
OFFICES UP FOR ELECTION IN 2012

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U.S. President	4 yr. term
U. S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison	6 yr. term
All 32 + 4= 36 (redistricting) United States Representatives	2 yr. term
Railroad Commissioner Elizabeth Ames Jones Barry T. Smitherman (2 yr. Unexpired Term)	6 yr. term
3 members of the Supreme Court Dan R. Willett, Place 2 Debra Lehrmann, Place 3 (4 yr. Unexpired Term) David Medina, Place 4 Nathan L. Hecht, Place 6	6 yr. term
3 members of the Court of Criminal Appeals Sharon Keller, Presiding Judge Barbara Hervey, Place 7 Elsa Alcala, Place 8	6 yr. term
31 State Senators	4 yr. term
All 150 State Representatives	2 yr. term
All Members, State Board of Education	4 yr. term
Chief Justice of Courts of Appeals Terrie Livingston, 2 nd Court of Appeals Carolyn Wright, 5 th Court of Appeals Tom Gray, 10 th Court of Appeals Jim R. Wright, 11 th Court of Appeals Rogelio Valdez, 13 th Court of Appeals	6 yr. term
Various Court of Appeals Justices	6 yr. term
Various District Judges, Criminal District Judges	4 yr. term
Family District Judges	4 yr. term

District Attorneys	4 yr. term
Sheriff	4 yr. term
County Court at Law	4 yr. term
County Attorneys	4 yr. term
Tax Assessor-Collector	4 yr. term
County Commissioners, Precincts 1 & 3	4 yr. term
Justices of the Peace (Place 1 designation only)	4 yr. term
Constable	4 yr. term

NOTE: For many years, article XVI, Section 65 of the Texas Constitution set out which county offices would be up for election. This language (setting up the staggering scheme) was omitted in 1999 in "clean-up" legislation. Our office requested an attorney general opinion, expressing our concern about the omitted staggering scheme. The attorney general opined that because the staggering scheme was removed, any newly-created offices would be on the next ballot for the full four-year term. See Texas Attorney General Opinion Number JC-0519 (2002). You will need to check your county records to see if your county created new offices since the 1999 constitutional change.

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Ballot Titles and Spanish Translations for County & Precinct Offices

If an office is to appear on the ballot for an unexpired term, the words “unexpired term” shall be printed next to the office title. The Spanish translation for unexpired term is “Duración restante del Cargo”. The generic sample ballot provided by the Secretary of State will have ballot translations for state and district offices.

County Judge
(Juez del Condado)

Judge, County Court at Law
(Juez, Corte de Ley del Condado)

Judge, County Criminal Court
(Juez, Corte Criminal del Condado)

Judge, County Probate Court
(Juez, Corte Testamentaria del Condado)

County Attorney
(Procurador del Condado)

District Clerk
(Secretario del Distrito)

District and County Clerk
(Secretario del Distrito y Condado)

County Clerk
(Secretario del Condado)

Sheriff
(Sherife)

Sheriff and Tax Assessor-Collector
(Sherife y Asesor-Colector de Impuestos)

County Tax Assessor-Collector
(Asesor-Colector de Impuestos del Condado)

County Treasurer
(Tesorero del Condado)

County School Superintendent
(Superintendente Escolar del Condado)

County Surveyor
(Agrimensor del Condado)

County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
(Comisionado del Condado, Precinto Núm. 1)

County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2,
(Comisionado del Condado, Precinto Núm. 2)

County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
(Comisionado del Condado, Precinto Núm. 3)

County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4,
(Comisionado del Condado, Precinto Núm. 4)

Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. _____, Place 1
(Juez de Paz, Precinto Núm. _____, Lugar Núm. 1)

Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. _____, Place 2,
(Juez de Paz, Precinto Núm. _____, Lugar Núm. 2)

Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. _____,
(Juez de Paz, Precinto Núm. _____)

Constable, Precinct No. _____
(Condestable, Precinto Núm. _____)

Public Weigher
(Pesador Público)

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