

TO: \_\_\_\_\_  
Superintendent of Elections  
of \_\_\_\_\_ County/Municipality  
State of Georgia

NOTICE OF CANDIDACY AND AFFIDAVIT  
(COUNTY/MUNICIPALITY)

I, the undersigned, being first duly sworn on oath, do depose and say: my name is \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_;

my residence address is \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Number) (Street)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (County) (State) (Zip Code);

my post office address is \_\_\_\_\_;

my telephone number is \_\_\_\_\_  
(Business) (Home);

my profession, business, or occupation (if any ) is \_\_\_\_\_;

the name of my precinct is \_\_\_\_\_; I am an elector of the county/municipality of my  
residence eligible to vote in the election in which I am a candidate; the name of the office I am seeking is

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Circuit, District, or Post if Applicable); my date of birth is \_\_\_\_\_; as of the general electon for this office,  
I will have been a legal resident of the State of Georgia for \_\_\_\_\_ consecutive years; a legal resident of \_\_\_\_\_ county for  
\_\_\_\_\_ consecutive years; a legal resident of my district (if applicable) for \_\_\_\_\_ consecutive years; and  
a legal resident of my circuit (if applicable) for \_\_\_\_\_ consecutive years; I am a citizen of the United States;

I am eligible to hold such office; that I am a candidate for such office in the \_\_\_\_\_ to be held on the  
(Election)  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_;

I have never been convicted and sentenced in any court of competent jurisdiction for fraudulent violation of primary or election laws, malfeasance in office, or felony involving moral turpitude or conviction of domestic violence under the laws of this State, any other State, or of the United States, or, if so convicted that my civil rights have been restored; and at least ten years have elapsed from the date of completion of the sentence without subsequent conviction of another felony involving moral turpitude; I am not a defaulter for any federal, state, county, municipal, or school system taxes required of such officeholder or candidate if such person has been finally adjudicated by a court of competent jurisdiction to owe those taxes, but such ineligibility may be removed at any time by full payment thereof, or by making payments to the tax authority pursuant to a payment plan, or under such other conditions as the General Assembly may provide by general law (pursuant to Ga. Const. Art. II, Sec. II, paragraph III); I will not knowingly violate any provisions of the Georgia Election Code (O.C.G.A. § 21-2) or of the rules or regulations adopted thereunder.

I understand that any false statement knowingly made by me in this Notice of Candidacy and Affidavit will subject me to criminal penalties as provided by law and I hereby request you to cause my name to be placed on the ballots to be used in such election as a candidate for the office I am seeking.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Candidate)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Notary Public)

My Commission Expires\_\_\_\_\_

(Required by Ga. Election Code O.C.G.A. § 21.2.132.)

I desire that my name appear on the ballot as follows  
(the surname of the candidate shall be as it appears  
on the candidate’s voter registration card) :

Should I be elected, I desire that my name appear on official  
documents as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

Check only one

1. ☐ I am running in a special election for a partisan office and my party affiliation is \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ I am running as a nonpartisan candidate.
- ☐ I am running as an independent candidate.
- ☐ I am running to be the nominee of the \_\_\_\_\_ Party (Body) nominated by:
- ☐ Convention;

☐ Other (Specify method of nomination and statute and party rule governing and allowing such method of nomination):

2. ☐ I am required to file the above Notice followed by a nomination petition containing at least \_\_\_\_\_ valid signatures due \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ I am not required to submit a nomination petition pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 21-2-132, because I am:

- ☐ Running as a nonpartisan candidate.
- ☐ Running as an incumbent.
- ☐ Running in a special election.
- ☐ Running for a state-wide office nominated by a duly constituted political body convention.

3. ☐ I hereby tender check/money order in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

NAME OF BANK: \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

In the event that a candidate pays his or her qualifying fee with a check that is subsequently returned for insufficient funds, the superintendent shall automatically find that such candidate has not met the qualifications for holding the office being sought, unless the bank, credit union, or other financial institution returning the check certifies in writing by an officer's or director's oath that the bank, credit union, or financial institution erred in returning the check as prescribed in O.C.G.A. § 21-2-6(d).

☐ I hereby file a Pauper’s Affidavit, accompanied by a qualifying petition as prescribed in O.C.G.A. § 21-2-132(g), in lieu of paying the qualifying fee.

