



JULIE MARCUS
PINELLAS COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

County Judge – 2024 Candidate Qualifying Information

Group #	Incumbent	Salary	Qualifying Period	Qualifying Officer
Group 2	Cathy McKyton	\$180,616*	NOON, April 22, 2024 - NOON, April 26, 2024 <i>Pre-qualifying papers will be accepted beginning April 8, 2024</i>	Julie Marcus Supervisor of Elections Pinellas County 13001 Starkey Rd. Largo, FL 33773
Group 5	Aaron Hubbard			
Group 7	Diane Croff			
Group 16	Lorraine Kelly			
Group 17	Susan Bedinghaus			

* The qualifying fee is based on the salary as of July 1, 2023.

Term of Office	Election Dates	Type of Election
6 Years - Beginning January 7, 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary Election - August 20, 2024 • General Election - November 5, 2024 <i>(Runoff, if no candidate receives majority vote)</i> 	Nonpartisan - Elected Countywide

Residency /Additional Requirements

- A registered Florida voter. [F.S. 99.021]
- Member in good standing of the Florida Bar for the last five years. [Florida Constitution, Article 5, Section 8]
- All judicial candidates facing opposition will be expected to personally participate in a Judicial Campaign Conduct Forum. [Supreme Court of Florida - Canon 7]
- A person required to Resign-to-Run must do so by providing a written resignation letter to the Supervisor of Elections Office at least 10 days prior to the first day of qualifying (April 12, 2024). [F.S. 99.012(3)]

Forms Required to Qualify for this Office

Candidate qualifying forms can be found at VotePinellas.gov/Candidates

1. [Form DS-DE 9 \(Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository\)](#)
Candidate must file this form before opening a campaign account [F.S. 106.021]
2. [Form DS-DE 84 \(Statement of Candidate\)](#)
Candidate must file within ten (10) days after filing Form DS-DE 9 [F.S. 106.023]
3. [Form DS-DE 83 \(Statement of Candidate for Judicial Office\)](#)
Candidate must file this form within ten (10) days after filing Form DS-DE 9
4. [Form DS-DE 303JU \(Candidate Oath - Judicial Office\)](#)
Candidate must file during the Pre-Qualifying or Qualifying Period [F.S. 105.031(4)]
5. [Form 6 2023 \(Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests\)](#)
Candidate must file during the Pre-Qualifying or Qualifying Period [F.S. 99.061(5)]

Candidate Qualifying Methods [F.S. 99.061]

Qualifying Period: NOON, April 22, 2024 - NOON, April 26, 2024

- Please call (727) 464-4987 or email Comms@VotePinellas.gov to make an appointment to file your qualifying forms
- Pre-qualifying papers will be accepted beginning April 8, 2024
F.S. 99.061(8) states that qualifying papers may be submitted to the qualifying officer beginning 14 days prior to the qualifying period.

Judicial Candidate Qualifying by Fee [F.S. 105.031(3)]

- The qualifying fee is 4% of the salary of the office as of July 1, 2023 (\$7,224.64)
- Campaign check made payable to Julie Marcus, Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections
- Campaign check to pay qualifying fee can only be accepted during the Pre-Qualifying or Qualifying Period

Judicial Candidate Qualifying by Petition [F.S. 105.035]

- **Deadline to submit petitions: PRIOR to NOON, March 25, 2024**
- Candidates must collect signatures of 1% (or 6,958 valid signatures) of the registered voters residing in the district or the county as of the last general election, November 8, 2022
- Petition Form - DS-DE 104 can be found at VotePinellas.gov/Candidates
- Signature verification fee of \$0.10 per petition must be paid when petitions are submitted

Write-In Candidates [F.S. 99.061(4)(b)]

- Names of write-in candidates **do not** appear on the ballot

Missing or Incomplete Information [F.S. 99.061(7)]

- If the filing officer receives qualifying papers during the qualifying period which do not include all items required prior to the last day of qualifying, the filing officer shall make a reasonable effort to notify the candidate of the missing or incomplete items and shall inform the candidate that all required items must be received by the close of qualifying.
- **A candidate's name as it is to appear on the ballot may not be changed after the end of qualifying.** The filing officer performs a ministerial function in reviewing qualifying papers. In determining whether a candidate is qualified, the filing officer shall review the qualifying papers to determine whether all items required have been properly filed and whether each item is complete on its face, including whether items that must be verified have been properly verified pursuant to F.S. 92.525(1)(a). The filing officer may not determine whether the contents of the qualifying papers are accurate.

