

# SAMPLE BALLOT

## ROCKDALE COUNTY DEMOCRATIC SAMPLE BALLOT GENERAL PRIMARY AND NONPARTISAN GENERAL ELECTION JULY 31, 2012

This SAMPLE BALLOT contains all races and questions to appear on the Democratic General Primary and Nonpartisan General Election Ballot. Voters must choose a Party Ballot (Democratic or Republican) or vote a Nonpartisan Ballot. Please share this Sample Ballot with all registered voters in your household. We hope you will use this valuable resource as you prepare to cast your ballot. You can mark this sample ballot and bring it with you to use as your guide when you come to vote.

**To confirm your voter registration and where to vote visit:**

- Secretary of State My Voter Page: [www.sos.ga.gov/MVP](http://www.sos.ga.gov/MVP)
- Contact the Rockdale Board of Elections Office:  
1400 Parker Road, Lobby C, Phone: (770) 278-7333  
Website: [www.rockdalecounty.org](http://www.rockdalecounty.org)

### EARLY VOTING HOURS

- 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM, JULY 9 - JULY 20
- 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM, JULY 21 (SATURDAY)
- 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM, JULY 23 - JULY 24
- 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM, JULY 25 - JULY 27 (extended hours)

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| <p><b>For Public Service Commissioner</b><br/>(To Succeed Chuck Eaton)<br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> STEPHEN OPPENHEIMER</p>  | <p><b>For State Representative in the General Assembly From 92<sup>nd</sup> District</b><br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> TONYA P. ANDERSON</p> <p><input type="radio"/> DOREEN CARTER</p> <p><input type="radio"/> KATHY L. HARVEY</p> <p><input type="radio"/> SHERRI LEN WASHINGTON</p> <p><input type="radio"/> DOREEN WILLIAMS</p> | <p><b>For Coroner</b><br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> GEORGE LEVETT JR.</p>   |
| <p><b>For U.S. Representative in 113<sup>th</sup> Congress From the 4<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Georgia</b><br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> COURTNEY L. DILLARD SR.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON JR.<br/>(Incumbent)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> LINCOLN NUNNALLY</p> | <p><b>For State Representative in the General Assembly From 113<sup>th</sup> District</b><br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> TONEY COLLINS</p> <p><input type="radio"/> PAM DICKERSON<br/>(Incumbent)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> SHARON SAWYER</p>  | <p><b>For Chief Magistrate</b><br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> PHINIA ATEN</p>  |
| <p><b>For State Senator From 17<sup>th</sup> District</b><br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NELVA LEE</p>   | <p><b>For Judge of the Probate Court</b><br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> CAYCIE DIX</p> <p><input type="radio"/> CHARLES MAYS</p>  | <p><b>For County Commission Chair</b><br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> BRIAN L. JENKINS</p> <p><input type="radio"/> RICHARD A. ODEN<br/>(Incumbent)</p>   |
| <p><b>For State Senator From 43<sup>rd</sup> District</b><br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> RONALD B. RAMSEY SR.<br/>(Incumbent)</p>  | <p><b>For Clerk of Superior Court</b><br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> RUTH A. WILSON<br/>(Incumbent)</p>   | <p><b>For County Commissioner Post 1</b><br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> OZ NESBITT<br/>(Incumbent)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> JERRY SHEPPERD</p>   |
| <p><b>For State Representative in the General Assembly From 90<sup>th</sup> District</b><br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> SCOTT HUGHES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> PAM S. STEPHENSON<br/>(Incumbent)</p>  | <p><b>For Sheriff</b><br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> DONALD FERGUSON</p> <p><input type="radio"/> ERIC LEVETT</p>   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>DEMOCRATIC PARTY QUESTIONS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">- 1 -</p> <p>Should the Georgia Constitution be amended to allow the state to override locally-elected school boards' decisions when it comes to the creation of charter schools in your county or city?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> |
| <p><b>For State Representative in the General Assembly From 91<sup>st</sup> District</b><br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> DEE DAWKINS-HAIGLER<br/>(Incumbent)</p>  | <p><b>For Tax Commissioner</b><br/>(Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> RAKEIM "RJ" HADLEY</p>  |   |
| <p style="text-align: right;"><b>TURN BALLOT OVER</b></p>   |  |   |

- 2 -

Do you support ending current practice permitting unlimited gifts from lobbyists to state legislators?

