

2014 FILING PACKET



For use by candidates for Federal, State, Legislative and County offices

This filing packet has been prepared by the Oklahoma State Election Board for use by candidates filing for Federal, State, Legislative and County offices during the April 9 – 11, 2014, filing period. The contents of the filing packet are listed below, together with the disposition of each item.

CANDIDATE FILING INSTRUCTIONS

These instructions have been prepared by the State Election Board to provide general information to candidates.

➔ Retain for your use

QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED IN 2014

Qualifications for officers to be elected in 2014 have been compiled by the State Election Board in this document; however, it is ultimately your responsibility as a candidate to determine whether you are qualified to file for a given office.

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DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY

The Declaration of Candidacy should be completed by the candidate and filed with the appropriate Election Board (see *Candidate Filing Instructions*) during the April 9-11, 2014, filing period. The candidate's signature must be notarized.

➔ File with appropriate Election Board

VOLUNTARY FORM FOR NEWS MEDIA

Completion of the media form is voluntary, and its completion is not a requirement for becoming a candidate. If you complete the form, it will be made available to the news media at the time your Declaration of Candidacy is accepted.

➔ Submit to appropriate Election Board

CANDIDATE FILING INSTRUCTIONS

2014 Primary, Runoff Primary and General Elections

Candidate Filing Period

Wednesday, April 9, 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Thursday, April 10, 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Friday, April 11, 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Where to File

State Election Board — Candidates for United States Senator, United States Representative, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, State Auditor and Inspector, Attorney General, State Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Commissioner of Labor, Insurance Commissioner, Corporation Commissioner, District Judge, Associate District Judge, District Attorney, State Senator and State Representative file Declarations of Candidacy with the Secretary of the State Election Board, State Capitol Building, Oklahoma City.

County Election Board — Candidates for County Assessor, County Treasurer, and County Commissioner file Declarations of Candidacy with the Secretary of the County Election Board in the county in which candidates seek election.

Filing Fee or Petition

State Election Board — For candidates filing with the Secretary of the State Election Board, a cashier's check or certified check made payable to the Secretary of the State Election Board shall accompany the Declaration of Candidacy. Cash cannot be accepted. The non-refundable filing fees for offices filed with the Secretary of the State Election Board are as follows:

United States Senator	\$1,000.00	Commissioner of Labor	\$500.00
United States Representative	750.00	Insurance Commissioner	500.00
Governor	1,500.00	Corporation Commissioner	500.00
Lieutenant Governor	500.00	District Judge	200.00
State Auditor and Inspector	500.00	Associate District Judge	200.00
Attorney General	500.00	District Attorney	200.00
State Treasurer	500.00	State Senator	200.00
Superintendent of Public Instruction	500.00	State Representative	200.00

County Election Board — For candidates filing with the Secretary of the County Election Board, a cashier's check or certified check made payable to the Secretary of the County Election Board shall accompany the Declaration of Candidacy. Cash cannot be accepted. The non-refundable filing fees for offices filed with the Secretary of the County Election Board are as follows:

County Assessor	\$200.00	County Commissioner	\$200.00
County Treasurer	\$200.00		

In lieu of a fee, a petition supporting the candidacy that is signed by four percent (4%) of the registered voters eligible to vote for the candidate in the first election wherein the candidate's name could appear on the ballot may be submitted with a Declaration of Candidacy.

Primary Election

Tuesday, June 24

Runoff Primary Election

Tuesday, August 26

General Election

Tuesday, November 4

Withdrawal of Candidacy

A candidate may withdraw from a Primary Election by filing a written notice with the Secretary of the Election Board with whom the Declaration of Candidacy was filed, before 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday following the close of the filing period. A candidate may withdraw from a Runoff Primary Election by filing a written notice before 5:00 P.M. on the Friday following the Primary Election. A candidate may withdraw from a General Election by filing a written notice before 5:00 P.M. on the Friday following the Runoff Primary Election. Forms for withdrawal may be obtained from the Secretary of the Election Board with whom the Declaration of Candidacy was filed.

