

~~Official~~ General Election Ballot
November 06, 2018
Charlotte County, Florida

State Senate District 23

Instructions: To vote, fill in the oval (●) completely next to your choice. Use only the marking device provided or a black or blue pen.

If you make a mistake, ask for a new ballot. Do not cross out or your vote may not count.

To vote for a write-in candidate, fill in the oval (●) and print the name clearly on the blank line provided for the write-in candidate.

United States Senator (Vote For 1)		State Attorney 20th Judicial Circuit (Vote For 1)		District Court of Appeal	
<div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Rick Scott</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> Bill Nelson</div><div><input type="radio"/> Write-in</div></div><div>REPDEM</div></div>		<div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Amira Fox</div><div><input type="radio"/> Write-in</div></div><div>REP</div></div>		Shall Judge Susan H. Rothstein-Youakim of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office? <div><div><input type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input type="radio"/> No</div></div>	
Representative in Congress District 17 (Vote For 1)		State Senator District 23 (Vote For 1)		School Board Member District 1 (Vote For 1)	
<div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Greg Steube</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> April Freeman</div></div><div>REPDEM</div></div>		<div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Joe Gruters</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> Faith Olivia Babis</div></div><div>REPDEM</div></div>		<div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Cathy Janiak</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> Cara Reynolds</div></div></div>	
Governor and Lieutenant Governor (Vote For 1)		Board of County Commissioners District 4 (Vote For 1)		No. 1 Constitutional Amendment, Article VII, Section 6, Article XII, Section 37	
<div><div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Ron DeSantis</div><div>Jeanette Nuñez</div></div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> Andrew Gillum</div><div>Chris King</div></div><div>REFDEM</div></div> <div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Darcy G. Richardson</div><div>Nancy Argenziano</div></div><div>REF</div></div> <div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Kyle "KC" Gibson</div><div>Ellen Wilds</div></div><div>NPA</div></div> <div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Ryan Christopher Foley</div><div>John Tutton Jr</div></div><div>NPA</div></div> <div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Bruce Stanley</div><div>Ryan Howard McJury</div></div><div>NPA</div></div> <div><input type="radio"/> Write-in</div>		<div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Stephen R. Deutsch</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> Joan V. Fischer</div></div><div>REPDEM</div></div>		Increased Homestead Property Tax Exemption Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to increase the homestead exemption by exempting the assessed valuation of homestead property greater than \$100,000 and up to \$125,000 for all levies other than school district levies. The amendment shall take effect January 1, 2019. <div><div><input type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> No</div></div>	
Attorney General (Vote For 1)		Airport Authority District 4 (Vote For 1)		No. 2 Constitutional Amendment, Article XII, Section 27	
<div><div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Ashley Moody</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> Sean Shaw</div><div><input type="radio"/> Jeffrey Marc Siskind</div></div><div>REPDEM</div></div><div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Jimmy Patronis</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> Jeremy Ring</div><div><input type="radio"/> Write-in</div></div><div>REPDEM</div></div></div>		<div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Kathleen Coppola</div><div><input type="radio"/> Joseph Charles Makray</div></div><div>REP</div></div> <div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Justice of the Supreme Court</div><div>Shall Justice Alan Lawson of the Supreme Court be retained in office?</div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input type="radio"/> No</div></div></div></div>		Limitations on Property Tax Assessments Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to permanently retain provisions currently in effect, which limit property tax assessment increases on specified nonhomestead real property, except for school district taxes, to 10 percent each year. If approved, the amendment removes the scheduled repeal of such provisions in 2019 and shall take effect January 1, 2019. <div><div><input type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> No</div></div>	
Chief Financial Officer (Vote For 1)		District Court of Appeal		THIS DOCUMENT IS NOT A BALLOT. THIS IS A FACSIMILIE FOR INFORMATION ONLY.	
<div><div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Ashley Moody</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> Sean Shaw</div><div><input type="radio"/> Jeffrey Marc Siskind</div></div><div>REPDEM</div></div><div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Jimmy Patronis</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> Jeremy Ring</div><div><input type="radio"/> Write-in</div></div><div>REPDEM</div></div></div>		<div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input type="radio"/> No</div></div></div>		Paid for by the Charlotte County Democratic Party. Not authorized by any candidate or candidate's committee.	
Commissioner of Agriculture (Vote For 1)		District Court of Appeal		0055	
<div><div><div><div><input type="radio"/> Matt Caldwell</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> Nicole "Nikki" Fried</div></div><div>REPDEM</div></div></div>		Shall Judge Edward C. LaRose of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office? <div><div><input type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input type="radio"/> No</div></div>			
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No. 3 Constitutional Amendment, Article X, Section 29	No. 6 Constitutional Revision, Article I, Section 16, Article V, Sections 8 and 21, Article XII, New Section	No. 11 Constitutional Revision, Article I, Section 2, Article X, Sections 9 and 19
