

2018 LEON COUNTY ELECTION INFORMATION SHEET

PRIMARY
AUGUST 28

GENERAL
NOVEMBER 6

ALL OFFICES on this sheet, if contested, will be on a 2018 Ballot in LEON COUNTY.
**Candidates for offices listed below qualify and file campaign reports with
the Supervisor of Elections, Leon County.
(850) 606-8683**

Leon County Commissioner: 4-year terms; non-partisan; **qualifying fee = \$3,033.16** (4% of annual salary); annual salary of \$75,829, 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. 6 ballot. Petition submission deadline is May 21, 2018 before noon. Takes office 2nd Tuesday after General Election. **Contribution Limit: \$250** per Leon County Charter.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
District 1	Bill Proctor	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	386	444
District 3	John E. Dailey	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	416	478
District 5	Kristin Dozier	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	447	514
At Large (Group 2)	Nick Maddox	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	2,063	2,373

School Board Member: 4-year terms; non-partisan; **qualifying fee = \$1,482.68** (4% of annual salary); annual salary of \$37,067, elected within single member districts. Candidate must reside within district at time of qualifying. Petition submission deadline is May 21, 2018 before noon. Takes office 2nd Tuesday after General Election. **Contribution Limit: \$1,000** per Florida Statute.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
District 1	Alva Swafford Striplin	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	459	528
District 3	Maggie Lewis-Butler	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	356	410
District 5	Georgia Joy Bowen	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	399	459

City Commissioner & Mayor: 4-year terms; non-partisan; **qualifying fee = \$379.15 for Commissioners and \$758.29 for Mayor** (1% of annual salary); annual salary of \$37,914.50 for Commissioners and \$75,829 for Mayor; elected citywide. Candidate must reside in city at time of qualifying. Petition submission deadline is May 21, 2018 before noon. Takes office no later than the 13th day after the General Election. **Contribution Limit: \$250** per City of Tallahassee Charter.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
Seat 3	Nancy Miller	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	1,342	1,544
Seat 5	Gil Ziffer	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	1,342	1,544
Mayor	Andrew Gillum	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	1,342	1,544

Leon County Judges: 6-year terms; non-partisan; **qualifying fee = \$5,520.80** (4% of annual salary) annual salary of \$138,020; elected countywide. Must reside in Leon County at the time of assuming office. Petition submission deadline is April 2, 2018 before noon. Takes office 1st Tuesday after 1st Monday in January. **Contribution Limit: \$1,000** per Florida Statute.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
Seat 1	Stephen S. Everett	NOON, 4/30 – NOON, 5/4/18	2,063	2,373
Seat 3	Ronald W. Flury	NOON, 4/30 – NOON, 5/4/18	2,063	2,373
Seat 4	Augustus D. Aikens, Jr.	NOON, 4/30 – NOON, 5/4/18	2,063	2,373

Leon Soil & Water Conservation (ORS&WC) District Supervisor: 4-year terms; non-partisan; elected countywide; appears only on Nov. 6 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 21, 2018 before noon. Takes office 1st Tuesday after 1st Monday in January. **Contribution Limit: \$1,000** per Florida Statute.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
District 2	Holly Parker Curry	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	25	29
District 4	Brian Lee	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	25	29

Capital Region Community Development District Supervisor: 4-year terms; non-partisan; elected by the residents of Capital Region CDD; appear only on Nov. 6 ballot. Need not open a campaign account if qualifying fee/petition verification is only expenditure and no contributions are accepted; **qualifying fee = \$25.00**. Salary = \$200 per meeting. Candidate must reside within district at time of qualifying. Petition submission deadline is May 21, 2018 before noon. Takes office 2nd Tuesday after General Election. **Contribution Limit: \$1,000** per Florida Statute.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
Seat 1	Glenda Herrera-Gray	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	25	29
Seat 3	Eli Nortelus	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	25	29
Seat 5	David Ramba	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	25	29

Piney-Z Community Development District Supervisor: 4-year terms; non-partisan; elected from within Piney-Z CDD residents; appear only on Nov. 6 ballot. Need not open a campaign account if qualifying fee/petition verification is only expenditure and no contributions are accepted; **qualifying fee = \$25.00**. Salary = \$200 per meeting. Candidate must reside within district at time of qualifying. Petition submission deadline is May 21, 2018 before noon. Takes office 2nd Tuesday after General Election. **Contribution Limit: \$1,000** per Florida Statute.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	QUALIFYING DATES	# OF PETITIONS	
			Required	Recommended
Seat 1	Delores Ann Pincus	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	25	29
Seat 3	Cheryl Hudson	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	25	29
Seat 5	Michael Lee	NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18	25	29

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 may occur at any time. You must complete an Appointment of Treasurer form (DS-DE 9) and file it 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).

