

## Requirements for Political Office in the United States

**Directions:** Read the excerpts below from the U.S. Constitution, Florida Constitution, and Florida Statutes. After reading, write down the political office that you think is being described, and in a complete sentence, explain the requirements for that office in the blank space below.

<b>1</b>	<b>U.S Constitution</b>	<p>Article I, SECTION. 2. The House of Representatives shall be composed of Members...</p> <p>No Person shall be a Representative who shall not have attained to the Age of twenty five Years, and been seven Years a Citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be an Inhabitant of that State in which he shall be chosen.</p>
	<p>Political Office being discussed. How do you know?</p>	
	<p>Constitutional Requirements (In order to qualify for this office, are there any legal requirements that you must meet?)</p>	
<b>2</b>	<b>U.S Constitution</b>	<p>Article I, SECTION 3. No Person shall be a Senator who shall not have attained to the Age of thirty Years, and been nine Years a Citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be an Inhabitant of that State for which he shall be chosen.</p>
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	<p>Constitutional Requirements</p>	

3	U.S. Constitution	Article II, Section 1 No Person except a natural born Citizen, or a Citizen of the United States, at the time of the Adoption of this Constitution, shall be eligible to the Office of President; neither shall any person be eligible to that Office who shall not have attained to the Age of thirty five Years, and been fourteen Years a Resident within the United States.
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4	Florida Constitution	Section 15. Terms and qualifications of legislators - (a) SENATORS. (b) REPRESENTATIVES. (c) QUALIFICATIONS. Each legislator shall be at least twenty-one years of age, an elector and resident of the district from which elected and shall have resided in the state for a period of two years prior to election.
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7	Summary of Text	
	Definition of Florida Elector	

Sources: U.S. Constitution - <http://constitutioncenter.org/>, Florida Constitution - <http://www.flsenate.gov/Laws/Constitution> Florida Statutes - <http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?Mode=View%20Statutes&Submenu=1&Tab=statutes&CFID=283734290&CFTOKEN=24450055> and Florida Division of Elections - <http://election.dos.state.fl.us/pdf/webappform.pdf>