



OFFICIAL BALLOT
2024 General Election and Nonpartisan Judicial Runoff Election
Columbia County, Arkansas - November 5, 2024
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<p align="center">INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER</p> <p>1. Vote by placing an appropriate mark (blacken the oval) (●) opposite the person for whom you wish to vote. Vote on amendments, acts, and measures by placing an appropriate mark (blacken the oval) below the amendment (or act or measure) either FOR or AGAINST.</p> <p>2. If you vote for more than one candidate in a race, your vote in that race will not count. If you make a mistake on your ballot, return it to an election official for a replacement ballot. You may replace up to two ballots in an election.</p>	<p align="center">Nonpartisan Judicial Runoff Election</p> <p>State Supreme Court Chief Justice Position 1 Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Supreme Court Justice Rhonda Wood</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Arkansas Supreme Court Justice Karen Baker</p>	<p align="center">CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY PETITION OF THE PEOPLE</p>
<p align="center">Federal</p>	<p align="center">County</p> <p>Justice of the Peace District 09 Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Charles Michael Henderson Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Steve Atkinson Independent</p>	<p>A CASINO IN POPE COUNTY, ARKANSAS AND TO REPEAL THE AUTHORITY OF THE ARKANSAS RACING COMMISSION TO ISSUE A CASINO LICENSE FOR POPE COUNTY, ARKANSAS; AMENDING AMENDMENT 100 § 4, TO ADD SUBSECTION (S), PROVIDING THAT IF THE ARKANSAS RACING COMMISSION, OR OTHER GOVERNING BODY, ISSUES A CASINO LICENSE FOR A CASINO IN POPE COUNTY, ARKANSAS PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT, THEN SAID LICENSE IS REVOKED ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT; AMENDING AMENDMENT 100 § 4, TO ADD SUBSECTION (T), PROVIDING THAT IF A FUTURE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AUTHORIZES THE ISSUANCE OF A CASINO LICENSE IN ANY COUNTY OTHER THAN THOSE ISSUED NOW OR HEREAFTER FOR CRITTENDEN COUNTY (TO SOUTHLAND RACING CORPORATION), GARLAND COUNTY (TO OAKLAWN JOCKEY CLUB, INC.) AND JEFFERSON COUNTY (TO DOWNSTREAM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE QUAPAW TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA AND LATER TRANSFERRED TO SARAGEN DEVELOPMENT, LLC), THEN THE QUORUM COURT OF EACH COUNTY WHERE A CASINO IS TO BE LOCATED SHALL CALL A SPECIAL ELECTION BY ORDINANCE TO SUBMIT THE QUESTION OF WHETHER TO APPROVE OF A CASINO IN THE COUNTY; AMENDING AMENDMENT 100 § 4, TO ADD SUBSECTION (T)(1)-(3), SETTING THE DATE FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION AND REQUIRING THE ORDINANCE CALLING THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO STATE THE ELECTION DATE AND TO SPECIFY THE FORMAT OF THE QUESTION ON THE BALLOT AS "FOR A CASINO IN [] COUNTY" AND "AGAINST A CASINO IN [] COUNTY" AND THE QUESTION PRESENTED TO VOTERS MUST INCLUDE WHETHER OR NOT A CASINO MAY BE LOCATED IN THE COUNTY". "A CASINO IS DEFINED AS A FACILITY WHERE CASINO GAMING IS CONDUCTED"; AMENDING AMENDMENT 100 § 4, TO ADD SUBSECTION (T)(4), REQUIRING THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO PUBLISH THE ORDINANCE CALLING THE SPECIAL ELECTION AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE SPECIAL ELECTION IS HELD; AMENDING AMENDMENT 100 § 4, TO ADD SUBSECTION (T)(5), REQUIRING A MAJORITY OF THOSE IN THE COUNTY WHO VOTE AT THE ELECTION IN CERTAIN COUNTIES WHERE A FUTURE CASINO IS PROPOSED TO BE LOCATED TO APPROVE OF THE CASINO AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION BEFORE THE ARKANSAS RACING COMMISSION, OR OTHER GOVERNING BODY, MAY ACCEPT ANY APPLICATIONS FOR A CASINO LICENSE IN THAT COUNTY; MAKING THIS AMENDMENT EFFECTIVE ON AND AFTER NOVEMBER 13, 2024; PROVIDING THAT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS AMENDMENT ARE SEVERABLE IN THAT IF ANY PROVISION OR SECTION OF THIS AMENDMENT OR THE APPLICATION THEREOF TO ANY PERSON OR CIRCUMSTANCE IS HELD INVALID, SUCH INVALIDITY SHALL NOT AFFECT ANY OTHER PROVISION OR APPLICATION THAT CAN BE GIVEN EFFECT WITHOUT THE INVALID PROVISION OF APPLICATION; AND REPEALING ALL LAWS OR PARTS OF LAWS IN CONFLICT WITH THIS AMENDMENT.</p>
