

2006 LEON COUNTY ELECTION INFORMATION SHEET

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ALL OFFICES on this sheet, if contested, will be on a 2006 Ballot in LEON COUNTY.

Candidates for Offices listed below qualify and file campaign reports with the Leon County Supervisor of Elections, 315 South Calhoun Street, Suite 110; P O Box 7357, Tallahassee FL 32314-7357 (850) 606-8683

If 2 or more non-partisan candidates qualify for the same office they will be on the Primary Election ballot unless otherwise indicated. Should no candidate receive 50% plus 1, the top 2 candidates would move to the General Election. If only 2 candidates are on the Primary ballot, the successful candidate wins the seat unless there is a write-in candidate.

Qualifying fees for offices listed below are based on the salary as of July 1 immediately preceding the qualifying period and are therefore subject to change.

County Judge . . . 6-year terms; non-partisan; *qualifying fee = \$5,227.72; annual salary = \$130,693; elected countywide. (Changed through Constitutional Amendment #7 passed by voters 11-3-98.)

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
Seat 2	Judith Hawkins	Noon, 5/8 – Noon, 5/12/06	1,712	2,140
Seat 3	Don Modesitt	Noon, 5/8 – Noon, 5/12/06	1,712	2,140
Seat 4	Augustus D. Aikens, Jr.	Noon, 5/8 – Noon, 5/12/06	1,712	2,140

Superintendent of Schools . . . normally 4-year term, but because of vacancy, 2-year completion of term; partisan office; *qualifying fee = \$7,393.68 for partisan candidates (2% party assessment), or \$4,929.12 for non-partisan candidates; annual salary of \$123,228.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
Supt. Of Schools	Bill Montford (resigning)	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	1,712	2,140

County Commissioner . . . 4-year terms, non-partisan; *qualifying fee = \$2,759.80; annual salary of \$68,995, elected non-partisan, elected within single member districts while "At Large" seats are countywide. Candidate must reside within district at time of qualifying.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
District 1	Bill Proctor	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	316	396
District 3	Dan Winchester	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	350	437
District 5	Bob Rackleff	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	377	472
At Large (Group 2)	Cliff Thaell	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	1,712	2,140

School Board Member . . . 4-year terms; non-partisan; *qualifying fee = \$1,359.32; annual salary = \$33,983; must reside in district at time of qualifying; elected from within district.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
District 1	Sheila Costigan	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	376	471
District 3	Maggie Lewis	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	302	377
District 5	Joy Bowen	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	333	416

Ochlocknee River Soil & Water Conservation (ORS&WC) District Supervisor . . . 4-year terms; Nov. 7 ballot; non-partisan; elected countywide, need not open a campaign account if qualifying fee is only expenditure and no contributions are accepted. There is no salary for this office. Candidates must qualify by petition. Election governed by 582.01, 582.18 & 582.19 F.S. Petition submission deadline is June 26, 2006 before noon.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
District II	Scott Matteo	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	25	32
District III**	Thure Caire	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	25	32
District IV	Yasmeen M. Barnes-Nkrumah	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	25	32

**This is a 2-year term to complete the original 4-year term that was relinquished

Piney Z Community Development District Supervisor . . . 4-year terms; Nov. 7 ballot; non-partisan; *qualifying fee = \$36; maximum annual salary = \$1,200; elected by electors residing in Piney Z CDD only; take office first Tuesday after general election. If qualifying by petition, a candidate must also pay the \$12 election assessment fee (1% of max. annual salary) or file undue burden affidavit at qualifying.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
Seat 1	Ed Livingston	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	11	14
Seat 3	Kim Murphy	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	11	14
Seat 5	Sam DiConcilio	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	11	14

Capital Regional Community Development District Supervisor . . . 4-year terms; Nov. 7 ballot; non-partisan; *qualifying fee = \$72; maximum annual salary = \$2,400; elected by electors residing in Capital Regional CDD only; take office first Tuesday after general election. If qualifying by petition, a candidate must also pay the \$24 election assessment fee (1% of max. annual salary) or file undue burden affidavit at qualifying.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
Seat 1	Jorge Gonzalez	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	12	15
Seat 3	Jackie Moalli	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	12	15

City Commissioner & Mayor . . . 4-year terms; non-partisan, citywide; *qualifying fee (1% of annual salary) \$345.07 for commissioners and \$689.94 for mayor; annual salary is \$34,507.20 for commissioners and \$68,993.60 for mayor; must reside in city at time of qualifying.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
Mayor	John Marks	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	1,097	1,371
Seat 3	Debbie Lightsey	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	1,097	1,371
Seat 5	Allan Katz	Noon, 7/17 – Noon, 7/21/06	1,097	1,371

CANDIDATE CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES – 2006 ELECTION CYCLE

