

2014 LEON COUNTY ELECTION INFORMATION SHEET

PRIMARY
AUGUST 26

GENERAL
NOVEMBER 4

ALL OFFICES on this sheet, if contested, will be on a 2014 Ballot in LEON COUNTY.

**Candidates for offices listed below qualify and file campaign reports with
the Supervisor of Elections, Leon County, 315 South Calhoun Street, Suite 110
Tallahassee, FL 32301 (850) 606-8683**

County Commissioner: 4-year terms; non-partisan; qualifying fee = \$2,888.84 (4% of annual salary); annual salary of \$72,221, elected within single member districts while "At Large" seats are countywide. Candidate must reside within district at time of qualifying. If only two candidates run for a seat, they will appear on the Nov. 4 ballot. Petition submission deadline is May 19, 2014 before noon. Takes office 2nd Tuesday after general election.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
District 1	Bill Proctor	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	348	400
District 3	John E. Dailey	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	394	453
District 5	Kristin Dozier	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	420	483
At Large (Group 2)	Nick Maddox	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	1,906	2,192

School Board Member: 4-year terms; non-partisan; qualifying fee = \$1,416.36 (4% of salary); annual salary of \$35,409, elected within single member districts. Candidate must reside within district at time of qualifying. Petition submission deadline is May 19, 2014 before noon. Takes office 2nd Tuesday after general election.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
District 1	Forest Van Camp	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	439	505
District 3	Maggie Lewis-Butler	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	321	369
District 5	Georgia Joy Bowen	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	350	402

City Commissioner & Mayor: 4-year terms; non-partisan; qualifying fee = \$361.10 (1% of annual salary) for Commissioners and \$722.21 for Mayor; annual salary of \$36,110.49 for Commissioners and \$72,220.99 for Mayor; elected citywide. Candidate must reside in city at time of qualifying. Petition submission deadline is May 19, 2014 before noon. Takes office no later than the 17th day after general election.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
Seat 3	Nancy Miller	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	1,219	1,402
Seat 5	Gil Ziffer	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	1,219	1,402
Mayor	John Marks	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	1,219	1,402

Leon County Judges: 6-year terms; non-partisan; qualifying fee = \$5,371.20 (4% of annual salary) annual salary of \$134,280; elected countywide. Petition submission deadline is March 31, 2014 before noon. Takes office 1st Tuesday after 1st Monday in January.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
Seat 5	Nina Ashenafi Richardson	Noon, 4/28 – Noon, 5/2/14	1,906	2,192

Leon Soil & Water Conservation (ORS&WC) District Supervisor: 4-year terms; non-partisan; elected countywide; appear only on Nov. 4 ballot. Need not open a campaign account if qualifying fee/petition verification is only expenditure and no contributions are accepted; qualifying fee = \$25.00. There is no salary for this office. Candidate must reside within district at time of qualifying. Petition submission deadline is May 19, 2014 before noon. Takes office 1st Tuesday after 1st Monday in January.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
District 2	Stan Peacock	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	25	29
District 4	Wayne Bertsch	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	25	29

Capital Region Community Development District Supervisor: 4-year terms; non-partisan; elected from within Capital Region CDD residents; appear only on Nov. 4 ballot. Need not open a campaign account if qualifying fee/petition verification is only expenditure and no contributions are accepted; qualifying fee = \$25.00. Annual salary = \$2,400. Candidate must reside within district at time of qualifying. Petition submission deadline is May 19, 2014 before noon. Takes office 2nd Tuesday after general election.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
Seat 1	Glenda Herrera-Gray	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	25	29
Seat 3	Eli Nortelus	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	25	29
Seat 5	David Ramba	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	25	29

Piney-Z Community Development District Supervisor: 4-year terms; non-partisan; elected from within Piney-Z CDD residents; appear only on Nov. 4 ballot. Need not open a campaign account if qualifying fee/petition verification is only expenditure and no contributions are accepted; qualifying fee = \$25.00. Annual salary = \$1,200. Candidate must reside within district at time of qualifying. Petition submission deadline is May 19, 2014 before noon. Takes office 2nd Tuesday after general election.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
Seat 1	Jan Bridges	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	25	29
Seat 3	Rosemary White	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	25	29
Seat 5	Michael Lee	Noon, 6/16 – Noon, 6/20/14	25	29

CANDIDATE CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES: 2014 REPORTING DATES

