



2026 PRIMARY

Election Date: 03/03/2026

This is an official notice of an election to be conducted in **McDowell** County on **03/03/2026**. This notice contains a list of all of the ballot measures and federal, State, and local offices this county expects, as of this date, to be on the ballot on the date of the election. (See Attachment)

An Election Notice will be prepared not later than 100 days before a regularly scheduled election that permits absentee voting, and as soon as practicable in the case of an election or vacancy election not regularly scheduled. For a second primary, an Election Notice will be prepared, no later than the day following the date the appropriate board of elections orders that a second primary be held.

As soon as ballot styles are printed, this county board of elections will update this notice with the certified candidates for each office and ballot measures and referenda questions that will be on the ballot. For General Elections during even-numbered years, ballots will be printed **60 days** prior to the election. For statewide primaries and other elections (except municipal elections), ballots will be printed **50 days** prior to the election. Municipal ballots are available **30 days** prior to Election Day. **You must request an updated Election Notice.**

Transmitting a Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot:

This notice may be used in conjunction with the federal write-in absentee ballot (FWAB). Covered military & U.S. citizens living outside the U.S. seeking to vote by absentee ballot may use the FWAB to register to vote, request an absentee ballot, and vote an official military-overseas ballot. When using the FWAB to register to vote, and/or request an absentee ballot, please transmit your signed and completed FWAB no later than **5:00 p.m. on the day before Election Day**. If submitted later than this day and time, your absentee ballot will not be counted. Federal write-in absentee ballots are available at www.NCSBE.gov. You may also request a regular absentee ballot by using the federal postcard application (FPCA), available at www.FVAP.gov. A regular ballot can be mailed, faxed or emailed to you. You may return the FWAB or a regular absentee ballot by mail, secure fax (1-919-715-0351) or email (absentee@ncsbe.gov).

Marking a Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot:

When marking a FWAB, for each office for which you wish to vote, write in either a candidate's name or political party designation. For ballot measures or referenda, write either "YES" (you are *for* the ballot measure or referendum) or "NO" (you are *against* the ballot measure or referendum). In a primary, if you are registered as Democratic, Green, Libertarian, or Republican, for partisan contests, you may only vote for the candidates of the party for which you are affiliated. You are also eligible to vote for non-partisan contests. If you are registered as unaffiliated ("independent"), in a primary, you may choose to vote for the partisan contests of one of the parties or you may choose to vote for non-partisan contests only. Please contact your local [board of elections](#) to confirm your party affiliation or voter registration status.

Please check the website for the NC State Board of Elections (www.NCSBE.gov) for additional information on military-overseas absentee voting.

Election Notice Of Contests and Referenda

MCDOWELL BOARD OF ELECTIONS (03/03/2026)

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CANDIDATE NAME	NAME ON BALLOT	PARTY
US SENATE		
DARYL FARROW	Daryl Farrow	DEM
JUSTIN DUES	Justin E. Dues	DEM
ROY COOPER	Roy Cooper	DEM
ROBERT COLON	Robert Colon	DEM
MARCUS WILLIAMS	Marcus W. Williams	DEM
ORRICK QUICK	Orrick Quick	DEM
MARGOT DUPRE	Margot Dupre	REP
RICHARD DANSIE	Richard Dansie	REP
DONALD BROWN	Donald M. (Don) Brown	REP
MICHAEL WHATLEY	Michael Whatley	REP
ELIZABETH TEMPLE	Elizabeth A. Temple	REP
MICHELE MORROW	Michele Morrow	REP
THOMAS JOHNSON	Thomas Johnson	REP
US HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 11		
ZELDA BRIARWOOD	Zelda Briarwood	DEM
JAMES AGER	Jamie Ager	DEM
LEE WHIPPLE	Lee Whipple	DEM
PAUL MADDOX	Paul Maddox	DEM
RICHARD HUDSPETH	Richard Hudspeth	DEM
CHARLES EDWARDS	Chuck Edwards	REP
ADAM SMITH	Adam R. Smith	REP
NC COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE SEAT 01		
MICHAEL BYRNE	Michael C. Byrne	REP
MATTHEW SMITH	Matt Smith	REP
NC COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE SEAT 03		
JAMES WHALEN	James Weldon Whalen	DEM
CHRISTINE WALCZYK	Christine Marie Walczyk	DEM
NC HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 113		
JAKE JOHNSON	Jake Johnson	REP
MICHAEL HAGER	Mike Hager	REP
NC DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 41 SEAT 01		
ROBERT MARTELLE	Robert K. Martelle	REP
ANDREW LABRECHE	Andrew LaBreche	REP
DISTRICT ATTORNEY DISTRICT 41		
THEODORE BELL	Ted Bell	REP
DAVID NORRIS	David Norris	REP
MCDOWELL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS		
TONY BROWN	Tony G. Brown	REP
CHRISTOPHER ALLISON	Chris Allison	REP
DAVID WALKER	David Walker	REP

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CANDIDATE NAME	NAME ON BALLOT	PARTY
MICHAEL SEAY	Mike Seay	REP
ROBERT RISE	Robert Allen Rise	REP
EVERETT GREENE	Lynn Greene	REP

MCDOWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MARION DISTRICT

ANGELA ALLEN-HELMS	Angela Allen-Helms	REP
MARVIN GREER	Marvin F. Greer	REP

MCDOWELL COUNTY SHERIFF

BRYON CRISP	Bryon Crisp	REP
JACOB CALVERT	J. S. Calvert	REP
BRENT RUMFELT	Brent Allen Rumfelt	REP
NATHAN MACE	Nathan Mace	REP