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How to Read the Fayette County May 2026 General Primary Election Democratic Composite Sample Ballot

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What this document is:

1. Sample Ballot

A preview for voter education. It helps people practice reading the ballot before voting.

2. Composite ballot

A combined countywide version. It can show races from multiple districts, so not every race appears on every voter's personal ballot.

3. Primary + nonpartisan

The Democratic primary choices are shown with nonpartisan judicial/local races on page 2.



May 2026 General Primary Election

Election Day: May 19th, 2026

Democratic Composite Sample Ballot

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For United States Senate (Vote for One) Jon Ossoff (I) <input type="radio"/>	For Commissioner of Insurance (Vote for One) Clarence Blalock <input type="radio"/> Thomas Dean <input type="radio"/> Ambuj "AJ" Jain <input type="radio"/> DeAndre Mathis <input type="radio"/> Keisha Sean Waites <input type="radio"/>	For United States House of Representatives - District 6 (Vote for One) Lucy McBath (I) <input type="radio"/>
For Governor (Vote for One) Keisha Lance Bottoms <input type="radio"/> Olu Brown <input type="radio"/> Amanda Duffy <input type="radio"/> Geoff Duncan <input type="radio"/> Jason Esteves <input type="radio"/> Derrick Jackson <input type="radio"/> Michael "Mike" Thurmond <input type="radio"/>	For State School Superintendent (Vote for One) Anton Anthony <input type="radio"/> Lydia Powell <input type="radio"/> Otha Thornton <input type="radio"/>	For State House of Representatives - District 68 (Vote for One) Mark Baker <input type="radio"/> Jonathan Bonner <input type="radio"/> Courtney Heard <input type="radio"/> Quentin "Q" Pullen <input type="radio"/> Timoria McQueen Saba <input type="radio"/> Jane Williams <input type="radio"/>
For Lieutenant Governor (Vote for One) Josh McLaurin <input type="radio"/> Nabilah Parkes <input type="radio"/> Richard N. Wright <input type="radio"/>	For Commissioner of Labor (Vote for One) Brett A. Hulme <input type="radio"/> Jason Moon <input type="radio"/> Nikki Porcher <input type="radio"/> Michelle Michi Sanchez <input type="radio"/> Christian Wise Smith <input type="radio"/>	For State House of Representatives - District 69 (Vote for One) Debra Bazemore (I) <input type="radio"/> Cobie Lyrix Brown <input type="radio"/> September R. Cooper <input type="radio"/>
For Secretary of State (Vote for One) Cam Ashling <input type="radio"/> Dana Barrett <input type="radio"/> Penny Brown Reynolds <input type="radio"/> Adrian Consonery, Jr. <input type="radio"/>	For Public Service Commissioner District 3 (Vote for One) Peter Hubbard (I) <input type="radio"/>	For State House of Representatives - District 73 (Vote for One) Tim Wilkinson <input type="radio"/>
For Attorney General (Vote for One) Tanya Miller <input type="radio"/> Robert "Bob" Trammell <input type="radio"/>	For Public Service Commissioner District 5 (Vote for One) Craig Cupid <input type="radio"/> Shelia Edwards <input type="radio"/> Angelia Pressley <input type="radio"/>	For State House of Representatives - District 82 (Vote for One) Anthony Dickson <input type="radio"/> William Harris <input type="radio"/>
For Commissioner of Agriculture (Vote for One) Katherine E. Juhan-Arnold <input type="radio"/> Sedrick Kent Rowe, Jr. <input type="radio"/>	For United States House of Representatives - District 3 (Vote for One) George Melville Johnson <input type="radio"/> Maura Keller <input type="radio"/>	For State Senate District 16 (Vote for One) Sonya Wimberly Hawkins <input type="radio"/> Pauline Henley <input type="radio"/>

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For Governor (Vote for One)	
Keisha Lance Bottoms	<input type="radio"/>
Olu Brown	<input type="radio"/>
Amanda Duffy	<input type="radio"/>
Geoff Duncan	<input type="radio"/>
Jason Esteves	<input type="radio"/>
Derrick Jackson	<input type="radio"/>
Michael "Mike" Thurmond	<input type="radio"/>

For Lieutenant Governor (Vote for One)	
Josh McLaurin	<input type="radio"/>

How to read one contest:

1. Office Title

Tells you what job is being elected, such as Governor, School Superintendent, or County Commission.