Contests of Candidacy

Any candidate may contest the candidacy of any other candidate for the same office by filing a written petition with the Secretary of the Election Board with whom the Declaration of Candidacy was filed, before 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday following the close of the filing period. The petition must be accompanied by a cashier's check or certified check in the amount of \$250.00, payable to the Secretary of the Election Board with whom the Declaration of Candidacy was filed. Cash cannot be accepted. To respond to the petition, the contestee also must post a deposit in the same manner as the petitioner, except that the deposit may be posted at the time of the contestee's appearance at the scheduled hearing.

General Information

1. Candidates may file for the nomination of a political party only if said party is recognized by the laws of the State of Oklahoma.
2. Candidates may file for no more than one office at any election. A Special Election and a Regular Election held on the same date shall be considered one election.
3. To become a candidate for office and have one's name appear on a ballot, a person must file the Declaration of Candidacy form prescribed by the Secretary of the State Election Board, accompanied by either a filing fee in the amount specified by the laws of the State of Oklahoma or by a petition bearing the required number of signatures of registered voters.
4. The Declaration of Candidacy must be completely filled out, signed by the candidate, and notarized by a Notary Public or other person authorized to administer oaths.
5. A candidate's name will be printed on the ballot as it is entered on the first line of the Declaration of Candidacy; however, no candidate shall have any prefix, suffix, or title placed before or after his name. A candidate's full legal name also must be provided on the Declaration of Candidacy.
6. All candidates are required by state law to disclose on their Declarations of Candidacy whether they ever have been convicted of a misdemeanor involving embezzlement or of a felony in Oklahoma or in any other state and/or whether an arrest warrant is outstanding in connection with such misdemeanor or felony.
7. In contests of candidacy, the Secretary of the Election Board with whom the Declaration of Candidacy was filed is the constructive service agent for each candidate who has filed. By the act of filing a Declaration of Candidacy, each candidate is conclusively presumed to have accepted such constructive service.
8. Candidates filing Declarations of Candidacy with the State Election Board are required to register committees with the Oklahoma Ethics Commission. Candidates filing Declarations of Candidacy with a County Election Board are required to register committees and file designations of agent with the Ethics Commission. In both cases, said filing is required within 10 days of filing a Declaration of Candidacy for candidates who have not already done so. For more information, contact the Ethics Commission in the State Capitol Building, Room B-5, Oklahoma City, OK 73105, by phone at (405) 521-3451, or by electronic mail at ethics@ethics.ok.gov.

NOTICE: These instructions were prepared by the State Election Board as a public service. They were correct when prepared but are subject to change. It is ultimately the responsibility of each candidate to determine for himself the requirements for becoming a candidate for public office.

State of Oklahoma

OFFICES TO BE FILLED IN 2014

Primary Election
Tuesday, June 24

Runoff Primary Election
Tuesday, August 26

General Election
Tuesday, November 4

Congress

One United States Senator, full (six-year) term

One United States Senator, unexpired term

(Article 1 §3 and Amendment XVII, United States Constitution; 26 O.S., §§12-101 – 12-105)

Five U.S. Representatives, nominated and elected by district for a two-year term. (14 O.S. §6.1 et seq., Article 1 §2, United States Constitution)

District 1

District 2

District 3

District 4

District 5

State Officers

State Officers, with the exception of the Corporation Commissioner, are elected for a four-year term. The Corporation Commissioner is elected for a six-year term.

Governor (Article 6, §§3 and 4, Oklahoma Constitution)

Lieutenant Governor (Article 6, §§3 and 4, Oklahoma Constitution)

Attorney General (Article 6, §§3 and 4, Oklahoma Constitution)

State Treasurer (Article 6, §§3 and 4, Oklahoma Constitution)

Superintendent of Public Instruction (Article 6, §§3 and 4, Oklahoma Constitution)

State Auditor and Inspector (Article 6, §§3 and 4, Oklahoma Constitution)

Commissioner of Labor (Article 6, §§1 and 4, Oklahoma Constitution)

State Insurance Commissioner (Article 6, §23, Oklahoma Constitution)

One Corporation Commissioner (Article 9, §15, Oklahoma Constitution)

Legislature – State Senate

One Senator nominated and elected from each even-numbered Senate district for a four-year term. (14 O.S., §80.35 et seq.)