<div>Voter Control of Gambling in Florida</div> <div>This amendment ensures that Florida voters shall have the exclusive right to decide whether to authorize casino gambling by requiring that in order for casino gambling to be authorized under Florida law, it must be approved by Florida voters pursuant to Article XI, Section 3 of the Florida Constitution. Affects articles X and XI. Defines casino gambling & clarifies that this amendment does not conflict with federal law regarding state/tribal compacts.</div> <div>The amendment’s impact on state and local government revenues and costs, if any, cannot be determined at this time because of its unknown effect on gambling operations that have not been approved by voters through a constitutional amendment proposed by a citizens’ initiative petition process.</div> <div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input type="radio"/> No</div></div>	<div>Rights of Crime Victims; Judges</div> <div>Creates constitutional rights for victims of crime; requires courts to facilitate victims’ rights; authorizes victims to enforce their rights throughout criminal and juvenile justice processes. Requires judges and hearing officers to independently interpret statutes and rules rather than deferring to government agency’s interpretation. Raises mandatory retirement age of state justices and judges from seventy to seventy-five years; deletes authorization to complete judicial term if one-half of term has been served by retirement age.</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> No</div></div>	<div>Property Rights; Removal of Obsolete Provision; Criminal Statutes</div> <div>Removes discriminatory language related to real property rights. Removes obsolete language repealed by voters. Deletes provision that amendment of a criminal statute will not affect prosecution or penalties for a crime committed before the amendment; retains current provision allowing prosecution of a crime committed before the repeal of a criminal statute.</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> No</div></div>
No. 4 Constitutional Amendment, Article VI, Section 4	No. 7 Constitutional Revision, Article IX, Sections 7 and 8, Article X, New Section	No. 12 Constitutional Revision, Article II, Section 8, Article V, Section 13, Article XII, New Section
<div>Voting Restoration Amendment</div> <div>This amendment restores the voting rights of Floridians with felony convictions after they complete all terms of their sentence including parole or probation. The amendment would not apply to those convicted of murder or sexual offenses, who would continue to be permanently barred from voting unless the Governor and Cabinet vote to restore their voting rights on a case by case basis.</div> <div>The precise effect of this amendment on state and local government costs cannot be determined, but the operation of current voter registration laws, combined with an increased number of felons registering to vote, will produce higher overall costs relative to the processes in place today. The impact, if any, on state and local government revenues cannot be determined. The fiscal impact of any future legislation that implements a different process cannot be reasonably determined.</div> <div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input type="radio"/> No</div></div>	<div>First Responder and Military Member Survivor Benefits; Public Colleges and Universities</div> <div>Grants mandatory payment of death benefits and waiver of certain educational expenses to qualifying survivors of certain first responders and military members who die performing official duties. Requires supermajority votes by university trustees and state university system board of governors to raise or impose all legislatively authorized fees if law requires approval by those bodies. Establishes existing state college system as constitutional entity; provides governance structure.</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> No</div></div>	<div>Lobbying and Abuse of Office by Public Officers</div> <div>Expands current restrictions on lobbying for compensation by former public officers; creates restrictions on lobbying for compensation by serving public officers and former justices and judges; provides exceptions; prohibits abuse of a public position by public officers and employees to obtain a personal benefit.</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> No</div></div>
No. 5 Constitutional Amendment, Article VII, Section 19	No. 9 Constitutional Revision, Article II, Section 7, Article X, Section 20	No. 13 Constitutional Revision, Article X, New Section, Article XII, New Section
<div>Supermajority Vote Required to Impose, Authorize, or Raise State Taxes or Fees</div> <div>Prohibits the legislature from imposing, authorizing, or raising a state tax or fee except through legislation approved by a two-thirds vote of each house of the legislature in a bill containing no other subject. This proposal does not authorize a state tax or fee otherwise prohibited by the Constitution and does not apply to fees or taxes imposed or authorized to be imposed by a county, municipality, school board, or special district.</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> No</div></div>	<div>Prohibits Offshore Oil and Gas Drilling; Prohibits Vaping in Enclosed Indoor Workplaces</div> <div>Prohibits drilling for the exploration or extraction of oil and natural gas beneath all state-owned waters between the mean high water line and the state’s outermost territorial boundaries. Adds use of vapor-generating electronic devices to current prohibition of tobacco smoking in enclosed indoor workplaces with exceptions; permits more restrictive local vapor ordinances.</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> No</div></div>	<div>Ends Dog Racing</div> <div>Phases out commercial dog racing in connection with wagering by 2020. Other gaming activities are not affected.</div> <div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input type="radio"/> No</div></div>
	No. 10 Constitutional Revision, Article III, Section 3, Article IV, Sections 4 and 11, Article VIII, Sections 1 and 6	Charlotte County School District
	<div>State and Local Government Structure and Operation</div> <div>Requires legislature to retain department of veterans’ affairs. Ensures election of sheriffs, property appraisers, supervisors of elections, tax collectors, and clerks of court in all counties; removes county charters’ ability to abolish, change term, transfer duties, or eliminate election of these offices. Changes annual legislative session commencement date in even- numbered years from March to January; removes legislature’s authorization to fix another date. Creates office of domestic security and counterterrorism within department of law enforcement.</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> Yes</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> No</div></div>	<div>Ad Valorem Millage Election</div> <div>Shall the Charlotte County School District ad valorem millage increase by one mill, beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2023, for operating expenses to maintain the quality of the public school system, to enhance school security, to recruit and retain highly effective teachers and employees with competitive salaries, to enhance student achievement, to provide workforce development and to increase instructional time with oversight by an independent citizens' committee?</div> <div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes, for additional millage</div><div><input type="radio"/> No, against additional millage</div></div>
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