

**Non-Partisan, Objective, and Non-Discriminatory Criteria for
Debate Participation**

- Candidates, who are Participants or Limited Participants in the Campaign Finance Program, are eligible and required to participate in a Debate if they meet the specific criteria listed for that Debate.¹
- The Sponsor may invite Campaign Finance Program Non-Participants to participate in the Debate if they meet the criteria required for Participants or Limited Participants.²

**Comptroller – First Primary Election Debate
Sunday, August 23, 2009**

- Must be on the ballot as of the date of the Debate³ AND
- Must have raised and spent \$25,000 in compliance with the Act by the last filing date prior to the Debate,⁴ which is August 14, 2009.

¹ Admin. Code § 3-709.5(1)(a), (5)(b)(i).

² Admin. Code § 3-709.5(5)(b)(ii).

³ Admin. Code § 3-709.5(1)(a).

⁴ Admin. Code § 3-709.5(5)(b)(i).