- YES
- NO

**For Judge, Court of Appeals of Georgia**

(To Succeed Keith Blackwell)  
(Vote for One)

- KEITH R. BLACKWELL  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

**For County Board of Education Post 1**

(Vote for One)

- CHARCELLA C. GREEN
- MANDY NORTH
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Write-in

- 3 -

Should Georgia adopt an income tax credit for home energy costs to support the economic security of our families?

- YES
- NO

**For Judge, Court of Appeals of Georgia**

(To Succeed Michael P. Boggs)  
(Vote for One)

- MICHAEL P. BOGGS  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

**For County Board of Education Post 2**

(Vote for One)

- KIMBERLY BAKER
- PATRICK S. COPPOCK
- BRADLEY D. SMITH  
(Incumbent)
- TIMOTHY D. WILLIAMS
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Write-in

- 4 -

Should Georgia reduce sales taxes on Made in Georgia products so as to support the growth of small businesses in our state?

- YES
- NO

**For Judge, Court of Appeals of Georgia**

(To Succeed Stephen Louis A. Dillard)  
(Vote for One)

- STEPHEN DILLARD  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

**For County Board of Education Post 3**

(Vote for One)

- WALES F. BARKSDALE  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

- 5 -

Shall Rockdale County create and allocate funds for the position of County Manager, who shall serve at the pleasure of a majority of the Board of Commissioners, with the purpose of controlling the day-to-day operations of the County.

Voting YES means you agree that Rockdale County should create and allocate funds for a County Manager controlling the day-to-day operations of the County.

Voting NO to this question means you disagree and that Rockdale County should not create nor allocate funds for a County Manager controlling the day-to-day operations of the County.

- YES
- NO

**For Judge, Court of Appeals of Georgia**

(To Succeed John J. Ellington)  
(Vote for One)

- JOHN J. ELLINGTON  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

**For Judge, Court of Appeals of Georgia**

(To Succeed M. Yvette Miller)  
(Vote for One)

- M. YVETTE MILLER  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

**For County Board of Education Post 4**

(Vote for One)

- SHARON PHARR
- DARRELL L. STEPHENS
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Write-in

**For Judge, Court of Appeals of Georgia**

(To Succeed Herbert E. Phipps)  
(Vote for One)

- HERBERT PHIPPS  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

**For County Board of Education Post 5**

(Vote for One)

- CORNELL BROWN
- TONY DOWDY
- RODNEY J. FANNER
- WILLIE J. WASHINGTON
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Write-in

**NONPARTISAN GENERAL ELECTION**

**For Justice, Supreme Court of Georgia**

(To Succeed Carol W. Hunstein)  
(Vote for One)

- CAROL W. HUNSTEIN  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

**For Judge, Superior Court of the Rockdale Judicial Circuit**

(To Succeed Sidney L. Nation)  
(Vote for One)

- ROBERT F. MUMFORD
- GARY W. WASHINGTON
- EARNELLE WINFREY
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Write-in

**For Justice, Supreme Court of Georgia**

(To Succeed Harold D. Melton)  
(Vote for One)

- HAROLD D. MELTON  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

**For Justice, Supreme Court of Georgia**

(To Succeed Hugh P. Thompson)  
(Vote for One)

- HUGH P. THOMPSON  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

**For Judge of State Court of Rockdale County**

(Vote for One)

- NANCY BILLS  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

**SPECIAL ELECTION Referendum 1**

**Atlanta Regional District T-SPLOST**  
(Vote for One)

Provides for local transportation projects to create jobs and reduce traffic congestion with citizen oversight.

Shall Rockdale County's transportation system and the transportation network in this region and the state be improved by providing for a 1 percent special district transportation sales and use tax for the purpose of transportation projects and programs for a period of ten years?

- YES
- NO