2. Voting Instructions

“Vote for One” means choose only one. “Vote for Three” means you may choose up to three. Do not exceed the limit.

3. Candidates Names + Ovals

The oval beside a name is the mark area. The “(I)” after a name means incumbent—the person currently holding the office.

4. Write in Line

A write-in option appears only where the ballot provides one. Follow the instructions at the voting machine or on the paper ballot.

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Page 1: Partisan Races

The Democratic primary side of the ballot.

Statewide / federal offices

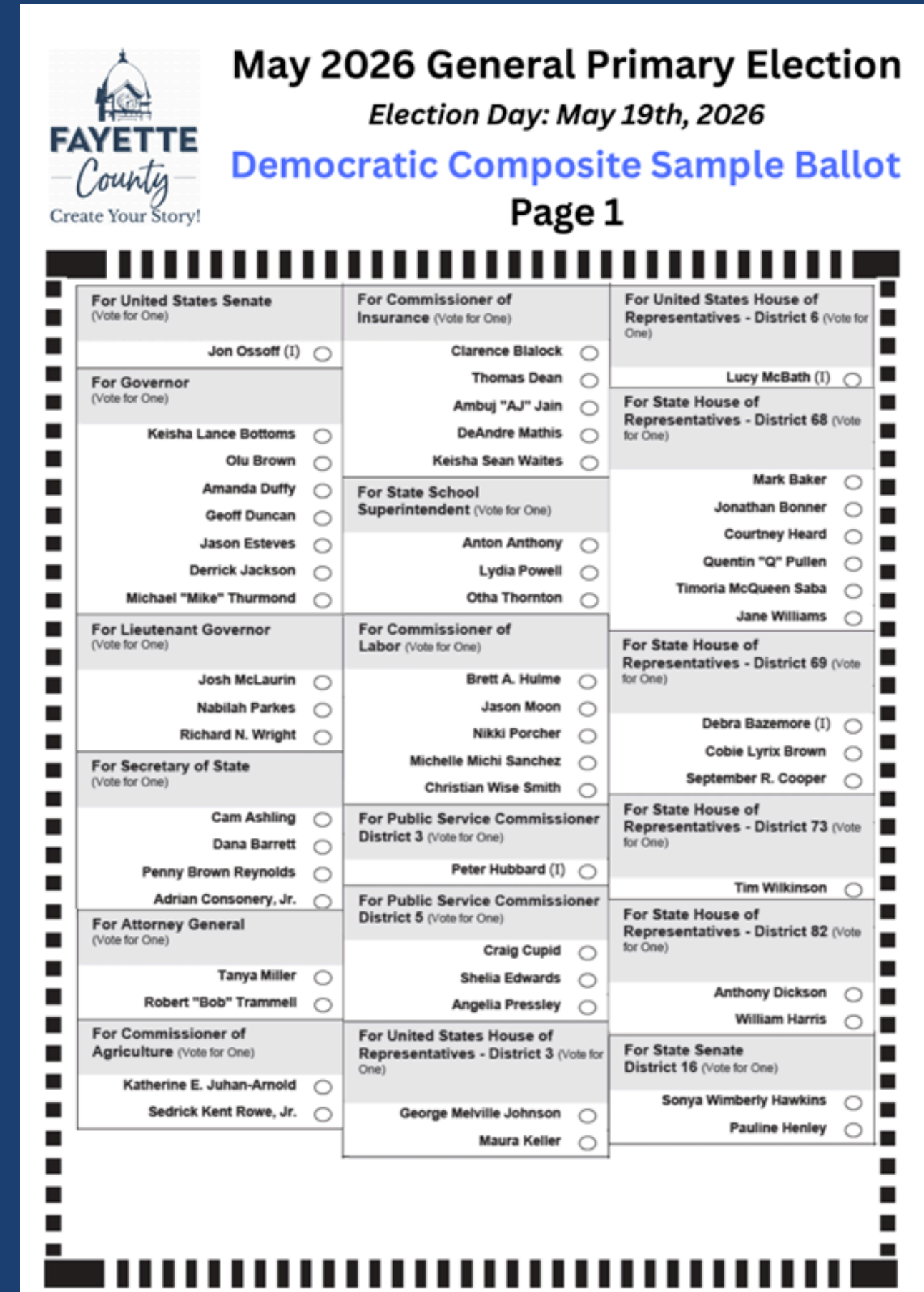
U.S. Senate, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Agriculture, Insurance, School Superintendent, Labor, and Public Service Commission.