**NOTE: CANDIDATES FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICES MUST FILE AN ADDITIONAL AFFIDAVIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LISTED CODE SECTION AND MAY HAVE OTHER REQUIREMENTS IN ORDER TO BE QUALIFIED TO SEEK OFFICE. CANDIDATES SHOULD REVIEW THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE OFFICE FOR WHICH THEY OFFER FOR ELECTION CAREFULLY.**

|                            |                           |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT    | O.C.G.A. § 15-6-50(b)(2)  |
| JUDGE OF THE PROBATE COURT | O.C.G.A. § 15-9-2(a)(2)   |
| SHERIFF                    | O.C.G.A. § 15-16-1(c)(2)  |
| CORONER                    | O.C.G.A. § 45-16-1(b)(2)  |
| TAX RECEIVER               | O.C.G.A. § 48-5-210(b)(2) |
| TAX COLLECTOR              | O.C.G.A. § 48-5-210(b)(2) |
| TAX COMMISSIONER           | O.C.G.A. § 48-5-210(b)(2) |

**CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET**  
**(For Board of Elections Use Only)**

Name on the Ballot \_\_\_\_\_

Party Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_  
(If Partisan Election)

Race Sought \_\_\_\_\_

Incumbent Status Yes or No (Circle One)

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Date Qualified \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Candidate or Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

# **MUNICIPAL CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET**

**(Re: Ethics Forms)**

## **DECLARATION OF INTENT (DOI FORM)**

- MUST be filed prior to spending any monies. If running for a new office, you must file a new DOI form. The DOI form is to be submitted to your city or town clerk currently. Beginning January 1, 2027, all reports and forms will be submitted directly to the State Ethics website.

## **PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (PFDS FORM)**

- All candidates MUST file this form by April 1<sup>st</sup>. There is NO grace period. This form is to be submitted to your city or town clerk currently. Beginning January 1, 2027, all reports and forms will be submitted directly to the State Ethics website.

## **AFFIDAVIT OF A CANDIDATE'S INTENT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500 IN CONTRIBUTIONS AND/OR EXPENDITURES**

- This form is to be filed if the candidate affirms to not accept or spend over \$2500 during an election cycle. By filing this form and staying under this limit, the candidate is exempt from filing Campaign Contribution Disclosure Reports. If the candidate goes over this threshold and does not exceed \$5000, then they are only required to file the June 30 and December 30 reports. If the candidate exceeds \$5000, then they must file all scheduled reports.
- The Affidavit of Exemption and all Campaign Contribution Disclosure Reports are to be submitted to your city or town clerk currently. Beginning January 1, 2027, all reports and forms will be submitted directly to the State Ethics website.

## **CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE REPORT (CCDR)**

- The reporting period for these reports is the time between the report's due dates. This report is required to be filed according to the filing schedule found here: <https://ethics.ga.gov/filing-schedule/>. There is a 5-day grace period to avoid late fees.
- Campaign Contribution Disclosure Reports are to be submitted to your city or town clerk currently. Beginning January 1, 2027, all reports and forms will be submitted directly to the State Ethics website.

**\*\*There are other reports that may be necessary depending on different scenarios. You may obtain all reports/forms by visiting the Ethics website: <https://ethics.ga.gov/>. Any questions that you may have concerning these reports need to be directed to State Ethics office at 404-463-1980. General questions may be answered by the filing officer at the municipality.**



**Georgia Government Transparency & Campaign Finance Commission**  
 200 Piedmont Avenue S.E. | Suite 1416 - West Tower | Atlanta Georgia, 30334

**DECLARATION OF INTENTION TO ACCEPT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS (FORM DOI) –  
 COUNTY/MUNICIPAL LEVEL FILERS**

INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED • If form is handwritten, it must be legible.

|          |   |  |
|----------|---|--|
| <b>1</b> | Today's Date: _____   |  |
| <b>2</b> | Candidate (full name): _____<br><br>Address: _____<br><br>City, State, Zip: _____<br><br>Telephone (optional): _____ Email: _____ |  |
| <b>3</b> | Name County/City: _____<br><br>Name of Office Sought or Held: _____<br>(include office, district, post, or judicial seat)         | Party Affiliation (optional):<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Democrat <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Partisan<br><input type="checkbox"/> Republican <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <b>4</b> | Next Election Year: _____   |  |

Complete sections 5 and 6 ONLY if you have a campaign committee.  
 This information does not register a campaign committee. (Please use Form RC to register.)

