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**Passaic County Clerk Reminds Voters That Absentee Ballots Are Available For The State's First Presidential Primary**

**Paterson, NJ-** The State of New Jersey's first Presidential Primary is a few weeks away and Passaic County Clerk, Karen Brown, wishes to remind residents that absentee ballots are available. The Presidential Primary will take place on February 5, 2008 where Democrats and Republicans in New Jersey will select their nominee for President. The Democrats will also elect delegates to the national convention. "With increasing concerns regarding potential weather related problems due to the date of the primary, it is important that voters remember that they always have the option of voting by absentee ballot", says Karen Brown, Passaic County Clerk.

To obtain an absentee ballot, you must be a registered voter of the County of Passaic and must fill out an absentee ballot application. The last day to apply for an Absentee Ballot by mail for the Presidential Primary is Tuesday, January 29, 2008. You may also apply in person, at the Passaic County Clerk's Office, located at 401 Grand Street, Room 130, Paterson, NJ up until 3:00 p.m. the day before the election. The office will also be open on Saturday, February 2, 2008 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Absentee Ballot Applications are available from the Passaic County Clerk's Office as well as from your Municipal Clerk. You may also download an application from [www.passaiccountynj.org](http://www.passaiccountynj.org) by clicking on the County Clerk, Elections Division or by logging on to [www.njelections.org](http://www.njelections.org). The County Clerk cannot accept faxed copies of an Absentee Ballot Application since an original signature is required. You can contact the Passaic County Clerk's Office at (973) 225-3632 ext. 501 for further information.

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