<p>U.S. President, U.S. Vice President Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Chase Oliver Mike ter Maat Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jill Stein Rudolph Ware Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Donald J. Trump JD Vance Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Peter Sonski Lauren Onak American Solidarity</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Michael Wood John G. Pietrowski Prohibition</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Kamala D. Harris Tim Walz Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. Nicole Shanahan Independent</p>	<p align="center">Unopposed Candidates</p> <p align="center">Unopposed Candidates Vote for One</p> <p>By blackening the oval, you are casting a vote for All Unopposed Candidates not listed elsewhere on this ballot.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For</p>	
<p>U.S. Congress District 04 Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Risia Howard Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Congressman Bruce Westerman Republican</p>	<p align="center">City</p>	
<p align="center">State</p>	<p>Magnolia City Council WD 1 Position/Magnolia City Bond Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Bonnie Keith</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Annette Hughey</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Wayne Simpson</p>	
<p>State Treasurer Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Michael Pakko Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> John Pagan Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Secretary of State John Thurston Republican</p>	<p>Waldo City Council WD 3 Position 1 Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Lawanda Gail Robinson</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Patricia Doss Glover</p>	
<p>State Senate District 03 Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Senator Steve Crowell Republican</p>	<p align="center">CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY</p> <p align="center">Issue No. 1</p> <p align="center">(Popular Name)</p> <p>A Constitutional Amendment to Provide that Lottery Proceeds May Be Used to Fund or Provide Scholarships and Grants to Arkansas Citizens Enrolled in Vocational-Technical Schools and Technical Institutes.</p> <p align="center">(Ballot Title)</p> <p>AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT LOTTERY PROCEEDS MAY BE USED TO FUND OR PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS TO ARKANSAS CITIZENS ENROLLED IN VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOLS AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTES.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR ISSUE NO. 1</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST ISSUE NO. 1</p>	
<p>State Representative District 98 Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> State Representative Wade Andrews Republican</p>	<p align="center">CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY PETITION OF THE PEOPLE</p> <p align="center">Issue No. 2</p> <p align="center">(Popular Name)</p> <p>An amendment requiring local voter approval in a countywide special election for certain new casino licenses and repealing authority to issue a casino license in Pope County, Arkansas.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR ISSUE NO. 2</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST ISSUE NO. 2</p>	
<p>State Representative District 99 Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> State Representative Lane Jean Republican</p>	<p align="center">PLEASE VOTE BOTH SIDES</p>	

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY PETITION OF THE PEOPLE	CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY PETITION OF THE PEOPLE	Local Measures
<p>Issue No. 3</p> <p>(Popular Name) Arkansas Medical Marijuana Amendment of 2024</p> <p>(Ballot Title) THIS AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION EXPANDS ACCESS TO MEDICAL MARIJUANA BY QUALIFIED PATIENTS UNDER THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA AMENDMENT OF 2016, AMENDMENT 98 AND RATIFIES AND AFFIRMS THAT AMENDMENT AS ORIGINALLY ADOPTED AND AS AMENDED BY ANY LEGISLATIVE ACT, EXCEPT AS SPECIFIED; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 2(4)(B) TO DEFINE "CULTIVATION FACILITY" AS INCLUDING SALE AND DELIVERY OF USABLE MARIJUANA TO A PROCESSOR; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 2(12) TO REPLACE THE DEFINITION OF "PHYSICIAN" WITH "HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER," WHICH INCLUDES MEDICAL AND OSTEOPATHIC DOCTORS, NURSE PRACTITIONERS, PHYSICIANS' ASSISTANTS, AND PHARMACISTS AND TO REMOVE REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL CONTROLLED-SUBSTANCES REGISTRATION; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, §§ 4(F), 5(A)(1), 5(F)(1), 5(H), AND 15 TO REPLACE REFERENCES TO PHYSICIANS WITH REFERENCES TO HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 2(13)(C) TO ADD LANGUAGE TO THE DEFINITION OF "QUALIFYING MEDICAL CONDITION" TO INCLUDE ANY CONDITION NOT OTHERWISE SPECIFIED IN AMENDMENT 98 THAT A HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER CONSIDERS DEBILITATING TO A PATIENT THAT MIGHT BE ALLEVIATED BY THE USE OF USABLE MARIJUANA; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 2(14)(A) TO ALLOW NON-ARKANSAS RESIDENTS TO APPLY FOR AND RECEIVE REGISTRY IDENTIFICATION CARDS IN THE SAME WAY AS ARKANSAS RESIDENTS; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 2(17) TO DEFINE "USABLE MARIJUANA" AS CANNABIS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES INCLUDING ALL PARTS OF THE PLANT <i>CANNABIS SATIVA</i>, WHETHER GROWING OR NOT, INCLUDING ANY SEEDS, RESIN, COMPOUND, MANUFACTURE, SALT, DERIVATIVE, MIXTURE, ISOMER OR PREPARATION OF THE PLANT, INCLUDING TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL AND ALL OTHER CANNABINOL DERIVATIVES, AND TO EXCLUDE HEMP WITH A DELTA-9-TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL CONCENTRATION OF NOT MORE THAN 0.3 PERCENT ON A DRY WEIGHT BASIS; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 2(19) TO REMOVE LANGUAGE REQUIRING A PHYSICIAN-PATIENT RELATIONSHIP FROM THE DEFINITION OF "WRITTEN CERTIFICATION" AND TO ALLOW ASSESSMENTS IN PERSON OR BY TELEMEDICINE; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 3(E) TO ALLOW LICENSED DISPENSARIES TO RECEIVE, TRANSFER, OR SELL MARIJUANA SEEDLINGS, PLANTS, OR USABLE MARIJUANA TO AND FROM ARKANSAS-LICENSED CULTIVATION FACILITIES, PROCESSORS, OR OTHER DISPENSARIES, TO ACCEPT MARIJUANA SEEDS, SEEDLINGS, OR CLONES FROM ANY INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO POSSESS THEM, AND TO SELL USABLE MARIJUANA, MARIJUANA SEEDLINGS, PLANTS OR SEEDS TO QUALIFYING PATIENTS AND DESIGNATED CAREGIVERS; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 3(H) TO REMOVE LANGUAGE ALLOWING PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARDS TO SANCTION A PHYSICIAN FOR IMPROPER EVALUATION OF A PATIENT'S MEDICAL CONDITION OR FOR VIOLATING THE STANDARD OF CARE; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 3(I) TO REMOVE AUTHORIZATION FOR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RULES CONCERNING VISITING QUALIFYING PATIENTS OBTAINING MARIJUANA FROM A DISPENSARY; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 4(A)(4)(A) TO REQUIRE CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR ALL APPLICANTS SEEKING TO SERVE AS DESIGNATED CAREGIVERS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF PARENTS OR GUARDIANS OF MINORS WHO ARE QUALIFYING PATIENTS APPLYING TO SERVE AS DESIGNATED CAREGIVERS FOR THOSE MINORS; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 5(A)(2) TO REMOVE LANGUAGE REQUIRING REASONABLE REGISTRY IDENTIFICATION CARD APPLICATION FEES OR RENEWAL FEES; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 5(D) TO EXTEND THE EXPIRATION DATE OF REGISTRY</p>	<p>IDENTIFICATION CARDS FROM ONE TO THREE YEARS AND TO ADD TWO ADDITIONAL YEARS TO THE EXPIRATION DATE OF EXISTING CARDS; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 8(E)(8) TO REMOVE AND REPLACE ADVERTISING RESTRICTIONS WITH RESTRICTIONS FOR DISPENSARIES, PROCESSORS, AND CULTIVATION FACILITIES NARROWLY TAILORED TO PREVENT ADVERTISING AND PACKAGING FROM APPEALING TO CHILDREN AND TO REQUIRE THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL TO MAKE RULES THAT REQUIRE PACKAGING THAT CANNOT BE OPENED BY A CHILD OR THAT PREVENTS READY ACCESS TO TOXIC OR HARMFUL AMOUNTS OF THE PRODUCT; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 8(M)(1)(A) TO REMOVE PROHIBITIONS ON DISPENSARY-PROVIDED PARAPHERNALIA REQUIRING COMBUSTION OF MARIJUANA; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 8(M)(4)(A)(II) TO ALLOW CULTIVATION FACILITIES TO SELL MARIJUANA IN ANY FORM TO DISPENSARIES, PROCESSORS, OR OTHER CULTIVATION FACILITIES; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 16 TO REPLACE ITS CURRENT LANGUAGE WITH A WAIVER OF STATE SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY SO THAT A LICENSED PERSON OR ENTITY MAY SEEK INJUNCTIVE RELIEF IN THE EVENT THAT STATE FAILS TO FOLLOW AMENDMENT 98; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98, § 21 TO REMOVE A PROHIBITION ON THE GROWING OF MARIJUANA BY QUALIFYING PATIENTS AND DESIGNATED CAREGIVERS AND TO ALLOW SUCH GROWING UNDER AMENDMENT 98; REPEALING AMENDMENT 98, §§ 23 AND 26 IN THEIR ENTIRETY; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98 TO ALLOW QUALIFYING PATIENTS OR CAREGIVERS AT LEAST 21 YEARS OLD AND IN POSSESSION OF A VALID REGISTRY IDENTIFICATION CARD TO POSSESS, PLANT, DRY, AND PROCESS MARIJUANA PLANTS IN LIMITED QUANTITIES AND SIZES AT THEIR DOMICILE SOLELY FOR THE PERSONAL USE OF THE QUALIFYING PATIENT, TO PROHIBIT SALE, BARTERING, AND TRADE OF SUCH MARIJUANA PLANTS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR REGULATION OF SUCH ACTIVITIES BY THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL DIVISION; AMENDING AMENDMENT 98 TO ALLOW POSSESSION BY ADULTS OF UP TO ONE OUNCE OF USABLE MARIJUANA, TO ALLOW SALE OF MARIJUANA BY LICENSED CULTIVATION FACILITIES AND DISPENSARIES FOR ADULT USE IF CURRENT FEDERAL LAW PROHIBITING SUCH ACTIVITIES CHANGES, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF THE WHOLESALE AND RETAIL OF MARIJUANA BY LICENSED CULTIVATION FACILITIES AND DISPENSARIES BY THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL DIVISION; AMENDING ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, § 1, TO PROVIDE THAT UNLESS PROVIDED IN SUCH CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT, NO CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT SHALL BE AMENDED OR REPEALED UNLESS APPROVED BY THE PEOPLE UNDER THE CONSTITUTION; PROVIDING THAT THIS AMENDMENT'S PROVISIONS ARE SEVERABLE, NULLIFYING ANY PROVISION OF STATE LAW IN CONFLICT WITH THIS AMENDMENT; AND PROVIDING THAT THE AMENDMENT IS SELF-EXECUTING.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR ISSUE NO. 3</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST ISSUE NO. 3</p> <p>Local Measures</p> <p>CITY OF MAGNOLIA, ARKANSAS</p> <p>The bonds described below that are approved may be combined into a single issue or the bonds may be issued in series at one time or from time to time. If bonds for one or more of the purposes described below are approved, there will be levied a 1% sales and use tax, the net collections of which remaining after deduction of the administrative charges of the State of Arkansas and required rebates, shall be used solely to retire the bonds and obligations of the City with respect thereto.</p> <p>The Refunding Bonds will refinance outstanding bonds described below that are secured in part by collections of an existing 1.125% sales and use tax. The existing 1.125% sales and use tax will be abolished if the Refunding Bonds are approved and issued. If there is levied a new 1% sales and use tax and the existing 1.125% sales and use tax is abolished,</p>	<p>the effective sales and use tax rate will be reduced by 0.125%.</p> <p>The rate of taxation will be 1% even if more than one purpose is approved. The 1% sales and use tax will expire after the bonds have been paid or provision is made therefor in accordance with Arkansas statutes. The effective date of the new 1% sales and use tax will be July 1, 2025.</p> <p>REFUNDING BONDS</p> <p>Bonds of the City of Magnolia in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$9,100,000 for the purpose of refunding the City's outstanding Sales and Use Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2018 and, in order to pay the bonds, the levy and pledge of a 1% local sales and use tax within the City (the "1% Tax"). The effective date of the 1% Tax will be July 1, 2025.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST</p> <p>STREET IMPROVEMENT BONDS</p> <p>Bonds of the City of Magnolia in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$30,000,000 for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of improvements to existing streets and roads, including particularly, without limitation, milling and overlay improvements, and, in order to pay the bonds, the levy and pledge of a 1% local sales and use tax within the City (the "1% Tax"). The effective date of the 1% Tax will be July 1, 2025.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST</p> <p>WATER IMPROVEMENT BONDS</p> <p>Bonds of the City of Magnolia in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$5,000,000 for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of extensions, betterments and improvements to the City's water system and, in order to pay the bonds, the levy and pledge of a 1% local sales and use tax within the City (the "1% Tax"). The effective date of the 1% Tax will be July 1, 2025.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST</p> <p>SEWER IMPROVEMENT BONDS</p> <p>Bonds of the City of Magnolia in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$5,000,000 for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of betterments and improvements to the City's sewer system and, in order to pay the bonds, the levy and pledge of a 1% local sales and use tax within the City (the "1% Tax"). The effective date of the 1% Tax will be July 1, 2025.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST</p> <p>MCNEIL, ARKANSAS</p> <p>TAX LEVY ORDINANCES 2024-5-9A</p> <p>AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF A ONE PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN THE CITY OF MCNEIL, ARKANSAS</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST</p> <p>PLEASE VOTE BOTH SIDES</p>