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| <b>5</b> | Campaign Committee Chairperson (full name): _____<br><br>Address: _____<br><br>City, State, Zip: _____<br><br>Email : _____ |
| <b>6</b> | Treasurer (full name): _____<br><br>Address: _____<br><br>City, State, Zip: _____<br><br>Email : _____                      |

I CERTIFY THAT THIS STATEMENT IS COMPLETE, TRUE AND ACCURATE.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Candidate

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

**COUNTY/MUNICIPAL FILERS:** File this form directly with the Local Filing Officer in your county and/or municipality  
**LOCAL FILING OFFICERS:** Send a copy via email to [localreports@ethics.ga.gov](mailto:localreports@ethics.ga.gov)

**Filing Schedule**  
**Campaign Contribution Disclosure Reports (CCDR)**

**2026 SCHEDULE FOR ALL FILERS**

| <b><u>REPORTING PERIOD</u></b> | <b><u>DUE DATE</u></b> | <b><u>END OF GRACE PERIOD</u></b> |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| JAN 1, 2026 – JAN 31, 2026     | 01/31/2026             | 02/09/2026                        |
| FEB 1, 2026 – APR 30, 2026     | 04/30/2026             | 05/07/2026                        |
| MAY 1, 2026 – JULY 31, 2026    | 07/31/2026             | 08/07/2026                        |
| AUG 1, 2026 – OCT 20, 2026     | 10/20/2026             | 10/27/2026                        |

\*County and Municipal level candidates that file an Affidavit of Exemption, are not required to file CCDRs during their election cycle unless they cross the threshold of \$2500 in contributions and/or expenditures.

**RUNOFF ELECTION SCHEDULE**

| <b><u>DUE DATE</u></b>                        | <b><u>END OF GRACE PERIOD</u></b> |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| 6 days before the election date<br>12/31/2026 | 5 business days<br>01/08/2027     |

## STATE OF GEORGIA

**Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission  
200 Piedmont Ave SE, Suite 1402-West Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334**

**AFFIDAVIT OF A CANDIDATE'S INTENT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500 IN  
CONTRIBUTIONS AND/OR EXPENDITURES**

Per O.C.G.A. §21-5-34(d)(d.1)(1),

\_\_\_\_\_ is a candidate for /public officer of  
(Full Name of Candidate)

\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Office Sought/or Held) (City or County)

By submitting this form I am affirming that I, the above named candidate, **do not** intend to accept during this election cycle\* a combined total of contributions exceeding \$2,500.00 for the campaign nor make a combined total of expenditures exceeding \$2,500. If the above named candidate does not exceed \$2,500.00 in contributions or expenditures then the candidate **SHALL** not have to file a report under O.C.G.A. §21-5-34 (c).

I understand that if I, the above named candidate, exceed the \$2,500 limit for either accepting contributions or making expenditures for such campaign during the election cycle, but do not accept a combined total of contributions exceeding \$5,000.00 or make expenditures exceeding \$5,000.00 then I, the above named candidate, **SHALL** be required to file only the June 30 and December 31 reports required by O.C.G.A. §21-5-34 (c) (2). The first of such reports shall include all contributions received and expenditures made beginning January 1 of such calendar year.

Furthermore, I understand that if I, the above named candidate accepts a combined total of contributions exceeding \$5,000.00 or makes expenditures exceeding \$5,000.00 for such campaign during any such election cycle, then such candidate or campaign committee chairperson or treasurer shall thereupon be subject to the reporting requirements of this Code section the same as if the written notice authorized by this subsection had not been filed.

\*"Election cycle" means the period from the day following the date of an election or appointment of a person to elective public office through and including the date of the next such election of a person to the same public office and shall be construed and applied separately for each elective office.

State of Georgia

County of \_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned, being duly sworn, do swear or affirm, certify and say that this affidavit and the information hereinabove is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Candidate/Chairman/Treasurer filing Affidavit

My Commission expires on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Notary Seal

# OCONEE COUNTY, GA MUNICIPAL PRECINCT LIST

|                       |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| <u>Oconee Central</u> | <u>Oconee County Civic Center</u><br>2661 Hog Mountain Rd.<br>Watkinsville, GA 30677 |
|-----------------------|--|

Check your polling location HERE:  
<https://mvp.sos.ga.gov/>  
or scan the QR code:





