



Phyllis Lee Crisp
Incumbent

ONLINE: na
BRIEF BIO: Married to Tony Jay Crisp for 50 years. Mother of two girls Amy (Eddie) Davis, Joni (Mike) Seratt. Proud grandmother of five grandchildren and two bonus grandchildren. I am a 1976 graduate of Everett High School.

WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR THIS OFFICE?
Being your Register of Deeds is not just a job, it is my passion. I feel Blount County citizens have placed a great deal of trust in me by electing me the last four terms. With my experience I will continue to work very hard to preserve the integrity and trust that is expected from the office of Register of Deeds. I love Blount County and want it to continue to be a great place to live, work, and raise a family.

WHAT EXPERIENCE DO YOU HAVE THAT WILL ASSIST YOU IN THE DUTIES OF THIS OFFICE?
I have proudly served as Register of Deeds since first being elected in 2010, and I have continued in that role ever since. Over the years, I have gained extensive experience and a deep understanding of the responsibilities and daily operations of this office.

My background managing public records, overseeing a staff of nine, working with real estate documents, attorneys, realtors and the public has prepared me to run the office efficiently and transparently.

I take leadership classes through CTAS that keeps me up to date on any changes affecting the Register's office.

I prepare and maintain a balanced budget, have zero audit findings, and I'm a leader with experience, integrity, and a proven record in customer service.

IF ELECTED, WHAT WOULD YOUR TOP TWO PRIORITIES BE? I feel my top priorities in the Register's office is to maintain high standards of accuracy and transparency in preserving essential documents- property Deeds, Liens, Plats, Restrictions, POA's, Military Discharges, etc that are recorded in the office.

The other top priority is to continue strengthening our systems that will safeguard our citizens most important records by offering fraud alert service free of charge. My goal is to get every property owner signed up for "MYLANDALERT". This service will alert them by email anytime a transaction is recorded in their name. Also, property owners need to be aware of scam letters offering to get them copies of their deeds. Property owners receive their deeds when they purchase property. Copies can be obtained in the Register's office for fifty cents a page or a dollar a page for a certified copy.

WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE BIGGEST ISSUE FOR THIS OFFICE DURING THE UPCOMING TERM?
One of the biggest issues facing the office in the coming term is the rapid growth in our county. With continued increases in new construction, property transfers, and population, the volume of records and transactions handled by the office will continue to rise.

I will remain committed to operating the office in an efficient, organized, and forward-thinking manner. We will continue to utilize technology where appropriate, maintain well-trained staff, and ensure that all records are processed accurately and in a timely fashion.

My goal is to build on the strong foundation we've established- continuing to serve our community with professionalism, reliability, and the highest level of customer service, even as demand increases.

WHY SHOULD VOTERS SELECT YOU? Voters should re-elect me because of my proven experience, dedication, and commitment to serving this office with accuracy and integrity. Since first taking office, I have worked hard to ensure that every record is handled with care and precision, protecting what is often a citizen's most valuable asset besides their family.

Along with my experienced and professional staff, we have built an office that operates efficiently, effectively, and with a strong focus on customer service. We understand the importance of maintaining accurate public records and providing dependable service to our community.

I am committed to continuing that standard of excellence, ensuring the office remains efficient, trustworthy, and responsive to the needs of our growing county.

The Office:
The primary function of the register is to make and preserve a record of instruments required or allowed by law to be filed or recorded, including but not limited to deeds, powers of attorney, deeds of trust, mortgages, liens, contracts, plats, leases, judgments, wills, court orders, military discharges, records under the Uniform Commercial Code (primarily fixture filings), and other types of documents. T.C.A. § 66-24-101

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On GOP ballot:
Phyllis Lee Crisp
Beth Myers-Rees

Aug. 6: There is not a Democrat or independent candidate on the ballot. The primary winner takes seat.

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.



Beth Myers-Rees
Challenger

ONLINE: www.facebook.com/share/1CN3ZrNq5i/?mibextid=wwXlfr

BRIEF BIO: I am Beth Myers-Rees, a Blount County resident, Maryville College graduate, mother and grandmother with 45 years of experience in administration, accounting, office management, customer service, and substitute teaching in Blount County Schools.

WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR THIS OFFICE?
I am running for Register of Deeds because I believe it is an important public trust. The people of Blount County deserve an office that is accurate, efficient, professional and respectful to every citizen. I believe my background has prepared me to provide that kind of service.

WHAT EXPERIENCE DO YOU HAVE THAT WILL ASSIST YOU IN THE DUTIES OF THIS OFFICE?
My background in administration, accounting, records management, communication and customer service has prepared me well for an office where organization, follow-through, and attention to detail matter every day. My education in writing and communications has also helped prepare me to serve the public clearly and effectively.

IF ELECTED, WHAT WOULD YOUR TOP TWO PRIORITIES BE? My top priorities are to provide world-class customer service to everyone who uses the office and to help ensure the safety and integrity of county records against possible title fraud. I also want the office to be known for accuracy, professionalism, and respectful service.

WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE BIGGEST ISSUE FOR THIS OFFICE DURING THE UPCOMING TERM?
I see the biggest issue as protecting public trust in land records while Blount County continues to grow. As Maryville, Alcoa, and the county see more development and property transactions, the Register's office must keep records accurate, accessible, and secure from deed scams and title fraud. My plan is to launch a Property

Protection Initiative with fraud-alert signups, plain-English guides, public workshops and better online updates so citizens can verify records, understand notices, and protect their property.

WHY SHOULD VOTERS SELECT YOU? I am asking voters to elect me because I offer experience, dependability, and a service-first approach. I have lived in Blount County for 26 years, graduated from Maryville College, and proudly consider this community my home. Having lived in several other parts of the country and abroad, I also understand the challenges people face when moving into a new community. Blount County is my favorite place in the world and I would be honored to earn the support of its voters.

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MISTY DAVIS
Blount County Commissioner
District 6, Seat B

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- Stand Up for Taxpayers
- Believe in Conservative Values
- Not Controlled by Political Groups
- Listen to My Community

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- Recruit and retain top deputies
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