



# VOTER GUIDE

## Awake Oklahoma & Grassroots Today

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### June 16, 2026 election

**early voting dates:** June 11–12 (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.) and June 13 (8 a.m. to 2 p.m.)

NOTE: Many more races have been added and more information! Our voter guide provides our recommendations in Oklahoma elections in which we are familiar. There are some races that we may miss or don't have the information needed to make a suggestion. We cover Osage County/Tulsa County/Wagoner County areas more extensively, but do our best to cover the major elections in other counties and across the state.

This guide originated as friends asked who we were voting for since they knew we researched the candidates. While this guide has evolved, it still reflects our personal opinions and insights.

### OK SQ 832 - \$15 Minimum Wage Initiative

- **Vote No. – Here's why.**

This state question is detrimental, especially for lower-income workers. This allows for the minimum wage to get tacked to the minimum wage in NYC and California, which are completely different economies, and allows it to increase without a vote indefinitely. It will ultimately force some businesses to close or to fire part of their employees in order to have to pay the others the mandated rate. This will simply create more unemployment rather than help those it claims it will help. Let's find a better solution.

### U.S. SENATOR: -

- Kevin Hern – R

Hern has been our Oklahoma Representative since 2018 and has won handily ever since.

- **Nick Hankins – R**  
An out-of-the box thinker with logic and discernment. He has unique ideas and is willing to work to try to implement them and get America back on course with our Constitution and America First. He ran against Tom Cole in 2024, so this isn't his first rodeo, but still a big race to enter. But a good choice.
- **Gary Ty England – R**  
While voters may not recognize his name, he was the bandmate and close friend of Garth Brooks. He says he is for limited government and fully supports the Constitution along with our inherent rights and conservative principles. It appears this is a first run to build name recognition. I tried to get him to come to the area to speak and it never worked out.
- **Brian Ragain – R**  
Brian has 20 years of experience as a firefighter-paramedic, and a registered nurse. He has some knowledge working in the energy field.
- **Sean Buckner – R**  
Served in the Air Force through Desert Storm and then once out started his own real estate firm and built a small business into a bigger business. So has experience building something from nothing and leading people. He is a journalist and an advocate for justice.
- **Troy Green – D**
- **Jim Priest – D**
- **R.O. Joe Cassity, Jr. – D**
- **N'Kiyala Thomas – D**
- **Ervin Stone Yen - D**
- **Sevier White – L**
- **Curtis Stinnett – I**
- **Ron Meinhardt – I**  
Meinhardt is registered as a Republican, but changed to Independent once Hern entered the race. Is that just a strategy to avoid having to face all the candidates in the primary? But registered Republican so he can vote in the primary? He made a comment in a Republican chat that that he was going to vote for Nick Hankins—evidently to skew the vote against the front runners.

## **U.S. HOUSE – Dist 1**

- **Our Choice - Jackson Lahmeyer – R – OK GOP Certified**  
He has been endorsed by President Trump, Speaker of the House Mike Johnson and General Mike Flynn among others. Lahmeyer emerged in 2020 when he ran as an unknown against Senator Lankford. He has been actively involved in issues to stop child trafficking, and stood courageously against the illogical COVID rules from the beginning which brought harm to our economy, small businesses and the ability to just freely live life. He had the discernment to recognize something wasn't right and stood when others didn't. That's a skillset needed in Washington.

- **Mark Tedford- R**

Has been a member of the House since 2022. It's not much of a surprise that many of the bills he has authored were regarding the insurance industry and at times self-serving. Tedford seems to have an issue with showing up. He didn't show up for over half his votes in the House the last two years! He also didn't show up for the GOP-led candidate forum he had RSVP'd for, refusing to face off with his opponents. Wonder what he was afraid of? His inability to show up and choices in the above decisions make his leadership questionable in my opinion. On the OK Grassroots 2025 Scorecard, which evaluated 149 House bills, he only scored a 30.85% for conservative voting. **That score was the LOWEST score of all 81 Republicans in the entire state House of Representatives!**

Worse, 8 of the 20 **Democrats** in the state House voted more in accordance with the Republican platform than Republican State Representative Mark Tedford.

Of over 930 something bills he was supposed to have voted on during the 2025 and 2026 sessions in the State Legislature, he missed 427! How is that okay? How do you miss almost half of your votes? Well, for one, he took a vacation during one of the February – May sessions. Why would you schedule your vacation DURING your session which only lasts 4 months? Then this year, he was on the campaign trail working to get this higher position rather than showing up for work. **He wins the award for the most missed votes for 2026.** I think he has shown us enough about who he is.

- **John Croisant – D**

A current member of the Tulsa Public Schools Board of Education representing District 5. He served as Vice President and later President of the TPS School Education Board under the failed leadership of former Superintendent Deborah Gist who resigned in August 2023. Even during that turmoil, Croisant continued to defend Gist and her failing policies. He clearly has been unable to see when something is failing and action when action needed to see change. That is a huge concern.