# 2026 SCHEDULED ELECTIONS & SUMMARY OF EVENTS

| ELECTION                             | ELECTION DATE | ADVANCE VOTING PERIOD   | VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE   |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---|---|
| Special Election                     | 03/17/2026    | February 23 – March 13<br>8 AM – 5 PM Weekdays<br>9 AM – 5 PM Saturdays<br>(02/28 & 03/07)  | 02/16/2026  |
| Special Election Runoff              | 04/14/2026    | ASAP but no later than April 6 – April 10   | 02/16/2026  |
| General Primary/Nonpartisan Election | 05/19/2026    | April 27 – May 15<br>8 AM – 5 PM Weekdays<br>9 AM – 5 PM Saturdays<br>(05/02 & 05/09)       | 04/20/2026  |
| General Primary/Nonpartisan Runoff   | 06/16/2026    | ASAP but no later than June 8 – June 12   | 04/20/2026<br>*05/18/2026<br>(*VR Deadline if federal candidate runoff) |
| General Election                     | 11/03/2026    | October 13 – October 30<br>8 AM – 5 PM Weekdays<br>9 AM – 5 PM Saturdays<br>(10/17 & 10/24) | 10/05/2026  |
| General Election Runoff              | 12/01/2026    | ASAP but no later than November 23 – November 25  | 10/05/2026<br>*11/02/2026<br>(*VR Deadline if federal candidate runoff) |

**You may visit My Voter Page at <https://mvp.sos.ga.gov/> to check/obtain the following, as well as to Register to Vote:**



**SCAN ME**

Scan this QR Code with your  
phone's camera app to check  
your voter registration status  
or voting precinct!

Voter registration status  
Mail-In application and ballot status  
Poll location  
Early voting locations  
Elected Officials  
Registration information on file with the county office  
Sample ballot for the upcoming election  
Provisional Ballot status

### **ADVANCE VOTING INFORMATION**

**ADVANCE VOTING WILL BE HELD AT THE:  
OCONEE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING AT  
7635 MACON HWY WATKINSVILLE, GA 30677**

### **ABSENTEE BY MAIL INFORMATION**

You may request an absentee ballot by filling out an Absentee Ballot Application. Please read the application carefully and complete all required sections. Failure to provide accurate information may delay processing your application. You may obtain an absentee ballot application by visiting our website at <https://www.oconeecounty.com/Elections> or by calling our office at 706-769-3958 to request one be sent to you or by visiting My Voter Page at: <https://mvp.sos.ga.gov/s/>

Voters can submit an absentee ballot application no earlier than 78 days or less than 11 days prior to the date of the primary or election, or runoff.

- To be timely received, an application for an absentee-by-mail ballot must be received by the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk no later than 11 days prior to the primary, election, or runoff.

You may submit the paper application after you print, fill out and sign it through the Absentee Ballot Portal at <https://securemyabsenteeballot.sos.ga.gov/s/>, via email to [absentee@oconee.ga.us](mailto:absentee@oconee.ga.us), by fax to 706-310-3486, or by mail to 7635 Macon Highway, Suite 200 Watkinsville, GA 30677. Once your ballot is mailed to you, you may return directly to our office at 7635 Macon Hwy, Suite 200 Watkinsville, GA 30677, by handing to an election official or you may also place it inside the absentee ballot drop box located inside of our office during the times for Advance Voting or you can return by mail to 7635 Macon Hwy., Suite 200 Watkinsville, GA 30677. All absentee ballots must be received in our office by 7 p.m. on Election Day. To check your Absentee Ballot Status, you may go to My Voter Page (<https://mvp.sos.ga.gov/>) and put in your first initial, last name, county, and date of birth to view the status of your absentee application or ballot. You can also sign up for notifications that will alert you on the status of your ballot.

