

OFFICIAL GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

Jasper County, State of Iowa

Official Ballot
General Election
November 3, 2026



INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

- Voting Mark.** To vote, fill in the oval next to your choice.
☐ Candidate Name
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- Write-in Votes.** To vote for a person whose name is not on the ballot, write the name on the write-in line below the list of candidates and fill in the oval next to it.
- Use only the pen or pencil provided.**
- Do not cross out.** If you change your mind, exchange your ballot for a new one.
- Where to find the judicial retention questions:** on the back of this ballot in the middle.
- Where to find the public measures:** the public measures are on the back of the ballot in the right hand column.

FEDERAL OFFICES

United States Senator
Vote for no more than One

- ☐ Josh Turek
Democratic
- ☐ Ashley Hinson
Republican
- ☐ Thomas Laehn
Libertarian
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote, if any)

**United States Representative
District 1**
Vote for no more than One

- ☐ Christina Bohannon
Democratic
- ☐ Mariannette Miller-Meeks
Republican
- ☐ Michael Bridgford
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote, if any)

STATE OFFICES

Governor
Vote for no more than One

- ☐ Rob Sand
Dave Muhlbauer Democratic
- ☐ Zach Lahn
Derek Wulf Republican
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote for Governor, if any)
- _____
(Write-in vote for Lt. Governor, if any)

STATE OFFICES

Secretary of State
Vote for no more than One

- ☐ Ryan Peterman
Democratic
- ☐ Paul D. Pate
Republican
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote, if any)

Auditor of State
Vote for no more than One

- ☐ Taylor Wettach
Democratic
- ☐ Chris Courmoyer
Republican
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote, if any)

Treasurer of State
Vote for no more than One

- ☐ John Norwood
Democratic
- ☐ Roby Smith
Republican
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote, if any)

Secretary of Agriculture
Vote for no more than One

- ☐ Chris Jones
Democratic
- ☐ Mike Naig
Republican
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote, if any)

Attorney General
Vote for no more than One

- ☐ Nate Willems
Democratic
- ☐ Brenna Bird
Republican
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote, if any)

**State Senator
District 19**
Vote for no more than One

- ☐ Zachary Mecham
Democratic
- ☐ Barb Kniff McCulla
Republican
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote, if any)

**State Representative
District 38**
Vote for no more than One

- ☐ Brad Magg
Democratic
- ☐ Matthew Oleson
Republican
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote, if any)

COUNTY OFFICES

County Supervisor
Vote for no more than Two

- ☐ Scott DeVries
Democratic
- ☐ Thad Nearmyer
Republican
- ☐ Brandon Talsma
Republican
- ☐ Randy Lee Ray
- ☐ Alyssa Wilson

(Write-in vote, if any)

(Write-in vote, if any)

County Treasurer
Vote for no more than One

- ☐ Doug Bishop
Democratic
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote, if any)

County Recorder
Vote for no more than One

- ☐ Michelle Hull
Republican
- ☐ Joe Otto
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote, if any)

County Attorney
Vote for no more than One

- ☐ Scott W. Nicholson
Democratic
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote, if any)

NONPARTISAN OFFICES

Palo Alto Township Trustee
Vote for no more than Two

- ☐ David Peters
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote, if any)
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote, if any)

Palo Alto Township Clerk
Vote for no more than One

- ☐ Christa J. Vander Weerd
- ☐ _____
(Write-in vote, if any)

**TURN THE
BALLOT OVER**

Palo Alto Twp

____Precinct Official's Initials

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NONPARTISAN OFFICES	JUDICIAL OFFICES	CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
Soil & Water Conservation District Commissioner Vote for no more than Two ☐ Joe Otto ☐ David Van Waus ☐ _____ (Write-in vote, if any) ☐ _____ (Write-in vote, if any)	Notice to voters. This ballot contains the names of judicial officers to be retained in or removed from office at this election. Vote on all names by filling in the appropriate oval below each name. COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE Shall the following Judges of the Appeals be retained? ☐ Sharon Soorholtz Greer ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ John M. Sandy ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Julie A. Schumacher ☐ Yes ☐ No DISTRICT 5A JUDGE Shall the following Judges of the District Court District 5A be retained in office? ☐ Thomas P. Murphy ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Michael K. Jacobsen ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Nicholas Bailey ☐ Yes ☐ No DISTRICT 5A ASSOCIATE JUDGE Shall the following Associate Judges of the District Court District 5A be retained in office? ☐ Steven W. Guiter ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Mark F. Schlenker ☐ Yes ☐ No PUBLIC MEASURE Shall the following public measure be adopted? Public Measure PA Shall the Jasper County Board of Supervisors fill the offices of Trustees and Clerk of Palo Alto Township by appointment as the terms of office of the incumbent township officers expire? ☐ Yes ☐ No TURN THE BALLOT OVER	Shall the following amendment to the Constitution be adopted? Constitutional Amendment 1 Summary: Provides that any bill to increase the individual income tax rate or the corporate income tax rate, or the rate of any other type of tax based upon income or legal and special reserves, shall require the affirmative votes of at least two-thirds of the members elected to each house of the legislature for passage. Further, the two-thirds majority vote requirement applies to the passage of a bill to establish a new tax on any type of income or legal and special reserves imposed by the state. The requirement excludes taxes imposed at the option of a local government. A lawsuit challenging the proper enactment of a bill under this section must be filed no later than one year following the enactment. Full Text: The Constitution of the State of Iowa is amended by adding the following new section to new Article XIII: Passage of a bill that increases the individual income tax rate or the corporate income tax rate, or the rate of any other type of tax based upon income or legal and special reserves, shall require the affirmative votes of at least two-thirds of the members elected to each house of the general assembly. This requirement does not apply to taxes imposed at the option of a local government. Passage of a bill that establishes a new tax on any type of income or legal and special reserves imposed by the state shall require the affirmative votes of at least two-thirds of the members elected to each house of the general assembly. A lawsuit challenging the proper enactment of a bill under this section must be filed no later than one year following the enactment. If such a lawsuit is not filed within the one-year limit, the bill shall be considered properly enacted under this section. Each bill to which this section applies must include a separate provision describing the requirements for enactment prescribed by this section. The general assembly shall enact laws to implement this section. ☐ Yes ☐ No