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Fill in the oval completely next to your choice.

To vote for a qualified write-in candidate, fill in the oval completely and print the name clearly on the blank line provided.

United States Senator (Vote for 1) ☐ Ashley Moody REP ☐ Angie Nixon DEM ☐ Neil J. Gillespie NPA	Commissioner of Agriculture (Vote for 1) ☐ Wilton Simpson REP ☐ Joey Mendoza Atkins DEM ☐ _____ Write-in	Justice of the Supreme Court Shall Justice Carlos G. Muñiz of the Supreme Court be retained in office? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Representative in Congress, District 1 (Vote for 1) <i>*Only for voters residing in Congressional District 1</i> ☐ Jimmy Patronis REP ☐ Gay Valimont DEM ☐ Tyler L. Davis NPA	State Senator District 2 (Vote for 1) ☐ Jay Trumbull REP ☐ Lauren Donahoo DEM	First District Court of Appeal Shall Judge Joseph Lewis Jr. of the First District Court of Appeal be retained in office? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Representative in Congress, District 2 (Vote for 1) <i>*Only for voters residing in Congressional District 2</i> ☐ Austin Rogers REP ☐ Amanda Marie Green DEM	State Representative District 5 (Vote for 1) ☐ Shane Abbott REP ☐ Alex Finney DEM	Shall Judge Rachel Nordby of the First District Court of Appeal be retained in office? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Governor and Lieutenant Governor (Vote for 1) ☐ Byron Donalds REP Bryan Avila ☐ David Jolly DEM Gwen Graham ☐ Scott Eckhard Jewett LPF Nicole Skelly ☐ Charles Burkett NPA Ruben A. Coto ☐ Frank J. Russo NPA Rachel Rodriguez ☐ Moliere "Moe" Dimanche NPA Benjiman Rojas ☐ Dean Ocean Abrams NPA Joe Van Vactor ☐ Jeffrey Peter "Dr. Jeff" Datto NPA Juan Santana ☐ _____ Write-in	Board of County Commissioners District 2 (Vote for 1) ☐ Warren Whitaker REP ☐ _____ Write-in	Shall Judge Tim Osterhaus of the First District Court of Appeal be retained in office? ☐ Yes ☐ No
	Board of County Commissioners District 4 (Vote for 1) ☐ Jim Bagby REP ☐ _____ Write-in	Shall Judge Clay Roberts of the First District Court of Appeal be retained in office? ☐ Yes ☐ No
	South Walton Fire District, Seat 4 (Vote for 1) <i>** Only for voters residing in South Walton Fire District (SWFD)</i> ☐ Brian Christenson ☐ Jim Jaquess	Shall Judge Raymond Treadwell of the First District Court of Appeal be retained in office? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Attorney General (Vote for 1) ☐ James Uthmeier REP ☐ Jose Javier Rodriguez DEM	<i>* Walton County is divided by 2 congressional districts. Verify your district on your up-to-date voter info card, or view the congressional district map at votewalton.gov/cdmap.</i> <i>** South Walton Fire District (SWFD) is located south of Choctawhatchee Bay and the Intracoastal Waterway.</i> <i>More information about judicial merit retention questions can be found at votewalton.gov/guides.</i>	
Chief Financial Officer (Vote for 1) ☐ Blaise Ingoglia REP ☐ Annette Taddeo DEM		