District	Counties	District	Counties
2	*Mayes, *Rogers	26	Beckham, Blaine, Caddo, *Custer, *Kingfisher, Roger Mills
4	*LeFlore, Sequoyah	28	Lincoln, *Pottawatomie, *Seminole
5 ±	*Atoka, Choctaw, *LeFlore, McCurtain, Pushmataha	30	*Oklahoma
6	*Atoka, Bryan, Coal, *Johnston, Marshall	32	*Comanche
8	McIntosh, *Muskogee, *Okfuskee, Okmulgee	34	*Rogers, *Tulsa
10	*Kay, *Osage,	36	*Tulsa, *Wagoner
12	Creek, *Tulsa	38	*Custer, Greer, Harmon, Jackson, Kiowa, Washita
14	Carter, *Johnston, Love, Murray	40	*Oklahoma
16	*Cleveland	42	*Oklahoma
18	*Cherokee, *Mayes, *Muskogee, *Tulsa, *Wagoner	44	*Canadian, *Oklahoma
20	*Kingfisher, Logan, Noble, Pawnee	46	*Oklahoma
22	*Canadian, *Oklahoma	48	*Oklahoma
24	*Cleveland		

* County divided into two or more districts.

± Unexpired term

Legislature – State House of Representatives

One Representative from each of the 101 House of Representatives districts for a two-year term. (14 O.S. §133 et seq.)

District	Counties	District	Counties
1	*LeFlore, McCurtain	52	*Greer, Harmon, Jackson, *Kiowa
2	*Sequoyah	53	*Cleveland
3	*LeFlore	54	*Cleveland, *Oklahoma
4	*Cherokee	55	*Beckham, *Greer, *Kiowa, Roger Mills, Washita
5	*Delaware, *Mayes	56	*Caddo, *Grady, *Kiowa
6	Craig, *Mayes, *Rogers	57	*Beckham, *Blaine, *Caddo, *Canadian, Custer
7	*Delaware, Ottawa	58	Alfalfa, Major, Woods, *Woodward
8	*Mayes, *Rogers, *Wagoner	59	*Blaine, *Canadian, Dewey, *Kingfisher, *Woodward
9	*Rogers	60	*Caddo, *Canadian
10	Nowata, *Osage, *Washington	61	Beaver, Cimarron, Ellis, Harper, Texas, *Woodward
11	*Rogers, *Tulsa, *Washington	62	*Comanche
12	*Wagoner	63	*Comanche, Tillman
13	*McIntosh, *Muskogee	64	*Comanche
14	*Cherokee, *Muskogee	65	*Caddo, *Comanche, Cotton, *Grady, *Stephens
15	Haskell, *LeFlore, *McIntosh, *Muskogee, *Pittsburg, *Sequoyah	66	*Tulsa, *Osage
16	*Muskogee, *Okmulgee, *Tulsa, *Wagoner	67	*Tulsa
17	Latimer, *LeFlore, *Pittsburg	68	*Creek, *Tulsa
18	Coal, *Hughes, *McIntosh, *Pittsburg,	69	*Tulsa
19	*Atoka, *Bryan, Choctaw, Pushmataha	70	*Tulsa
20	*Cleveland, *Garvin, *McClain, *Pottawatomie	71	*Tulsa
21	*Bryan	72	*Tulsa
22	*Atoka, *Garvin, Johnston, *Murray	73	*Osage, *Tulsa
23	*Rogers, *Tulsa, *Wagoner	74	*Rogers, *Tulsa
24	*Hughes, Okfuskee, *Okmulgee	75	*Tulsa
25	Pontotoc	76	*Tulsa
26	*Pottawatomie	77	*Rogers, *Tulsa
27	*Cleveland, *Pottawatomie	78	*Tulsa
28	*Pottawatomie, Seminole	79	*Tulsa
29	*Creek, *Tulsa	80	*Tulsa, *Wagoner
30	*Creek, *Tulsa	81	*Oklahoma
31	*Logan, *Oklahoma	82	*Oklahoma
32	Lincoln, *Logan	83	*Oklahoma
33	*Logan, *Payne	84	*Oklahoma
34	*Payne	85	*Oklahoma
35	*Creek, *Noble, *Osage, Pawnee, *Payne	86	Adair, *Cherokee, *Delaware
36	*Osage, *Tulsa	87	*Oklahoma
37	*Kay, *Osage	88	*Oklahoma
38	*Garfield, Grant, *Kay, *Logan, *Noble	89	*Oklahoma
39	*Oklahoma	90	*Cleveland, *Oklahoma
40	*Garfield	91	*Cleveland
41	*Canadian, *Garfield, *Kingfisher, *Oklahoma	92	*Oklahoma
42	*Garvin, *McClain	93	*Oklahoma
43	*Canadian	94	*Oklahoma
44	*Cleveland	95	*Oklahoma
45	*Cleveland	96	*Oklahoma
46	*Cleveland	97	*Oklahoma
47	*Canadian, *Grady	98	*Tulsa, *Wagoner
48	*Carter, *Garvin, *Murray	99	*Oklahoma
49	*Carter, Love, Marshall	100	*Oklahoma
50	Jefferson, *Stephens	101	*Oklahoma
51	*Grady, *McClain, *Stephens		

