

SAMPLE BALLOT

This is a common ballot, however, some offices will appear only in certain precincts which will apply to your districts.

OFFICIAL BALLOT		
GENERAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA NOVEMBER 3, 2020		
INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER		
TO VOTE YOU MUST BLACKEN THE OVAL <input type="radio"/> COMPLETELY! <input checked="" type="radio"/> IF YOU SPOIL YOUR BALLOT, DO NOT ERASE, BUT ASK FOR A NEW BALLOT.		
STRAIGHT PARTY VOTING	FOR COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS JUDGE, PLACE NO. 1 (Vote for One)	FOR BALDWIN COUNTY REVENUE COMMISSIONER (Vote for One)
<input type="radio"/> ALABAMA DEMOCRATIC PARTY	<input type="radio"/> WILLIAM C. "Bill" THOMPSON <small>Republican</small>	<input type="radio"/> TEDDY J. FAUST, JR. <small>Republican</small>
<input type="radio"/> ALABAMA REPUBLICAN PARTY	<input type="radio"/> MATT FRIDY <small>Republican</small>	<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>
FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (Vote for One)	FOR COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS JUDGE, PLACE NO. 1 (Vote for One)	FOR MEMBER, BALDWIN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT NO. _____ (Vote for One)
<input type="radio"/> JOSEPH R. BIDEN KAMALA D. HARRIS <small>Democrat</small>	<input type="radio"/> MARY WINDOM <small>Republican</small>	<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>
<input type="radio"/> DONALD J. TRUMP MICHAEL R. PENCE <small>Republican</small>	<input type="radio"/> JO JORGENSEN JEREMY "Spike" COHEN <small>Independent</small>	<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>
<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>	FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR (Vote for One)	FOR PRESIDENT, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION (Vote for One)
<input type="radio"/> DOUG JONES <small>Democrat</small>	<input type="radio"/> LAURA CASEY <small>Democrat</small>	<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>
<input type="radio"/> TOMMY TUBERVILLE <small>Republican</small>	<input type="radio"/> TWINKLE ANDRESS CAVANAUGH <small>Republican</small>	<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>
<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>	FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for One)	FOR MEMBER, STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT NO. 1 (Vote for One)
<input type="radio"/> JAMES AVERHART <small>Democrat</small>	<input type="radio"/> TOM HOLMES <small>Democrat</small>	<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>
<input type="radio"/> JERRY CARL <small>Republican</small>	<input type="radio"/> JACKIE ZEIGLER <small>Republican</small>	<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>
<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>	FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT, PLACE NO. 1 (Vote for One)	FOR CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE, 28TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, PLACE NO. 5 (Vote for One)
<input type="radio"/> GREG SHAW <small>Republican</small>	<input type="radio"/> CARMEN BOSCH <small>Republican</small>	<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>
<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>	FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT, PLACE NO. 2 (Vote for One)	FOR DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, BALDWIN COUNTY, PLACE NO. 1 (Vote for One)
<input type="radio"/> BRAD MENDHEIM <small>Republican</small>	<input type="radio"/> MICHELLE M. THOMASON <small>Republican</small>	<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>
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FOR MEMBER, BALDWIN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT NO. 3 (Vote for One)
<input type="radio"/> TONY MYRICK <small>Republican</small>
<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>
FOR MEMBER, BALDWIN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT NO. 5 (Vote for One)
<input type="radio"/> ROBERT STUART, II <small>Republican</small>
<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>
FOR MEMBER, BALDWIN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT NO. 6 (Vote for One)
<input type="radio"/> CECIL CHRISTENBERRY <small>Republican</small>
<input type="radio"/> _____ <small>Write-in</small>

"Shall the following Amendments to the Constitution of Alabama be adopted?"