# Important Information for Voter Registration Lists

- To order a Voter List, **please visit the Georgia Secretary of State online store to order a list** using a debit or credit card.  
<https://georgiasecretaryofstate.net/>
- The purchaser/customer is responsible for submitting orders with sufficient time for orders to be filled. **Standard processing time is 1 week from** the date the order was received by the Georgia Secretary of State's Office. **Requests for expedited service will not be processed.**
- All orders will be filled electronically, via email. Please take special care to ensure your email address is entered accurately.
- Any and all costs or fees charged for voter registration lists or data files **are non-refundable**. The sole remedy for non-delivery of or "damaged" voter registration lists or data files is replacement of the original order OR credit for a future order of equal value, if a remedy is deemed as appropriate by Georgia Secretary of State's Office. The purchaser must provide immediate notification of non-delivery or damage to the original order.
- **Purchasers/customers should ensure orders were not sent to your Spam Email Folder prior to reporting the order as not-filled.**
- Prior to the acceptance and processing of any order, the purchaser/customer must remit payment for all charges in the form of a valid check, money order, or credit card (online system or in person pickup). No other forms of payment are accepted. All payments shall be paid to the order of "Georgia Secretary of State." The purchaser will be assessed a fee of \$40.00 for any returned checks and starter checks are not accepted.
- If needed, purchasers/customers may submit a fillable [PDF form Voter List Request Form](#) and payment (please see pricing below) to the mailing address as listed on the top of the form.
- The revenue from these voter list orders will be used to support voter list maintenance activities to ensure that Georgia's voter rolls remain the most accurate in the country.

## Voter Registration List Pricing Policy (Adopted July 15, 2024)

No custom orders will be accepted, and no refunds are available in any circumstance.

| <u>Order Type</u>                                 | <u>Price as of July 1, 2024</u> |
|---|---------------------------------|
| County District Voter List                        | \$45.00                         |
| County Precinct Voter List (up to 5 precincts)    | \$35.00                         |
| County Voter List                                 | \$70.00                         |
| Municipal Precinct Voter List (up to 5 precincts) | \$35.00                         |
| Municipal District Voter List                     | \$45.00                         |
| Municipal Voter List                              | \$65.00                         |
| US Congressional District Voter List              | \$125.00                        |
| State House District Voter List                   | \$75.00                         |
| State Senate District Voter List                  | \$95.00                         |
| Judicial Circuit District Voter List              | \$125.00                        |
| Statewide Voter List                              | \$485.00                        |

### How To Order a List

#### Instructions for Requesting and Ordering Voter Registration Lists and Files

#### Visit Online Store

Please visit the new [Georgia Secretary of State online store](https://georgiasecretaryofstate.net/) to order a list using a credit card. (<https://georgiasecretaryofstate.net/>)

or

Please submit the Voter List Request Form (included in Qualifying packet) and payment to:

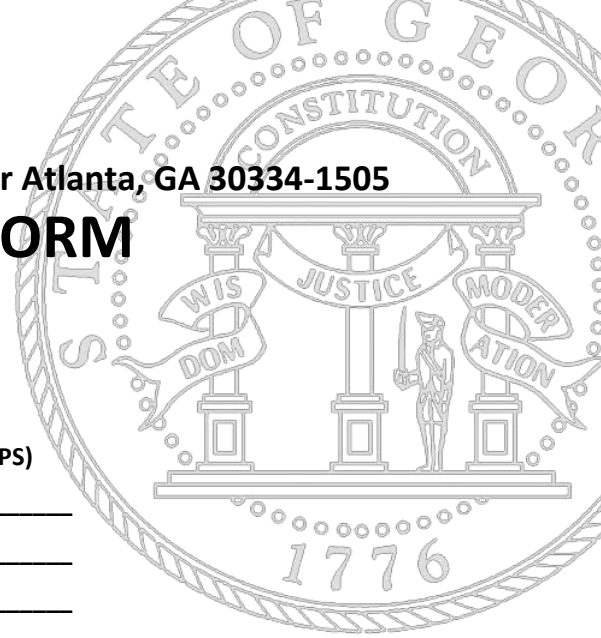
Secretary of State's Office  
2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive  
Suite 802, West Tower  
Atlanta, GA 30334

# Secretary of State

Elections Division

2 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. Suite 802 - West Tower Atlanta, GA 30334-1505

## VOTER LIST ORDER FORM



ORDER NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

BILLING ADDRESS: (Please note that all orders are filled via email, not via USPS or UPS)

\_\_\_\_\_  
**PLEASE DO NOT USE A P.O. BOX**  
\_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: All lists will be provided to you electronically.

FOR COUNTY USE ONLY – Payment Only \_\_\_\_\_ County provided list by (list county name) \_\_\_\_\_

Date Customer Received Voters List \_\_\_\_\_ Date Payment Mailed to SOS \_\_\_\_\_

Check                      Money Order                      Check/Money Order Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Date Payment Mailed \_\_\_\_\_

Visit <https://sos.ga.gov/page/order-voter-registration-lists-and-files> for list prices. Electronic file only includes date last voted for each registered voter. Contact us via email at [electionsvoterlist@sos.ga.gov](mailto:electionsvoterlist@sos.ga.gov) with any questions. Normal production time is 1-2 weeks upon receipt of payment. Please make check or money order payable to Secretary of State. Voter Lists are CSV files. Voter Lists do not include telephone numbers, Date of Birth, full or partial SSN#, or DL#. \*Statewide Voter Files will be in a text file format and must be imported into a data spreadsheet program.

