



May 19, 2020 Primary Election Notice

This is a list of public offices for which the Sherman County Clerk will accept declarations of candidacy or petitions for nomination or election for the May 19, 2020 Primary Election. Candidates can file for office from September 12, 2019 until the deadline of 5:00pm on March 10, 2020. Candidates for the offices below may file at the County Clerk's office by one of the following methods: 1) submit form SEL 101 and pay a \$50 filing fee; 2) submit form SEL 101 and petition to obtain signatures. The County Clerk will provide approval to circulate the petition. Once signatures are collected and verified, the candidate has filed for office.

For a County partisan office, a candidate must have been registered to vote as a member of that major political party by September 12, 2019. In a County nonpartisan contest, a candidate does not run as a member of a political party.

All candidates must be US citizens, registered voters and Sherman County residents for 1 year prior to the election. There may be additional requirements, based on the office.

PARTISAN OFFICE:

Major political party candidates will be nominated for this office at the Primary and elected at the November 3, 2020 General Election:

County Commissioner, Position 1 – 4 year term (Current: Joan Bird)

NONPARTISAN OFFICES:

Candidates for the following nonpartisan office may be elected at the Primary; no filing fee or petition is required:

Justice of the Peace – 6 year term (Current: Ron McDermid)

Candidates for the following nonpartisan offices will be nominated at the Primary and elected at the November 3, 2020 General Election.

County Sheriff – 4 year term (Current: Brad A. Lohrey)

County Clerk – 4 year term (Current: Jenine McDermid)

Other public offices for which the Secretary of State will accept declarations of candidacy or petitions for nomination or election for this election can be found at the following link: <https://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Documents/open-offices.pdf>

In order to file a candidacy for any office, please contact the Sherman County Clerk's office at 541-565-3606, or review the Secretary of State's candidacy page at <http://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/runforoffice.aspx>

Election forms and manuals are available at the County Clerk's office, located in the Sherman County Courthouse at 500 Court Street in Moro or online at the Oregon Secretary of State, Elections Division page: <https://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/laws-rules-publications.aspx>.

Before filing, be sure to review the campaign finance disclosure requirements which are available at the Clerk's Office, also printed below, and briefly discussed here: <http://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/runforoffice.aspx>

PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSONS:

The Precinct Committeeperson (PCP) statutes recently changed with the passage of SB 224 during the 2019 Oregon Legislative session. Updated forms will be available soon at the Clerk's Office or online at the Elections Division page. These changes include:

- Eliminates gender identity.
- One PCP for every 250 voters, with a minimum of 2 PCPs per precinct.
- Date to calculate number of PCPs per precinct is 251 days before the Primary election **(September 11, 2019)**.
- First day to file is 250 days before the Primary election. **(September 30, 2019** this year only, due to when the law goes into effect).
- Person can file in their resident precinct, or adjacent precinct, or any precinct in their State Representative district, within the same county.
- Write-in votes will only be tallied if declaration or nomination forms have been filed by the deadline.
- A minimum of 3 votes is still required to be elected.

SEL 105 Candidate Filing Form

- Deadline to file: March 10, 2020 5:00pm
- Must be a member of stated party at least 180 days prior to the filing deadline per ORS 249.046 **(September 12, 2019)**
- Certification of election will be issued.

SEL 105D Write-in Candidate Declaration

- Deadline to file: May 19, 2020 8:00pm
- Must be a member of stated party at least 180 days prior to the Primary election, per ORS 248.015(4). **(November 21, 2019)**
- No write-in acceptance form will be issued, as candidate has attested they will serve if elected. Certificate of Election will be issued, if elected.

SEL 105N Write-in Candidate Nomination

- Deadline to file: May 19, 2020 8:00pm
- Must be a member of stated party at least 180 days prior to the Primary election, per ORS 248.015(4). **(November 21, 2019)**
- Candidate will be sent a write-in acceptance form, if elected. If acceptance form is received by deadline, Certificate of Election will be issued.
- Nominator and candidate must be a member of the same party and the same State Representative district, within the same county.

Campaign Finance Reporting in Oregon

Candidate "Quick Guide"

Congratulations on your decision to run for office! We hope this guide provides tips and answers to frequently asked questions by first-time candidates.



