

HATS IN THE RING

Republican candidates for: COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: SEAT 1-B

PRIMARY: MAY 5
GENERAL: AUG. 6



Andy Stanley
Challenger

CANDIDATE DID NOT RETURN PROFILE.

Precincts:
Everett
Maryville Municipal
MLK Center

Incumbent:
Earl McMahan
(not running)

On GOP ballot:
Andy Stanley
Keenan Sudderth

Aug. 6: Winner faces
Terri Klozik (D)

Hats in the Ring

The Daily Times emailed all candidates qualified in a contested primary with an opportunity to complete a free profile form for Hats in the Ring. Responses to each question were character count limited to provide equal opportunity for space to each candidate. View the profiles for any contested county primary by visiting bit.ly/HatsinRing526

— Marcus Fitzsimmons
The Daily Times



Keenan Sudderth
Challenger

ONLINE: bit.ly/KeyKeenan
BRIEF BIO : Dr. Keenan Sudderth is a lifelong Blount County resident, educator, and community advocate. Keenan has served with the Empty Pantry Fund, Alcoa/Blount County Jaycees, local schools, and Alcoa Youth Sports. Keenan is the key to a stronger community.

WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR THIS OFFICE?
I am running for this office because I care deeply about Blount County and the people who call it home. As someone who has grown up here, worked here, and continues to invest in this community, I have seen firsthand what makes our county strong and where we have opportunities to improve.

WHAT EXPERIENCE DO YOU HAVE THAT WILL ASSIST YOU IN THE DUTIES OF THIS OFFICE?
I bring experience in education, workforce development, and community leadership. I have served students and families in Blount County Schools and Alcoa City Schools, worked in industry with Clayton Homes, and supported higher education through Pellissippi State and The University of Tennessee. My involvement with Alcoa Youth Sports, the Alcoa City Schools Foundation, and the Jaycees has strengthened my ability to lead, collaborate, and serve effectively.

IF ELECTED, WHAT WOULD YOUR TOP TWO PRIORITIES BE? If elected, my top priority is supporting responsible growth while protecting the quality of life that makes Blount County strong. As our county continues to grow, we must ensure that infrastructure, schools, and public services keep pace while maintaining fiscal

responsibility and not placing unnecessary burden on taxpayers. Thoughtful planning today will ensure we preserve what makes our community special for future generations.
My second priority is strengthening partnerships between education, workforce, and local industry. With experience in both education and business, I understand the importance of aligning classroom learning with real-world opportunities. By expanding workforce development initiatives and building stronger connections between schools and employers, we can create clear pathways for students to succeed locally. This not only supports our students and families but also helps local businesses thrive and attracts continued economic growth to Blount County.

IN WHAT COMMITTEE DO YOU FEEL YOU COULD DO THE MOST GOOD? Education
WHY SHOULD VOTERS ELECT YOU? Voters should elect me because I bring a proven commitment to Blount County through service, leadership, and results. As an educator, I work every day with students and families, giving me a clear understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing our community. My experience in both education and business allows me to approach decisions with a balanced, practical perspective.

I am not running for a title, but to serve. I believe in showing up, listening, and working collaboratively to find solutions that benefit everyone. Through my involvement with organizations like Alcoa Youth Sports, the Alcoa City Schools Foundation, and the Jaycees, I have demonstrated a consistent commitment to giving back.

