

# **CANDIDATES & ELECTED OFFICIALS**

## **(Local, non-Judicial)**

### **STARTING A CAMPAIGN**

First, designate a campaign treasurer and fill out Form CTA, Appointment of a Campaign Treasurer. This form must be filed with the Rusk County Elections Office and a copy of the completed form will be provided for your records. (see page 3)

### **MAJOR PARTY CANDIDATES**

If running for a county office, questions regarding campaign finance, campaign guidelines, political advertising, etc. may be answered by contacting the applicable Party Chair. (see page 2)

To file for a place on the ballot, the application will be filed with the applicable Party Chair, along with the filing fee(s). For petitions in lieu of the filing fee(s), please contact the Rusk County Elections Office.

**NOTE:** Only the application for a place on the ballot will be filed with the Party Chairs. All other forms will be filed with the Rusk County Elections Office.

### **INDEPENDENT & WRITE-IN CANDIDATES**

If running for a county office, questions regarding campaign finance, campaign guidelines, political advertising, etc. may be answered by the Texas Ethics Commission. (see page 3)

To file for a place on the ballot, filing will take place with the County Elections Administrator and the County Judge. Any applicable filing fee(s) would be paid at this time. For petitions in lieu of filing fees(s), please contact the Rusk County Elections Office.

## **CONTACTS**

### **Texas Ethics Commission**

P.O. Box 12070  
Austin, TX 78711-2070  
Tel: (512) 463-5800  
[www.ethics.state.tx.us](http://www.ethics.state.tx.us)

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### **Texas Secretary of State**

P.O. Box 12060  
Austin, TX 78711-2060  
Tel: (512) 463-5650  
[elections@sos.texas.gov](mailto:elections@sos.texas.gov)

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### **Rusk County Democratic Party**

Regina Adams – Party Chair  
Tel: (903) 836-2276  
Cell: (903) 736-6115  
Fax: (903) 836-3519  
[radams@eastex.net](mailto:radams@eastex.net)

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### **Rusk County Republican Party**

Charlie Williamson – Party Chair  
Cell: (903) 424-8399  
[caw0769@gmail.com](mailto:caw0769@gmail.com)

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### **Rusk County Elections Administrator**

Shannon Brown  
204 N. Main St.  
Henderson, TX 75652  
Tel: (903) 657-0321  
[sbrown@ruskcountytexas.gov](mailto:sbrown@ruskcountytexas.gov)

## **FORMS, RESOURCES, & WHERE TO FIND THEM**

### **Frequently Used Forms**

1. Appointment of a Campaign Treasurer (Form CTA)
  - Amended Appointment of a Campaign Treasurer (Form ACTA)
2. Code of Fair Campaign Practices (Form CFCP)
3. Candidate/Officeholder Campaign Finance Report (Form C/OH)
  - Correction Affidavit for Candidate/Officeholder (Form COR-C/OH)
4. Candidate/Officeholder Report of Unexpended Contributions (Form C/OH-UC)
  - For Corrected C/OH-UC use Form COR -C/OH

For a full list of forms & instructions, visit the Texas Ethics Commission Website.

### **Resources**

Filing Schedule (you will need to print & refer back to)

Candidate Guide, Texas Secretary of State

Political Advertising Requirements

Title 15 Election Code

### **TO FIND THESE ITEMS PLEASE VISIT:**

Rusk County Elections Office [www.co.rusk.tx.us/page/rusk.Elections](http://www.co.rusk.tx.us/page/rusk.Elections)

Texas Ethics Commission [www.ethics.state.tx.us](http://www.ethics.state.tx.us)