

GUIDELINES FOR FILING FOR COUNTY OFFICE

2026 PRIMARY ELECTION

FILING PERIOD

- First day to file: March 2, 2026
- Last day to file: March 13, 2026 (Must be received by 5:00 PM in the County Clerk's office).

A candidate has two options when filing to have their name placed on the ballot:

- File Declaration of Candidacy and pay the \$40.00 filing fee.
- In lieu of paying the filing fee, file a Petition of Candidacy, with five valid signatures and the Declaration of Candidacy.

Candidates can file their Declaration of Candidacy online at voteidaho.gov or in the Election Office.

PETITION

- Five signatures of registered voters from within county (County Commissioner signatures must be from the Commissioner District.)
- Petition must be complete with notarization.

DECLARATION

- Print name exactly as you wish it to appear on the ballot.
- Signature of candidate must be notarized.
- Notaries are available at the County Clerk's Office.

FILING FEE

- \$40.00 (cash or check)

CAMPAIGN FINANCE

- Candidates must create a campaign finance account when they reach a \$500 threshold (revenue or expenditures). Register at sunshine.voteidaho.gov

QUALIFICATIONS

- 21 years of age
- A citizen of the United States
- One year resident of the county prior to the election
- County Commissioner candidates must also be a 90 day resident of Commissioner District prior to Primary Election.

If you have any questions about your packet, please call the Clerk's Office at the following numbers:

County Clerk, Pamela W. Eckhardt, 782-3160 or
County Election Director, Megan Kearsley 782-3161
County Election Clerk, Kelli Robbins 782-3162
County Election Clerk, Libbie McBurney 782-3164