District-specific offices

U.S. House Districts, State House Districts, and State Senate districts depend on where a voter lives. A composite sample shows several districts at once.

KEY:

Not every race on the ballot applies to every voter. You only vote in the races tied to where you live.



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For Public Service Commissioner District 3 (Vote for One)	
Peter Hubbard (I)	<input type="radio"/>
For Public Service Commissioner District 5 (Vote for One)	
Craig Cupid	<input type="radio"/>
Shelia Edwards	<input type="radio"/>
Angelia Pressley	<input type="radio"/>

What you're seeing on the ballot:

Your ballot includes:

- **PSC District 3**
- **PSC District 5**

These are all **Democractic** candidates. They will face off gainst Republican candidates in November. There are two separate seats up for election.

Each race:

- **Is "Vote for One"**
- **Has its own set of candidates**

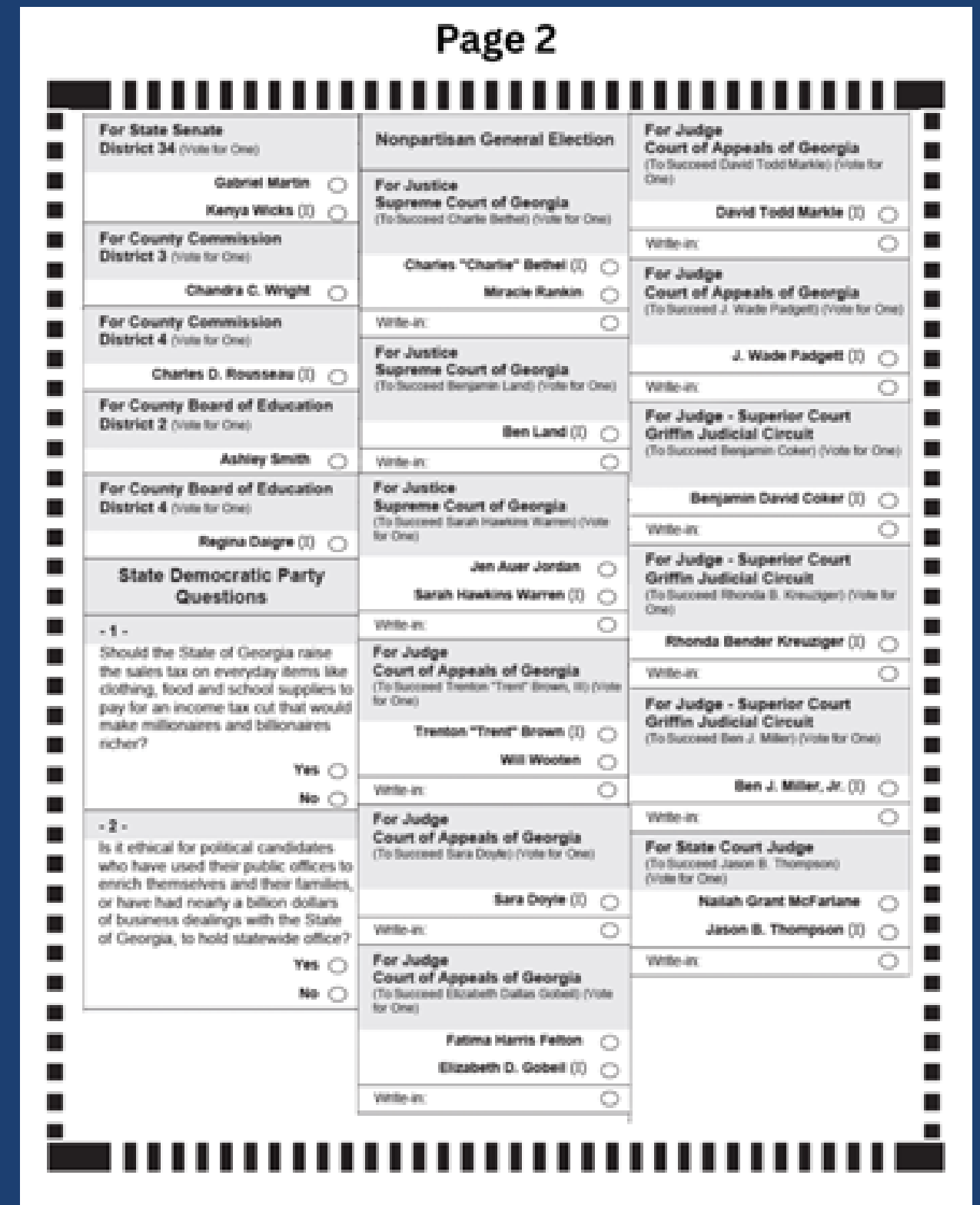
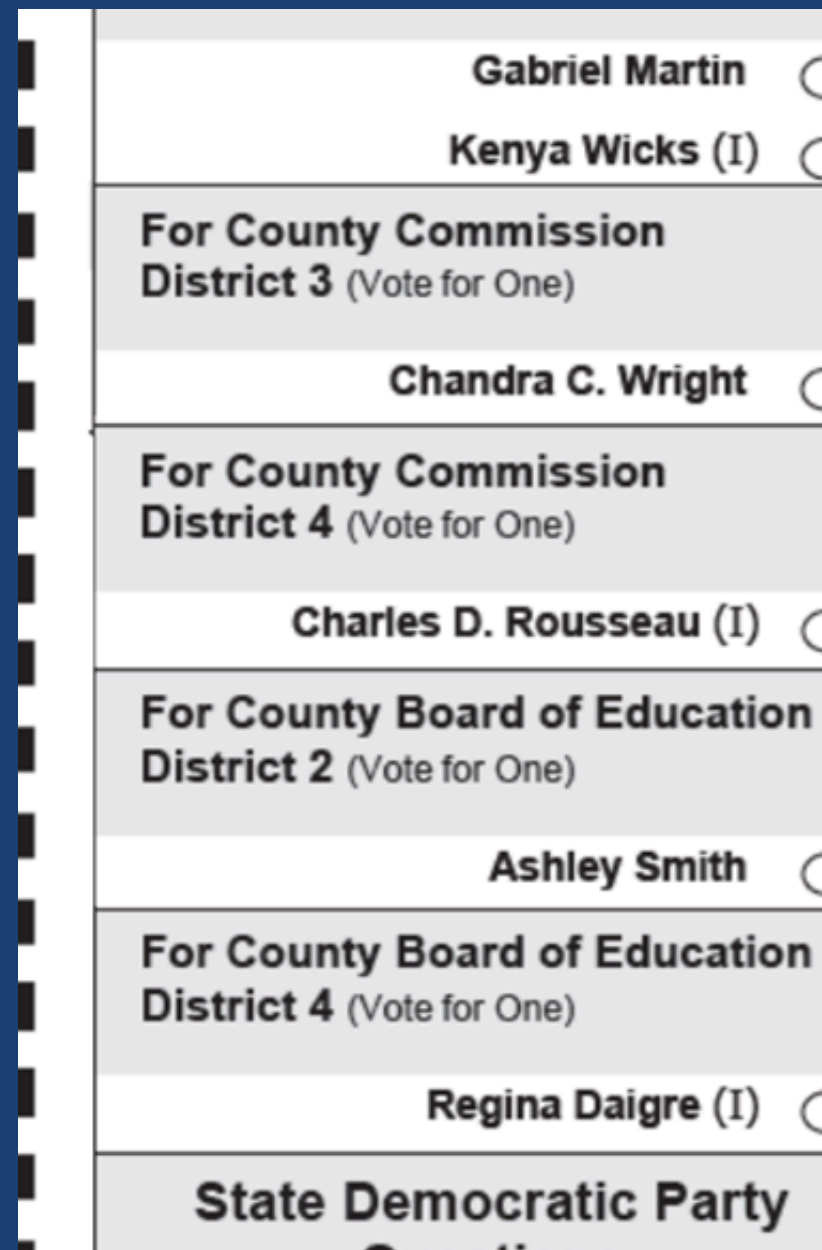
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Page 2: Local, Democratic Party Questions, Judges

Page 2 has local county offices, advisory questions, and nonpartisan judicial races.