More detailed information is available in the **Campaign Finance Manual** and the **ORESTAR User's Manuals** available at www.oregonvotes.gov. The Campaign Finance Manual explains what information is disclosed when reporting campaign finance transactions. The ORESTAR User's Manual: Statement of Organization and ORESTAR User's Manual: Transaction Filing explains how to file a statement of organization and campaign finance transactions electronically using ORESTAR.

Who Must File a Candidate Committee?

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Serve as your own treasurer and → Do not have an existing candidate committee and → Do not expect to spend or receive more than \$750 during the entire calendar year (including in-kind contributions and personal funds) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Relax. No action is necessary because under Oregon Election Law you are not required to establish a candidate committee if you meet all of the criteria. However, you must keep track of all contributions and expenditures because if you exceed the \$750 threshold you must establish a committee and open a dedicated bank account not later than three business days after exceeding the threshold. NOTE: Any fee paid for filing a candidate's statement for inclusion in the state voters' pamphlet is not included for the purpose of calculating the \$750 threshold. Additionally, you must either file a Certificate of Limited Contributions and Expenditures (PC 7) or all transactions that have occurred in the calendar year. See information below to determine if you are eligible to file a Certificate.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Do not expect to receive a total of more than \$3,500 or spend a total of more than \$3,500 for the entire calendar year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ File a Statement of Organization and establish a dedicated bank account – either by using ORESTAR or by submitting the paper forms Statement of Organization for Candidate Committee (SEL 220) and Campaign Account Information form (SEL 223) ✓ File a Certificate of Limited Contributions and Expenditures either by using ORESTAR or by submitting the paper form (PC 7) not later than seven days after first receiving a contribution or making an expenditure
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Expect to spend or receive more than \$3,500 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ File a Statement of Organization and establish a dedicated bank account – either by using ORESTAR or by submitting the paper forms Statement of Organization for Candidate Committee (SEL 220) and Campaign Account Information form (SEL 223) ✓ File campaign finance transactions using ORESTAR

What starts the whole process?

The decision to run for a public office (even if the office is not known), accepting contributions and making expenditures, whether from personal funds, campaign funds, or another person's funds to support your candidacy.

Once I become a candidate, then what?

You must register your committee with the Secretary of State not later than 3 business days of first receiving a contribution or making an expenditure if you are not exempt under the \$750 threshold law.

May I serve as my own treasurer?

Yes, you may serve as your own treasurer. The Campaign Finance Manual provides committees with information on candidate/treasurer responsibilities.

Must I have a dedicated campaign account?

Oregon law requires you to establish a dedicated campaign account if you are required to file a Statement of Organization. The account must be established in a financial institution located in Oregon that ordinarily conducts business in Oregon. One important reminder—when establishing your campaign account, the name of the committee and the name of the account must be the same.

Campaign Finance Reporting in Oregon (cont.)

Candidate "Quick Guide"

How do I file?

The key to complying with campaign contribution and expenditure disclosure requirements is to keep detailed records and file your transactions on time.

Electronic Filing

Oregon Election law requires that campaign finance transactions be filed electronically. The Secretary of State's Office provides an electronic filing system, ORESTAR, free of charge. There is a terminal located in the Election's Division office for public use.

What if I don't own a computer?

A Statement of Organization (SEL 220), Campaign Account Information (SEL 223) and Certificate of Limited Contributions and Expenditures (PC 7) may be filed using the paper forms. If you are not eligible to file a Certificate, contribution and expenditure transactions must be reported electronically using ORESTAR. You may want to check with your local library or other public facilities in your area to see if they provide a computer terminal for public use.

When do I report contribution and expenditures?

Generally, the deadline for filing a transaction is not later than 30 calendar days after the date of the transaction. For committees active in an election, beginning on the 42nd day before the date of the election and through the date of the election, a transaction is due not later than 7 calendar days after the date of the transaction. The campaign finance reporting requirements and additional transaction deadlines are available in the Campaign Finance Manual. Information on how to electronically file transactions is detailed in the ORESTAR User's Manual: Transaction Filing.

Are my campaign finance transactions public record?

Yes, after the transactions are filed in ORESTAR they are immediately available to the public by accessing the Public Search link for ORESTAR.

Are there campaign contribution and expenditure limits?

No, Oregon does not have contribution and expenditure limits.

How do I discontinue my committee?

