

September 7, 2004

**Official
Sample Ballot
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
General Election
November 2, 2004**

**COUNTY
PRECINCT**

**FOR
PRESIDENT
and
VICE PRESIDENT
OF THE UNITED STATES
(VOTE FOR ONE SLATE OF
ELECTORS ONLY)**

(Republican Party)
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR
George W. Bush
for President
and.....()
Dick Cheney
for Vice President

(Democratic Party)
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR
John F. Kerry
for President
and.....()
John Edwards
for Vice President

(Libertarian Party)
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR
Michael Badnarik
for President
and.....()
Richard V. Campagna
for Vice President

(Green Party)
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR
David Cobb
for President
and.....()
Patricia LaMarche
for Vice President

(Independent)
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR
James Harris
for President
and()
Margaret Trowe
for Vice President

(Reform Party)
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR
Ralph Nader
for President
and.....()
Peter Miguel Camejo
for Vice President

(Constitution Party)
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR
Michael A. Peroutka
for President
and.....()
Chuck Baldwin
for Vice President

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**FOR
UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES
First Congressional
District
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

(Republican Party)
Roger F. Wicker.....()
(Reform Party)
Barbara Dale Washer.....()
.....()

**FOR
UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES
Third Congressional
District
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

(Republican Party)
Charles W. Pickering, Jr.()
(Independent)
Jim Giles()
(Reform Party)
Lamonica L. Magee.....()
.....()

**FOR
UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES
Second Congressional
District
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

(Republican Party)
Clinton B. LeSueur()
(Democratic Party)
Bennie G. Thompson()
(Reform Party)
Shawn O'Hara.....()
.....()

**FOR
UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES
Fourth Congressional
District
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

(Republican Party)
Michael Lott.....()
(Democratic Party)
Gene Taylor()
(Reform Party)
Tracella Lou O'Hara Hill.....()
.....()

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NOTE: INSERT ANY REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD AND ELECTION COMMISSION ELECTIONS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTIONS. ALL NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL ELECTIONS MUST FOLLOW ANY REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD AND ELECTION COMMISSIONER ELECTIONS.

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**NONPARTISAN
JUDICIAL ELECTIONS**

**FOR
SUPREME COURT JUSTICE
District 1 (Central)
Position No. 1
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

“Richard” Ray Grindstaff.....()
William L. “Bill” Waller, Jr.....()
.....()

**FOR
SUPREME COURT JUSTICE
District 2 (Southern)
Position No. 3
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

Joe Lee..... ()
Mike Randolph.....()
.....()

**FOR
SUPREME COURT JUSTICE
District 1 (Central)
Position No. 2
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

James Graves.....()
Ceola James.....()
Samac S. Richardson.....()
William L. “Bill” Skinner.....()
.....()

**FOR
SUPREME COURT JUSTICE
District 3 (Northern)
Position No. 3
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

William L. Bambach.....()
George Carlson.....()
.....()

Special Note (not to be printed on the ballot): Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-979 (Rev. 2001), the names of all candidates for Judicial office which appear on the ballot shall be listed in alphabetical order.

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***NOTE: INSERT ANY SPECIAL ELECTIONS TO
FILL VACANCIES IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
THE ELECTION FOR NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL
ELECTIONS. ENTITLE THIS PORTION OF
BALLOT "SPECIAL ELECTIONS."***

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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AMENDMENT NO. 1

**HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION 56**

This proposed constitutional amendment provides that marriage may take place and may be valid under the laws of this state only between a man and a woman. The amendment also provides that a marriage in another state or foreign jurisdiction between persons of the same gender may not be recognized in this state and is void and unenforceable under the laws of this state.

YES.....()

NO.....()

Special Note (not to be printed on the ballot): Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. Section § 23-15-369 (1) (a), (Rev. 2001), whenever a constitutional amendment is submitted to the vote of the people the substance of such amendment shall be printed in clear and unambiguous language on the ballot after the list of candidates, if any, followed by the word “Yes” and also by the word “No”, and shall be styled in such a manner that a “Yes” vote will indicate approval of the proposal and a “No” vote will indicate rejection.

INSTRUCTIONS TO
CHAIRMEN, COUNTY
ELECTION COMMISSIONERS
(DO NOT PRINT ON BALLOT)

This sample ballot contains the Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates and U.S. House of Representatives candidates. In printing your ballot, you will include only the Mississippi Supreme Court Justice candidates for the districts in which your county (or portion thereof) is located and eliminate the others.

Your official ballot should also contain candidates for the offices of County Election Commissioner and County School Board Member. Some counties may also be electing School Board Trustees of consolidated school districts. (Also, some school board elections may be affected by litigation. Please consult your School Board Attorney for current status.) Some counties will also be electing Levee Commissioners.

Order of ballot. The order in which offices should appear on the ballot is as follows: (1) President and Vice President, (2) U.S. House of Representatives, (3) County Election Commissioners, (4) Regular School Board and School Board Trustee elections, (5) Nonpartisan Judicial Elections, including special Nonpartisan Judicial Elections, (6) Any other special elections should appear at the end of the ballot, (7) any proposed constitutional amendments.

Regarding Nonpartisan Judicial Elections, Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-978 (Rev. 2001) states that “the names of candidates for judicial office which appear on the ballot at the general election shall be grouped together on a separate portion of the ballot, clearly identified as nonpartisan judicial elections.” Miss Code Ann. § 23-15-979 (Rev. 2001) states that “the names of all the candidates for judicial office shall be listed in alphabetical order on any ballot and no reference to political party affiliation shall appear on any ballot with respect to any nonpartisan judicial office or candidate.” Miss Code Ann § 23-15-980 (Rev. 2001) requires that “the name of an unopposed candidate for judicial office shall be placed on the general election ballot.”

Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-367 (Rev. 2001) provides the following:

“The arrangement of the names of the candidates, and the order in which the titles of the various offices shall be printed, and the size, print, and quality of paper of the official ballot is left to the discretion of the officer charged with printing the official ballot; but the arrangement need not be uniform. It is the duty of the Secretary of State, with the approval of the Governor, to furnish the designated commissioner of each county a sample of the official ballot...the general form of which shall be followed as nearly as practicable.”

ERIC CLARK
Secretary of State

This goes on the back of the Ballot

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