**\* STATEWIDE VOTER FILE**      *If you are ordering the Statewide Voter File check the box, skip Voter List Order below and just sign.*

### VOTERS LIST ORDER

(Please include a detailed description of your request including county and/or municipality.)

Description of Order: \_\_\_\_\_ Active Voters      Active and Inactive Voters

County(s): (Required) \_\_\_\_\_

Municipality(s): (Only include Municipality if you are requesting a Municipal list) City of \_\_\_\_\_

District Number (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Precinct Number (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Neither \_\_\_\_\_

**Warning:** In accordance with O.C.G.A. §21-2-601, any person who uses the list of electors provided for in §21-2-225 for commercial purposes shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature



## Important Contacts and Resources

### **Ethics**

Phone: 404-463-1988

Website: <http://ethics.ga.gov/contact-us/>

### **Georgia Secretary of State**

Elections Division

Phone: 404-656-2871

Website: <http://sos.ga.gov/>

### **Oconee County Board of Elections & Registration**

Phone: 706-769-3958

Website: <https://www.oconeecountyga.gov/1463/Elections-Registration>

### **Oconee County Code Enforcement**

Posting signs on county road right of ways

Phone: 706-769-3907

Website: <http://oconeecountyga.gov>

**SIGN REGULATIONS (View the Unified Development Code on the county website - <https://www.oconeecountyga.gov/368/Unified-Development-Code>)**

<https://www.oconeecountyga.gov/DocumentCenter/View/17990/Article-7---Sign-Regulations-PDF>

### **City of Watkinsville**

Posting signs within city limits on city right of ways

Phone: 706-769-5161

Website: <http://www.cityofwatkinsville.com>



## **CANDIDATE BALLOT PROOF CHECK AND REVIEW**

O.C.G.A. 21-2-283.1 (c) After the superintendent has completed the ballot review and proofing procedures provided for in subsection (b) of this Code section, and has made any needed corrections, but before the ballots have been approved and sent to print or for final programming pursuant to Code Section 21-2-379.25, the superintendent shall make available the final set of approved ballot proofs, clearly marked as ballot proofs, to any candidate appearing on the ballot, or such candidate's agent, using at least one of the following procedures:

- (1) By email, if the candidate has provided an email address at the time of qualifying; or
- (2) By making physical copies available for review at the office of the superintendent during normal business hours.

The ballot proof review procedures to be used in an election are at the sole discretion of the superintendent.
- (d) Candidates appearing on the ballot proof provided for by subsection (c) of this Code section shall have 24 hours from the time that the superintendent makes ballot proofs available for review to verify that the candidate's name, other identifying information such as party or incumbency, and other relevant information are properly displayed on the ballot and to request changes to be made by the superintendent.
- (e) (1) In the event that a candidate requests a change to a ballot proof pursuant to subsection (d) of this Code section, the superintendent, at its sole discretion, may make such requested change if it determines that the requested change will ensure the accuracy of the information displayed on the ballot.
- (2) In the event that the superintendent makes a change to a ballot proof pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection, and if time permits, as determined in the sole discretion of the superintendent, the superintendent may provide new ballot proofs to a candidate or candidates for review using the same procedures as provided for in subsection (c) of this Code section.

- After all corrections have been made and upon approval of ballot proofs by the Superintendent, ballot proofs will be made available for review during regular business hours here at the Board of Elections office located at 7635 Macon Highway, Watkinsville, GA 30677.
- The Board of Elections office will post on their website and on their social media account that ballot proofs are available for review and that any candidate that appears on the ballot proofs shall have 24 hours from the date and time of the notice to verify the identifying information and ensure that the information is properly displayed on the ballot. The office will email each candidate to inform them that proofs are available. If a candidate wishes to review the proofs, there will be a time established by the office for them to come in.
- Should the candidate request to make changes, they must do so in writing to the superintendent.
- The Superintendent has sole discretion as to whether they should make such requested change depending on if the requested change will ensure the accuracy of the information displayed on the ballot. In the event a change is made, then the ballot proof and review procedures will remain the same for the candidate if time allows.