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Subject: Re:

Scholars have noted that the national committees of the Democratic and Republican parties have adopted rules for selecting replacement candidates in the event of a nominee's death, either before or after the general election. If the apparent winner of the general election dies before the Electoral College votes in December the electors probably would endorse whatever new nominee their national party selects as a replacement (although they may be prevented from doing so in many states, because those states have laws requiring electors to vote for the person to which they are pledged <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/faithless_elector> , and some states invalidate votes that were cast for anyone else). If the apparent winner dies between the College's December vote and its counting in Congress in January, the Twelfth Amendment <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Twelfth_Amendment_to_the_United_States_Constitution> stipulates that all electoral ballots cast shall be counted, presumably even those for a dead candidate. The U.S. House committee reporting on the proposed Twentieth Amendment <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Twentieth_Amendment_to_the_United_States_Constitution> said the "Congress would have 'no discretion' [and] 'would declare that the deceased candidate had received a majority of the votes.'"[6]

In cases where a president has not been chosen by January 20 or the president-elect "fails to qualify," the vice president-elect becomes acting president on January 20 until there is a qualified president. If the president-elect dies before noon January 20, the Twentieth Amendment <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Twentieth_Amendment_to_the_United_States_Constitution> states the vice president-elect becomes president. In cases where there is no president-elect or vice president-elect, the amendment also gives the Congress the authority to declare an acting president until such time as there is a president or vice president. At this point the Presidential Succession Act of 1947 would apply, with the office of the Presidency going to the speaker of the House of Representatives <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Speaker_of_the_United_States_House_of_Representatives> , followed by the president pro tempore of the Senate <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/President_pro_tempore_of_the_United_States_Senate> and various Cabinet officers.

On Sat, Nov 5, 2016 at 2:01 PM, Kathy Ruemmler <[REDACTED]> <mailto:[REDACTED]> > wrote:

Yes

On Nov 5, 2016, at 8:25 AM, jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com> <mailto:jeevacation@gmail.com> > wrote:

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