

Candidate Filing Information County Offices – August 6, 2024 Primary Election

Scott County, Missouri

When to File:

Filing begins on Tuesday, February 27, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.

Filing ends on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

Where to File:

Scott County Clerk's Office

Scott County Courthouse

131 S. Winchester

Benton, MO 63736

Filing will take place for the following County Offices:

- Associate Commissioner – District 1
- Associate Commissioner – District 2
- Sheriff
- Assessor
- Public Administrator
- Coroner

Ballot Placement:

First day filers will select a number by random drawing to determine placement on the primary ballot. After the first day, candidates are placed on the ballot in the order of their filing.

How to File:

To appear as a candidate for nomination on the primary ballot, candidates must do the following at the Scott County Clerk's office during the filing period:

- Show identification;
- Submit a \$100.00 filing fee (cash or check) payable to the County Committee for the Political Party in which they are filing;
- File a Declaration of Candidacy;
- Complete the Form 5120 Candidate's Affidavit of Tax Payments for the Department of Revenue; and
- Complete the Notice to Candidate for the Missouri Ethics Commission.

****These forms are provided by the County Clerk's Office*

Independent Candidates:

Individuals interested in filing as an independent candidate for Scott County Elected Offices must do so by filing a petition with the Scott County Clerk's Office by 5:00 p.m. on July 29, 2024. The petition shall be signed by the number of registered voters in the district or county which is equal to at least two percent of the total number of voters who voted at the last election for candidates for the office being sought or is equal to ten thousand voters, whichever is less. The name of each person who files a valid petition for nomination as an independent candidate will be placed on the ballot at the November 5, 2024 General Election as an independent candidate (115.321 RSMo).

Elected Officials Qualifications

General Qualifications Applicable to All of the Following Offices:

Article VII, § 8, Constitution of Missouri

- Citizen of the United States
- Resident of the state 1 year next preceding election

§ 115.306, RSMo.

- Is not delinquent in the payment of any state income taxes, personal property taxes, municipal taxes, real property taxes on the place of residence as stated in the declaration of candidacy
- Is not a past or present corporate officer of any fee office that owes any taxes to the state
- Has not been found guilty of or pled guilty to a felony under the federal laws of the United States of America
- Has not been found guilty of or pled guilty to a felony under the laws of this state or an offense committed in another state that would be considered a felony in this state

§ 130.071.2, RSMo.

- In addition to any other penalties provided by law, no person may file for any office in a subsequent election until he or the treasurer of his existing candidate committee has filed all required campaign disclosure reports for all prior elections.

County Offices:

County Commissioner - § 49.020, RSMo.

- Resident of the county
- Resident of district (if elected from a district)

Sheriff - § 57.010, RSMo.

- Resident of county for more than 1 year before filing
- Resident taxpayer and elector of county
- No felony convictions
- Capable of efficient law enforcement
- Shall hold a valid peace officer license pursuant to Chapter 590 RSMo. At the time of filing for office

Assessor – § 53.010, RSMo.

- Resident of county

Public Administrator - § 473.730, RSMo.

- At least 21 years of age
- Resident of the state of Missouri and the county at least 1 year prior to general election date
- Current in the payment of all personal and business taxes
- Must provide a copy of a signed affidavit from a surety company indicating that candidate meets bond requirements of the office
- Registered voter

Coroner - § 58.030, RSMo.

- Citizen of the United States
- Over 21 years of age
- Resident of county 6 months next preceding the election
- Resident of state 1 year next preceding the election

Township or Ward Committeemen and Committeewomen - § 115.607-115.613, RSMo. (§ 130.071.2 does not apply to Township or Ward Committeemen and Committeewomen):

- Resident of county and committee district 1 year next preceding the election
- Registered voter in county and committee district for 1 year next preceding the election