2026 Primary Candidate Filing Information

When do I file?

December 1, 2025, at 12:00 P.M - December 19, 2025, at 12:00 P.M.

Where do I file?

Candidates for NC State Senator, State House Representative, and all county and local offices must file their notice of candidacy at:

Currituck County Board of Elections 2795 Caratoke Hwy. Currituck, NC 27929

*Candidates for the following office types must file their notice of candidacy with the State Board of Elections:

- National Offices
- State Offices
- Superior Court Judge
- District Court Judge
- District Attorney

The Notice of Candidacy form will be completed at the office. Candidates do not need to bring this form with them to file. If you will not be filing in person, please email: kimberly.twine@currituckcountync.gov

What are the qualifications?

- Must be a registered voter of the county.
- Must be at least 21 years old on Election Day (NC Senate: 25 years old).
- Sheriff: must submit a disclosure statement prepared by the NC Sheriff's Education and Training Standards Commission. The statement is valid for 90 days after issuance and must be submitted at the time of filing for office.
- NC Senate: must be an NC resident for 2 years by 11/3/2026, within the district for 1 year by 11/3/2026.
- NC House: must be a resident within the district for 1 year by 11/3/2026.
- Must be registered with a NC recognized political party for at least 90 days at the time of filing your Notice of Candidacy (for partisan contests).
- Currituck County Commissioners and School Board: must be a resident within the district you are seeking office in.

What do I need to bring?

- A valid NC driver license or photo ID for notarization.
- Payment method for filing fee (check or money order); filing fees under \$50 may be made in cash.
- Any completed campaign finance documents: www.ncsbe.gov/campaign-finance

Campaign Finance Information

All candidates are required to open a candidate committee. A candidate committee is required to register within 10 days of:

- 1. Receiving money or anything of value in support of the campaign; or
- 2. Spending money in support of the campaign; or
- 3. Giving consent for anyone else to receive money or spend money for the purpose of bringing about that individual's nomination or election for office; or
- 4. Filing a notice of candidacy.

Filing Office, Filing Dates, Filing Fees, and Term Limits

Date	Time	Event	
Mon., Dec. 1, 2025	12:00 P.M.	Candidate Filing Begins	
Tues., Dec. 16, 2025	5:00 P.M.	Deadline to Withdraw Notice of Candidac	
Fri., Dec. 19, 2025	12:00 P.M.	Candidate Filing Ends	
Office	Contest on the March	Filing Fee	Term Length
	2026 Primary Ballot		
US Senate	Statewide	Files with State	6 Years
US House of Representatives	District 01	Files with State	2 Years
NC Supreme Court Associate Justice	Seat 01	Files with State	8 Years
NC Court of Appeals Judge	Seat 01 Seat 02 Seat 03	Files with State	8 Years
NC State Senate	District 01	\$139.51	2 Years
NC House of Representatives	District 001	\$139.51	2 Years
NC Superior Court Judge	District 01, Seat 02	Files with State	
NC District Court Judge	District 01, Seat 01 District 01, Seat 02 District 01, Seat 03 District 01, Seat 04 (Unexpired)	Files with State	4 Years
District Attorney	District 01	Files with State	4 Years
Currituck County	Commissioner At-Large Commissioner District 03 Commissioner District 05	\$144.00	4 Years Applies to all County races in
	Clerk of Superior Court	1,117.26	
	Sheriff	\$1,099.18	2026