

# Political Party Nominations in Gibson County in 2018

## *Information Relevant to the Primary Elections*

**Republican Party Primary** has been called for **ALL county offices**.

**Democratic Party Primary** has been called for only certain offices, **County Mayor, County Trustee, Sheriff, Circuit Court Clerk, County Clerk, Register of Deeds, and any vacancy which may occur in Property Assessor**.

**Qualifying Deadline** for all interested candidates for **ALL** county offices is **Noon on February 15, 2018. (*The call of the primary for ALL county offices requires the qualifying deadline to be the same for all candidates.*)**

An “interested candidate” means any person interested in running for one of the offices on the primary election ballot, that is, those who seek to run on the primary ballot, those who seek to be nominated by the Democratic Party through the caucus process, and those who seek to run as independent candidates.

## *Information Relevant to a Caucus Process* (Available to the Democratic Party for offices not participating in the Democratic Primary)

Because the Democratic Party did not call a primary for the County Legislative Body or Constables, any candidate interested in running for any of these offices as a Democratic candidate must contact the Gibson County Democratic Executive Committee to find out whether the party will nominate candidates for any of these offices through the caucus process.

If the Democratic Party nominates candidates by caucus for the offices of County Legislative Body or Constables, the Gibson County Democratic Executive Committee must file a letter with the Gibson County Election Commission naming their nominees for each office. The letter must state 1- the names of the candidates, 2- how the candidates want their names to appear on the ballot and 3- the offices for which the candidates are being nominated.

The deadline for nominating candidates by caucus is noon February 15, 2018.

The letter must be signed by at least 2 members of the Gibson County Democratic Executive Committee, typically, chairman and secretary, or chairman and vice chairman.

Candidates nominated by caucus will not be on the May 1, 2018 primary ballot, but will appear on the August 2, 2018 general election ballot as that party’s nominee, along with any candidates running as Independents and the successful candidates in the Republican Primary.

Candidates who seek the caucus nomination and lose are **not** eligible to run as an independent candidate.