

Local Non-Judicial Candidate/Officeholder Packet

This packet is being provided by the County Elections Administrator to supply you with the basic information that any candidate would need to know.

Before becoming a candidate, we urge you to contact the Texas Ethics Commission for information on campaign contribution reports, the appointment of a campaign treasurer, and personal financial statements that you may be required to file.

The Texas Ethics Commission will serve as your authority on how to run your campaign.

“Local” Filers do not file with the Texas Ethics Commission.

If running for a County office you would file for a place on the ballot with the Party Chair of your choice. All other forms would be filed with the County Elections Administrator.

If running for a Local Political Subdivisions you would file all forms with the Subdivision Authority.

Please file forms with your local filing authority accordingly.

For Major Party Candidates:

In order to run with a major political party, a candidate must file an application with the county or state party chair and pay a filing fee. A candidate also has the option of filing a petition in lieu of the filing fee. Application and petition forms are available through local party officials or the Texas Secretary of State. The regular filing period for the primary election begins on the 30th day before the date of the regular filing deadline, which is 6 p.m. on the second Monday in December of an odd-numbered year.

For Qualifications for Office - Check with your Party Chair or Authority

- Voter Registration Requirements for Candidates (HB 484)

Minimum for County offices (Non-Judicial):

- a) US Citizen
- b) Texas Resident – min. 12 months
- c) Registered in the district running for – min. 6 months
- d) Be at least 18 years old.

Local Non-Judicial Candidate/Officeholder Important Contact Information

The Commission may be reached at the following address:

Texas Ethics Commission

P.O. Box 12070
Austin, TX 78711-2070
Tel: (512) 463-5800
www.ethics.state.tx.us

The Local Party Chairs may be reached at the following addresses:

Gillespie County Democratic Party

Cathy Collier – Party Chair
209 N. Crockett, Suite 1
Fredericksburg, TX 78624
Tel: (830) 391-8384
gillespiemens@gmail.com

Gillespie County Republican Party

Mo Saiidi – Party Chair
PO Box 2975
Fredericksburg, TX 78624
Tel: (832) 457-0767

***Independent Candidates for county offices will file with the County Judge**

Gillespie County Judge

Mark Stroeder
101 W. Main Street, Room 101
Fredericksburg, TX 78624
Tel: (830) 997-7502

Gillespie County Elections Administrator

Anissa Herrera
95 Frederick Road
Fredericksburg, TX 78624
Tel: (830) 997-6518
elections@gillespiecounty.org

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We have compiled the following list of links that you should review which will provide you with all necessary forms and better understanding of how to run your campaign.

Please visit Texas Ethics Commission @ www.ethics.state.tx.us to review these links.

➤ **Required Forms: (*you will need to print*)**

1. Appointment of a Campaign Treasurer by a Candidate. (Form CTA) - ***Provided***
 - Amended Appointment of a Campaign Treasurer by a Candidate (Form ACTA)
2. Code of Fair Campaign Practices (Form CFCP)
3. Candidate/Officeholder Campaign Finance Report (Form C/OH)
 - Correction Affidavit for Candidate/Officeholder (Form COR-C/OH)
4. Candidate/Officeholder Report of Unexpended Contributions (Form C/OH-UC)
 - For Corrected C/OH-UC use Form COR-C/OH
5. Certificate of Withdrawal

➤ **Guides:**

- a) Treasurer Instructions
 - Duties Under the Campaign Finance Law
- b) Local Filers Campaign Finance Guide
- c) Political Advertising - What you Need to Know
 - Political Advertising for Local Filers
 - Political Subdivision Advertising
 - School District Advertising
- d) Title 15 Election Code

➤ **Filing Schedule**

Candidate Information Sheet

In order to become a candidate for a local office, a person must file an application with the County Chair (TEC 172.022), and pay a filing fee (TEC 172.024). A candidate also has the option of filing a petition in lieu of the filing fee (TEC 172.025). **The filing period begins on November 13th, 2021 and ends on December 13th, 2021 at 6 p.m.** If you receive more than 50% of the votes cast in the primary election your name will appear on the general election ballot in November. If you receive 50% or less of the votes cast in the primary election, the two candidates with the highest number of votes will enter into a runoff election to determine who will be the party nominee for the general election in November.

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

FILING AUTHORITIES	
Gillespie County Elections Administrator	Texas Ethics Commission
Anissa Herrera 95 Frederick Road Fredericksburg, Texas 78624 (830) 997-6518 elections@gillespiecounty.org	P.O. Box 12070 Austin, Texas 78711 (512) 463-5800 www.ethics.state.tx.us

Local County Chairs	
DEMOCRATIC PARTY County Chair	REPUBLICAN PARTY County Chair
Cathy Collier 209 N. Crockett, Suite 1 Fredericksburg, TX 78624 Tel: (830) 391-8384 gillespiedems@gmail.com	Mo Saiidi PO Box 2975 Fredericksburg, TX 78624 Tel: (832) 457-0767

Important Election Dates		
Primary: MARCH 1*	Runoff: MAY 24*	General: NOVEMBER 8

Filing Fees (TEC 172.024)			
County Judge	\$750	Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3	\$375
District Clerk	\$750	Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4	\$375
County Clerk	\$750	Constable, Precinct 1	\$375
County Clerk	\$750	Constable, Precinct 2	\$375
County Commissioner, Precinct 2	\$750	Constable, Precinct 3	\$375
County Commissioner, Precinct 4	\$750	Constable, Precinct 4	\$375
Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1	\$375	County Surveyor	\$75
Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2	\$375		

Petition Signatures Required In Lieu Of Filing Fee				
Countywide All Precincts	Precinct 1 1, 8, 12	Precinct 2 2, 5, 10, 15	Precinct 3 3, 6, 7	Precinct 4 4, 9, 13
253	67	61	60	64

The number of signatures required for placement of a candidate's name on the primary ballot is 2% of the number of votes received in the county or precinct by all candidates for governor in the most recent gubernatorial election (November 6, 2018) (TEC 172.025).

*These dates are subject to changes from the 2021 legislative session