- **Jed Cochran – R**

Jed served as Northeast Oklahoma Field Representative and District Director for U.S. Senator Jim Inhofe with some varied experience in that position and in 2014 as a senior advisor and then political director for Rep Steve Russell. From 2019 to 2023, he served as Chief of Intergovernmental Relations for Tulsa Mayor G.T. Bynum for the city of Tulsa. Currently he is a partner and lobbyist for Capitol Ventures Government Relations. Hmmm.

- **Dan Rooney – DROPPED OUT of race, but still on ballot. Don't waste your vote.**

- **Nathan Butterfield – R**

Endorsed by Tulsa Sheriff Vic Regalado. He serves on the Board of St. John's Ascension Health.

- **Kim David – R**

She is currently the OK Corporation Commissioner. In 2022, 28% of her total campaign donations received were from energy-related PAC/lobbyist money. Really a BAD look for

someone supposedly working for the good of Oklahomans. She recently said that she thought Oklahoma was doing everything right concerning data centers and argued they would not increase energy costs for Oklahomans, but statistics show that data centers are raising utility bills by around 30% wherever they go. When asked at a recent meeting about receiving over \$100,000 in lobbyist money, David actually said she had no idea where her campaign contributions came from. All the above disqualifies her in my opinion. One of the most disturbing was her lead to table a bill that many citizens had showed up to have heard on the Floor and she pushed that it would be tabled without even being heard. The bill was regarding abortion. [Click here](#) to see what happened.

- **Courtney Gill – R**  
A newbie to the political field, but she did well in the candidate forums. She knew about issues and was able to give solid responses. In my opinion, she is not ready to be elected YET—but someone to keep our eye on for the future.
- **Todd Woods - R**  
Another one, who with a little more seasoning, could make a good showing in the next election. Will wait and see, but I can't see it happening this time around.
- **Nancy Dyson – R**  
Lacks discernment into people and issues.
- **Paul Royse – R**
- **Kelly Walsh - R**

## **U.S. HOUSE – Dist 2**

- **Our Choice - Josh Brecheen (incumbent) - R**
- Will Webb – R
- Erik Terwey – D
- Brandon Wade – D
- Ronnie Hopkins – I

## **U.S. HOUSE – Dist 3 – more next issue**

- **Our Choice - Wade Burluson – R**  
He holds a degree in Business Administration and Finance from East Central University and is the president of Istorla Ministries, a Christian nonprofit and was appointed by Frank Keating to the Higher Education Program Board in 1996. He ran against Lucas before and is now running again. Good job Wade. We need someone who stands for Oklahoma values in this position!
- **Frank Lucas (incumbent) – R**  
Continues to show who he is as he has voted with Democrats to earmark funding supporting abortion, gender transition procedures on children, DEI activism, and partisan pet projects and also voted often to send money to Ukraine—in which we all know there was virtually no oversight of where those millions went.
- **Jules Roberson – D**  
Roberson identifies herself as an avowed progressive and a Democratic Socialist, advocating for universal healthcare, abolishing ICE, mass amnesty.
- **Suzie Byrd – D**

She is a former reporter for the *Enid News & Eagle*. She launched the "Purple Campaign," (calling Oklahoma "purple" which would be true) for what she says is to bridge the gap between Democrats and Republicans—or is it to create more "UniParty" procedures. I'm all for trying to work together. But in some things it just doesn't work and for good reason.

### **U.S. HOUSE – Dist 4 – More in the next issue.**

- **Our Choice - Marcie Everhart – R**

An uphill climb against Cole's vast dark money, but Everhart is a breath of fresh air in the midst of this district that has been held by Cole for too long. Take a listen to Everhart: <https://bit.ly/RopeReportEverhart>

- Tom Cole (incumbent) – R

He has served in this position since 2003. His claims to be conservative are about as legit as Lankford, but many in his district think he's great. Wish they would do some research. He has voted with Democrats to earmark funding supporting abortion, gender transition procedures on children, DEI activism, and partisan pet projects. All that money that our federal govt voted to send to Ukraine? You can thank Cole for that as he was for it. Time for his district to vote him out.

- Mitchell Jacob – D
- Jeff Pixley – D
- Rocco Bonacci - I

### **U.S. HOUSE – Dist 5**

- Stephanie Bice (incumbent) – R
- Jena Nelson – D
- Trey Martin – D
- Robert P. Henri – I
- Austin Nieves – I

### **OK GOVERNOR:**

- **OUR CHOICE - Mike Mazzei – R**

Initially I wasn't for Mazzei. I knew he would be GREAT regarding budgets and finances for the state. But through the last few months, he has definitely shared his detailed plans to reshape the state, lower taxes, and turn our educational system around. His campaign, in my opinion, has been decisive with details, not just promises. However, his initial announcement regarding the Inola smelter for the needed aluminum and jobs it would create didn't fly well with many of us. His opponents certainly jumped on that and created AI commercials as if he negotiated the deal and was buddies with Hillary Clinton. All fake. LOL He did go further into his thoughts regarding the smelter which can be [read here](#).

