

Notice of Candidate Filing for 2026 Elections

Union County will hold a primary election on **March 3, 2026**, and a general election on **November 3, 2026**. From **noon on December 1, 2025**, to **noon on December 19, 2025**, candidate filing will be open for the contests listed below. Notices of candidacy may only be filed and filing fees may only be paid by the candidates themselves, not by surrogates or staff. If a candidate is unable to file in person, notices of candidacy may be submitted by mail, so long as they are received prior to the close of the filing period.

Candidates seeking election to these offices will file at the Union County Board of Elections, located at 316-B East Windsor Street, Monroe, NC 28112:

Office	Incumbent(s)	Length of Term	Filing Fee
NC Senate - District 29 - District 35	David Craven, Jr. Todd Johnson	Two years	\$139.51
NC House of Representatives - District 55 - District 68 - District 69	Mark Brody David Willis Dean Arp	Two years	\$139.51
Union County Board of Commissioners (Three seats)	Clancy Baucom Brian Helms Melissa Merrell	Four years	\$87.00
Union County Board of Education - District 3 - District 4 - District 6 - At-large	Barry Tucker Sandra Greene Kathy Heintel Jimmy Bention, Sr.	Four years	\$90.00
Clerk of Superior Court	Wendy Maynard	Four years	\$1,470.10
Sheriff	Eddie Cathey	Four years	\$1,750.00
City of Monroe, Mayor	Robert Burns	Two years	\$5.00

City of Monroe Council (Three seats)	Gary Anderson James Kerr Julie Thompson	Four years	\$5.00
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Candidates seeking election to judicial offices and to the offices listed below will file with the North Carolina State Board of Elections at the Gov. James B. Hunt Jr. Administration Building, located at 4601 Trinity Road, Raleigh, NC 27607:

Office	Incumbent	Length of Term	Filing Fee
United States Senator	Thom Tillis	Six years	\$1,740.00
United States House of Representatives Congressional District 8	Mark Harris	Two years	\$1,740.00
District Attorney	Trey Robison	Four years	\$1,673.37

Additional information:

- Filing fees may only be paid by credit or debit card, personal check, cashier check, campaign check, or money order. Cash will not be accepted.
- Candidates who are otherwise eligible must be affiliated with a political party for at least 90 days prior to filing for candidacy.
- Sheriff contest: Under [NC G.S. 163-106\(f\)](#), any candidate who is interested in filing for Sheriff must obtain a valid Felony Disclosure Statement from the NC Sheriffs' Training & Standards Division to file along with their notice of candidacy form. Before filing, candidates must complete several forms and a disclosure statement verifying that they have had no prior felony convictions or expungements. Find the forms and additional information at [Sheriffs' Training & Standards Division | NCDOJ](#).
- Unaffiliated candidates interested in appearing on the ballot in November should contact the Union County Board of Elections for information regarding the petition process for unaffiliated candidates. This process can be started at any time.
- No person may file candidacy for more than one office in an election.
 - A second candidacy may be filed only if the first has been withdrawn.
 - The deadline for withdrawal of candidacy is **5 pm on December 16, 2025**.
- If necessary, a second primary election will be held on **May 12, 2026**.



- Because this contest is nonpartisan, candidates for the Soil and Water District Conservation Board of Supervisors will file from **noon on June 8, 2026**, to **5 pm on July 6, 2026**. The filing fee is \$5.

For more information on the requirements for candidacy and the filing process, please call 704-283-3809, email union.boe@unioncountync.gov or visit ncsbe.gov/candidates.