

OFFICIAL CALL Party Canvass Russell County Republican Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia



As Chairman of the Russell County Republican Committee, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the Committee, I, Nathan Kiser, do hereby issue this call for a Party Canvass to be held at the Russell County Government Center, 139 Highland Dr. Lebanon, VA 24266, from 12:00pm until 7:00pm local time on May 13,2023 for the following purposes:

1. Nominating a Republican candidate for Sheriff, Commonwealth Attorney, Clerk of Court, Treasurer, Commissioner of Revenue, and Board of Supervisors (Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and At Large) to be voted upon in the November 7, 2023 General Election.

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of Russell County under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, regardless of race, religion, national origin or sex, who are in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and who, if requested, express in open meeting either orally or in writing as may be required, their intent to support all of its nominees for public office in the ensuing election, may participate as members of the Republican Party of Virginia in its mass meetings, party canvasses, conventions or primaries encompassing their respective election districts.

In addition to the foregoing, to be in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, unless otherwise stipulated by the appropriate Official Committee, a person otherwise qualified hereunder shall not have participated in Virginia in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party within the last five years.

A single exception to this shall be approved for a voter that renounces affiliation with any other party in writing, and who expresses in writing that he/she is in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and intends, at the time of this writing, to support the nominees of the Republican Party in the future. Any voter that utilizes the forgoing exception, and thereafter participates in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party, shall not have the benefit of the exception thereafter.

Filing Requirements

Candidates for election for Sheriff, Commonwealth Attorney, Clerk of Court, Treasurer, Commissioner of Revenue and Board of Supervisors (Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and At Large) shall file an Official Filing Form by mail or in person, to Philip Addington 293 Greystone Dr. Castlewood, VA 24224, which must be received not later than 7:00pm March 25, 2023 and accompanied by any fees required. Postmarks shall not govern.

Official Filing Forms are available online at https://virginia.gop/events/, https://va9gop.org/officialcalls/, or by contacting Philip Addington at 293 Greystone Dr. Castlewood, VA 24224, by phone 276-608-5759, or by email Philip.addington@yahoo.com

Candidacy filing fees are as follows:

 Constitutional Offices 				
	0	Sheriff	\$ 1,952.12	
	0	Commonwealth Attorney	\$ 2,768.66	
	0	Clerk of Court	\$ 2,542.02	
	0	Treasurer	\$ 1,753.16	
	0	Commissioner of Revenue	\$ 1,753.16	

- Board of Supervisors
 - Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and At Large \$ 280.00

Please make checks payable to the Russell County Republican Committee.

Uncontested Offices/Cancellation of Party Canvass

If no more than one candidate properly files and is found to be qualified for election to any office to be voted upon at the Party Canvass, that candidate will be declared elected. If there are no contested offices to be voted upon at the Party Canvass, then no Party Canvass will be held.

Registration Fees for Party Canvass & Convention

There will be no registration fee to participate in the Russell County Republican Party Canvass.

Rules for a Party Canvass

The Russell County Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia, pursuant to the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia, hereby adopts these Rules for the conduct of this Party Canvass.

