

**Applications are now open for the Republican position on the November ballot to fill the vacancy of Madison County Precinct 1 Commissioner. Completed applications will need to be returned along with a resume to the Election Administrator's office with interviews beginning June 15, 2022. Applicants will then be notified of two optional interview dates to follow. The position will remain open until the applicant has been chosen and submitted to the Secretary of State for the position on the November ballot . For any further questions please call Kevin Council at 281-808-5511 Chair of the Madison County Republican Party executive committee.**

## **A COUNTY COMMISSIONER IN TEXAS HAS THE FOLLOWING DUTIES:**

- As member of the commissioners court, exercises broad policy-making authority
- Represents one of four precincts within the county
- Typically responsible for building and maintaining county roads and bridges within the precinct

### **Commissioners Court**

The commissioners court conducts the general business of the county and consists of the county judge and four commissioners.

The court:

- Adopts the county's budget and tax rate
- Approves all budgeted purchases of the county
- Fills vacancies in elective and appointive offices
- Sets all salaries and benefits
- Has exclusive authority to authorize contracts
- Provides and maintains all county buildings and facilities
- Attend Commissioners' Court meetings held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month.

### **County Commissioner Requirements**

Commissioners are required to attain 16 hours every 12-month period and may carry forward up to eight hours. Some exceptions apply.

### **County Commissioner Qualifications**

A County Commissioner must meet the following qualifications at the time of appointment or election:

- U.S. Citizen
- Resident of Texas for at least 12 consecutive months
- Resident of the precinct for at least six consecutive months
- Registered to vote in the commissioners precinct
- At least 18 years of age
- Not have been finally convicted of a felony from which they have not been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disabilities
- Not have been determined by a court with probate jurisdiction to be totally mentally incapacitated or partially mentally incapacitated without the right to vote

Candidates/applicants for this office must meet the above qualifications

### APPLICATION FOR A PLACE ON THE GENERAL PRIMARY BALLOT

ALL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED TO BE PROVIDED UNLESS INDICATED AS OPTIONAL<sup>1</sup> Failure to provide required information may result in rejection of application.

<b>APPLICATION FOR A PLACE ON THE _____ PARTY GENERAL PRIMARY BALLOT</b>					
(Democratic or Republican)					
TO: State/County Chair					
I request that my name be placed on the above-named official primary ballot as a candidate for nomination to the office indicated below.					
OFFICE SOUGHT (Include any place number or other distinguishing number, if any.)				INDICATE TERM <input type="checkbox"/> FULL <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPIRED	
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 for which you receive campaign related correspondence, if available.)		
CITY	STATE	ZIP	CITY	STATE	ZIP
PUBLIC EMAIL ADDRESS (Optional) (Address for which you receive campaign related emails, if available.)		OCCUPATION (Do not leave blank)	DATE OF BIRTH / /	VOTER REGISTRATION VUID NUMBER <sup>2</sup> (Optional)	
TELEPHONE CONTACT INFORMATION (Optional)					
Home:		Office:		Cell:	
FELONY CONVICTION STATUS (You MUST check one)			LENGTH OF CONTINUOUS RESIDENCE AS OF DATE THIS APPLICATION WAS SWORN		
<input type="checkbox"/> I have not been finally convicted of a felony. <input type="checkbox"/> I have been finally convicted of a felony, but I have been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disabilities of that felony conviction and I have provided proof of this fact with the submission of this application. <sup>3</sup>			IN THE STATE OF TEXAS _____ year(s) _____ month(s)		IN TERRITORY/DISTRICT/PRECINCT FROM WHICH THE OFFICE SOUGHT IS ELECTED _____ 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 am aware that I must disclose any prior felony conviction, and if so convicted, must provide proof that I have been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disabilities of any such final felony conviction. I am aware that knowingly providing false information on the application regarding my possible felony conviction status constitutes a Class B misdemeanor. I further swear that the foregoing statements included in my application are in all things true and correct."					
<b>X</b> _____					
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 <sup>4</sup>			Printed Name of Officer Authorized to Administer Oath		
Notarial or Official Seal					
Title of Officer Authorized to Administer Oath					
TO BE COMPLETED BY CHAIR OR DESIGNEE: THIS APPLICATION IS ACCOMPANIED BY THE REQUIRED FILING FEE PAID BY:					
<input type="checkbox"/> CASH <input type="checkbox"/> CHECK <input type="checkbox"/> MONEY ORDER <input type="checkbox"/> CASHIERS CHECK OR <input type="checkbox"/> PETITION IN LIEU OF A FILING FEE.					
This document and \$_____ filing fee or a nominating petition of _____ pages received. <input type="checkbox"/> Voter Registration Status Verified					
_____/_____/_____ Date Received		_____/_____/_____ Date Accepted		(See Section 1.007) _____ Signature of Chair or Designee	