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT STATEWIDE

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 1

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to amend Article VIII of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 177 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, to provide that only a citizen of the United States has the right to vote. (Proposed by Act 2019-330)

- YES
 NO

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 2

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to increase the membership of the Judicial Inquiry Commission and further provide for the appointment of the additional members; further provide for the membership of the Court of the Judiciary and further provide for the appointment of the additional members; further provide for the process of disqualifying an active judge; repeal provisions providing for the impeachment of Supreme Court Justices and appellate judges and the removal for cause of the judges of the district and circuit courts, judges of the probate courts, and judges of certain other courts by the Supreme Court; delete the authority of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to appoint an Administrative Director Courts; provide the Supreme Court of Alabama with authority to appoint an Administrative Director of Courts; require the Legislature to establish procedures for the appointment of the Administrative Director of Courts; delete the requirement that a district court hold court in each incorporated municipality with a population of 1,000 or more where there is no municipal court; provide that the procedure for the filling of vacancies in the office of a judge may be changed by local constitutional amendment; delete certain language relating to the position of constable holding more than one state office; delete a provision providing for the temporary maintenance of the prior judicial system; repeal the office of circuit solicitor; and make certain nonsubstantive stylistic changes. (Proposed by Act 2019-187)

- YES
 NO

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 3

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to provide that a judge, other than a judge of probate, appointed to fill a vacancy would serve an initial term until the first Monday after the second Tuesday in January following the next general election after the judge has completed two years in office. (Proposed by Act 2019-346)

- YES
 NO

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 4

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to authorize the Legislature to recompile the Alabama Constitution and submit it during the 2022 Regular Session, and provide a process for its ratification by the voters of this state. (Proposed by Act 2019-271)

- YES
 NO

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 5

Relating to Franklin County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to provide that a person is not liable for using deadly physical force in self-defense or in the defense of another person on the premises of a church under certain conditions. (Proposed by Act 2019-194)

- YES
 NO

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 6

Relating to Lauderdale County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to provide that a person is not liable for using deadly physical force in self-defense or in the defense of another person on the premises of a church under certain conditions. (Proposed by Act 2019-193)

- YES
 NO

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF LOCAL APPLICATION TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT IN ONLY THE COUNTY OF APPLICATION

BALDWIN COUNTY LOCAL AMENDMENT 1

Relating to Baldwin County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to allow the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County to exercise equity jurisdiction concurrent with that of the circuit court in cases originally filed in the Probate Court of Baldwin County if the Judge of Probate is a member of the Alabama State Bar. (Proposed by Act 2019-229)

- YES
 NO

BALDWIN COUNTY LOCAL AMENDMENT 2

Relating to Baldwin County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, to authorize the Legislature by local law to provide for the incorporation of a toll road and bridge authority as a public corporation in the county for the purposes of acquiring, designing, constructing, equipping, regulating, improving, operating, and maintaining a new toll road and bridge project in the county in order to extend the present northern terminus of the Baldwin Beach Express to U.S. Interstate Highway 65. (Proposed by Act 2019-300)

- YES
 NO

BALDWIN COUNTY LOCAL AMENDMENT 3

Relating to Baldwin County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to define the Rosinton Landmark District within the county and to prohibit the annexation by local law of any property within the district into any municipality except under certain conditions. (Proposed by Act 2019-287)

- YES
 NO

BALDWIN COUNTY LOCAL AMENDMENT 4

Relating to Baldwin County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to define the Barnwell Landmark District within the county and to prohibit the annexation by local law of any property within the district into any municipality except under certain conditions. (Proposed by Act 2020-98)

- YES
 NO

END OF BALLOT

SAMPLE BALLOT

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 1:

(1) The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2019-330 (Senate Bill 313, 2019 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Senator Marsh

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to amend Article VIII of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 177 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, to provide that only a citizen of the United States has the right to vote.

Proposed by Act 2019-330.

This description shall be followed by the following language: “Yes () No ().”

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of statewide and local offices and will be the first constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as “Statewide Amendment 1.”

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

The state constitution grants the right to vote to U.S. citizens who meet certain requirements. This amendment does not change those requirements.

If a majority of voters vote “yes” for Amendment 1, the state constitution will grant the right to vote to “only” those U.S. citizens who meet the requirements.