The material contained in this information sheet is not comprehensive in nature. If you are running for office, it is your responsibility to become acquainted with relevant Florida election laws that might have a bearing on your campaign or qualifications to run for office.

**APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER
AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN
DEPOSITORY FOR CANDIDATES**

(Section 106.021(1), F.S.)

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

NOTE: This form must be on file with the filing officer before opening the campaign account.

OFFICE USE ONLY

1. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES):

Initial Filing of Form Re-filing to Change: Treasurer/Deputy Depository Office Party

2. Name of Candidate (in this order: First, Middle, Last):
(Please Print or Type Name)

3. Address (include PO Box or Street, City, State, Zip Code):

4. Telephone:

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5. Candidate's Voter Registration #:

_____ (not required for qualifying purposes)

6. Email Address:

7. Office Sought (include district, circuit, group, or seat #):

8. If a candidate for a nonpartisan office, check the box if applicable:

I intend to run as a Write-In Candidate.

9. If a candidate for partisan office, check the box and fill in the name of the party as applicable: I intend to run as a

Write-In Candidate. No Party Affiliation Candidate. _____ Party candidate.

10. I have appointed the following person to act as my: Campaign Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

11. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer:

12. Telephone:

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13. Email Address:

14. Mailing Address:

15. City:

16. State:

17. Zip Code:

18. I have designated the following bank as my (check appropriate box): Primary Depository Secondary Depository

19. Name of Bank:

20. Address:

21. City:

22. County:

23. State:

24. Zip Code:

UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING FORM FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE CAMPAIGN TREASURER AND DESIGNATION OF THE CAMPAIGN DEPOSITORY AND THAT THE FACTS STATED IN IT ARE TRUE.

25. Date:

26. Signature of Candidate:

X

27. Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment (fill in the blanks and check the appropriate box)

I, _____ do hereby accept the appointment designated above as:
(Please Print or Type Name)

Campaign Treasurer.

Deputy Treasurer.

28. Date:

29. Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

X

**STATEMENT OF
CANDIDATE**

(Section 106.023, F.S.)

(Please print or type)

OFFICE USE ONLY

I, _____ ,
candidate for the office of _____ ;
have been provided access to read and understand the requirements of
Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

X

Signature of Candidate

Date

Each candidate must file a statement with the qualifying officer within 10 days after the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository is filed. Willful failure to file this form is a first degree misdemeanor and a civil violation of the Campaign Financing Act which may result in a fine of up to \$1,000, (ss. 106.19(1)(c), 106.265(1), Florida Statutes).

**STATEMENT OF
CANDIDATE
FOR JUDICIAL OFFICE**

(Section 105.031(5), F.S.)

(Please Type)

OFFICE USE ONLY

I, _____

a judicial candidate, have received, read, and understand the requirements of the Florida Code of Judicial Conduct.

(Signature of candidate)

(Date)

Each candidate for judicial office, including an incumbent judge, shall file a statement with the qualifying officer, within 10 days after filing the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository.

**CANDIDATE OATH
JUDICIAL OFFICE**

Check box **only** if you are seeking to qualify as a write-in candidate:

Write-in candidate

OFFICE USE ONLY

Candidate Oath

Name to appear on ballot: _____

Check box if two last names without hyphen. (Name cannot be changed after qualifying.)

Check box if name includes nickname. (For use of a nickname, you must complete the Nickname Affidavit on reverse side.)

