

# **Model Illinois Government Election Packet**

## **MIG Executive Board 2026 - 2027**



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## **What Is the MIG Executive Board?**

According to Article II, Section 1 of the MIG Constitution, the Executive Committee is the governing authority of Model Illinois Government. The Executive Committee, commonly referred to as the MIG Executive Board (“MIG E-Board”), coordinates the annual MIG simulation and ensures that all operations run as smoothly as possible. Each officer on the MIG E-Board is expected to perform duties as prescribed by the MIG Constitution.

## **Executive Offices (In Order of Seniority)**

- \* **Governor**
- \* **Lieutenant (Lt.) Governor**
- \* **Attorney General (AG)**
- \* **Secretary of State**
- \* **Treasurer**
- \* **Comptroller**
- \* **President of the Senate**
- \* **Speaker of the House of Representatives**
- \* **Chief Justice**

**Four (4) Faculty Advisors**

**MIG Alumni Representative**

**Secretariat**

*All Offices denoted with an asterisk (\*) are eligible for candidacy.*

# Duties of Office

## \* **Governor**

The Governor shall preside over MIG E-Board meetings. It is the duty of the Governor to coordinate the MIG simulation, plan and delegate simulation assignments, and manage registration and programming. The Governor also selects the keynote speaker for the Opening Ceremony.

## \* **Lt. Governor**

The Lt. Governor shall preside over MIG E-Board meetings in the Governor's absence. The Lt. Governor is responsible for delegation recruitment and organizing lobbyists. Additionally, the Lt. Governor should maintain records of accredited delegations, and support preparation initiatives through orientation and training programs.

## \* **Attorney General (AG)**

The AG is responsible for overseeing the *MIG Journal* and all Original Legislation (OLs). The AG meets with the journalists throughout the MIG simulation to update the *MIG Journal*, and will ensure all OLs are directed to the appropriate committees and chambers for debate.

## \* **Secretary of State**

The Secretary of State records minutes at all MIG E-Board meetings. The Secretary of State is responsible for overseeing the MIG election procedures during the MIG simulation. Additionally, the Secretary of State works closely with the MIG Tech Director to maintain the MIG archive.

## \* **Treasurer**

The Treasurer is responsible for monitoring the MIG finances as needed in coordination with the faculty advisors. Additionally, the Treasurer should establish fundraising efforts to raise funds for the overall MIG budget.

## \* **Comptroller**

The Comptroller is in charge of ordering the nametags for the MIG E-Board (and their staff members) and awards for the MIG Awards Banquet at the conclusion of the MIG simulation. Additionally, the Comptroller is in charge of selecting the luncheon vendor and menu.

\* **President of the Senate**

The President of the Senate is responsible for selecting bills (including OLs) and committee chairs for the Senate. The President of the Senate assists in hotel reservations, and coordinates with the Governor to assign delegates fairly and maintain balanced party representation in the Senate.

\* **Speaker of the House**

The Speaker of the House is responsible for selecting bills (including OLs) and committee chairs for the House of Representatives. The Speaker of the House is responsible for all space reservations at the Illinois State Capitol. The Speaker also coordinates with the Governor to assign delegates fairly and maintain balanced party representation in the House.

\* **Chief Justice**

The Chief Justice serves as the presiding officer of the Judicial Branch and is responsible for coordinating the Moot Court simulation. The Chief Justice is responsible for securing fact patterns for Moot Court and selecting judges for the competition. Prior service as an attorney or justice in a former Moot Court simulation **is required**, although the MIG E-Board may appoint a qualified replacement if the office remains vacant.

**Faculty Advisors**

The four (4) Faculty Advisors are designated by the member schools as voting members of the MIG E-Board for future MIG simulations.

**Alumni Representative**

The Alumni Representative is responsible for assisting the MIG E-Board in preparing for the MIG simulation. The Alumni Representative shall maintain the historical records of the MIG organization and work with the Secretary of State to maintain an archive of MIG documents.

**Secretariat**

The Secretariat is a non-student representative on the MIG E-Board who does not possess any executive power. The Secretariat exists as a resource to assist other MIG E-Board members with official organizational matters. The Secretariat is appointed by the Governor and serves an indefinite term (pending reappointment) until their resignation or removal from office.