* County is divided into two or more districts

Appellate Courts

Three Justices of the **Oklahoma Supreme Court**, one from each of the following districts:

- District 1 (6-year term)
- District 6 (6-year term)
- District 9 (6-year term)

Two Judges of the **Court of Criminal Appeals**, one from each of the following districts:

- District 2 (6-year term)
- District 3 (6-year term)

Five Judges of the **Court of Civil Appeals**, one from each of the following districts:

- District 1, Office 1 (6-year term)
- District 1, Office 2 (6-year term)
- District 2, Office 1 (6-year term)
- District 2, Office 2 (6-year term)
- District 6, Office 2 (unexpired term)

Justices of the Oklahoma Supreme Court, Judges of the Court of Criminal Appeals, and Judges of the Court of Civil Appeals appear on a retention ballot at the General Election only. (Article 7B, Oklahoma Constitution, and 20 O.S., §§30.16 and 33)

District Judges – Nonpartisan

Seventy-five Judges are elected by district and office number, as indicated, for four-year terms. (20 O.S., §§92.1A – 92.8e; 92.9 – 92.15b; 92.15d – 92.27; and Article 7, §8(f), Oklahoma Constitution)

District	Office	County of Residence
1	1	Beaver, Cimarron, Harper, Texas
2	1	Beckham, Custer, Ellis, Roger Mills, Washita
3	1	Greer, Harmon, Jackson, Kiowa, Tillman
4	1+	Alfalfa, Dewey, Major, Woods, Woodward
	2+	Blaine, Garfield, Grant, Kingfisher
	3+	Garfield, Grant
5	1	Comanche, Cotton
	2	Jefferson, Stephens
	3	Comanche
	4	Comanche, Cotton
	5	Comanche
6	1	Caddo, Grady
7	1	Oklahoma*
	2	Oklahoma*
	3	Oklahoma*
	4	Oklahoma*
	5	Oklahoma
	6	Oklahoma
	7	Oklahoma
	8	Oklahoma
	9	Oklahoma*
	10	Oklahoma*
	11	Oklahoma*
	12	Oklahoma*
	13	Oklahoma
	14	Oklahoma
	15	Oklahoma
8	1	Kay, Noble
9	1	Logan, Payne
10	1	Osage
11	1	Nowata, Washington

District	Office	County of Residence
12	1+	Craig, Mayes
	2	Craig, Mayes, Rogers
	3+	Rogers
13	1	Delaware, Ottawa
14	1	Tulsa
	2	Tulsa*
	3	Tulsa
	4	Tulsa*
	5	Pawnee
	6	Tulsa*
	7	Tulsa
	8	Tulsa*
	9	Tulsa
	10	Tulsa
	11	Tulsa*
	12	Tulsa
	13	Tulsa
	14	Tulsa
15	1	Muskogee
	2	Cherokee, Wagoner
	3	Adair, Sequoyah
	4	Muskogee
16	1	Haskell, Latimer, LeFlore
17	1	Choctaw, McCurtain, Pushmataha
18	1	McIntosh, Pittsburg
19	1	Bryan
20	1	Carter
	2	Johnston, Love, Marshall, Murray
21	1	Cleveland
	2	Garvin, McClain
	3	Cleveland
	4	Cleveland
	5	Cleveland
22	1	Hughes, Seminole
	2	Pontotoc
23	1	Lincoln
	2	Pottawatomie
24	1	Creek
	2	Okfuskee
	3	Okmulgee
	4	Creek
	5	Okmulgee
25	1	Atoka, Coal
26	1	Canadian

* See 20 O.S., §§92.8a and 92.15a, for additional requirements.