I swear or affirm that I am a candidate for the judicial office of _____, _____, _____,
(Office) (District #)
_____, _____; my legal residence is _____ County, Florida;
(Circuit #) (Group or Seat #)

I am a qualified elector of the state and of the territorial jurisdiction of the court to which I seek election; I am qualified under the constitution and laws of Florida to hold the judicial office to which I desire to be elected or in which I desire to be retained; I have qualified for no other public office in the state, the term of which office or any part thereof runs concurrent to the office I seek; I have resigned from any office which I am required to resign pursuant to s. 99.012, Florida Statutes; and I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Florida.

Section 876.05, Florida Statutes (only applicable if elected and when term of office begins): I am a citizen of the State of Florida and of the United States of America, and being employed by or an officer of the court system and a recipient of public funds as such employee or officer, do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Florida.

Statement of Outstanding Fines, Fees, or Penalties

I owe outstanding fines, fees, or penalties, that cumulatively exceed \$250, for ethics or campaign finance violations (s. 105.031(4) F.S.).

YES, I Do _____ NO, I Do Not _____

If you do, you must also specify the amount owed and each entity that levied the same on the reverse side.

X _____ ()
Signature of Candidate Telephone Number Email Address

Address of Legal Residence City State ZIP Code

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF _____

Signature of Notary Public

Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public below:

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me by means of
online notarization OR physical presence

this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Personally Known OR Produced Identification

Type of Identification Produced: _____

Phonetic Spelling of Name

Phonetic spelling for the audio ballot (not required for qualifying purposes): Print the name phonetically on the line below as you wish it to be pronounced on the audio ballot as may be used by persons with disabilities (see instructions on page 3 of this form):

Statement of Outstanding Fines, Fees or Penalties

Pursuant to Section 99.021(1)(d), F.S., each candidate, whether a party candidate, a candidate with no party affiliation, or a write-in candidate, shall, at the time of subscribing to the oath or affirmation, state in writing whether he or she owes any outstanding fines, fees, or penalties that cumulatively exceed \$250 for any violations of s. 8, Art. II of the State Constitution, the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees under part III of chapter 112, any local ethics ordinance governing standards of conduct and disclosure requirements, or chapter 106.

<i>Amount</i>	<i>Entity</i>

Affidavit of Nickname (Only required if using nickname for the ballot.)

My legal name is _____. I am over the age of eighteen (18) and the contents of this affidavit are true and correct.

My nickname is _____. I am generally known by this nickname or have used it as part of my legal name. I have not created the nickname to mislead voters. My nickname does not imply I am some other person, constitute a political slogan or otherwise associate me with a cause or issue, or that is obscene or profane.

Signature of Candidate: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF _____

Signature of Notary Public

Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public below:

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me by means

of online notarization OR physical presence

this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Personally Known OR Produced Identification

Type of Identification Produced: _____

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Guide for Designating Phonetic Spelling of Candidate's Name for Audio Ballot

1. Use the tables below.
2. Use upper case for "stressed" syllables. Use lowercase for "unstressed" syllables.
3. Use dashes (-) to separate syllables.
4. Add any notes such as rhyming examples, silent letters, etc.

Vowels			
Stressed Vowel Sounds		Unstressed Vowel Sounds	
EE	(FEET) feet	uh	(SO-fuh) sofa (FING-guhr) finger
I	(FIT) fit		
E	(BED) bed		
A	(KAT) cat (KAD) cad		
AH	(FAH-thur) father (PAHR) par		
AH	(HAHT) hot (TAH-dee) toddy		
UH	(FUHJ) fudge (FLUHD) flood		
UH	(CHUHRCH) church		
AW	(FAWN) fawn	Certain Vowel Sounds with R	
U	(FUL) full	AHR	(PAHR) par
OO	(FOOD) food	ER	(PER) pair
OU	(FOUND) found	IR	(PIR) peer
O	(FO) foe	OR	(POR) pour
EI	(FEIT) fight	OOR	(POOR) poor
AI	(FAIT) fate	UHR	(PUHR) purr
OI	(FOIL) foil		
YOO	(FYOOR-ee-uhs) furious		

