

# Democratic or Republican Party Nominees UNOFFICIAL

In order to become the Democratic or Republican Party nominee for a particular office, you must file an application for a place on the ballot with the county or state party chair, as appropriate (see chart). The application must be filed between November 28, 2011 and December 15, 2011. Your application must be accompanied by either a filing fee or a nominating petition signed by a certain number of qualified voters. If you receive a majority of the votes cast in the primary election or receive the most votes in a primary runoff election, if applicable, your name will appear on the general election ballot in November 6, 2012.

Public Office Sought in 2012	Qualifications for Office									File App. with Party	
	U.S. Citizen	Texas Resident	District Resident	Registered to Vote in Texas	Age	Practicing Lawyer or Judge	Term of Office	Filing Fee	Petitions in Lieu of Fee	State	County
United States Senator	9 yrs.	Yes (a)	-	-	30	-	6 yrs.	\$5,000	5,000	x	-
United States Representative #16	7 Yrs.	Yes (a)	Not req'd	-	25	-	2 yrs.	\$3,125	500	-	x
United States Representative #23	7 Yrs.	Yes (a)	Not req'd	-	25	-	2 yrs.	\$3,125	500	x	-
Railroad Commissioner	Yes	Yes (a)	-	Yes (h)	25 (h)	-	6 yrs.	\$3,750	5,000	x	-
Justice, Supreme Court	Yes	Yes (a)	-	-	35 (b)	10 yrs. (b)	6 yrs.	\$3,750	5,000	x	-
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals	Yes	Yes (a)	-	-	35 (b)	10 yrs. (b)	6 yrs.	\$3,750	5,000	x	-
State Representative #75	Yes	2 yrs. (b)	12 mo. (b)	-	21 (b)	-	2 yrs.	\$750	341	-	x
State Representative #76	Yes	2 yrs. (b)	12 mo. (b)	-	21 (b)	-	2 yrs.	\$750	282	-	x
State Representative #77	Yes	2 yrs. (b)	12 mo. (b)	-	21 (b)	-	2 yrs.	\$750	259	-	x
State Representative #78	Yes	2 yrs. (b)	12 mo. (b)	-	21 (b)	-	2 yrs.	\$750	500	-	x
State Representative #79	Yes	2 yrs. (b)	12 mo. (b)	-	21 (b)	-	2 yrs.	\$750	299	-	x
Chief Justice and Justice, Court of Appeals	Yes	Yes (a)	Yes (a)	-	35 (b)	10 yrs. (b)	6 yrs.	\$1,875	500	x	-
District Judge #34,#41,#346,#383,#384,#388,#409,#448,	Yes	2 yrs. (b)	2 yrs. (b,h)	-	25 (h)	4 yrs. (b)	4 yrs.	\$1,500	500	-	x
Family District Judge #65	Yes	2 yrs. (b)	2 yrs. (b,h)	-	25 (h)	4 yrs. (b)	4 yrs.	\$1,500	500	-	x
Criminal District Judge #1	Yes	2 yrs. (b)	2 yrs. (b)	-	25 (h)	4 yrs. (b)	4 yrs.	\$1,500	500	-	x
District Attorney (e)	Yes	12 mo. (c)	6 mo. (c)	-	18 (h)	Yes	4 yrs.	\$1,250	500	x	-
County Criminal Court At Law #3, #4 (e)	Yes	2 yrs. (e)	Yes (e)	-	25 (e,h)	4 yrs. (e)	4 yrs.	\$1,250	500	-	x
County Attorney	Yes	12 mo. (c)	6 mo. (c)	-	18 (h)	Yes	4 yrs.	\$1,250	500	-	x
County Sheriff (f)	Yes	12 mo. (c)	6 mo. (c)	-	18 (h)	-	4 yrs.	\$1,250	500	-	x
County Tax Assessor-Collector	Yes	12 mo. (c)	6 mo. (c)	-	18 (h)	-	4 yrs.	\$1,250	500	-	x
County Commissioner #1	Yes	12 mo. (c)	6 mo. (c)	-	18 (h)	-	4 yrs.	\$1,250	486	-	x
County Commissioner #3	Yes	12 mo. (c)	6 mo. (c)	-	18 (h)	-	4 yrs.	\$1,250	302	-	x
Constable #1 (g)	Yes	12 mo. (c)	6 mo. (c)	-	18 (h)	-	4 yrs.	\$1,000	219	-	x
Constable #2 (g)	Yes	12 mo. (c)	6 mo. (c)	-	18 (h)	-	4 yrs.	\$1,000	250	-	x
Constable #3 (g)	Yes	12 mo. (c)	6 mo. (c)	-	18 (h)	-	4 yrs.	\$1,000	208	-	x
Constable #4 (g)	Yes	12 mo. (c)	6 mo. (c)	-	18 (h)	-	4 yrs.	\$1,000	370	-	x
Constable #5 (g)	Yes	12 mo. (c)	6 mo. (c)	-	18 (h)	-	4 yrs.	\$1,000	243	-	x
Constable #6 (g)	Yes	12 mo. (c)	6 mo. (c)	-	18 (h)	-	4 yrs.	\$1,000	154	-	x
Constable #7 (g)	Yes	12 mo. (c)	6 mo. (c)	-	18 (h)	-	4 yrs.	\$1,000	327	-	x

