TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION
2026 FILING SCHEDULE FOR CANDIDATES AND OFFICEHOLDERS WHO FILE WITH THE TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION

This is a filing schedule for the Secretary of State and candidates for and officeholders in the following offices:

- Statewide elective offices (Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Land Commissioner, Agriculture Commissioner, Railroad Commissioner, Supreme Court Justice, Court of Criminal Appeals Judge)
- Member of the Texas Legislature
- County Chair (candidates only) of a political party with a nominee on the ballot in the most recent gubernatorial general election if the county has a population of 350,000 or more
- Court of Appeals Justice
- Member of the State Board of Education
- District Judge
- District attorney from a multi-county district (NOTE: This schedule also contains the due date for the personal financial statement required to be filed with the Texas Ethics Commission by ALL district attorneys.)

The candidates for and officeholders (not including a county chair of a political party) in the offices listed above file campaign finance reports with the Texas Ethics Commission. Candidates for and officeholders in local offices that are regularly filled at the general election for state and county officers (the November election in even-numbered years) should use the 2026 FILING SCHEDULE FOR LOCAL CANDIDATES AND OFFICEHOLDERS WHO FILE WITH THE COUNTY CLERK OR ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR. Candidates for and officeholders in local offices that are filled on uniform election dates in May and November should use the 2026 FILING SCHEDULE FOR REPORTS DUE IN CONNECTION WITH ELECTIONS HELD ON UNIFORM ELECTION DATES. Examples of these types of offices include school board positions and city offices. If you are a judicial candidate or officeholder, please see the note attached to the end of the schedule.

EXPLANATION OF THE FILING SCHEDULE CHART

COLUMN I: REPORT DUE DATE - This is the date by which the report must be filed. If the due date for a report falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the report is due on the next regular business day. This schedule shows the extended deadline where applicable. A report transmitted over the Internet is considered timely filed if it is transmitted ***by midnight, Central Time Zone, on the night of the filing deadline*.** For most reporting deadlines, a report filed on paper is considered timely filed if it is deposited with the U.S. Post Office properly addressed with postage and handling charges prepaid to P.O. Box 12070, Austin, Texas, 78711-2070, or a common or contract carrier properly addressed with postage and handling charges prepaid, or hand-delivered to 201 E. 14th St., Sam Houston Building, 10th Floor, Austin, Texas, 78701, by the filing deadline. **Pre-Election Reports:** A report due 30 days before an election and a report due 8 days before an election must be *received* by the appropriate filing authority no later than the report due date to be considered filed on time.

COLUMN II: TYPE OF REPORT (WHO FILES) - This column gives the report type and explains which reporting form to use and which filers are required to file the report.

COLUMN III: BEGINNING DATE OF PERIOD COVERED - This column sets out the beginning date of the time period covered by the report. Use the latest one of the applicable dates. The "date of campaign treasurer appointment" is the beginning date only for the *first* report filed after filing a campaign treasurer appointment. For officeholders recently appointed to an elective office, the beginning date for the first report will be the date the officeholder took office, provided that he or she was not already filing as an officeholder or candidate at the time of the appointment. (*NOTE:* If you are ever confused about the beginning date for a required report, remember this rule: **There should never be gaps between reporting periods and, generally, there should not be overlaps.**)

COLUMN IV: ENDING DATE OF PERIOD COVERED - This column sets out the ending date of the time period covered by the report. The report must include reportable activity occurring on the ending date.

Please consult the CAMPAIGN FINANCE GUIDE FOR CANDIDATES AND OFFICEHOLDERS WHO FILE WITH THE TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION or the CAMPAIGN FINANCE GUIDE FOR JUDICIAL CANDIDATES AND OFFICEHOLDERS for further information.

COLUMN I DUE DATE	COLUMN II TYPE OF REPORT (WHO FILES)	COLUMN III BEGINNING DATE OF PERIOD COVERED	COLUMN IV ENDING DATE OF PERIOD COVERED
REPORT DUE BEFORE THE MAY 26, 2026, PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION			
Monday, May 18, 2026 **NOTE: This report must be received by the appropriate filing authority no later than May 18, 2026.**	**Runoff report** [FORM C/OH or JC/OH] (candidates in the primary runoff election who do not file on the modified reporting schedule, including county chair candidates of a political party with a nominee on the ballot in the most recent gubernatorial general election if the county has a population of 350,000 or more)	February 22, 2026, *or* the date of campaign treasurer appointment, *or* the day after the date the last report ended.	May 16, 2026 **NOTE:** Daily pre-election reports of contributions accepted after May 16, 2026, may be required. Please consult the Campaign Finance Guide for further information.
Wednesday, July 15, 2026	**July semiannual** [FORM C/OH or JC/OH] (all candidates and officeholders)	January 1, 2026, *or* the date of campaign treasurer appointment, *or* the day after the date the last report ended.	June 30, 2026
REPORTS DUE BEFORE THE NOVEMBER 3, 2026, GENERAL ELECTION			
Monday, October 5, 2026 *Deadline is extended because of weekend.* **NOTE: This report must be received by the appropriate filing authority no later than October 5, 2026.**	**30th day before the November 3, 2026, general election** [FORM C/OH or JC/OH] (candidates, other than county chair candidates, who have an opponent on the ballot in the general election and who do not file on the modified reporting schedule)	July 1, 2026, *or* the date of campaign treasurer appointment, *or* the day after the date the last report ended.	September 24, 2026

