

# CANDIDATES INFORMATION SHEET

## **\*\*WRITE-IN CANDIDATES\*\***

A candidate may run for office as a declared write-in in the general election for state and county officers. A declared write-in candidate must submit a Declaration of Write-in Candidacy and submit a filing fee or petition in lieu of filing fee in order for votes cast for that candidate to be counted in the election.

- Filing Period
  - The Declaration of Write-In Candidacy along with the filing fee or nominating petition must be submitted no earlier than **July 20, 2024**, and no later than **5:00 p.m. on August 19, 2024** (Section 146.025, Texas Election Code).
- Candidate Application
  - In order to become a write-in candidate in the general election, a candidate must file a Declaration of Write-in Candidacy with the Secretary of State or your county judge, as appropriate (Section 146.023, Texas Election Code).
- Filing Fee or Petition in Lieu of Filing Fee
  - The declaration must be accompanied by either a filing fee or a nominating petition signed by a certain number of qualified voters.

A person who was a candidate for office in the primary election is ineligible for a place on the list of write-in candidates for that same office in the succeeding general election for state and county officers. (Section 162.015, Texas Election Code).

**NOTE: Prior to announcing candidacy, receiving campaign contributions and making any campaign expenditures one must file an Appointment of Campaign Treasurer with the Kendall County Elections Department.**

<b>FILING AUTHORITIES</b>			
KENDALL COUNTY County Judge	KENDALL COUNTY Elections Administrator	SECRETARY OF STATE	TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION
Shane Stolarczyk 201 E. San Antonio Ave, Ste. 122 Boerne, Texas 78006 830-249-9343 ext. 212 <a href="mailto:judge@co.kendall.tx.us">judge@co.kendall.tx.us</a>	Staci L. Decker 221 Fawn Valley Drive, Ste 100 Boerne, Texas 78006 (830) 331-8701 <a href="mailto:Staci.decker@co.kendall.tx.us">Staci.decker@co.kendall.tx.us</a>	P.O. Box 12060 Austin, Texas 78711 (512) 436-5650	P.O. Box 12070 Austin, Texas 78711 (512) 463-5800 <a href="http://www.ethics.state.tx.us">www.ethics.state.tx.us</a>

<b>IMPORTANT ELECTION DATE</b>	
<b>NOVEMBER 5<sup>th</sup></b>	

<b>FILING FEES (TEC 172.024)</b>			
District Judge	\$1500.00	County Clerk	\$750.00
Criminal District Attorney	\$1250.00	County Surveyor	\$75.00
County Judge	\$750.00	County Treasurer	\$750.00
Sheriff	\$750.00	County Commissioner	\$750.00
County Tax Assessor-Collector	\$750.00	County Constable	\$375.00
District Clerk	\$750.00	Justice of the Peace	\$375.00

<b>PETITION SIGNATURES REQUIRED IN LIEU OF FILING FEE</b>				
Countywide All precincts	Precinct 1 1010, 1110	Precinct 2 2020, 2080, 2120	Precinct 3 3030, 3040, 3060	Precinct 4 4050, 4070, 4100
<b>451</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>107</b>

The number of signatures required for placement of a write-in candidate's name on the general election ballot is 2% of the number of votes received in the district, county or precinct by all candidates for governor in the most recent gubernatorial general election (November 8, 2022) (TEC 172.025).

### **FILING AUTHORITY - COUNTY ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR:**

All Candidates and/or Officeholders for countywide offices, precinct specific offices within the county and single-county criminal district attorney must file the following forms with the local county elections administrator:

- Appointment of Campaign Treasurer By a Candidate (Form CTA)
- Code of Fair Campaign Practices (Form CFCP)
- Campaign Finance Report (Form C/OH)
- Amendments to any of the forms listed above

NOTE: Single-County Criminal District Attorney candidates/officeholders must file their Personal Financial Statements (Form PFS) directly with the Texas Ethics Commission. For more information about this report please contact the Texas Ethics Commission at (512) 463-5800.

### **FILING AUTHORITY - TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION:**

All Candidates and/or Officeholders for single-county district judge must file directly with the Texas Ethics Commission. For more information about your filing requirements please contact the Texas Ethics Commission at (512) 463-5800.

### **FILING AUTHORITY - COUNTY JUDGE:**

All Candidates and/or Officeholders for countywide offices and precinct specific offices within the county must file the following with the local county judge.

- Declaration of Write-in Candidacy
- Petition in Lieu of a Filing Fee

### **FILING AUTHORITY - SECRETARY OF STATE:**

All Candidates and/or Officeholders for single-county district judge and single-county criminal district attorney must file the following with the secretary of state's office.

- Declaration of Write-in Candidacy
- Petition in Lieu of a Filing Fee

**NOTE: Please be aware that all information a candidate files becomes public record and IS subject to the Public Information Act. Interested citizens, other candidates and members of the news media may ask to see the information that you file as a candidate.**