



Declaration for Nomination and Oath of Candidacy

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DECLARATION AND OATH OF CANDIDACY TO BE FILED WITH SECRETARY OF STATE OR COUNTY ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR AS APPLICABLE

Filing for office of: _____ _____ OR Nonpartisan
Full name of office including district and/or department numbers if applicable Name of Political Party

Candidate Name (printed exactly as it should appear on the ballot): _____

Mailing Address _____ City and State _____ Zip Code _____

Residence Address _____ City and State _____ Zip Code _____

County of Residence _____ Contact Phone _____ Email Address _____ Website Address _____

IF THIS DECLARATION IS FOR THE OFFICE OF GOVERNOR, YOU MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Lieutenant Governor Name (printed exactly as it should appear on the ballot): _____

Mailing Address: _____ Residence Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____ Website Address: _____

IF THIS DECLARATION IS FOR THE STATE LEGISLATURE, YOU MUST SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- (a) I hereby affirm that I am either a resident of the county in which I am a candidate, if it contains one or more legislative districts, or of the legislative district if it contains all or parts of more than one county, OR
- (b) I hereby affirm that I will meet the residency qualification(s) in (a) above for 6 months preceding the general election and will notify the office of the Secretary of State in writing when I qualify or if I do not qualify.

FILING FEE – FEE MUST BE PAID BEFORE FILING IS VALID:

Candidate Filing Fee, if applicable, in the amount of \$ _____ is hereby submitted with this Declaration and Oath of Candidacy.

OATH OF CANDIDACY - CANDIDATE MUST SIGN IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR AN OFFICER OF THE OFFICE WHERE THIS FORM IS FILED:

I hereby affirm that I possess, or will possess within constitutional and statutory deadlines, the qualifications prescribed by the Constitution and laws of the United States and the State of Montana.

Signature of Candidate

Date

NOTARY PUBLIC OR AUTHORIZED OFFICER

State of Montana

County of _____

Signed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20____ by _____

Printed Name of Candidate

Signature of Notary or Public Official

Printed Name of Notary Public

Notary Public for the State of _____

Residing at: _____

My commission expires: _____, 20____

(SEAL/STAMP)

Where to file Federal, Statewide, State District and Legislative offices:

Montana Secretary of State
P.O. Box 202801
State Capitol Building, 1301 E. 6th Ave
2nd Floor, Room 260
Helena, MT 59620
Online: sosmt.gov/elections/filing/
Fax: 406-444-2023

Where to file County, City and most Local District offices:

County Election Office
A list of county election offices may be found at: sosmt.gov/elections

Offices up for Election

Office: **Carbon County Commissioner #3**

Incumbent: Bill Bullock

Salary: \$78,043

Filing fee: \$390

7-4-2202. General qualifications for district or township offices. A person is not eligible to a district or township office unless the person is:

- (1) of voting age as required by the Montana constitution;
 - (2) a citizen of the state; and
 - (3) an elector of the district or township in which the duties of the office are to be exercised or for which the person is elected.
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Office: **Clerk of Court**

Incumbent: Rochelle Loyning

Salary: \$76,043

Filing fee: \$380

7-4-2201. General qualifications for county office. A person is not eligible for a county office who at the time of election is not:

- (1) of the voting age required by the Montana constitution;
- (2) a citizen of the state; and
- (3) (a) an elector of the county in which the duties of the office are to be exercised; or
(b) in the case of an office consolidated between two or more counties, an elector in one of the counties in which the duties of the office are to be exercised.



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Info on Montana 2024 Candidate filing and COPP filings:

Filing for Office:

You File for Office with the Secretary of State (Statewide, State District), or Election Administrator (County) or District Clerk (School Trustees).

- Election calendars available on the MT SOS website here:
<https://sosmt.gov/elections/calendars/>
- Filing for Office occurs - Statewide, State District, County 1/11/24 – 3/11/24.
Filing opens on 1/11/2024 at 8:00 a.m. and closes on 3/11/2024 at 5:00 p.m.

