee in person or via email to nominations@jainsocietydc.org (an email group including all members below) by midnight November 4, 2018:

2018 Elections Committee		
Shilpa M. Shah – Chair	Manu Shah	Jatin (Toral) Shah
410-292-0814	443-996-1340	240-888-0168

The list of nominees will be shared on November 18, 2018. **Elections, if necessary, will be held during the Annual General Body meeting** scheduled on **December 2, 2018 at 1030 a.m.** at Cloverly Elementary School located at 800 Briggs Chaney Road Silver Spring, MD 20905.

This form is based on the amended constitution, approved on October 7, 2018. Please find the approved amended constitution online at www.JSMW.org.

This nomination form must be filled for any of the positions listed in the above form.



RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR ELECTIONS

1. RESTRICTIONS

- Only members with voting rights are eligible for contesting for election.
- A member can be nominated for only one elected position.
- Only one member of a member family can contest for any one position in the BOT since the Constitution does not allow more than one person of the same family in the BOT during the same cycle.

2. VOTING RIGHTS

- Members of JSMW may vote at a General Body Meeting provided their membership is paid and in good standing 30 days prior to the General Body Meeting.
- New members paying membership dues after that 30 day period will be eligible to vote at the next General Body Meeting.

3. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Board of Trustee Nominees:

- a. A candidate for election to the Board of Trustees must be a life member for a minimum of 3 years prior to the year of the election.
- b. A candidate for the Board of Trustees must have paid a minimum of \$25,000 to the Jain Center Fund at least 30 days prior to elections or \$5,000 to the Jain Center Fund prior to September 30, 2012 when the revised Constitution was approved.
- c. Only one person from a member family shall be elected as a member of the Board of Trustees. The same person cannot be elected to the Executive Committee during the same period.

Executive Committee Nominees:

- a. A candidate for a position on the Executive Committee must be a life member for at least 2 years prior to the year of the election.
- b. For the President, a candidate must have held a position on the Executive Committee for at least 2 complete terms to be eligible.
- c. For the Vice-President, a candidate must have held a position on the Executive Committee for at least 1 complete term to be eligible.
- d. Only one person from a member family shall be elected as a member of the Executive Committee. The same person cannot be elected to the Board of Trustees during the same period.
- e. The candidate must be a resident of Maryland, Virginia or District of Columbia.

Eligibility Requirements for Nominators: A person who is eligible for casting a vote during the elections is also eligible for nominating a candidate for that position.

4. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

- During the ballot counting process, one representative from each candidate shall be allowed to witness entire counting process, along with the Election Committee members.
- During the General Body meeting, the voting right of a Member may be suspended by the Election Committee Chair, if such Member is causing any sort of disruption to the General Body meeting. Shouting or otherwise disrupting the General Body meeting, talking during a Member's address, or while meeting/election is in progress may result in the Election Committee Chair ejecting the offending Member from the meeting/election venue.
- Election Committee or their representative(s) will have a right to ask for a photo identification to identify the member and to validate proof of age, if needed.
- JSMW Secretary shall provide Membership list [Name, Address, and Primary Phone Number], upon request, to the candidates that are deemed eligible by the Election Committee (eligibility is usually verified 30 days prior to the Election Day). Such list should ONLY be used by the eligible candidates and ONLY for election campaigning purposes. Eligible candidates shall be required to sign a non-disclosure agreement that clearly communicates to the eligible candidates that such Membership list shall be solely used for the election purposes and cannot be misused or sold to others for any reason. If any member has requested their contact information not be publicly published, such information shall be excluded from the Membership List.
- JSMW Secretary should be responsible for maintaining latest membership list and ensuring latest Membership list is cut-off solely for the Election purposes (Membership List is frozen) based on 30 calendar days prior (before) to the Election Day.
- Ballots that are determined to be fraudulent or duplicates may be disqualified at the Election Committee's discretion with just cause. Disputes will be handled by the Board of Trustees.
- In case of a tie, the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees shall cast a final tiebreaking vote. If the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees is not present, the President shall cast a final tiebreaking vote.