

## DIRECTIONS TO MILITARY ABSENTEE VOTERS

### PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY-YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

#### THE MILITARY ABSENTEE PUBLICATION BALLOT AND ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATION ARE VALID ONLY FOR MILITARY VOTERS WITH PERMANENT RESIDENCE IN LEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

1. An **Application** for an Absentee Ballot must be on file in the Lee County Clerk's Office in Dixon, IL.
2. If you have NOT previously completed an Application Request, print the Application and complete it now.
3. Print the **Publication Ballot**.
4. To vote for a person and/or referenda, darken the oval to the corresponding candidate/referenda.
5. Upon completion of voting, place the voted publication ballot and the **Ballot Cover** back to back and fold them in a manner so that on the outside shall be printed the words "OFFICIAL BALLOT", the date of the election, and a facsimile of the signature of the election authority for Lee County, Illinois.
6. Sign and date on the "Voter Signature" line.
7. Place the folded ballot, and the application for an absentee ballot (if applicable) inside an envelope.
8. Mark on the outside of the envelope (in red if possible) "OFFICIAL ELECTION MATERIAL" and mail to:  
Nancy Nelson, Lee County Clerk  
112 E. Second St.  
PO Box 329  
Dixon, IL 61021
9. SPECIAL NOTE TO MILITARY VOTERS: Voters will only be allowed to vote for races within their district. Because the Publication Ballot is not an "Official Ballot" and to maintain the voter's privacy, Judges of Election representing each party will remake your publication ballot as an "Official Ballot". Your "Official Ballot" will be tabulated on Election Day.
10. The Lee County Election Department can be contacted via phone (Mon-Fri 8-4:30) at 815-288-3309 or e-mail [election@countyoflee.org](mailto:election@countyoflee.org) .