Consonants			
B	(BED) bed	R	(RED) red
D	(DET) debt	S	(SET) set
F	(FED) fed	T	(TEN) ten
G	(GET) get	V	(VET) vet
H	(HED) head	Y	(YET) yet
HW	(WHICH) which	W	(WICH) witch
J	(JUHG) jug	CH	(CHUCRCH) church
K	(KAD) cad	SH	(SHEEP) sheep
L	(LAIM) lame	TS	(ITS) its (PITS-feeld) Pittsfield
M	(MAT) mat	TH	(THEI) thigh
N	(NET) net	TH	(THEI) thy
NG	(SING-uhr) singer	ZH	(A-zuhr) azure (VI-zuhhn) vision
P	(PET) pet	Z	(GOODZ) goods(HUH-buhz-tuhn) Hubbardston

Examples of Phonetically Spelled Names	
NAME ON BALLOT	PRONOUNCED AS
Mishaud	mee-SHO ('d' is silent)
Jahn	HAHN (rhyme: fawn)
Beauprez	boo-PRAI (rhyme: hooray)
Maniscalco	man-uh-SKAL-ko
Tangipahoa	TAN-ji-pah-HO-uh
Monte	Mahn-TAI
Tanya	TAWN-yuh (not TAN)

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Judicial Incumbent Form 6 Instructions

1. Go to: ethics.state.fl.us
2. Click on the [Electronic Financial Disclosure Management System \(EFDMS\)](#) link at the top of the page
3. Select the “I am a Filer” box
 - Click the [“How to File”](#) link to view a tutorial video
4. Login in or request a registration email
 - *Chrome, Edge, or Firefox are the recommended browsers to use in the EFDMS website. If you are not using one of these browsers, you will be able to access the site, but the pages may not display or function as designed.*
 - *If you are unsure of the email address associated with your Form 6 Account, please contact your Financial Disclosure Coordinator – Inass Riyad (727-464-6455 or IRayad@jud6.org)*
 - *Contact the Commission on Ethics at 850-488-7864 if you have issues logging in or questions about what to include in your form*
5. Fill out the electronic form
6. Print a copy of your filed Form 6 to bring to your qualifying appointment
 - *The filed form will have “FILED W/COE & DATE” in the top right corner*
 - *You will be REQUIRED to have a hard copy of your electronically filed Form 6 at your qualifying appointment to be officially qualified*
 - *All forms must be received by NOON, April 26, 2024*



PINELLAS COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS
Acknowledgement of Electronic Filing Information
and Confidential Personal Information to Access
Electronic Filing Sign-In Credentials

Pursuant to Resolution No. 13-32, the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections requires county candidates, political committees and county executive committees to file campaign treasurer reports electronically.

1. Sign-in Credentials - Candidates, chairpersons and treasurers are issued log-in names and passwords to access the C-Finance module on the Supervisor of Elections' website (VotePinellas.com).

2. PIN - Each candidate, chairperson and treasurer is issued a personal identification number (PIN) that will be used as a legal signature for submitting reports.

Each candidate, chairperson and treasurer is responsible for safeguarding his/her PIN and for notifying the Supervisor of Elections should his/her PIN be lost or become compromised.

3. Filing Reports - Reports shall be completed and filed electronically through the Supervisor of Elections' web site using the C-Finance module **no later than Midnight (Eastern Time) of the reporting due date.**

A report shall be deemed filed and timely upon the issuance of an electronic filing receipt confirming that the report was filed no later than Midnight (Eastern Time) of the reporting due date.

When the report is electronically filed, the "Filing Submitted Page" may be printed and retained for your records as the "Electronic Filing Receipt."