If a majority of voters vote “no” for Amendment 1, the state constitution will continue to grant the right to vote to “every” U.S. citizen who meets the requirements.

There is no cost for Amendment 1.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 1 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284, 285, and 287 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901.

These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 2:

(1) The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2019-187 (Senate Bill 216, 2019 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Senator Orr

Cosponsor: Senator Ward

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to increase the membership of the Judicial Inquiry Commission and further provide for the appointment of the additional members; further provide for the membership of the Court of the Judiciary and further provide for the appointment of the additional members; further provide for the process of disqualifying an active judge; repeal provisions providing for the impeachment of Supreme Court Justices and appellate judges and the removal for cause of the judges of the district and circuit courts, judges of the probate courts, and judges of certain other courts by the Supreme Court; delete the authority of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to appoint an Administrative Director Courts; provide the Supreme Court of Alabama with authority to appoint an Administrative Director of Courts; require the Legislature to establish procedures for the appointment of the Administrative Director of Courts; delete the requirement that a district court hold court in each incorporated municipality with a population of 1,000 or more where there is no municipal court; provide that the procedure for the filling of vacancies in the office of a judge may be changed by local constitutional amendment; delete certain language relating to the position of constable holding more than one state office; delete a provision providing for the temporary maintenance of the prior judicial system; repeal the office of circuit solicitor; and make certain nonsubstantive stylistic changes.

Proposed by Act 2019-187.

This description shall be followed by the following language: “Yes () No ().”

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

If a majority of voters approve Amendment 2, a separate bill passed by the Legislature (Act 2019-497) will become law. This act creates a process to fill vacancies in the position of Administrative Director of Courts.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of statewide and local offices and will be the second constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as “Statewide Amendment 2.”

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

This amendment proposes six changes to the state’s judicial system. In summary, this amendment:

1. Provides that county district courts do not have to hold city court in a city with a population of less than 1,000;
2. Allows the Alabama Supreme Court, rather than the Chief Justice, to appoint the Administrative Director of Courts;
3. Increases from 9 to 11 the total membership of the Judicial Inquiry Commission and determines who appoints each member (the Judicial Inquiry Commission evaluates ethics complaints filed against judges);
4. Allows the Governor, rather than the Lieutenant Governor, to appoint a member of the Court of the Judiciary (the Court of the Judiciary hears complaints filed by the Judicial Inquiry Commission);
5. Prevents a judge from being automatically disqualified from holding office simply because a complaint was filed with the Judiciary Inquiry Commission; and
6. Provides that a judge can be removed from office only by the Court of the Judiciary.

If a majority of voters vote “yes” on Amendment 2, these provisions become law.

If a majority of voters vote “no” on Amendment 2, there will be no change to current law.

There is no cost for Amendment 2.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 2 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284, 285, and 287 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 3:

(1) The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2019-346 (House Bill 505, 2019 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Representative Faulkner

Cosponsor: Representative Fridy

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to provide that a judge, other than a judge of probate, appointed to fill a vacancy would serve an initial term until the first Monday after the second Tuesday in January following the next general election after the judge has completed two years in office.

Proposed by Act 2019-346.

This description shall be followed by the following language: “Yes () No ().”

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of statewide and local offices and will be the third constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as “Statewide Amendment 3.”

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

This amendment changes the initial term of a judge that is appointed to fill a vacancy due to death, resignation, retirement, or removal. The current law and this proposed amendment do not apply to probate judges.

Under current law, the initial term of office for a person appointed to fill a vacancy in a judgeship shall last until the first Monday after the second Tuesday in January following the next general election held after the person has completed one year in office or the remainder of the original term of the judge elected to the office which is vacant, whichever is longer. The term of the appointment could vary widely due to the years left in the original term. At the election, the judicial office shall be filled for a full term.

Under this amendment, a judge appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve an initial term lasting until the first Monday after the second Tuesday in January following the next general election held after the person has completed two years in office. At the election, the judicial office shall be filled for a full term.

