

## PULASKI COUNTY MUNICIPAL FILING FAQ

## Q: What are the qualifications for running for office?

**A:** The basic qualifications include – Candidates must be a qualified elector who is a U.S. citizen and Arkansas resident that is lawfully registered to vote. They must live in the jurisdiction to be represented at the time of filing and throughout the term if elected. They must never have been convicted of fraud, embezzlement of public money, bribery, forgery, or any other infamous crime. *See page 15-18 of the Running for Public Office handbook for additional details on other qualifications for elective office.* 

**Q:** I plan to run for city council or mayor during the General Election on November 8. What forms do I need to file for municipal office?

**A:** Candidates must file three (3) documents with the county clerk of the county; 1) political practice pledge; 2) an affidavit of eligibility, and 3) a petition. *See page 29 of the Running for Public Office handbook for additional details.* The Pulaski County Clerk's office also requires a candidate information form to be completed.

Q: When is the filing date for municipal positions in Pulaski County?

**A:** Filing begins on August 3, 2022 and ends at noon on August 10, 2022 for cities with a Mayor-Council Form of Government. Please note the City of Little Rock is a City Manager Form of Government and follow different filing dates. If you have any additional questions about the City of Little Rock filing period, please contact that office at 501-371-4766. *See page 29 of the Running for Public Office handbook for additional details.* 

**Q**: Which municipal cities in Pulaski County are required to file at the county clerk's office for the upcoming 2022 General Election?

**A:** The cities of Cammack Village, Maumelle, North Little Rock, and Wrightsville. Candidates running for municipal office in the City of Little Rock file with the City Clerk and NOT with the County Clerk. The filing period for the cities of Sherwood and Jacksonville ended March 1, 2022.

## **Q**: How many petition signatures do I need to run for municipal office?

**A:** The number of petition signatures needed depends on the size of the city. A signature must be from the electors (registered voters) of the ward or city in which the election is to be held. The address on the petition must match the address on the voter database. *See Page 28 of the Running for Public Office handbook for additional details.* 

- Cammack Village 10 signatures
- Maumelle 30 signatures
- North Little Rock 30 signatures
- Wrightsville 10 signatures

**Q:** I plan to run for my local **school board** during the Annual School Election. What forms do I need to file for municipal office in Pulaski County?

**A:** Candidates must file three (3) documents with the county clerk of the county; 1) political practice pledge; 2) an affidavit of eligibility, and 3) a petition. The petition must contain the names of at least 20 registered voters who are residents of the school district and, if applicable the electoral zone for the position. The address on the petition must match the address on the voter database. *See page 27 of the Running for Public Office handbook for additional details.* The Pulaski County Clerk's office also requires and candidate information form too.