4. Alternative Procedure for Inoperable Electronic Filing System

In the event that the electronic filing system is inoperable on the date a report is due, the report will be accepted as timely filed if filed no later than Midnight (Eastern Time) of the first business day the electronic filing system becomes operable again. No fine will be levied during the period the electronic filing system was inoperable.

5. Reports Not Filed Timely - The relevant penalties in Chapter 106, Florida Statutes shall apply if a required report is not filed by Midnight (Eastern Time) of the due date of a reporting period, unless the electronic filing system was inoperable.

All reports filed through this system are considered to be under oath by the candidate and campaign treasurer or chairman and treasurer of a political committee or executive committee and are subject to the relevant penalties in Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

I acknowledge and understand the following:

- Campaign Treasurer Reports must be electronically filed **no later than Midnight (Eastern Time)** of the reporting due date as required by law or they are deemed filed late and are subject to the applicable penalties, unless the electronic filing system was inoperable.
- Any reports that I file through the electronic filing system are considered to be certified as to correctness within the meaning of Sections 106.07(5), Florida Statutes. Persons filing reports are subject to penalties as prescribed in Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.
- That I am responsible for protecting my sign-in credentials from disclosure and am solely responsible for all filings on the electronic filing system using these credentials.



**PINELLAS COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS
Acknowledgement of Electronic Filing Information
and Confidential Personal Information to Access
Electronic Filing Sign-In Credentials**

- That I will notify the Supervisor of Elections immediately if I lose these credentials or if they become compromised.
- I will not be provided sign-in credentials until the Supervisor of Elections receives this "Acknowledgment of Electronic Filing Information Form" and the "Confidential Personal Information to Access Electronic Filing Sign-In Credentials Form" signed (original copy to SOE, copy to candidate/chair/treasurer)

Pursuant to Administrative Rule 1S-2.017, each individual who receives secure sign-in credentials (PIN number) to submit campaign treasurer's reports electronically must furnish the Supervisor of Elections with confidential personal information, which involves supplying the answer to a personal question relating to the particular individual. This information will be used by the Supervisor to allow access by the individual in the event that credentials are forgotten or lost.

Please check the box next to one question and provide the answer on the line below:

- What was the name of your first pet? What is your mother's maiden name?
- What was your high school mascot?

Answer: _____

Access to sign-in credentials cannot be made available until we are in receipt of this document.
If you have any questions please contact Wendy Grimes at (727) 464-4987 or
wgrimes@votepinellas.gov.

Signature

Date

Signature of the above is the:

- Candidate Political Committee Chair Executive Committee Chair
- Campaign Treasurer Political Committee Treasurer Executive Committee Treasurer
- Organization Chair Organization Treasurer Committeeman/Committeewoman

By signing above, I am representing the following:

Print Candidate/Organization/Association Name

Print Chair/Treasurer Name

Candidate Contact Form

Please complete the following form to ensure we have accurate contact information for you and your treasurer. A candidate name, mailing address, email address and cell phone number is required (cell phone may be for internal use only – posting to website is optional). **Business phone and website are optional.*

If this information changes, please email updated information to wgrimes@votepinellas.gov.

Section A: Candidate Contact Information		Post to Website	Internal Use
Candidate Name: <i>As you would like it to appear on the ballot</i>		X	X
Mailing Address:		X	X
Email:		X	X
Cell Phone:			X
*Business Phone:			
*Website:			

**optional*

Section B: Campaign Treasurer/Deputy Treasurer Contact Information – <i>Internal Use Only</i>	
Select Appropriate Box(es): <input type="checkbox"/> Campaign Treasurer <input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Treasurer <input type="checkbox"/> Same as Above (Candidate)	
Treasurer Name:	
Mailing Address	
Email	
Cell Phone	

Section C: Confirmation
<input type="checkbox"/> I understand information marked "Post to Website" will appear on the Supervisor of Elections' website and on my Campaign Finance Reports. <i>If required information is not provided, we will use the contact information provided on the DS-DE 9 Form.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> I certify that the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Candidate Signature: _____ Date: _____