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How Many Applications Have the States Submitted for Convention Calls?

As of March, 2017 the states have submitted approximately 550 applications for convention calls to Congress for convention calls creating 11 sets of applications. The Constitution mandates each time two thirds of the states apply Congress must call a convention. Because Congress has not bothered to count the applications until recently the applications have piled up like firewood. The fact there is more than one convention call does not relieve Congress of its constitutionally mandated duty to call **all** conventions required by the applications.

To allow Congress to do otherwise would establish the precedent of Congress “waiting out” the states with the aim of never calling a convention at all. The Founders described the call as “peremptory” a legal term meaning it must be done and there is no excuse for not doing it. Not calling a convention when the applications exist would defeat the clear intent of the Founders as well as establish Congress can veto the Constitution.

You can view the list of applications by clicking [this link](#). FOAVC has gathered the applications into the 11 sets of applications now pending for a convention call. The list can be read at [this link](#).