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OFFICE	CANDIDATE	BALLOT NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE	ELECTION DATE	Party	ISSUED	QUALIFIED
No Petitions issued (Democratic)					05/05/2026	Democratic		
Circuit Court Judge - 23rd Judicial District - DIV IV	Joshua Turnbow	Joshua Turnbow			05/05/2026	Republican	12/22/2025	1/16/2026
County Mayor	Robert S. Beecham	Robert "Boo" Beecham			08/06/2026	Independent	12/22/2025	12/23/2025
County Mayor	Christopher Hartigan	Christopher Hartigan			08/06/2026	Independent	2/11/2026	02/13/2026
County Mayor	David R. Ross	David Russell Ross			08/06/2026	Independent	1/6/2026	02/02/2026
County Mayor	Billy Scott Shepperd	Scott Shepperd			08/06/2026	Independent	12/22/2025	01/08/2026
County Commissioner District 1	Corey Etherton	Corey Etherton			08/06/2026	Independent	1/9/2026	01/21/2026
County Commissioner District 1	Michael Allen Lorden	Michael A Lorden			08/06/2026	Independent	12/29/2025	01/02/2026
County Commissioner District 1	Lane A. Page	Lane Page			08/06/2026	Independent	1/15/2026	01/21/2026
County Commissioner District 1	Elijah Cayne Thomas	Elijah Thomas			08/06/2026	Independent	12/23/2025	02/18/2026
County Commissioner District 2	Justin Dale Booth	Justin Booth			08/06/2026	Independent	12/29/2025	02/17/2026
County Commissioner District 2	William F Taylor	William Taylor			08/06/2026	Independent	12/22/2025	12/23/2025
County Commissioner District 3	Richard Shane Keatts	Shane Keatts			08/06/2026	Independent	12/22/2025	12/30/2025
County Commissioner District 3	Eric L. Watkins	Eric Watkins			08/06/2026	Independent	12/22/2025	12/29/2025
County Commissioner District 4	Adam L. Cathey	Adam Cathey			08/06/2026	Independent	2/13/2026	02/18/2026
County Commissioner District 4	Terry Y. Fitzhugh	Terry Fitzhugh			08/06/2026	Independent	12/29/2025	02/06/2026
County Commissioner District 4	Edward Vinson Williams	Ed Williams			08/06/2026	Independent	12/22/2025	01/07/2026

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County Commissioner District 5	Leslie Elkins Bickford	Leslie Elkins Bickford			08/06/2026	Independent	1/9/2026	01/13/2026
County Commissioner District 5	Archie L. Cryer	Archie L. Cryer			08/06/2026	Independent	12/29/2025	01/14/2026
County Commissioner District 5	Melissa Fields	Melissa Fields			08/06/2026	Independent	01/12/2026	02/19/2026
County Commissioner District 6	Bradley T. Jones	Bradley Jones			08/06/2026	Independent	12/29/2025	01/09/2026
County Commissioner District 6	James Clint Mathis	Clint Mathis			08/06/2026	Independent	12/23/2025	01/06/2026
County Commissioner District 7	Mark A. Dortch	Mark Dortch			08/06/2026	Independent	12/23/2025	01/13/2025
County Commissioner District 7	Alexis Holley Taylor	Alexis Holley Taylor			08/06/2026	Independent	1/12/2026	02/18/2026
Assessor of Property (Unexpired term)	Timothy L. Borens	Tim Borens			08/06/2026	Independent	12/22/2025	12/22/2025
Assessor of Property (Unexpired term)	Vincent J. Gray	Vincent J Gray			08/06/2026	Independent	12/22/2025	12/29/2025
Trustee	Laura L. Crain	Laura L Crain			08/06/2026	Independent	12/22/2025	12/22/2025
Sheriff	Jody L. Batton	Jody L. Batton			08/06/2026	Independent	12/22/2025	12/29/2025
Sheriff	Charles Franklin Gray	Frankie Gray			08/06/2026	Independent	12/22/2025	12/22/2025
Circuit Court Clerk	Ethan Fritz Gray	Ethan Gray			08/06/2026	Independent	12/22/2025	12/30/2025
Circuit Court Clerk	Mary K. Templon	Mary K. Templon			08/06/2026	Independent	2/18/2026	02/19/2026
County Clerk	Natalie J. Hardison	Natalie Hardison			08/06/2026	Independent	12/22/2025	12/22/2025
County Clerk	Monica Beth Shepherd	Monica Shepherd			08/06/2026	Independent	12/23/2025	01/09/2026
Register of Deeds	Derek W. Earhart	Derek W. Earhart			08/06/2026	Independent	12/22/2025	12/23/2025

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Road Superintendent	Ronnie L. Sumner	Ronnie Sumner			08/06/2026	Independent	12/22/2025	01/05/2026
School Board District 1	Darrell J. Gillum	Darrell Gillum			08/06/2026	Independent	1/5/2026	02/10/2026
School Board District 4	Gary W. Dacus, III	Gary W Dacus III			08/06/2026	Independent	1/7/2026	02/13/2026
School Board District 5	Beth A. Elliott	Beth Elliott			08/06/2026	Independent	1/21/2026	02/12/2026
School Board District 5	Lesa L. Fitzhugh	Lesa Fitzhugh			08/06/2026	Independent	12/30/2025	01/20/2026
School Board District 6 (Unexpired term)	Mitchell Burkhart	Mitchell Burkhart			08/06/2026	Independent	1/2/2026	02/18/2026
School Board District 6 (Unexpired term)	Eva Michelle Criswell	Michelle Criswell			08/06/2026	Independent	1/20/2026	02/17/2026
School Board District 7	Lana A. Sanders	Lana A. Sanders			08/06/2026	Independent	1/5/2026	02/10/2026