If the majority of the voters vote “yes” on Amendment 3, the initial appointment to fill a judicial vacancy will last until the first Monday after the second Tuesday in January after two years of service before a general election to fill the judicial office.

If the majority of the voters vote “no” on Amendment 3, then the length of appointment to fill a judicial vacancy will not change.

There is no costs to Amendment 3.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 3 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284, 285, and 287 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 4:

(1) The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2019-271 (House Bill 328, 2019 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Representative Coleman

Cosponsors: Representatives McCutcheon, Hollis, Rafferty, Bracy, Alexander, Drummond, Moore (M), Rogers, McClammy, Clarke, Gray, Jackson, Warren, Hill and Wadsworth

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to authorize the Legislature to recompile the Alabama Constitution and submit it during the 2022 Regular Session, and provide a process for its ratification by the voters of this state.

Proposed by Act 2019-271.

This description shall be followed by the following language: “Yes () No ().”

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of statewide and local offices and will be the fourth constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as “Statewide Amendment 4.”

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

Alabama’s constitution can be changed only during a constitutional convention or when a majority of voters approve a constitutional amendment.

If a majority of voters vote “yes” on Amendment 4, the Alabama Legislature, when it meets in 2022, would be allowed to draft a rearranged version of the state constitution. This draft could only (1) remove racist language, (2) remove language that is repeated or no longer applies, (3) combine language related to economic development, and (4) combine language that relates to the same county. No other changes could be made.

Even if passed by the Alabama Legislature, this rearranged version would not become law until it was approved by a majority of voters.

If a majority of voters vote “no” on Amendment 4, the Alabama Legislature could not draft a rearranged version of the state constitution.

There is no cost for Amendment 4.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 4 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284, 285, and 287 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 5:

(1) The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2019-194 (House Bill 536, 2019 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Representative Kiel

Relating to Franklin County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to provide that a person is not liable for using deadly physical force in self-defense or in the defense of another person on the premises of a church under certain conditions.

Proposed by Act 2019-194.

This description shall be followed by the following language: “Yes () No ().”

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of statewide and local offices and will be the fifth constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as “Statewide Amendment 5.”

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

Alabama’s “Stand Your Ground” law allows a person to legally use physical force against another person under certain conditions. The law does not require the person to retreat before using physical force.

If a majority of voters in Alabama vote “yes” on Amendment 5, and if, in addition, a majority of voters in Franklin County vote “yes” on Amendment 5, the state constitution would contain a special “Stand Your Ground” law that applies to churches in Franklin County only.

If a majority of voters in Alabama vote “no” on Amendment 5, or, if a majority of voters in Franklin County vote “no” on Amendment 5, the state constitution would not contain a special “Stand Your Ground” law that applies to churches in Franklin County. There is no cost for Amendment 5.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 5 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284, 285, and 287 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 6:

(1) The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2019-193 (House Bill 461, 2019 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Representative Greer

Cosponsors: Representatives Sorrell, Kiel and Pettus

Relating to Lauderdale County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to provide that a person is not liable for using deadly physical force in self-defense or in the defense of another person on the premises of a church under certain conditions.

Proposed by Act 2019-193.

This description shall be followed by the following language: “Yes () No ().”

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of statewide and local offices and will be the sixth constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as “Statewide Amendment 6.”

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

Alabama’s “Stand Your Ground” law allows a person to legally use physical force against another person under certain conditions. The law does not require the person to retreat before using physical force.

If a majority of voters in Alabama vote “yes” on Amendment 6, and if, in addition, a majority of voters in Lauderdale County vote “yes” on Amendment 6, the state constitution would contain a special “Stand Your Ground” law that applies to churches in Lauderdale County only.

If a majority of voters in Alabama vote “no” on Amendment 6, or, if a majority of voters in Lauderdale County vote “no” on Amendment 6, the state constitution would not contain a special “Stand Your Ground” law that applies to churches in Lauderdale County.

There is no cost for Amendment 6.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 6 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284, 285, and 287 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.