

OFFICIAL BALLOT
GENERAL ELECTION HELD FOR
KENTON COUNTY, KY
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026

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INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:

To vote for the candidate of your choice, completely fill the oval to the left of the name of the candidate.

STRAIGHT PARTY Vote for One		COUNTY ATTORNEY Vote for One	COUNTY COMMISSIONER 3rd District Vote for One
☐  Republican Party		☐ Stacy TAPKE Republican Party	☐ Richard "Scott" KIMMICH Republican Party
☐  Democratic Party		☐	☐ Jordan T. BALDRIDGE Democratic Party
☐  Kentucky Party	Write-in		☐
☐  Libertarian Party	COUNTY CLERK Vote for One		Write-in
UNITED STATES SENATOR Vote for One	☐ Gabrielle SUMME Republican Party	CORONER Vote for One	
☐	☐	☐ Amber CONSTANTINO Republican Party	
☐ Andy BARR Republican Party	Write-in	☐	
☐ Charles BOOKER Democratic Party	SHERIFF Vote for One	Write-in	
☐ Christopher CAMPBELL Kentucky Party	☐ Larry SHELTON Republican Party	SURVEYOR Vote for One	
☐	☐ Robert "Tom" COLLINS Democratic Party	☐ James M. SHUMATE Republican Party	
Write-in	☐	☐	
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE in CONGRESS 4th Congressional District Vote for One	Write-in	Write-in	
☐ Ed GALLREIN Republican Party	JAILER Vote for One	MAGISTRATE 2nd District Vote for One	
☐ Melissa Claire STRANGE Democratic Party	☐ Marc FIELDS Republican Party	☐	
☐ Jeremy TODD Libertarian Party	☐	Write-in	
☐	Write-in	CONSTABLE 2nd District Vote for One	
Write-in	COUNTY COMMISSIONER 1st District Vote for One	☐ Thomas E. "Tom" TURNER Republican Party	
STATE REPRESENTATIVE 78th Representative District Vote for One	☐ Beth SEWELL Republican Party	☐	
☐ Mark HART Republican Party	☐ Sarah FROELICH Democratic Party	Write-in	
☐	☐	NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL BALLOT	
Write-in	Write-in	DISTRICT JUDGE 16th Judicial District, 1st Division Vote for One	
PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATOR Vote for One	COUNTY COMMISSIONER 2nd District Vote for One	☐ Ann RUTTLE	
☐ Darlene M. PLUMMER Republican Party	☐ Jeff NICELEY Republican Party	☐	
☐	☐ Benjamin BACH Democratic Party	Write-in	
Write-in	☐	DISTRICT JUDGE 16th Judicial District, 2nd Division Vote for One	
JUDGE EXECUTIVE Vote for One	Write-in	☐ Kenneth L. EASTERLING	
☐ Kris A. KNOCHELMANN Republican Party		☐	
☐		Write-in	
Write-in			
		VOTE BOTH SIDES	

NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL BALLOT	
DISTRICT JUDGE 16th Judicial District, 3rd Division Vote for One	
☐ Douglas J. GROTHAUS	
☐ Write-in	
NONPARTISAN BALLOT	
SOIL and WATER SUPERVISORS Vote for up to Three	
☐ Mitchell KRIEGE	
☐ Larry OWEN	
☐ Write-in	
☐ Write-in	
NONPARTISAN CITY BALLOT	
INDEPENDENCE MAYOR Vote for One	
☐ Kevin STAMBAUGH II	
☐ Carol FRANZEN	
☐ Greg STEFFEN	
☐ Write-in	
INDEPENDENCE CITY COUNCIL Vote for up to Six	
☐ Chris VOGELPOHL	
☐ Jantzen J. WITTROCK	
☐ Giuseppe BENTIVEGNA	
☐ Matt FEHLER	
☐ Bryan ROEMER	
☐ David COOPER	
☐ Thomas BRINKER	
☐ Greg WAITE	
☐ Write-in	
☐ Write-in	

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 1	
Are you in favor of limiting a Governor's ability to grant pardons or commute sentences by prohibiting him or her from granting pardons or commuting sentences during the time period beginning 60 days prior to the general election at which the Governor is elected, and ending when the Governor is sworn in for that term by amending the Constitution of Kentucky as stated below? It is proposed that Section 77 of the Constitution of Kentucky be amended to read as follows: (1) The Governor shall have power to: (a) Remit fines and forfeitures; and (b) Commute sentences and grant reprieves and pardons, except: 1. In case of impeachment; or 2. For the period beginning sixty days prior to the date of the gubernatorial election and ending the fifth Tuesday succeeding the election. (2) The Governor shall file with each application therefor a statement of the reasons for his or her decision thereon, which application and statement shall always be open to public inspection. (3) In cases of treason, the Governor shall have power to grant reprieves until the end of the next session of the General Assembly, in which the power of pardoning shall be vested; but he or she shall have no power to remit the fees of the Clerk, Sheriff or Commonwealth's Attorney in penal or criminal cases. YES ☐ NO ☐	

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