<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Cover Period</u>	<u>Due Dates</u>	<u>Cover Period</u>	<u>90-Day Termination Reports</u>	
<u>Quarterly Reports</u>		<u>Primary Reports</u>		<u>Due Dates</u>	<u>Time Period</u>
1/10/06	10/1/05 – 12/31/05	8/4/06	7/1/06 – 7/28/06	10/19/06	After Qualifying (if unopposed)
4/10/06	1/1/06 – 3/31/06	8/18/06	7/29/06 - 8/11/06	12/4/06	Primary
7/10/06	4/1/06 – 6/30/06	9/1/06	8/12/06 – 8/31/06	2/5/07	General
		<u>General Reports</u>			
		9/22/06	9/1/06 – 9/15/06		
		10/6/06	9/16/06 – 9/29/06		
		10/20/06	9/30/06 – 10/13/06		
		11/3/06	10/14/06 - 11/2/06		

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BASIC CANDIDATE INFORMATION

FILING is the first step in becoming a candidate. (106.021 F.S.). You must be a registered voter in Leon County to run for local public office. Filing allows you to solicit contributions and make expenditures for your campaign and can occur at any time. You must complete an Appointment of Treasurer form filed with the Elections office stating:

1. the office you are running for (including seat #),
2. your political party affiliation (except candidates for City Commission, County Commission, Judges, School Board, Supervisor of Elections, CDD and Water district),
3. what bank your campaign account will be in, and
4. who your treasurer is (can be yourself).

After filing, your campaign must submit quarterly treasurer's reports until the qualifying period in 2006. See schedule on reverse side. A candidate has 10 days from the date he or she files to execute a DS-DE 84 "Statement of Candidate" (106.023 F.S.). Judicial Candidates must also turn in a DS-DE 83, "Statement of Candidate for Judicial Office".

PETITIONING is the alternative method to payment of the qualifying fee. (99.095, 99.0955, 99.096, 99.0965, 99.09651 & 99.097 F.S.)

The petition process begins no sooner than 1/1/06. Petitions

1. must be properly completed and signed by at least 1% of voters eligible to sign petition (only single member district restrictions apply)
2. must be submitted for verification before noon of the 28th day preceding the first day of qualifying (21st day for Ochlockonee candidates).
For the 2006 fall elections, the petitions must be submitted as follows:

- **For judicial candidates: April 10, 2006 before noon**
- **For Ochlockonee River, Soil & Water Conservation District candidates: June 26, 2006 before noon**
- **For all other local candidates: June 19, 2006 before noon**

3. There is a fee of 10 cents per name for verifying signatures, which must be paid upon submission of petitions, or the candidate may file an undue burden oath to waive the cost of verification.

If the candidate is unable to collect the required number of signatures, he or she may still pay the qualifying fee.

QUALIFYING is the final step that allows a candidate to be on the ballot and occurs at the Supervisor of Elections Office beginning at noon, 50 days prior to the date of the first primary and ends at noon on the 46th day prior to the date of the first primary (99.012, 99.021, 99.061, 99.062, F.S.). For judicial candidates qualifying begins at noon of the 120th day and continues through noon of the 116th day prior to the primary election (105.031, 105.035, 105.036). The candidate must fill out:

1. Financial Disclosure Form 6 (Form 1 for City Commission and ORS&WC)
2. Loyalty Oath, Oath of Candidate and Statement of Party (DS-DE 24 for major and minor party candidates, DS-DE 24A for write-in candidates, DS-DE 24B for no party affiliation candidates or DS-DE 26 or 26A for judicial candidates and judicial write-in candidates).
3. Pay the qualifying fee (6% of annual salary for partisan/4% of annual salary for non-partisan Constitutional, County Commission or CDD candidates; 1% for City Commission candidates) or have petitions certified (petitions required for ORS&WC Dist).

⇒ **Candidates who do not complete the qualifying process by noon of the 46th day (noon of the 116th day for judicial candidates) prior to the first primary will not be on the ballot!** ⇐

Candidates for Offices listed below file candidacy and qualifying papers as well as campaign treasurer reports with the Florida Div. of Elections, Rm. 316 R. A. Gray Building, 500 S. Bronough St., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250, (850) 245-6200.

State & District Offices

Florida Legislature (4-year term for Senate, 2-year term for House of Reps.)

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>
Senate, District 6	Al Lawson (Dem) Group 1
House, District 7	Marti Coley (Rep)
House, District 8	Curtis Richardson (Dem)
House, District 9	Loranne Ausley (Dem)

Second Judicial Circuit (6-year term)

<u>Circuit Judge</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>
Group 1	George S. Reynolds III
Group 11	Nikki Ann Clark
Group 12	Terry P. Lewis

Governor and Cabinet (4-year term)

Governor	Jeb Bush (Rep)
Lt. Governor	Toni Jennings (Rep)
Attorney General	Charlie Crist (Rep)
Comm. of Agriculture	Charles Bronson (Rep)
Chief Financial Officer	Tom Gallagher (Rep)

Federal Offices

<u>U.S. Congress</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>
House of Rep., District 2 . . . 2-year term	Allen Boyd (Dem)
House of Rep., District 4 . . . 2-year term	Ander Crenshaw (Rep)
Senate . . . 6-year term	Bill Nelson (Dem)

Up for merit retention

Supreme Court Justices, District Court of Appeal-First Appellate District Barbara Pariente, Peggy A. Quince, R. Fred Lewis