

# BC430 CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT FOR BENTON COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET

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Primary Election \_\_\_\_\_  General Election \_\_\_\_\_  Special Election \_\_\_\_\_  
MM/DD/YYYY MM/DD/YYYY MM/DD/YYYY

Original Statement  Amended Statement

Name of Candidate as it will Appear on Ballot		Party Affiliation or Nonpartisan Office	
Cell/Home Phone	Work Phone	Fax	E-mail
Filing for the Office of (Office Name; County/City/District Name; Position Number or Zone Number)			
This Information Furnished by (Name of candidate/committee as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet)			

Number of words in your statement: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Statements of Endorsements or quotes filed \_\_\_\_\_  
 325 maximum word/number count

By signing this document, I hereby subscribe and swear under penalty of law that the above submitted candidate's statement is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. That I am the author of this statement and the portrait I have provided, if any, is less than 2 years old.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Candidate (Sign in the presence of Elections Personnel)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Signed

<b>2025 Fees for Candidate's Statement in Benton County Voters' Pamphlet</b>	
Type of Office	Amount
Unpaid office	\$ 25.00
Paid Office	\$ 100.00
<b>2025 Deadlines for Candidate's Statement in Benton County Voters' Pamphlet</b>	
Election Date	Filing Deadline
March 11, 2025	January 13, 2025
May 20, 2025	County candidates: March 24, 2025 City/District candidates: March 24, 2025
August 26, 2025	June 30, 2025
November 4, 2025	County candidates: September 8, 2025 City/District candidates: September 8, 2025

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Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Receipt number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Statement hard copy:  Yes  No  
 Statement electronic copy:  Yes  No  
 Portrait hard copy:  Yes  No  
 Portrait digital copy:  Yes  No

# BC430 Candidate's Statement for Benton County Voters' Pamphlet Instructions

## **What to submit in person no later than 5:00 PM PST on filing deadline**

1. A completed and signed BC430 Candidate's Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet. Sign in the presence of an Elections Personnel.
2. Typewritten candidate's statement in Tahoma font type, size 12.
3. Portrait.
4. If candidate statement has endorsements, submit completed and signed BC400 Statements of Endorsement.
5. Filing fee. If paying by check, make it payable to Benton County.

## **E-Mail to elections@bentoncountyor.gov**

1. A Microsoft Word electronic text of the required and optional candidate's statements.
  2. Digital portrait in TIFF or JPEG.
- The electronic text and digital portrait must mirror the submitted filed print version. If they are different, the filed hard copy version will take precedence.

## **Submitting an amendment in person or e-mail no later than 5:00 PM PST on filing deadline**

1. A new completed and signed BC430 with the amended box checked.
2. An amended candidate's statement.
3. A different portrait, if applicable.
4. Removal, additional and/or amended completed and signed BC400 Statements of Endorsement.
5. No additional fee.

## **Candidate's Statement**

1. Typewritten on 8 1/2" X 11" white paper in font type Tahoma, size 12.
2. Consists of required and optional information.
3. Combined total word/number count for both the required and optional information must not exceed 325 words/numbers.
4. If a word is hyphenated and the word is listed in a dictionary as one word, it will count as one word. All other hyphenated words will count as more than one word.
5. Statement consists of words and numbers only.
6. Charts and graphics are not acceptable.
7. "This information is furnished by candidate's name and/or PAC" at the bottom of the statement count towards the maximum word/number count of 325.
8. The Elections Office shall reject any statement that contains any obscene, profane, scandalous or defamatory language; incites, promotes or advocates hatred, abuse, violence or hostility toward or which tends to cast ridicule or shame upon any person or group by reason of race, color, religion or manner of worship; or contains language which may not legally be circulated in the mail.
9. The Elections Office will not correct any errors in spelling, punctuation, grammar or syntax.

## **Required Information**

1. Required information in run-on format using commas, semicolons and colons:
  - Occupation**, whether paid or unpaid;
  - Occupational Background**, past and current
  - Educational Background**, schools attended; last grade completed; degree(s), etc.
  - Prior Governmental Experience**, past and current

The eight title words above count towards the maximum word/number count of 325.
2. If there is no relevant information in any of the required information sections, the word "None" may be used. The word "None" is part of the word count.

## **Optional information**

1. This is used to make your statement to the voters.
2. Optional information may contain standard formatting attributes, such as boldface, upper cases, centering, underlining, bulleted and numbered lists.
3. Use one space after a period or punctuation mark.
4. One line space between paragraphs.

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### **Portrait**

1. A portrait photo is optional.
2. The color is black and white.
3. The background is light and plain.
4. Photo may be taken in the Elections Office for a fee of \$10.00.
5. A digital file portrait in TIFF or JPEG at least 600 dpi may be submitted to [elections@bentoncountyor.gov](mailto:elections@bentoncountyor.gov). The digital file must clearly reference the candidate.
6. If a digital file is submitted, a hard copy print of the same exact portrait must be provided.
7. Must be less than two years old. It will be rejected if it is more than two years old.
8. Candidate's face or head, neck and shoulders should show.
9. Hands of the candidate should not show.
10. Candidate may not wear a judicial robe, a hat, military, police or fraternal uniform; uniform or insignia of any organization; or the display of any flag or pennant.

### **Statement of Endorsement**

1. See BC400 Statement of Endorsement for instructions.
2. Persons or organizations endorsing the candidate submit BC400 Statement of Endorsement to the candidate, not to the Elections Office. All Statements of Endorsement must be submitted at the time the candidate's statement is filed.

### **Referencing Past Candidate's Statements**

Past Benton County Voters' Pamphlet are available on our website at [re.bentoncountyor.gov/past-elections](http://re.bentoncountyor.gov/past-elections) archives. You may refer to these past voters' pamphlets for examples of candidate's statements.

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## Sample of a Candidate's Statement

Optional photo

Black and white

The finished photo  
on the  
Voters' Pamphlet is  
W 1 1/2" X L 1 3/4"

**Occupation:** Business owner; Writer  
**Occupational Background:** Law Enforcement  
**Educational Background:** Wayne State University, BA; Oregon State University, MA  
**Prior Governmental Experience:** Philomath Fire and Rescue Director, 2010 - present; Community Service Coordinator 1998 - 2008; Philomath School Board 1998 - 2004

The space below the required information is **optional** for candidates to make their statements to voters. This section may contain standard formatting attributes such as:

- boldface
- all caps
- centering
- underlining
- bulleted
- numbered list

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Please read this handout for further instructions on Statements of Endorsements and the methodology of writing quotes from previously published sources.

Visit our website at  
[www.co.benton.or.us/elections](http://www.co.benton.or.us/elections)  
for forms, information and candidate statements  
in past Benton County Voters' Pamphlet.

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Required Information Section: This sample section contains 38 words and numbers. The 'Required Information' section is run-on format with items separated by semi-colons. List or bullet list format is not permitted in this section.

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**Occupation:** Business owner; Writer  
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**Occupational Background:** Law Enforcement  
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**Educational Background:** Wayne State University, BA; Oregon  
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State University, MA  
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**Prior Governmental Experience:** Philomath Fire and Rescue  
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Director, 2010 - present; Community Service Coordinator  
3233                                    34                                    35                                    36                                    37                                    38  
1998 - 2008; Philomath School Board 1998 - 2004

"This information furnished by Benton County Elections" is part of the word count. These seven words count towards the maximum word count of 325. The name(s) and/or organization(s) must match the same information provided on form BC430.