State Senate D 34 & Local Races: County Commission & Board of Education

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Judicial Races: Nonpartisan court races. Many include write-in lines.

(To Succeed Charlie Bethel) (Vote for One)
Charles "Charlie" Bethel (I) <input type="radio"/>
Miracle Rankin <input type="radio"/>
Write-in: <input type="radio"/>
For Justice Supreme Court of Georgia (To Succeed Benjamin Land) (Vote for One)
Ben Land (I) <input type="radio"/>
Write-in: <input type="radio"/>
For Justice Supreme Court of Georgia (To Succeed Sarah Hawkins Warren) (Vote for One)

- 1 -
Should the State of Georgia raise the sales tax on everyday items like clothing, food and school supplies to pay for an income tax cut that would make millionaires and billionaires richer?
Yes <input type="radio"/>
No <input type="radio"/>
- 2 -
Is it ethical for political candidates who have used their public offices to enrich themselves and their families or have had nearly a billion dollars of business dealings with the State of Georgia, to hold statewide office?
Yes <input type="radio"/>
No <input type="radio"/>

Party Questions:
Yes/No advisory questions from the State Democratic Party.

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Page 2: Democratic Party Questions - **What are they actually asking?**

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Q 1: Should Georgia shift some taxes so that everyday purchases (like clothes, food & school supplies) are taxed more, while income taxes are reduced?

What this is really about:

- **Increasing sales tax** (what you pay when you buy things)
- **Decreasing income tax** (what you pay on what you earn)

Who is most **negatively impacted**:

- Lower-income households
- Middle-income households

This question is **non-binding** (it does not change law directly).

It reflects a **policy preference**, not a vote that enacts anything.

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Yes <input type="radio"/>
No <input type="radio"/>

Q 2: Should people who have used public office for personal financial gain, or who have significant business dealings with the state, be allowed to hold statewide office?

What this is really about:

- **Ethics in government**
- **Conflicts of interest**
- **Financial benefit from public roles**

This question is also **non-binding**. It does **not remove or disqualify any candidate**.

It simply reflects voters' opinions on ethical standards.

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What “To Succeed [Name]” means on this ballot Georgia Supreme Court

On your ballot you have:

- “To Succeed Charlie Bethel”
- “To Succeed Sarah Hawkins Warren”
- “To Succeed Benjamin Land”

For Justice
Supreme Court of Georgia
(To Succeed Sarah Hawkins Warren) (Vote for One)

Jen Auer Jordan

Sarah Hawkins Warren (I)

Write-in:

For Judge
Court of Appeals of Georgia
(To Succeed Trenton “Trent” Brown, III) (Vote for One)

Trenton “Trent” Brown (I)

Will Wooten

Write-in:

What is actually happening:

- **None** of these justices are retiring.
- All three seats are regularly scheduled elections for full 6-year terms
- The wording “To Succeed” is standard legal ballot language, **not a signal of vacancy**

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Nonpartisan General Election

For Justice
Supreme Court of Georgia
(To Succeed Charlie Bethel) (Vote for One)

Charles "Charlie" Bethel (I)

Miracle Rankin

Write-in:

1. Charlie Bethel seat

- Incumbent: Charlie Bethel
- Running again: YES
- Challenger: **Miracle Rankin**
- Type of race: Contested (incumbent vs challenger)
- ✓ Verified: Bethel is being challenged in 2026

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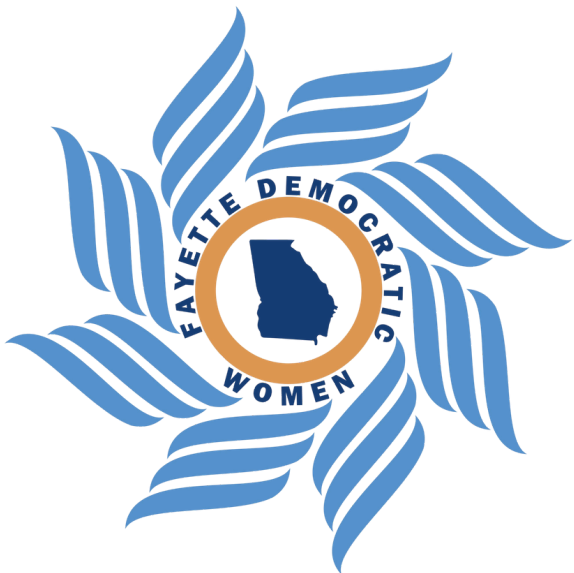
For Justice Supreme Court of Georgia (To Succeed Sarah Hawkins Warren) (Vote for One)	
Jen Auer Jordan	<input type="radio"/>
Sarah Hawkins Warren (I)	<input type="radio"/>
Write-in:	<input type="radio"/>