- a. No duration specified.
- b. Before date of general election.
- c. Before December 12, 2011, if candidate for Democratic or Republican Party Nomination. Before March 17, 2012, if other party nominee for precinct, county, or single-county district office. Before March 24, 2012, if other party nominee for multi-county district office. Before June 9, 2012, if other party nominee for statewide office. Before June 21, 2012, if independent candidate. Before November 6, 2012, if declared write-in candidate.
- d. Citations refer to article and section number of the U.S. Const. for U.S. Senator and U.S. Rep.; section number of the Tex. Educ. Code for Member, State Board of Education; section number of the Texas Nat. Res. Code for Railroad Commissioner; section number of the Tex. Gov't Code for district judge, district and county attorney, and statutory county court; section number of the Tex. Local Gov't Code for sheriff and constable; and article and section number of the Tex. Const. for all others. Also see §141.001 of the Tex. Elec. Code.
- e. Statutory qualifications may vary; contact your local party chair or the Secretary of State.
- f. Additional qualifications for sheriff: must have a high school diploma or high school equivalency degree and be eligible to be licensed under sections 1701.309, 1701.312, and 1701.502 of the Texas Occupations Code.
- g. Additional qualifications for constable: must be either (1) eligible to be licensed under sections 1701.309, 1701.312, and 1701.502 of the Texas Occupations Code and (a) has at least an associate's degree, (b) is a special investigator under Article 2.122(a), Code of Criminal Procedure, or (c) is an honorably retired peace officer or honorably retired federal criminal investigator who holds a certificate of proficiency issued under Section 1701.357, Texas Occupations Code or (2) an active or inactive licensed peace officer under Chapter 1701 of the Texas Occupations Code.
- h. On first day of term to be filled at election.

Special Note 1: Please be advised that due to the removal of the staggering schedule from Article XVI, Section 65 of the Texas Constitution, there are various local offices which may have been created by your county commissioners court of the Texas Legislature but are not listed in this guide. For further information on filing for county offices not listed, please contact the county clerk's/elections administrator's office or the office of the Secretary of State.

Special Note 2: Please be advised that executive and judicial officers elected in a statewide election, state appellate and district judges members of the State Board of Education, and district or criminal district attorneys (among others) are subject to the provisions of Chapter 572 of the Texas Government Code Ann., which relates to personal financial disclosure, standards of conduct, and conflicts of interest issues. For further information on the applicability and requirements of Chapter 572, candidates should contact the Texas Ethics Commission.