<u>Cover Period</u>	<u>Report Code</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
1/1/2014-1/31/2014	2014-M1	2/10/2014
2/1/2014-2/28/2014	2014-M2	3/10/2014
3/1/2014-3/31/2014	2014-M3	4/10/2014
4/1/2014-4/30/2014	2014-M4	5/12/2014
5/1/2014-5/31/2014	2014-M5	6/10/2014
6/1/2014-6/20/2014	2014-P1	6/27/2014
6/21/2014-7/4/2014	2014-P2	7/11/2014
7/5/2014-7/18/2014	2014-P3	7/25/2014
7/19/2014-7/25/2014	2014-P4	8/1/2014
7/26/2014-8/1/2014	2014-P5	8/8/2014
8/2/2014-8/8/2014	2014-P6	8/15/2014
8/9/2014-8/21/2014	2014-P7	8/22/2014
8/22/2014-8/29/2014	2014-P8	9/5/2014
8/30/2014-9/12/2014	2014-P9	9/19/2014
9/13/2014-9/26/2014	2014-P10	10/3/2014
9/27/2014-10/3/2014	2014-P11	10/10/2014
10/4/2014-10/10/2014	2014-P12	10/17/2014
10/11/2014-10/17/2014	2014-P13	10/24/2014
10/18/2014-10/30/2014	2014-P14	10/31/2014

TERMINATION REPORTS

Unopposed after Qualifying: Judicial Candidates	7/31/2014
Unopposed after Qualifying: Non-Judicial Candidates	9/18/2014
Elected or Eliminated after the Primary Election	11/24/2014
Elected or Eliminated after the General Election	2/2/2015

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 and file with the Elections Office **prior to opening your campaign depository**. The Appointment of Treasurer form states:

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, CDDs and Water district).
3. What bank your campaign account will be in.
4. Who your treasurer is (can be yourself).

AFTER FILING, your campaign must submit treasurer's reports. Reports must be filed on the 10th day following the end of each calendar month from the time the campaign treasurer is appointed. Following the last day of qualifying, reports must be filed on the 60th day immediately preceding the Primary Election, and biweekly on each Friday thereafter through and including the 4th day immediately preceding the General Election, with additional reports due the 25th and 11th days before the Primary and General Elections. Candidates must file a termination report within 90 days after the date the candidate becomes unopposed, eliminated, withdrawn or elected to office **(106.06(b)(c), F.S.)**. Additionally, a candidate has 10 days from the date he or she files the Appointment of Treasurer 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, 99.09651 & 99.097 F.S.)

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. For the 2014 fall elections, the petitions must be submitted as follows:
 - **For judicial candidates: March 31, 2014 before noon**
 - **For all other local candidates: May 19, 2014 before noon**
3. There is a fee of 10 cents per petition 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 as follows:

- **For judicial candidates: NOON, 4/28 – NOON, 5/2/14**
- **For all other local candidates: NOON, 6/16 – NOON, 6/20/14**

The candidate must fill out:

1. Financial Disclosure Form 6 (Form 1 for City Commission, CDDs and ORS&WC).
2. Loyalty Oath, Oath of Candidate and Statement of Party (DS-DE 24 for Candidates with Party Affiliation, DS-DE 24A for Write-In Candidates, DS-DE 24B for Candidates with No Party Affiliation, DS-DE 25 for Non-Partisan 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 or County Commission; 1% for City Commission, \$25.00 for ORS&WC or CDDs candidates) or have petitions certified.

Candidates who do not complete the qualifying process as indicated above prior to the Primary election 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 Division of Elections, Room 316, R. A. Gray Building, 500 S. Bronough Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250, (850) 245-6200.

State & District Offices

Governor and Cabinet (4 Year term)

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>
Governor	Rick Scott (REP)
Lt. Governor	Jennifer Carroll (REP)
Attorney General	Pam Bondi (REP)
Commissioner of Agriculture	Adam Putnam (REP)
Chief Financial Officer	Jeff Atwater (REP)

Florida Legislature (4 year term for Senate, 2 year term for House)

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>
House, District 7	Halsey Beshears (REP)
House, District 8	Alan B. Williams (DEM)
House, District 9	Michelle Rehwinkel Vasilinda (DEM)

Federal Offices

U.S. Congress (4-year term for Senate, 2-year term for House of Representatives)

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>
House of Representatives, District 2	Steve Southerland (REP)

Second Judicial Circuit (6 year terms)

<u>Circuit Judge</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>
Group 4	Charles Dodson
Group 6	N. Sanders Sauls
Group 7	Frank E. Sheffield
Group 8	John C. Cooper
Group 10	Mark E. Walker
Group 13	Charles A. Francis
Group 16	Angela C. Dempsey

Up for Merit Retention (6 year terms)

1st District Court of Appeal

Marguerite H. Davis
Robert T. Benton, II
William A. Van Nortwick, Jr.
Joseph Lewis, Jr.
L. Clayton Roberts
Scott Makar