2. Sarah Hawkins Warren seat

- Incumbent: Sarah Hawkins Warren
- Running again: YES
- Challenger: **Jen Jordan**
- Type of race: Contested (incumbent vs challenger)
- ✓ Verified: Jordan is challenging Warren

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For Justice Supreme Court of Georgia (To Succeed Benjamin Land) (Vote for One)	
Ben Land (I)	<input type="radio"/>
Write-in:	<input type="radio"/>

3. Benjamin Land seat

- Incumbent: Benjamin Land
- Running again: YES
- Opposition: NONE
- Type of race: Unopposed (effectively retained)
- ✓ Verified: Land is running unopposed

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What is Decided in the Primary Election:

Decided in the Primary:

- **Judicial races** (Supreme Court, Appeals, local judges) - these are **final choices**; those elected will be those serving in these positions
- PSC races (if candidate gets 50%+) - will determine who the **Democratic candidates** going into November will be
- State House & Senate races that have no Republicans running in the race (State House D 68, State House D 69, State Senate D34)

Decided in November:

- Governor, Lieutenant Governor, State Executive Offices
- State & Federal legislative races
- Local county races (County Commission & Board of Education)

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The Decision Checklist:

Is this race on MY ballot?

Do I personally get to vote in this race based on where I live?

What does this office actually do?

Know the job before judging the candidate.

How many may I choose?

Look for: "Vote for One" or "Vote for Three" every time. This tells you how many selections you can make. Do not select more than allowed.

Is it a candidate race or a Yes/No question?

Party questions require reading the full wording, not scanning.

What information do I trust?

Use candidate sites, forums, nonpartisan guides, records, and direct answers.

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Accuracy notes & voter resources

Verified sources used:

- Fayette County Elections & Voter Registration official election page: May 19, 2026 General Primary & Non-Partisan Election and the Democratic Composite Sample Ballot.
- Georgia.gov / Secretary of State My Voter Page: voters can view individualized sample ballots, polling place, and registration status.

Please note: This presentation explains ballot structure only. It does not endorse candidates. Because sample ballots can be updated, confirm details with Fayette County Elections and your individualized ballot before voting.

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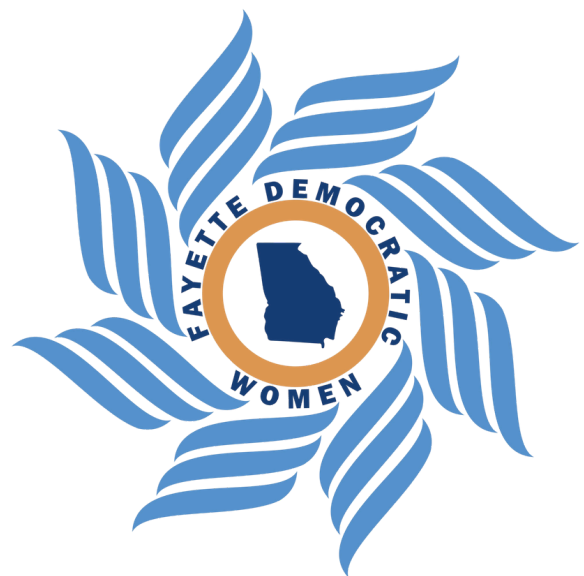


Georgia 2026 Primary Election Dates:

- **Monday 4/27** - Early Voting Starts
- **Friday 5/15** - Last Day of Early Voting
- **Tuesday 5/19** - Primary Election Day
- **Monday 6/08** - Early Voting June Runoff
- **Tuesday 6/16** - Primary Runoff Election Day

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Thank You!