In order to discontinue your committee, you must: Achieve a zero balance and file a Statement to Organization discontinuing the committee.

Where do I get copies of forms and instructional manuals?

All publications and forms are available online at www.oregonvotes.gov, or may be requested from the Elections Division at 503 986 1518.

Need additional help?

The Elections Division staff is available to answer any questions. You may:

- email your questions to elections.sos@oregon.gov
- call us at 503 986 1518 or at 866 ORE VOTE
- visit our website at www.oregonvotes.gov

Candidate Filing
Major Political Party or Nonpartisan

SEL 101

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 ORS 249.031

Filing Dates		Candidate Filing	Candidate Withdrawal
Primary Election May 19, 2020	First Day to File Last Day to File	September 12, 2019 March 10, 2020	March 13, 2020
General Election November 3, 2020	First Day to File Last Day to File	June 3, 2020 August 25, 2020	August 28, 2020

Filing Information

This filing is an Original Amendment

Office Information

Filing for Office of:

District, Position or County:

Party Affiliation: Democratic Party Republican Party Nonpartisan

Incumbent Judge (for judicial candidates only): Yes No Nondisclosure on file

Filing Method

Fee

Office	Filing Fee	Office	Filing Fee
United States President	n/a	District Attorney	\$50
United States Vice President	n/a	County Judge	\$50
United States Senator	\$150	MSD Executive Officer, MAD Director	\$100
United States Representative	\$100	MSD Councilor	\$25
Statewide Offices	\$100	County Office	\$50
State senator or Representative	\$25	City Office	Set by charter or ordinance
Circuit Court Judge	\$50	Justice of the Peace	n/a

Prospective Petition, in lieu of filing fee Some circulators may be paid Yes No

Candidate Information

Name of Candidate

First	MI	Last	Suffix	Title
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How you would like your name to appear on the ballot

Candidate Residence / Route Address

Street Address	City	State	Zip	County
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Candidate Mailing Address and Contact Information Only one phone number and an email is required.

Street Address or PO Box	City	State	Zip
Work Phone	Home Phone	Cell Phone	Fax
Email Address	Web Site, if applicable		

Race and Ethnicity *Optional*

Occupation (present employment) If not employed, enter "Not Employed".

Occupational Background (previous employment) If no relevant experience, None or NA must be entered.

Educational Background (schools attended)

Complete name of School	Last Grade completed	Diploma/Degree/Certificate	Course of Study
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Educational Background (other) Attach a separate sheet if necessary.

Prior Governmental Experience (elected or appointed) If no relevant experience, None or NA must be entered.

Campaign Finance Information Not applicable to candidates for federal office.

A candidate must file a Statement of Organization not later than three business days of first receiving a contribution or making an expenditure and no later than the deadline for filing a nominating petition, declaration of candidacy, or certificate of nomination, whichever occurs first, unless they meet the criteria for an exemption. To meet the criteria, the candidate must serve as their own treasurer, not have an existing candidate committee, and not expect to spend or receive more than \$750 during the entire calendar year (including in-kind contributions and personal funds).

If you have an existing candidate committee you must amend the statement of organization not later than 10 days after a change in information. This includes changes to the election you are active in and the office you are running for.

See the Campaign Finance Manual for the procedural and legal requirements of establishing and maintaining a candidate committee.

Candidate Attestation

By signing this document, I hereby state that:

- I will accept the nomination for the office indicated above;
- I will qualify for said office if elected;
- All information provided by me on this form is true to the best of my knowledge; *and*
- No circulators will be compensated based on the number of signatures obtained by the circulator on a prospective petition

For Major Political Party Candidates

- if not nominated, I will not accept the nomination or endorsement of any political party other than the one named
- I have been a member of said political party, subject to the exceptions stated in ORS 249.046, for at least 180 days before the deadline for filing a nominating petition or declaration of candidacy (ORS 249.031). Does not apply to candidates filing for the office of US President.



Warning

Supplying false information on this form may result in conviction of a felony with a fine of up to \$125,000 and/or prison for up to 5 years. (ORS 260.715). A person may only file for one lucrative office or not more than one precinct committee person at the same election. Unless the person has withdrawn from the first filing, all filings are invalid. (ORS 249.013 and ORS 249.170)

Candidate Signature

Date

For Office User Only

Initials _____

Batch Sheet/CC Approval Code/ Receipt Number _____