# **Model Illinois Government Code of Conduct**

MIG Constitution, Article VI, Section 1:

1.1 – “All MIG participants are guests of the officers of the Illinois House and Senate, as well as of the Springfield community. It is incumbent upon participants to demonstrate behavior appropriate to a well-run legislative body seriously considering matters of public policy. At MIG, participants are also representatives of their home campuses and student bodies. Therefore, each member school’s delegation, under the direction of its head delegate, shall be responsible for the decorum, sobriety and conduct of its members in State Capitol MIG sessions, in MIG committees, in MIG elections, and at the MIG headquarters hotel or motel. In addition, all MIG participants are required to comply with all State Capitol Security procedures. It is incumbent upon all MIG participants to ensure the longevity of the MIG simulation by displaying the appropriate level of decorum at all times.”

1.2 – “MIG will, as an organization, permits no liquor to be served in connection with any formally arranged educational activities of the organization. During the MIG simulation, all consumption of alcoholic beverages shall be permitted only at social events in house licensed drinking establishments and other licensed businesses. Any person causing damage during the simulation will be brought before the Executive Committee for immediate suspension consideration.”

# **Model Illinois Government Candidacy Petition**

MIG Constitution, Article V, Section(s) 2 - 3:

2.3 – “All petitions for candidacy must be received by the Secretary of State no later than 5:00 p.m. on the evening prior to the elections. Any letter of intent to run as a write-in candidate must be received by the Secretary of State no later than 10:00 p.m. on the evening prior to the elections and signed by a Faculty Advisor.”

3.4 – “No representative of Model Illinois Government shall make any restrictions on a delegate's right to campaign for positions of Model Illinois Government, so long as they follow the Delegate Code of Conduct.”

# Model Illinois Government Election Rules

- Election Petitions must be obtained upon consultation with the Secretary of State. Candidates must run for the E-Board position designated on their Election Petition as inscribed by the Secretary of State.
  - Should a candidate decide to run for a different E-Board position, they must obtain a new Election Petition from the Secretary of State. The original Election Petition will be considered **VOID**.
  
- All Election Petitions should be hand-delivered to the Secretary of State by **5:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 7, 2026**.
  
- MIG E-Board Offices will appear in order of seniority on the ballot.
  
- Candidates' names will appear on the ballot in the order the Election Petitions are received by the Secretary of State (delegations will not be included on the ballot).
  
- Candidates must collect petition signatures from twenty-four (24) MIG delegates. Additionally, each candidate must collect one (1) signature from **your** Faculty Advisor to appear on the ballot.
  - To promote networking, at least 75% of petition signatures, eighteen (18), should be from MIG delegates **NOT** from your own delegation.
  
- For ballot eligibility, all candidates should:
  - 1. *Required* – Complete the Election Petition and submit the document to the Secretary of State before the deadline. If an Election Petition is not received by the 5:00 p.m. deadline, your name will not appear on the ballot.
  
  - 2. *Recommended* – Attend the Candidate Forum and deliver a two (2) minute speech expressing your intent to run for your MIG E-Board position. Following the speech, all candidates will be expected to field questions from a panel consisting of the Secretary of State and MIG Alumni Representative (or substitute MIG E-Board member designated by the Secretary of State).

## Model Illinois Government Election Rules cont...

- Candidates must adhere to all MIG Delegate Code of Conduct. In the event a candidate fails to follow the Code, the Election Commission may disqualify the candidate's ballot eligibility via a three-fifths (3/5) vote.
  - First Offense: May result in a written warning.
  - Second Offense: Automatic removal from the ballot.
- Write-In candidates must electronically submit a letter of intent to [secretaryofstate@modelillinoisgov.org](mailto:secretaryofstate@modelillinoisgov.org) by **10:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 7, 2026**.
- The winners of the 2026 MIG Election will be announced at the conclusion of the MIG Awards Luncheon.
- Per Illinois law, electioneering or campaigning of any kind on state property (including the Illinois State Capitol) is **STRICTLY PROHIBITED**. This law equally applies to MIG campaigns and elections.
- By signing, you acknowledge that you have read and understand all rules and regulations governing the 2026–2027 Model Illinois Government Executive Board elections, and you have complied with all election procedures incorporated herein. You also acknowledge that your Election Petition was submitted to the MIG Secretary of State on the date and time inscribed below.

Candidate Name:        X \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate Signature:    X \_\_\_\_\_

Office Desired (**SoS**): \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Time (**SoS**):    March \_\_\_\_\_, 2026 at \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_ a.m. / p.m.