

**Official
Sample Ballot
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
General Election
November 4, 2008**

COUNTY

PRECINCT

**FOR
PRESIDENT
and
VICE PRESIDENT
OF THE UNITED STATES
(VOTE FOR ONE SLATE OF
ELECTORS ONLY)**

(Libertarian Party)
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR
Bob Barr
for President
and..... ()
Wayne A. Root
for Vice President

(Republican Party)
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR
John McCain
for President
and..... ()
Sarah Palin
for Vice President

(Green Party)
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR
Cynthia A. McKinney
for President
and..... ()
Rosa Clemente
for Vice President

(Democratic Party)
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR
Barack Obama
for President
and..... ()
Joe Biden
for Vice President

(Independent)
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR
Ralph Nader
for President
and ()
Matt Gonzalez
for Vice President

(Constitution Party)
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR
Chuck Baldwin
for President
and..... ()
Darrell L. Castle
for Vice President

(Reform Party)
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR
Ted C. Weill
for President
and..... ()
Frank McEnulty
for Vice President

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**FOR
UNITED STATES
SENATE
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

(Republican Party)

Thad Cochran.....()

(Democratic Party)

Erik R. Fleming.....()

.....()

**SPECIAL ELECTION
FOR
UNITED STATES
SENATE
FOR
UNEXPIRED TERM
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

Ronnie Musgrove.....()

Roger Wicker.....()

.....()

**FOR
UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES
First Congressional
District
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

(Democratic Party)

Travis W. Childers.....()

(Republican Party)

Greg Davis.....()

(Independent)

Wally Pang.....()

(Green)

John M. Wages, Jr.....()

.....()

**FOR
UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES
Second Congressional
District
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

(Republican Party)

Richard Cook.....()

(Democratic Party)

Bennie G. Thompson.....()

.....()

**FOR
UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES
Third Congressional
District
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

(Democratic Party)

Joel L. Gill.....()

(Republican Party)

Gregg Harper.....()

.....()

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**FOR
UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES
Fourth Congressional
District
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

(Republican Party)

John McCay, III ()

(Democratic Party)

Gene Taylor ()

..... ()

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DO NOT PRINT THE LANGUAGE IN THIS BOX.

NOTE: INSERT ANY SPECIAL COUNTY WIDE ELECTIONS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTIONS. INSERT REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD, SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD, REGULAR ELECTION COMMISSIONER AND SPECIAL COUNTY DISTRICT ELECTIONS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING ANY SPECIAL COUNTY WIDE ELECTIONS. ALL NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL ELECTIONS AND SPECIAL NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL ELECTIONS MUST FOLLOW THIS SECTION.

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**NONPARTISAN
JUDICIAL ELECTIONS**

**FOR
SUPREME COURT JUSTICE
District 1 (Central)
Position No. 3
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

Ceola James.....()
Jim Kitchens.....()
Jim Smith.....()
.....()

**FOR
SUPREME COURT JUSTICE
District 3 (Northern)
Position No. 1
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

Gene Barton.....()
Ann Hannaford Lamar.....()
.....()

**FOR
SUPREME COURT JUSTICE
District 2 (Southern)
Position No. 2
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

Oliver Diaz.....()
Randy 'Bubba' Pierce.....()
.....()

**FOR
SUPREME COURT JUSTICE
District 3 (Northern)
Position No. 2
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

David Chandler()
Charles 'Chuck' Easley.....()
.....()

Special Note (not to be printed on the ballot): Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-979 (Rev. 2001), the names of all candidates for Judicial office which appear on the ballot shall be listed in alphabetical order.

**FOR
COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE
District 2
Position No. 2
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

Leslie D. King.....()
.....()

**SPECIAL NONPARTISAN
JUDICIAL ELECTION**

**FOR
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE
FOR UNEXPIRED TERM
District 1
Position No. 4
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

James L. Roberts, Jr.....()
.....()

**FOR
COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE
District 3
Position No. 1
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

Larry E. Roberts.....()
.....()

**SPECIAL NONPARTISAN
JUDICIAL ELECTION**

**FOR
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE
FOR UNEXPIRED TERM
District 17
Position No. 2
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

Jimmy McClure()
Smith Murphey()
.....()

**FOR
COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE
District 5
Position No. 2
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

David M. Ishee.....()
.....()

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September 19, 2008

INSTRUCTIONS TO
CHAIRMEN, COUNTY
ELECTION COMMISSIONERS
(DO NOT PRINT ON BALLOT)

This sample ballot contains the Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates, and U.S. Senate, Special Election U.S. Senate, House of Representatives, Supreme Court, Court of Appeals and Special Election Circuit Court candidates. In printing your ballot, you will include only the candidates for the districts in which your county (or portion thereof) is located and eliminate the others.

Your official ballot should also contain candidates for the offices of County Election Commissioner and County School Board Member. Some counties may also be electing School Board Trustees of consolidated school districts. (Also, some school board elections may be affected by litigation. Please consult your School Board Attorney for current status.) Some counties will also be electing Levee Commissioners.

Order of ballot. The order in which all regular and special election offices should appear on the ballot is as follows:

- (1) Candidates for national office;
- (2) Candidates for statewide office;
- (3) Candidates for state district office;
- (4) Candidates for legislative office;
- (5) Candidates for countywide office;
- (6) Candidates for county district office;
- (7) Nonpartisan Judicial Elections, including special Nonpartisan Judicial Elections and
- (8) any proposed constitutional amendments. Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-367 (Rev. 2001). Any special election contests must be placed on the ballot within the categories listed above. *Barbour v. Berger*, No. 2008-M-01534-SCT (September 18, 2008).

Special election candidates shall be clearly distinguished on the ballot by including a "SPECIAL ELECTION" header above each special election contest. Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-511 (Rev. 2007). If the special election is for an unexpired term, the wording "For Unexpired Term" should be added below the contest name, to further distinguish the contest as a special election.

Regarding Nonpartisan Judicial Elections, Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-978 (Rev. 2001) states that "the names of candidates for judicial office which appear on the ballot at the general election shall be grouped together on a separate portion of the ballot, clearly identified as nonpartisan judicial elections." Miss Code Ann. § 23-15-979 (Rev. 2001) states that "the names of all the candidates for judicial office shall be listed in alphabetical order on any ballot and no reference to political party affiliation shall appear on any ballot with respect to any nonpartisan judicial office or candidate." Miss Code Ann § 23-15-980 (Rev. 2001) requires that "the name of an unopposed candidate for judicial office shall be placed on the general election ballot."

Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-367 (Rev. 2001) provides the following:

"The arrangement of the names of the candidates, and the order in which the titles of the various offices shall be printed, and the size, print, and quality of paper of the official ballot is left to the discretion of the officer charged with printing the official ballot; but the arrangement need not be uniform. It is the duty of the Secretary of State, with the approval of the Governor, to furnish the designated commissioner of each county a sample of the official ballot...the general form of which shall be followed as nearly as practicable."

Delbert Hosemann
Secretary of State

This goes on the back of the Ballot

Official Ballot

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

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