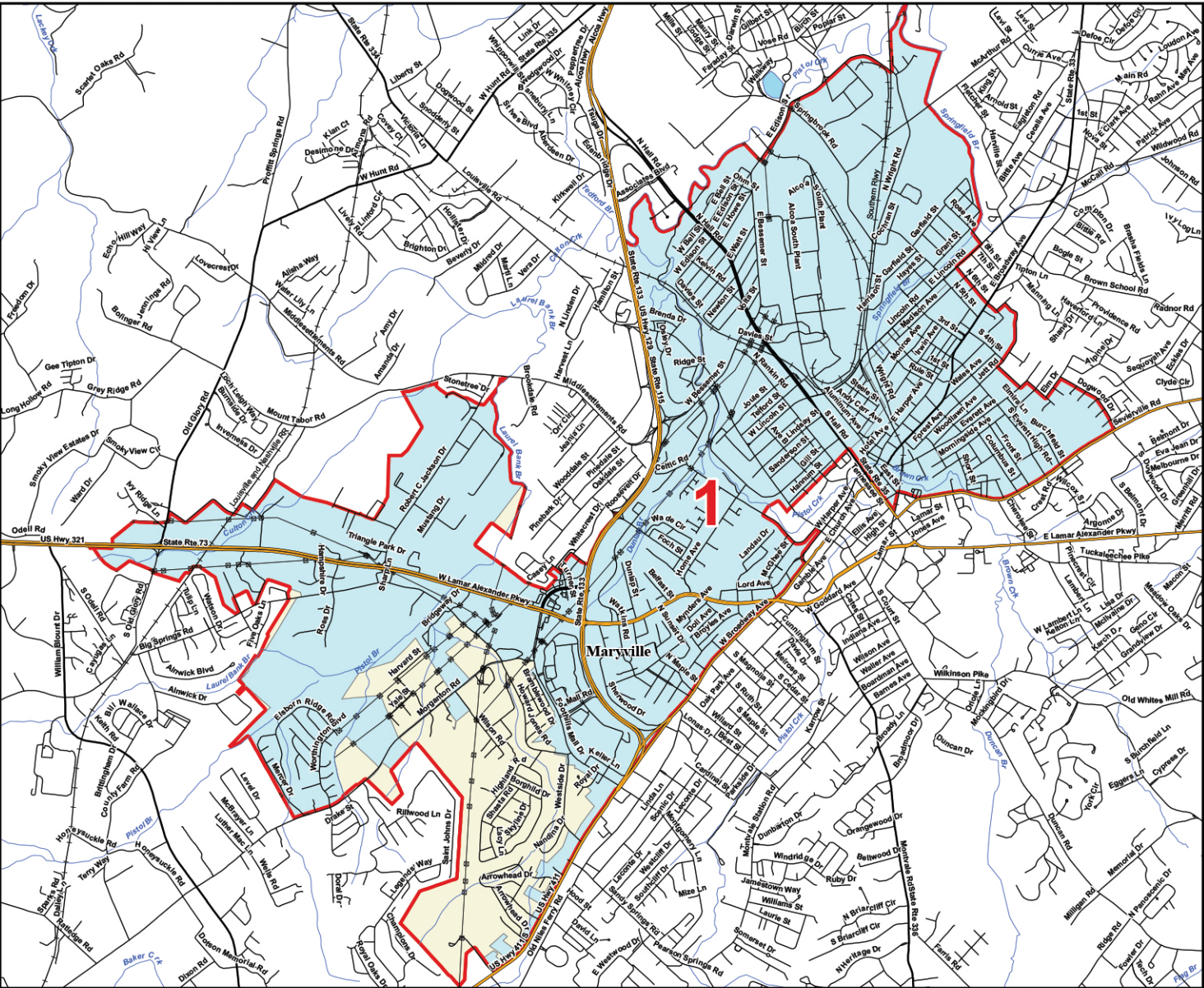
I will prioritize responsible growth, strong schools, and support for local businesses while maintaining transparency and accountability. I understand that this role is about representing the people, and I will work hard every day to earn your trust and deliver results.

EARLY VOTING: April 15 to April 30

Pellissippi: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays
Everett 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays
Library: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays
8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 18, April 25

Providence: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays, opens April 22
8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 25

INFO: www.blounttn.gov/447/Election-Commission



Blount County
County Commission District 1

# OF COMMISSIONERS	2
TOTAL POPULATION	13,126
DEVIATION	242
% DEVIATION	1.9%
WHITE POPULATION	9,755
% WHITE	74.3%
BLACK POPULATION	1,307
% BLACK	10%
OTHER POPULATION	2,064
% OTHER	15.7%
HISPANIC POPULATION	1,180
% HISPANIC	9%

- County Commission District
- Interstates
- U.S. Highway
- State Highway
- Local Roads
- Railroads
- Powerline (Incomplete)
- Stream
- Lakes / Rivers
- City, Town

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