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".

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.

CANDIDATE CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES: 2018 Reporting Dates

Report	Cover Period	Due Date
M1	1/1/2018 - 1/31/2018	2/12/2018
M2	2/1/2018 - 2/28/2018	3/12/2018
M3	3/1/2018 - 3/31/2018	4/10/2018
M4	4/1/2018 - 4/30/2018	5/10/2018
M5	5/1/2018 - 5/31/2018	6/11/2018
P1	6/1/2018 - 6/22/2018	6/29/2018
P2	6/23/2018 - 7/6/2018	7/13/2018
P3	7/7/2018 - 7/20/2018	7/27/2018
P4	7/21/2018 - 7/27/2018	8/3/2018
P5	7/28/2018 - 8/3/2018	8/10/2018
P6	8/4/2018 - 8/10/2018	8/17/2018
P7	8/11/2018 - 8/23/2018	8/24/2018
G1	8/24/2018 - 8/31/2018	9/7/2018
G2	9/1/2018 - 9/14/2018	9/21/2018
G3	9/15/2018 - 9/28/2018	10/5/2018
G4	9/29/2018 - 10/5/2018	10/12/2018
G5	10/6/2018 - 10/12/2018	10/19/2018
G6	10/13/2018 - 10/19/2018	10/26/2018
G7	10/20/2018 - 11/1/2018	11/2/2018

TERMINATION REPORTS

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.).

Unopposed after Qualifying: Judicial Candidates	8/2/2018
Unopposed after Qualifying: Non-Judicial Candidates	9/20/2018
Elected or Eliminated after the Primary Election	11/26/2018
Elected or Eliminated after the General Election	2/4/2019

PETITIONING is the alternative method to payment of the qualifying fee. (99.095 F.S.)

Petitions:

1. Must be on the DS-DE 104 form. Effective date is 9/11; any other forms will not be valid.
2. Must be properly completed and signed by at least 1% of voters eligible to sign petitions (only single member district restrictions apply).
3. Must be submitted for verification before noon of the 28th day proceeding the first day of qualifying. For the 2018 Fall elections, the petitions must be submitted as follows:
 - **For judicial candidates: April 2, 2018 before noon**
 - **For all other local candidates: May 21, 2018 before noon**
4. 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, 4/30 – NOON, 5/4/18**
- **For all other local candidates: NOON, 6/18 – NOON, 6/22/18**

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.

14 Day Holding Period: Filing timeline. Qualifying papers shall be deemed filed by the qualifying office upon the date of actual receipt by the qualifying office, except for those qualifying papers accepted and held during the 14-day period before the beginning of the qualifying period to be processed and filed during the qualifying period pursuant to Section 99.061(8), F.S. The qualifying papers that are received and held during the 14-day period before the beginning of the qualifying period shall not be deemed filed until the beginning of the qualifying period (Rule 1S-2.0001, F.A.C.).

Candidates who do not complete the qualifying process as indicated above prior to the close of the qualifying period will not be on the ballot!

State & District Offices

Governor and Cabinet

(4 Year term)

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>
Governor	Rick Scott (REP)
Lt. Governor	Carlos Lopez-Cantera (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	Ramon Alexander (DEM)
House, District 9	Loranne Ausley (DEM)

Federal Offices

U.S. Congress

(4-year term for Senate, 2-year term for House of Representatives)

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>
Senate	Bill Nelson (DEM)
House of Representatives, District 2	Neal Dunn (REP)
House of Representatives, District 5	Al Lawson (DEM)

Judicial Offices

Up for Merit Retention

(6 year terms)

Florida Supreme Court

Peggy A. Quince
Barbara J. Pariente
R. Fred Lewis

1st District Court of Appeal

Harvey L. Jay III
Allen Winsor
Bradford L. Thomas
Stephanie W. Ray
M. Kemmerly Thomas

Second Judicial Circuit

(6 year elected terms)

<u>Circuit Judge</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>
Group 1	Robert Long Jr.
Group 2	Barbara Hobbs
Group 3	James O. Shelfer
Group 5	Francis Allman
Group 7	Robert Wheeler
Group 12	Terry P. Lewis