

APPLICATION FOR A PLACE ON THE GENERAL PRIMARY BALLOT FOR A PRECINCT OR COUNTY CHAIRALL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED TO BE PROVIDED UNLESS INDICATED AS OPTIONAL¹

Failure to provide required information may result in rejection of application.

APPLICATION FOR _____ CHAIR ON THE _____ PARTY GENERAL PRIMARY BALLOT (Precinct or County) (Democratic or Republican)					
To: County Chair					
I request that my name be placed on the above-named official primary ballot as a candidate for election to the office indicated below.					
OFFICE SOUGHT (check one) (Include any place number or other distinguishing number, if any.) County Chair <input type="checkbox"/> Precinct Chair <input type="checkbox"/> Precinct # _____			INCUMBENT DECLARATION: (Check this box if you are the incumbent.) <input type="checkbox"/> INCUMBENT		
FULL NAME (First, Middle, Last)			PRINT NAME AS YOU WANT IT TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT*		
PERMANENT RESIDENCE ADDRESS (Do not include a P.O. Box or Rural Route. If you do not have a residence address, describe location of residence.)			PUBLIC MAILING ADDRESS (Optional) (Address at which you receive campaign related correspondence, if available.)		
CITY	STATE	ZIP	CITY	STATE	ZIP
PUBLIC EMAIL ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE CONTACT INFORMATION (This Information is Required for Candidates for Precinct Chair but Optional for Candidates for County Chair. For Precinct Chair Candidates only one Phone Number is Required). Home: Work: Cell: Email Address:		OCCUPATION (Do not leave blank)		DATE OF BIRTH / /	
		VOTER REGISTRATION VUID NUMBER² (Optional)			
		LENGTH OF CONTINUOUS RESIDENCE AS OF DATE THIS APPLICATION WAS SWORN			
		IN THE STATE OF TEXAS (Optional) _____ year (s) _____ month(s)		IN PRECINCT/COUNTY FROM WHICH THE OFFICE SOUGHT IS ELECTED (Optional) _____ year (s) _____ month(s)	
*If using a nickname as part of your name to appear on the ballot, you are also signing and swearing to the following statements: I further swear that my nickname does not constitute a slogan or contain a title, nor does it indicate a political, economic, social, or religious view or affiliation. I have been commonly known by this nickname for at least three years prior to this election. Please review Sections 52.031, 52.032 and 52.033 of the Texas Election Code regarding the rules for how names may be listed on the official ballot.					
Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared (name of candidate) _____, who being by me here and now duly sworn, upon oath says: "I, (name of candidate) _____, of _____ County, Texas, being a candidate for the office of _____, swear that I will support and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Texas. I am a citizen of the United States eligible to hold such office under the constitution and laws of this state. I have not been determined by a final judgment of a court exercising probate jurisdiction to be totally mentally incapacitated or partially mentally incapacitated without the right to vote. I am aware of the nepotism law, Chapter 573, Government Code. I further swear that the foregoing statements included in my application are in all things true and correct."					
X _____ SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE					
Sworn to and subscribed before me this the _____ day of _____, by _____, (day) (month) (year) (name of candidate)					
Signature of Officer Authorized to Administer Oath ³			Printed Name of Officer Authorized to Administer Oath		
Title of Officer Authorized to Administer Oath			Notarial or Official Seal		
TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY CHAIR OR SECRETARY OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: (See Section 1.007)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Voter Registration Status Verified					
_____ Date Filed			_____ Signature of Chair or Designee Receiving Filed Application		
_____ or _____ Date Accepted Date Rejected			_____ Signature of Chair or Secretary Upon Determination of Application		

INSTRUCTIONS

FILING PERIOD

- County Chair:** The application may be filed no earlier than the 30th day before the second Monday in December of an odd-numbered year unless the filing deadline is extended under Subchapter C of Chapter 172 of the Texas Election Code (Section 172.023, Texas Election Code). A political party's state executive committee, by rule, may require that an application for county chair be accompanied by a nominating petition containing the signatures of at least 10% of the incumbent precinct chairs serving on the county executive committee. (Section 172.021(f), Texas Election Code). Please contact your party's state executive committee for details as to whether they have created a rule requiring the submission of a nominating petition.
- Precinct Chair:** The application may be filed no earlier than the 90th day before the second Monday in December of an odd-numbered year unless the filing deadline is extended under Subchapter C of Chapter 172 of the Texas Election Code (Section 172.023, Texas Election Code)
- For additional information, please see the Candidate's Guide on the Secretary of State's website, including the page on Frequently Asked Questions on Party Affiliation and Candidacy.

FILING DEADLINE

The filing deadline for candidates for precinct and county chair is 6:00 p.m. on the second Monday in December of an odd-numbered year unless the filing deadline is extended under Subchapter C of Chapter 172 of the Texas Election Code.

The application shall be filed with the county chair or the secretary of the county executive committee. (Section 172.022, Texas Election Code) The chair or designee will sign the line next to the "Date Filed" and record the date the application was received when the candidate delivers, faxes, or emails the application.

The application must be reviewed after it is filed to ensure that it complies with the requirements as to form, content and procedure. The review shall be completed not later than the fifth business day after the date the application is received by the filing authority. If an application is submitted fewer than five business days before the regular filing deadline, the review shall be completed not later than the first Friday after the regular filing deadline. If an application does not comply with the applicable requirements, the authority shall reject the application and immediately deliver to the candidate written notice of the reason for the rejection. (Section 172.0222, Texas Election Code). Once a determination has been made, the chair will note whether the application was accepted or rejected by completing the date accepted or date rejected box and signing the application in the far bottom right.

FOOTNOTES

¹An application for a place on the ballot, including any accompanying petition, is public information immediately on its filing. (Section 141.035, Texas Election Code)

²Candidates for the offices of county and precinct chair are required to be residents and qualified voters of the county from which they are elected no later than the filing deadline. In addition to the general eligibility requirements for party office, a person must also reside in the election precinct to be eligible to be a candidate for or to serve as a precinct chair for that precinct. There is no specific period of time that the person must have been a resident of the precinct to be eligible for the office of precinct chair. (Section 171.023, Texas Election Code) For additional information, please contact the Elections Division of the Secretary of State.

³All oaths, affidavits, or affirmations made within this State may be administered and a certificate of the fact given by a judge, clerk, or commissioner of any court of record, a notary public, a justice of the peace, and the Secretary of State of Texas. See Chapter 602 of the Texas Government Code for the complete list of persons authorized to administer oaths.