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No. 1 Constitutional Amendment Article III, Section 19 Budget Stabilization Fund Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to increase the amount of funds that may be retained in the budget stabilization fund from 10% to 25% of general revenue collections, require the legislature to transfer the lesser of \$750 million or the amount required to reach 25% of the general revenue collections each year unless certain conditions are met, and allow the legislature to withdraw funds for critical state needs. ☐ Yes ☐ No	No. 3 Constitutional Amendment Article VII, Sections 4, 6 and 9, Article XII Increased Homestead Exemption; Lower Cap on Increases in Non-Homestead Property Assessments This amendment increases the homestead exemption, for all non-school taxes, to \$150,000 in 2027 and \$250,000 in 2028, and adjusts for inflation thereafter. It requires the Legislature to prescribe a uniform procedure for counties and municipalities, for their respective levies, to increase the homestead exemption up to full assessed value, and allows special districts, subject to referendum approval, to do the same. Persons who are not Florida residents on December 31, 2026, will receive the existing homestead exemption upon qualifying for a homestead exemption, with the increased homestead exemption beginning with the fifth year of exemption, to the extent permitted by the U.S. Constitution. This amendment reduces the annual cap on assessment increases for non-homestead properties from 10% to 5%. This amendment requires counties and municipalities to use property taxes solely for public safety, education and schools, infrastructure, natural resources, bond debt service, retirement benefits for employees, and operations and administration. Other expenditures may be approved by county officers or county or municipal governing bodies unless prohibited by general law, notwithstanding Article VII, Section 9(a) of the Florida Constitution, which allows counties and municipalities to levy property taxes for their respective purposes. This amendment takes effect January 1, 2027. ☐ Yes ☐ No
No. 2 Constitutional Amendment Article VII, Section 3, Article XII Exemption of Tangible Personal Property on Agricultural Land from Taxation Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to exempt tangible personal property habitually located or typically present on land classified as agricultural, used in the production of agricultural products or for agritourism activities, and owned by the landowner or leaseholder of the agricultural land from ad valorem taxation. If approved this amendment would first apply for tax years beginning January 1, 2027. ☐ Yes ☐ No	Walton County School District Referendum Shall the Walton County School District continue the current one-half mill ad valorem millage for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2027 and ending June 30, 2031, for operating expenses necessary to recruit and retain quality teachers, preserve extra-curricular programs and provide instructional materials and technology to maintain the excellent quality of Walton County's public school system? ☐ Yes ☐ No

The full text of the proposed amendments to the Florida Constitution can be found at votewalton.gov/guides.

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THREE WAYS TO VOTE

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Vote-by-Mail (Absentee)

If you wish to vote by mail,
request by 5 pm on **Oct. 22nd**
at [votewalton.gov/request](https://www.votewalton.gov/request)
or by calling 850-892-8112.



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Early Voting (In-person)

13 Days of Early Voting:

Mon.-Sat., Oct. 19th - 24th (8:30 am - 4:30 pm)
Sun., Oct. 25th (1:00 pm - 9:00 pm)
Mon. - Sat., Oct. 26th - 31st (8:30 am - 4:30 pm)

Vote in person at any of our **4** convenient
locations. [votewalton.gov/early](https://www.votewalton.gov/early)

- ★ DeFuniak Springs Courthouse
571 US Hwy 90 E, DeFuniak Springs
- ★ Freeport Community Center (behind city hall)
124 St Hwy 20 W, Freeport, 32459
- ★ South Walton Courthouse Annex
31 Coastal Centre Blvd, Santa Rosa Beach
- ★ Faith Assembly Church
306 S Geronimo St, Miramar Beach

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Election Day (In-person)

On Tuesday, **Nov. 3rd**, polls
open from 7:00 am - 7:00 pm.

Vote at your assigned home precinct's polling place.

Refer to your voter
information card or visit:
[votewalton.gov/info](https://www.votewalton.gov/info)

Some Election Day polling
places have recently changed.
Know before you go.

No voting at county offices on
Election Day.

RYAN MESSER
SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS
WALTON COUNTY, FLORIDA
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**Sample
Ballot
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To the registered voters at

2026

- ▶ **Register to vote**
[votewalton.gov/register](https://www.votewalton.gov/register)
- ▶ **Check your status**
[votewalton.gov/status](https://www.votewalton.gov/status)
- ▶ **Update your record**
[votewalton.gov/update](https://www.votewalton.gov/update)
- ▶ **Plan ahead**
[votewalton.gov/3ways](https://www.votewalton.gov/3ways)



GENERAL ELECTION Dates & Deadlines

Florida new voter registration deadline..... **Oct. 5, 2026**

Deadline to request a mail ballot (5 pm)..... **Oct. 22, 2026**

Early (In-Person) Voting **Oct. 19 - Oct. 31, 2026**

GENERAL ELECTION DAY **Nov. 3, 2026**

Voting in a general election is open to all eligible voters registered in
Florida by the registration deadline on October 5th, 2026.

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