+ See 20 O.S., §§92.5 and 92.13, for additional requirements for these offices in these districts.

Associate District Judges – Nonpartisan

One Associate District Judge is elected at large from each county for a four-year term. (Article 7, §8(d) and (f), Oklahoma Constitution)

District Attorneys

One District Attorney is nominated and elected at large from each of the following districts for a four-year term.
 (19 O.S., §215.1 et seq.)

District	Counties	District	Counties
1	Beaver, Cimarron, Harper, Texas	15	Muskogee
2	Beckham, Custer, Ellis, Roger Mills, Washita	16	Latimer, LeFlore
3	Greer, Harmon, Jackson, Kiowa, Tillman	17	Choctaw, McCurtain, Pushmataha
4	Blaine, Canadian, Garfield, Grant, Kingfisher	18	Haskell, Pittsburg
5	Comanche, Cotton	19	Atoka, Bryan, Coal
6	Caddo, Grady, Jefferson, Stephens	20	Carter, Johnston, Love, Marshall, Murray
7	Oklahoma	21	Cleveland, Garvin, McClain
8	Kay, Noble	22	Hughes, Pontotoc, Seminole
9	Logan, Payne	23	Lincoln, Pottawatomie
10	Osage, Pawnee	24	Creek, Okfuskee
11	Nowata, Washington	25	McIntosh, Okmulgee
12	Craig, Mayes, Rogers	26	Alfalfa, Dewey, Major, Woods, Woodward
13	Delaware, Ottawa	27	Adair, Cherokee, Sequoyah, Wagoner
14	Tulsa		

County Officers

The County Assessor and County Treasurer are nominated and elected at large for four-year terms. County Commissioners are nominated and elected by districts for four-year terms. (19 O.S. §131)

County Assessor

County Treasurer

County Commissioner, Districts 1 and 3

QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICERS To Be Elected in 2014

Congressional Officers

U.S. SENATOR

No Person shall be a Senator who shall not have attained to the Age of thirty Years, and been nine Years a Citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be an Inhabitant of that State for which he shall be chosen. (*Article 1, Section 3, United States Constitution*)

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE

No Person shall be a Representative who shall not have attained to the age of twenty five Years, and been seven Years a Citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be an Inhabitant of that State in which he shall be chosen. (*Article 1, Section 2, United States Constitution*)

State Officers

No person shall be eligible to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor and Inspector, Attorney General, State Treasurer or Superintendent of Public Instruction except a citizen of the United States of the age of not less than thirty-one (31) years and who shall have been ten (10) years next preceding his or her election, or appointment, a qualified elector of this state. (*Article 6, Section 3, Oklahoma Constitution*)

A. To file as a candidate for nomination by a political party to any state or county office, a person must have been a registered voter of that party for the six-month period immediately preceding the first day of the filing period prescribed by law and, under oath, so state. Provided, this requirement shall not apply to a candidate for the nomination of a political party which attains recognition less than six (6) months preceding the first day of the filing period required by law. However, the candidate shall be required to have registered with the newly recognized party within fifteen (15) days after such party recognition.

B. To file as an independent candidate for any state or county office, a person must have been registered to vote as an independent for the six-month period immediately preceding the first day of the filing period prescribed by law and, under oath, so state. (*26 O.S., §5-105*)

STATE AUDITOR AND INSPECTOR

The State Auditor and Inspector must have had at least three years' experience as an expert accountant; his duties shall be, without notice to such treasurer, to examine the state and all county treasurers' books, accounts and cash on hand or in bank at least twice each year, and publish his report as to every such treasurer once each year. For the purpose of such examination he shall take complete possession of such treasurer's office. He shall also prescribe a uniform system of bookkeeping for the use of all treasurers. The State Auditor and Inspector shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as may be prescribed by law. (*Article 6, Section 19, Oklahoma Constitution*)

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

A. There shall be elected by the qualified electors of the State, at the first general election, a chief officer of the Insurance Department, who shall be styled the "Insurance Commissioner," whose term of office shall be four years: Provided, That the first term of the Insurance Commissioner so elected, shall expire at the time of the expiration of the term of office of the first Governor elected. The Insurance Commissioner shall be at least twenty-five (25) years of age and well versed in insurance matters.