COLUMN I **DUE DATE**	**COLUMN II** **TYPE OF REPORT (WHO FILES)**	**COLUMN III** **BEGINNING DATE OF PERIOD COVERED**	**COLUMN IV** **ENDING DATE OF PERIOD COVERED**
Monday, October 26, 2026 **NOTE: This report must be received by the appropriate filing authority no later than October 26, 2026.**	**8th day before the November 3, 2026, general election** [FORM C/OH or JC/OH] (candidates, other than county chair candidates, who have an opponent on the ballot in the general election and who do not file on the modified reporting schedule)	September 25, 2026, *or* the date of campaign treasurer appointment, *or* the day after the date the last report ended.	October 24, 2026 **NOTE:** Daily pre-election reports of contributions accepted after October 24, 2026, may be required. Please consult the Campaign Finance Guide for further information.
Friday, January 15, 2027	**January semiannual** [FORM C/OH or JC/OH] (all candidates and officeholders)	July 1, 2026, *or* the date of campaign treasurer appointment, *or* the day after the date the last report ended.	December 31, 2026
Friday, January 15, 2027	**Annual report of unexpended contributions** [FORM C/OH-UC] (former candidates and former officeholders who have filed a final report and who retained unexpended contributions or assets purchased with contributions)	January 1, 2026, *or* the day after the date the final report was filed.	December 31, 2026

MORATORIUM ON CONTRIBUTIONS

December 12, 2026 - Last day to accept contributions before the 2027 Regular Legislative Session.

June 21, 2027 – First day to accept contributions after the 2027 Regular Legislative Session.

Please note that December 12, 2026, is the last day on which legislators, certain statewide officers, and certain political committees may accept contributions. The moratorium on accepting contributions begins December 13, 2026, and continues through June 20, 2027.

The following are subject to the moratorium:

- Statewide officeholders, including officeholders-elect;
- Members of the legislature, including members-elect;
- Specific-purpose committees that support, oppose, or assist statewide officeholders or members of the legislature; and
- Legislative caucuses.

Judicial offices are not covered by this moratorium. Judicial offices are subject to other laws that provide specific judicial fundraising periods.

A statewide officeholder or member of the legislature who was defeated at the November 3, 2026, general election is not subject to the moratorium, nor is a specific-purpose political committee that supports or assists only such an officeholder or member.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR JUDICIAL CANDIDATES AND OFFICEHOLDERS

A candidate subject to the Judicial Campaign Fairness Act must file a campaign treasurer appointment (Form JCTA) with the proper filing authority before accepting a campaign contribution or making or authorizing a campaign expenditure. NOTE: The Judicial Campaign Fairness Act applies to political contributions and expenditures in connection with the office of chief justice or justice, supreme court; presiding judge or judge, court of criminal appeals; chief justice or justice, court of appeals; district judge; judge, statutory county court; or judge, statutory probate court.

Limited Time Period for Accepting Contributions. A candidate subject to the Judicial Campaign Fairness Act may accept political contributions (campaign contributions or officeholder contributions) only during a limited time period.

Beginning Date. Candidates seeking an office that will be filled at the November 3, 2026, general election may accept political contributions during a time period that begins on **May 12, 2025**. (A **write-in candidate** may begin accepting contributions only after filing a declaration of write-in candidacy with the secretary of state or county judge, as applicable.)

Ending Date. The time period ends on one of the following dates, as applicable:

July 1, 2026, for candidates who lost in the primary election.

September 23, 2026, for candidates who lost in the primary runoff election.

March 3, 2027, for candidates who last appeared on the ballot in the general election.

2026 Judicial District Populations (based on 2020 census data). The restrictions in the Judicial Campaign Fairness Act include contribution and expenditure limits, which may vary according to the population of the judicial district. The 2026 population certification for each judicial district is located at *www.ethics.state.tx.us/data/resources/judicial/JudicialDistrictPopulations.pdf* on the Ethics Commission's website.

Other Restrictions. Candidates and officeholders subject to the Judicial Campaign Fairness Act are subject to various campaign finance restrictions that do not apply to nonjudicial candidates and officeholders. For more information, see the CAMPAIGN FINANCE GUIDE FOR JUDICIAL CANDIDATES AND OFFICEHOLDERS on the Ethics Commission's website.

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