

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

2026 Fees for Candidate's Statement in Benton County Voters' Pamphlet	
Type of Office	Amount
Unpaid office	\$ 25.00
Paid Office	\$ 100.00
2026 Deadlines for Candidate's Statement in Benton County Voters' Pamphlet	
Election Date	Filing Deadline
March 10, 2026	January 12, 2026
May 19, 2026	County candidates: March 12, 2026 City/District candidates: March 23, 2026
August 25, 2026	June 29, 2026
November 3, 2026	County candidates: August 27, 2026 City/District candidates: September 8, 2026

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Fee: \$ _____ Receipt number: _____

Statement hard copy: ☐ Yes ☐ NoStatement electronic copy: ☐ Yes ☐ NoPortrait hard copy: ☐ Yes ☐ NoPortrait digital copy: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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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 a Benton County Elections Personnel.
2. Typewritten candidate's statement in Tahoma font type, size 12.
3. Portrait.
4. Completed and signed BC400 Statements of Endorsement, if any.
5. Filing fee. Cash, check or card (with convenience fee). Make checks payable to Benton County.

Before you file in person, e-mail to elections@bentoncountyor.gov

1. A Microsoft Word text of the required and optional candidate's statement.
2. Digital portrait in TIFF or JPEG.

The electronic text and digital portrait must be the same as the submitted filed print version. If they are different, the filed hard copy version will take precedence.

Submitting an amendment in person or by 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. The 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 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, Use the word "None". The word "None" is part of the word count.

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Optional information

1. This section is 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.

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 \$20.00.
5. A digital file portrait in TIFF or JPEG at least 600 dpi may be submitted to 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 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.re.bentoncountyor.gov/elections
for forms, information and candidate statements
in past Benton County Voters' Pamphlet.

(This information furnished by Benton County Elections)

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
5 6 7 8
Occupational Background: Law Enforcement
9 10 11 12 13 14 15
Educational Background: Wayne State University, BA; Oregon
16 17 18
State University, MA
19 20 21 22 23 24 25
Prior Governmental Experience: Philomath Fire and Rescue
26 27 28 29 30 31
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.