B. No person shall be eligible to serve as Insurance Commissioner for a period of time in excess of eight (8) years. Such years need not be consecutive. Any years served by a person elected or appointed to serve less than a full term to fill a vacancy in such office shall not be included in the limitation set forth herein. Any person serving in such position at the time of passage of this amendment shall be eligible to complete the term for which he or she has been elected and shall be eligible to serve an additional eight (8) years thereafter, notwithstanding the provisions of this amendment. The Legislature is hereby authorized to enact laws to implement the provisions of this subsection. (*Article 6, Section 23, Oklahoma Constitution*)

The Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oklahoma shall be at least twenty-five (25) years of age and a resident of the State of Oklahoma for at least five (5) years, and have had at least five (5) years' experience in the insurance industry in administration, sales, servicing or regulation. The Insurance Commissioner shall not be financially interested, directly or indirectly, in any insurer, agency or insurance transaction except as a policyholder or claimant under a policy. (*36 O.S., §302*)

CORPORATION COMMISSIONER

The qualifications of such commissioners shall be as follows: To be resident citizens of this State for over two years next preceding the election, and qualified voters under the Constitution and laws, and not less than thirty years of age; nor shall such commissioners, or either of them, be, directly or indirectly, interested in any railroad, street railway, traction line, canal, steam boat, pipe line, car line, sleeping car line, car association, express line, telephone or telegraph line, operated for hire, in this State, or out of it, or any stock, bond, mortgage, security, or earnings of any such railroad, street railway, traction line, canal, steam boat, pipe line, car line, sleeping car line, car association, express line, telephone or telegraph line, compress or elevator companies; and if such Commissioner shall voluntarily become so interested, his office shall become vacant; and if any Corporation Commissioner shall become so interested otherwise than voluntarily, he shall, within a reasonable time, divest himself of such interest; and failing to do this, his office shall become vacant. Nor shall any such commissioner hold any other office under the government of the United States, or of this State, or any other state government, and shall not, while such Commissioner, engage in any occupation or business inconsistent with his duties as such commissioner. (*Article 9, Section 16, Oklahoma Constitution*)

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Any person, otherwise qualified, who has been a resident of the state for two (2) years, a registered voter in the district and a resident residing within such district for at least six (6) months immediately preceding the filing period, a duly licensed attorney for at least five (5) years, and at least twenty-eight (28) years of age, prior to the date of filing for the office, shall be eligible to hold the office of district attorney. The district attorney shall reside in the district from which the district attorney was elected during the term of office. (*19 O.S., §215.2*)

The district attorney shall be ineligible to be a candidate for any office which has a term any portion of which is the same as the term for which he was elected. (*19 O.S., §215.8*)

State Legislature

A. To file as a candidate for nomination by a political party to any state or county office, a person must have been a registered voter of that party for the six-month period immediately preceding the first day of the filing period prescribed by law and, under oath, so state. Provided, this requirement shall not apply to a candidate for the nomination of a political party which attains recognition less than six (6) months preceding the first day of the filing period required by law. However, the candidate shall be required to have registered with the newly recognized party within fifteen (15) days after such party recognition.

B. To file as an independent candidate for any state or county office, a person must have been registered to vote as an independent for the six-month period immediately preceding the first day of the filing period prescribed by law and, under oath, so state. (*26 O.S., §5-105*)

No person shall serve as a member of the Legislature who is, at the time of such service, an officer of the United States or State government, or is receiving compensation as such; nor shall any person be eligible to election to the Legislature, who has been adjudged guilty of a felony. (*Article 5, Section 18, Oklahoma Constitution*)

Members of the Senate shall be at least twenty-five years of age, and members of the House of Representatives twenty-one years of age at the time of their election. They shall be qualified electors in their respective counties or districts and shall reside in their respective counties or districts during their term of office. (*Article 5, Section 17, Oklahoma Constitution*)