- The Republican Party Canvass shall be held at the Russell County Government Center 139 Highland Dr. Lebanon, VA 24266 on May 13, 2023, from 12:00pm until 7:00pm. The purpose of the Canvass shall be to nominate a Republican candidate for Sheriff, Commonwealth Attorney, Clerk of Court, Treasurer, Commissioner of Revenue, and Board of Supervisors (Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and At Large) to be voted upon in the November 7, 2023 General Election
- 2. This party canvass shall, to the extent applicable, be governed by and conducted in accordance with the following (giving precedence as listed): the State Party Plan, District or Unit Plan or By-Laws, these rules, and otherwise in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.
- 3. Only individuals who are registered to vote as of the day of the party canvass shall be entitled to vote, except as provided for in Article I, Section A.2. of the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia.
- 4. All voters shall meet the requirements as specified in the Call of the Party Canvass.
- 5. All voters must sign a statement of intent to support the nominees of the Republican Party in the ensuing General Election.
- 6. The Committee Vice Chair Philip Addington shall appoint a Credentials Committee of not more than 12 persons, to register those persons who offer to vote and to count the ballots once the polls are closed. The members of the Credentials Committee shall remain inside the room in which voting is conducted during the period in which voting takes place and until the ballots are counted.
- 7. The Credentials Committee shall determine whether individuals who have pre-filed meet the qualifications for the office sought, subject to appeal. The Credentials Committee shall make the final determination in any dispute over the eligibility of a voter to participate in the party canvass.
- 8. Each candidate shall be entitled to designate one individual to observe the conduct of the canvass and the counting of the ballots.
- 9. No one will be allowed in the voting area without proper authorization. Candidates shall not loiter or campaign in the room in which voting will take place.
- 10. The Credentials Committee shall prepare ballots listing the names of all qualified candidates for contested nominations or elections, who have properly filed as required in the Call of the Party Canvass.
- 11. Any voter who is in line at 7:00pm, but has not yet voted, shall be entitled to cast his vote. A member of the Credentials Committee shall stand at the end of the line to ensure that no further voters join the line once the time for the closing of the polls has arrived.
- 12. As soon as the polls are closed, the Credentials Committee shall immediately proceed to ascertain the vote given at the Canvass and shall continue without adjournment until they declare the results of the canvass. Only the members of the Credentials Committee and a representative of each candidate, if any, shall be permitted to remain in the room once the polls have closed and until the ballots are counted. Ballots shall then be placed in a sealed envelope and preserved and secured by the Credentials Committee for at least thirty (30) days in the event of any challenge to the results.
- 13. Candidates receiving the largest number of votes, up to the maximum number that can be elected by the canvass for each office, shall be declared elected. If two or more persons have an equal number of votes and a higher number than any other person, the Russell County Republican Committee shall proceed publicly to determine by lot which of the persons shall be declared elected, after those persons have been notified and are allowed an opportunity to be present.
- 14. The Russell County Republican Committee shall preserve order inside and outside the polling place(s). No person shall hinder, intimidate, or interfere with any qualified voter so as to prevent the voter from casting a secret ballot. The Russell County Republican Committee may order a person violating this Rule to cease such action and, if such action continues, may remove such person from the polling place.



Russell County Republican Committee Party Canvas Declaration of Candidacy to Seek Nomination



I, ______ (print full name as registered to vote) hereby declare my intention to seek the following office to be elected at the Russell County Republican Party Canvas to be held on May 13, 2023. (check as applicable)

Office Constitutional Officers	Filing Fee	Office Board of Supervisors	Filing Fee
Sheriff	\$ 1,952.12	District 1 Supervisor	\$ 280.00
Commonwealth Attorney	\$ 2,768.66	District 2 Supervisor	\$ 280.00
Clerk of Court	\$ 2,542.02	District 3 Supervisor	\$ 280.00
Treasurer	\$ 1,753.16	District 4 Supervisor	\$ 280.00
Commissioner of Revenue	\$ 1,753.16	District 5 Supervisor	\$ 280.00
		District 6 Supervisor	\$ 280.00
		At Large Supervisor	\$ 280.00

IMPORTANT STATEMENT – READ CAREFULLY

In accordance with the Qualifications for Participation set forth in the Official Call and Article I of the RPV Plan of Organization, I do hereby certify that I am a registered voter of the appropriate election district, I am in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, and I intend to support all the Nominees of the Republican Party in the ensuring election. I also affirm that all the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.

Registered Voting Address:	(indicate both street address and P.O. Box, if one)
Phone:	
Email:	
Signature:	
Date Signed:	

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Please CAREFULLY READ EACH of the following statements. By submitting this declaration, you agree in full to the following statements.

- 1. I declare that I am in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and plan to support all the nominees of the Republican Party in the ensuing general election.
- 2. I agree not to seek the office as an independent candidate or nominee of any other political party should I not win the Republican Nomination.
- 3. I agree that I will meet with officials from the Russell County Republican Committee prior to date of the party canvass if a meeting is requested.

Please READ CAREFULLY and <u>INITIAL</u> the statement applicable to you (<u>SELECT ONLY ONE</u>):

_____ I have not participated in the nominating process of another party or supported a candidate in opposition to a Republican nominee, in the last five years.

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_____ I have participated in the nominating process of another party, or supported a candidate in opposition to a Republican nominee, in the last five years, but I renounce affiliation with any party other than the Republican Party, intend to support the nominees of the Republican Party in the future and understand that the Russell County Republican Committee shall provide a copy of this signed renunciation statement to the Republican Party of Virginia, to be maintained for a period of 5 years.

I have attached the appropriate candidate filing fee hereto by check. I understand filing fees are non-refundable once remitted.

***Check #_____ Make checks payable to "Russell County Republican Committee."

I do hereby certify that all the information provided by me on this statement is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Printed Name

Signature

Date Completed: _____

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT: March 25, 2023 by 7:00pm Return completed form and filing fee to: Philip Addington 293 Greystone Dr. Castlewood, VA 24224 Phone: 276-608-5759 Email: Philip.addington@yahoo.com Postmarks do not govern, actual receipt required by deadline.