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BALLOT INSTRUCTIONS

The 42 for 21 Committee asks you to nominate any players, managers, umpires, executives, or pioneers associated with the Negro Leagues & Black Baseball who you believe deserve serious consideration for induction into the Hall of Fame.

The attached ballot contains 116 individuals from Negro Leagues & Black Baseball history who are not in the Hall of Fame but whose names have appeared on various Hall of Fame ballots or in other prominent surveys. The criteria are explained on the Ballot Information Sheet.

Mark an 'X' next to as many candidates as you feel warranted. If you want to cast a write-in vote for someone not shown on the list, please add their name at the bottom of the ballot—but don't forget to mark any write-in votes with an 'X.'

All nominating votes count equally, so you do not need to rank your nominations.

If you are interested in more information about these candidates as well as how they compare to current Negro Leagues Hall of Famers, please consult the Ballot Information Sheet, which includes information on WAR/162 games, OPS+, and ERA+. The data shown is sortable, providing multiple ways of looking at or ranking the candidates.

Feel free to use this information for guidance or just ignore it, as you think best.

Your ballot needs to be received by noon Eastern Time on Friday, December 3. We recognize that is a tight deadline, but we feel that it is very important to highlight the impending 10-year 'blackout' on consideration of more Negro Leagues candidates for the Hall of Fame after 2021.

Thanks very much for taking the time to help us appropriately raise the level of discourse about the many Negro Leagues & Black Baseball greats who deserve much more attention.

If you have any questions, please email us at 42for21@gmail.com or call us at 313.306.2233.