Candidate Information

Important Dates

2026 Primary Election

Early Voting: February 17 - 27

Election Day: March 3

Filing Dates: November 8, 2025 through December 8, 2025 (5pm)

First day to file for Precinct Chair: September 9, 2025

2026 Primary Runoff Election

Early Voting:

Election Day: May 26

2026 General Election

Early Voting:

Election Day: November 3

Filing Dates for Declaration of Write-in Candidacy: July 20 through August 17

STEPS FOR FILING FOR PUBLIC OFFICE

STEP NO. 1: File Appointment of a Campaign Treasurer by a Candidate. (Sec. 252.001) (FORM CTA)

- Candidates for county & precinct offices file with the Election Administrator. (Sec. 252.005(2) Candidates for Statewide office file with the Texas Ethics Commission. (Sec. 252.005(1)
- Judicial Candidates file Appointment of a Campaign Treasurer by a Judicial Candidate and Judicial Declaration of Intent Regarding Expenditure Limits (FORM JCTA) Candidates for District Judge file with the Texas Ethics Commission. (Sec. 252.005(1)(C)

STEP NO. 2: (Optional) File Code of Fair Campaign Practices. (Chapter 258) (FORM CFCP)

• Candidates for county & precinct offices file with the Election Administrator. (Sec. 258.003(a) Candidates for Statewide Offices and District Judge file with Texas Ethics Commission. (Sec. 258.003(a)

STEP NO. 3: File Application for a Place on the Primary Ballot and pay a filing fee or submit a petition in lieu of filing fee to the party chair. (Sec. 141.031, 172.021, 172.025)

• **Methods of Filing Candidate Application**: A candidate application may be filed in person, by mail, by fax, or by email.

- **Filing in Person**: Candidates can file in person with the applicable filing authority. As a reminder, under Section 1.007 of the Texas Election Code, any employee at the usual place of business can receive a candidate filing on behalf of the party chair.
- **Filing by Mail**: An application submitted by mail is considered to be filed at the time of its receipt by the appropriate filing authority. (Secs. 143.007(b), 144.005(b)).
- Filing by Fax or Email: A signed, sworn, scanned candidate application (and petition, if applicable) may be submitted by fax or email <u>if there is no filing fee</u>. If a candidate is filing their candidate application with a filing fee, they may only do so in person or by mail. Contact the Party Chairs for fax/e-mail information.

Robertson County Party Chairs

 Filing a Petition in Lieu of Filing Fee Filing Fee:

https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/laws/filing-in-a-local-election.shtml Number of Signatures needed:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/10SvXfBeDoJkrdwi43qZE4xkDODUWkyC4TAQVSIIodOI/edit?usp=sharing

Petition Signature Form:

https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/pol-sub/2-7f.pdf

County Offices on 2026 Ballot

- County Judge
- County Clerk
- District Clerk
- Justice of the Peace 1, 2, 3 & 4
- Commissioner Precinct 2
- Commissioner Precinct 4

Candidate Guide (SOS) 2026 NOT POSTED YET

https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/candidates/guide/2024/index.shtml

Campaign Finance Forms (Texas Ethics Commission)_

https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/forms/coh/cohfrm.php

Filing Schedule for Finance Reports

https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/filinginfo/schedules/filing_schedules.php

Qualifications for Office

https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/candidates/guide/2020/qualifications2020.shtml

Application for Place on Primary Ballot https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/polsub/2-2f.pdf

Important Election Dates

https://www.sos.texas.gov/elections/voter/important-election-dates.shtml

Name of Candidate on Ballot - Rules per Texas Election Code

https://www.brazoriacountyclerk.net/home/showpublisheddocument?id=182

Political Advertising: What you need to know

https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/resources/advertising/

Political FundRaising: What you need know know

https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/data/resources/guides/Gpolfund.pdf

Placement of Signs (TxDOT)

https://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/division/right-of-way/campaign-signs.html https://ftp.dot.state.tx.us/pub/txdot-info/row/political-signs.pdf

Candidate Filings

All candidate filings are required to be available online for public inspection https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1v4g5NXR1Ui8NNp1cw8bgYpkroqM2r2_F? usp=drive link