To file as a candidate for the Senate in any senatorial district, a person must have been a registered voter in the district and a resident residing within such district for the six-month period immediately preceding the first day of the filing period as provided in Section 5-110 of Title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Any member of the Senate whose district has been changed by a reapportionment may change residence with the intent of becoming qualified to seek reelection in such district in the first election applicable to such district following the reapportionment without thereby being deemed to have vacated his or her existing office. (*14 O.S., § 80.8*)

To file as a candidate for the House of Representatives in any representative district, a person must have been a registered voter in such district and a resident residing within such district for at least six (6) months immediately preceding the filing period prescribed by law. Except, however, to file as a candidate for the House of Representatives in any house district in 2004, a person must have been a registered voter and a resident residing in such district no later than December 21, 2003. Any member of the House of Representatives whose district has been changed by redistricting may change residence with the intent of becoming qualified to seek reelection in such district in the first election applicable to such district following redistricting without thereby being deemed to have vacated his or her existing office. (*14 O.S., §108*)

Judicial Officers

DISTRICT JUDGE and ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE

Each District Judge shall have had prior to election or appointment, a minimum of four years' experience as a licensed practicing attorney, or as a judge of a court of record, or both, within the State of Oklahoma; shall be a qualified elector of the respective district; and shall have such additional qualifications as may be prescribed by statute. Each Associate District Judge shall be an attorney licensed to practice in the State of Oklahoma and an elector in the County at the time of filing; and they shall have such additional qualifications as prescribed by statute. Both District Judges and Associate District Judges shall continue to be licensed attorneys while in office. (*Article 7, Section 8[g], Oklahoma Constitution*)

No person shall be eligible for appointment to, or for election to, the office of associate district judge unless he has had a minimum of two (2) years of experience as a licensed practicing attorney, or as a judge of a court of record, or a combination thereof, within the State of Oklahoma. Provided that this section shall not apply to any person who held the office of associate district judge on or before July 15, 1974. (*20 O.S., §121.1*)

To file as a candidate for the office of district judge or associate district judge, one must have been a registered voter and actual resident of the appropriate county for at least six (6) months prior to the first day of the filing period. Should no one file for any such office, and should a vacancy thereby created be filled by appointment according to law, there shall be no such residency or durational registration requirement imposed on the appointee, providing said appointee is otherwise qualified, nor shall any person appointed to fill a vacancy in the office of district judge or associate district judge be required to comply with such residency or durational registration requirement in becoming a candidate for a full term following such appointment. No one who has been removed from judicial office or who has resigned from office pending disciplinary proceedings shall qualify to file as a candidate for judicial office. (*20 O.S., §92i*)

County Officers

To file as a candidate for any county office, a person must have been a registered voter and have maintained a current principal residence within the county for the six-month period immediately preceding the first day of the filing period prescribed by law.

(19 O.S., §131.1)

A. To file as a candidate for nomination by a political party to any state or county office, a person must have been a registered voter of that party for the six-month period immediately preceding the first day of the filing period prescribed by law and, under oath, so state. Provided, this requirement shall not apply to a candidate for the nomination of a political party which attains recognition less than six (6) months preceding the first day of the filing period required by law. However, the candidate shall be required to have registered with the newly recognized party within fifteen (15) days after such party recognition.

B. To file as an independent candidate for any state or county office, a person must have been registered to vote as an independent for the six-month period immediately preceding the first day of the filing period prescribed by law and, under oath, so state. *(26 O.S., §5-105)*

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

E. In order to file as a candidate for county commissioner in a county commissioner's district, the candidate must have been a qualified registered elector and have maintained a current principal residence in that district for at least six (6) months immediately preceding the first day of the filing period prescribed by law. Evidence of a "principal residence" may include, but not be limited to, the address listed on:

1. A federal or state tax return;
2. A driver license; or
3. An automobile registration.

(19 O.S., §131[E])

Additional State, Legislature and County Officer Qualifications

A county officer shall be eligible to become a candidate for another county office or state office. *(19 O.S., §131[D])*

Any member of a municipal governing body, the city or town clerk, and the city marshal shall be eligible to become a candidate for a county or state office without resigning from the office held by the officer. *(11 O.S., §8-110)*

A. A person who has been convicted of a misdemeanor involving embezzlement or a felony under the laws of this state or of the United States or who has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to such misdemeanor involving embezzlement or felony or who has been convicted of a crime in another state which would have been a misdemeanor involving embezzlement or a felony under the laws of this state or has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to such crime shall not be eligible to be a candidate for or to be elected to any state, county, municipal, judicial or school office or any other elective office of any political subdivision of this state for a period of fifteen (15) years following completion of his sentence or during the pendency of an appeal of such conviction or plea.

B. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to preclude a person who has received a pardon from being eligible for or from holding public office. *(26 O.S., §5-105a)*

NOTICE: *These qualifications were compiled by the State Election Board as a public service. They were correct when prepared but are subject to change. It is ultimately the responsibility of each candidate to determine whether he or she is qualified to file for a given office.*

DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY

Notice: All information provided on this form will be made publicly available.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

Name of Candidate as It Will Appear on Ballot

Full Legal Name of Candidate

Title of Office Sought (including district, office or ward number if applicable)

Candidate's Address of Residence — Street, City

Candidate's Mailing Address — Street or Box, City, State, ZIP

Telephone Number (Optional)

Email Address (Optional)

Website Address (Optional)

Party Candidate _____
Name of Political Party

Independent

Judicial

I am a registered voter in _____
Precinct

County

Date of Birth _____
Month, Day, Year

Criminal History Disclosure:

Have you been determined by a court of proper authority in the State of Oklahoma or in another state to be guilty of a misdemeanor involving embezzlement or of a felony, or at this time is there an outstanding warrant for your arrest for a misdemeanor involving embezzlement or for a felony in the State of Oklahoma or in another state? If you check yes below, you must complete the Criminal History Disclosure Supplement form.

Yes

No

I, the undersigned, do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that the abovementioned facts are true and correct, that I have read the qualifications for the office that I seek, that I am fully qualified to become a candidate for said office, and that I will be fully qualified to hold said office, if elected.

Signature of Candidate

State of _____ County of _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me _____
Date

My commission expires _____ Commission number _____
Date

SEAL

Signature of Notary Public or Officer Authorized to Administer Oath

Title of Officer (Notary Public or Other Officer)

Name of candidate: _____

Title of office sought: _____

Criminal History Disclosure Supplement to Declaration of Candidacy

If you have been determined by a court of proper authority in the State of Oklahoma or in another state to be guilty of a misdemeanor involving embezzlement or of a felony, or at this time there is an outstanding warrant for your arrest for a misdemeanor involving embezzlement or for a felony in the State of Oklahoma or in another state, you must complete the Criminal History Disclosure Supplement form.

Name of offense

Date of conviction or issuance of outstanding warrant

County and State of conviction or issuance of the outstanding warrant

Name of offense

Date of conviction or issuance of outstanding warrant

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Voluntary Form for News Media

You are not required to complete this form in order to become a candidate for office. If you elect to complete this form, it will be distributed to the news media by the election board at the time your Declaration of Candidacy is accepted.

Date _____

Name _____

Office Sought _____ Political Affiliation _____

Home Address _____ Home Phone _____

City _____ ZIP _____

E-mail Address _____ Cell Phone _____

Website _____

Date of Birth _____ Age _____

Place of Birth _____

Parents' Names (Include mother's maiden name) _____

Brothers and Sisters (Include cities of residence) _____

Business Name _____

Business Address _____ Business Phone _____

City _____ ZIP _____

Current Occupation/Profession _____

Currently Employed by (Dates) _____

Previously Employed by (Dates) _____

Education (Where; When; Degree, if any) _____

Name _____

Previous Races Run (Dates, outcomes) _____

Previous Governmental/Political Party Experience _____

Memberships in Professional, Civic, Military and Other Organizations _____

Honors, Awards, etc. _____

Marital Status _____

Spouse's Name (If wife, maiden name) _____

Names and Ages of Children _____

Spouse's Current Occupation/Profession (Dates) _____

Spouse Currently Employed by (Dates) _____

Spouse Previously Employed by (Dates) _____

Campaign Headquarters Phone _____

Campaign Consultant's Name _____

Advertising Consultant's Name _____

Campaign Manager's Name _____

Campaign Manager's Occupation/Employer _____

Campaign Manager's Business Phone _____

Campaign Manager's Home Phone _____

Campaign Treasurer's Name _____

Campaign Treasurer's Occupation/Employer _____

Campaign Treasurer's Business Phone _____

Campaign Treasurer's Home Phone _____