Filing with the COPP is separate and required by Montana Law:

When you become a candidate*

**An individual who has filed a declaration or petition for nomination, acceptance of contributions, made expenditures...see definition 13-1-101, MCA.*

If you are soliciting or accepting contributions, spending money, or have filed with the SOS/EA/DC, you need to:

- Within 5 days, file form C1 / C1A, the Statement of Candidate, with the COPP. File electronically, using the Campaign Electronic Reporting System (CERS). CERS can be accessed via the COPP's website, www.politicalpractices.mt.gov, click the "**ACCESS CERS**" icon (all candidates are required to file electronically);
- County, (& School board) candidates – select reporting status. Select "B" box if total activity will not exceed \$500 or "C" box if activity will exceed \$500.
- All Statewide and State District candidates and "C" box candidates will need to file form C-5, campaign finance reports, **electronically** when due, following the appropriate even-year reporting calendar that cover specific reporting periods. Reporting for the 2024 Calendar Year begins March 20, 2024. *If candidates register prior to 2024, they need to follow the quarterly reports through 1/5/24.* (2024 Reporting Candidate Calendar attached to this printout)

Note: All Statewide and State District candidates **file D1 Business Disclosure** statement with COPP within 5 days of filing for Office. Note, this form must be printed, signed and returned to the COPP by mail, scanned and/or email.

As always, direct campaign finance & practices questions to the COPP at cpphelp@mt.gov or call 406.444.3919

Direct election related filing questions to the SOS <https://sosmt.gov/elections/>; Election Administrator [Election Administrators Contact List \(sosmt.gov\)](#); and School District Clerk https://opi.mt.gov/School_Finance_Upload/Elections?folderId=45233

CANDIDATE 2024 ELECTION YEAR CALENDAR

June Primary / November General Elections

Report form C-5 must be filed for **each** reporting period to disclose all transactions that occurred during the specific reporting period (even if \$0)

REPORT DUE ON THIS DATE	REPORTING PERIOD FOR C5 REPORT DUE	13-37-226 MCA
*Odd year before the election (2023)		13-37-226. Time for filing reports, MCA (mt.gov)
April 5*	Quarterly- Date of first contribution/expenditure through March 31, 2023	13-37-226 (1)(a)
July 5*	Quarterly- April 1 through June 30, 2023	13-37-226 (1)(a)
October 5*	Quarterly- July 1 through Sept. 30, 2023	13-37-226 (1)(a)
January 5*	Quarterly- Oct. 1 through December 31	13-37-226 (1)(a)
13-37-226(1)(a) MCA ---- *Pre-election year reporting	(a) quarterly, due on the 5th day following a calendar quarter, beginning with the calendar quarter in which funds are received or expended during the year or years prior to the election year that the candidate expects to be on the ballot and ending in the final quarter of the year preceding the year of an election in which the candidate participates;	
Year of the election reporting (2024)		
March 20	Monthly- January 1 through March 15	13-37-226 (1)(b)
April 20	Monthly- March 16 through April 15	13-37-226 (1)(b)
May 15 through primary election date (C-7 and C-7E Reporting Period)	File form C-7 within 2 business days if a contribution of \$700 - statewide candidates; \$400 - State District/County candidates is received from a single source between between May 15 and the day before the primary election (June 3rd)	13-37-226 (1)(c.)
	File form C-7E within 2 business days if an expenditure of \$700 - statewide candidates; \$400 - State District/County candidates is received from a single source between between May 15 and the day before the primary election (June 3rd)	13-37-226 (1)(d)
May 20	Monthly- April 16 through May 14	13-37-226 (1)(b)
June 4, 2024	PRIMARY ELECTION	13-1-107 MCA
June 20	Post Primary- May 15 through June 15	13-37-226 (1)(b)
August 20	Monthly- June 16 through August 15	13-37-226 (1)(b)
September 20	Monthly- August 16 through September 15	13-37-226 (1)(b)
October 15 through general election date (C-7 and C-7E Reporting Period)	File form C-7 within 2 business days if a contribution of \$700 - statewide candidates; \$400 - State District/County candidates is received from a single source between between Oct 15 and the day before the primary election (Nov 4th)	13-37-226 (1)(c.)
	File form C-7E within 2 business days if an expenditure of \$700 - statewide candidates; \$400 - State District/County candidates is received from a single source between between Oct 15 and the day before the primary election (Nov 4th)	13-37-226 (1)(d)
October 20	Monthly- September 16 through October 14	13-37-226 (1)(b)
November 5, 2024	GENERAL ELECTION	
November 20	Monthly- October 15 through November 15	13-37-226 (1)(b)
March 10, 2025	Reference 13-37-226(1)(e), Mont. Code Ann. for post election year reporting dates: (e) semiannually on the 10th day of March and September, starting in the year following an election in which the candidate participates until the candidate files a closing report as specified in	13-37-226 (1)(e.)
September 10, 2025	13-37-228(3)	13-37-226 (1)(e.)