- Jake Merrick - R

Merrick was my first choice initially and a strong fighter for conservative values. I still really like him, but after watching his campaign, I believe it would be in our best interest if he got a little more seasoned in some areas and then run in another 4 or 8 years, depending on who wins in November. I pray that his strong but small group of supporters don't just split the vote from Mazzei. Some of McCall's team were overheard discussing their goal and efforts per social media to keep Merrick in the race to take Mazzei's vote so McCall could be in the runoff. While it appears Merrick has had a surge in the last week, elections are math and he just doesn't have the numbers, except to split the vote, largely because he didn't have the money to compete in the millionaire's club. His creative run across Oklahoma, didn't register with the media, and so while it could have been the boost he needed, it wasn't. I hope he will run again in the future.

- **Chip Keating – R**

I'm not sure his campaign ever got off the ground. I've listened to his plan and watched his associations. And just nothing excited me with him. Plus, his approval of surveillance flock cameras across the state is an issue. When candidates don't see how they are being used against us, it means he either doesn't have discernment, or he is good with the surveillance. Either way it's a problem. His last name isn't enough to get him across the finish line, because like myself, I had mixed feelings about his dad, as I do with Chip.

- **Gentner Drummond – R**

He is certainly the individual with the most money and most business experience of any of the candidates in the race. He is probably one of the strongest leaders, but still not my first choice. As Attorney General, I didn't like his stand regarding the St. Isidore of Seville Catholic Virtual Charter School. Neither did some of the other Supreme Court members. Justice Alito really took him to task over it. I did like his creation of the Organized Crime Task Force to combat cartels and crime syndicates and his work to clean up the illegal marijuana grows that have peppered our state.

I have been frustrated over issues such as the case against the police officer who threw a 71-year-old man to the ground which resulted in his death, and the fact he was named "The Secularist of the Week" at one point by The Freedom from Religion Foundation which doesn't exactly warm my heart. There's still the issue of he/his wife gave to Biden in 2020. And his campaign's call for Democrats to change their registration to Republican to vote for him is what has helped create the UniParty issue.

- **Charles McCall – R**

During his tenure as Speaker of the House in the Oklahoma Legislature, McCall blocked numerous conservative bills from ever seeing the light of day. As House leader, he "green-lit" SB 36X, handcuffing then-Superintendent Ryan Walters to the budget of his Democratic predecessor, Joy Hofmeister. No incoming leader should ever be held to the plans/budget of their predecessor. It appeared he simply had a personal agenda there and was hell-bent on using his position to do whatever served *his* purposes rather than what served the best purposes of Oklahomans. Hardly what we need in someone in the governor's seat. McCall's continual claim to be conservative is laughable when looking at his conservative index voter guide—and I can't get past the banana...

- **Cyndi Munson – D**

She is currently the House Minority Leader and Representative for HD85 in the Oklahoma House of Representatives. She has taken over \$113,000 in PAC lobbyist money and aren't we tired of elected officials who are taking lobbyist money for their votes?

- **Leisa Haynes – R**  
She is a former city manager and Main Street program administrator with experience in local government and community development. She has a lot of spunk to her and has some good ideas. Doesn't have a chance of winning and not my first choice anyway. But an "A" for effort.
- **Kenneth Sturgell – R**  
A very nice guy and obviously a good heart running for the right reasons. I just never got the sense when I listened to him that he had the ability to do the job.
- **Jennifer Domenico – R**
- **Calup Anthony Taylor – R**
- **Connie Johnson – D**
- **Arya – D**
- **Jerry Griffin – I**  
Previously a member of the Tulsa Public School Board of Education from 2020-24 until his resignation. In 2022 he ran unsuccessfully for a seat on the Tulsa City Council. Several sites announced he was running for Superintendent of Public Schools in this election, which with his background seems a better fit, but he actually filed for the governor's race. Haven't heard much from him since.
- **Robert E Brooks Sr – I**
- **Orlando Bush – I**  
The lack of information on this guy, makes this candidate a laughable choice. He will show up on the general election ballot in November only because he ran as an independent and they have no primary election.

## **OK LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR:**

There is more than one good candidate in this race--and then some which aren't so good in my opinion. Read on...

- **Our Choice – Justin (JJ) Humphrey – R**  
He has been serving in the Oklahoma House since 2017. If JJ is elected, we will see this position really become important as the Lieutenant Governor becomes the deciding vote in a tie in the Legislature and would be doing so much more than just marketing the state. It's been a fluff job. JJ has been actively going after corruption in our state for the last several years exposing the corruption in DHS and bringing about a change of leadership there. He has been exposing corruption in the district attorney offices across the state and fighting for Oklahomans. The current controlling establishment run by Hilbert in the OK House hate him so much because he can't be bought. When Humphrey was scheduled to give his farewell speech in the House, they managed to ensure the House camera wasn't broadcasting his speech to the public! These

guys fear him because he has been a fierce advocate for uncovering corruption. **We need him.**

- **Darrell Weaver – R**  
Has been serving as a state senator for Oklahoma since 2018. He is former law enforcement as an Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics agent for almost 30 years and has been a small business owner. He would probably be my second choice.
- **David Ostrowe – R**  
David is Gov Stitt’s Chief Operating Officer for Oklahoma. I’m not sure that’s a good thing in my book because of my mixed feelings on Gov. Stitt at this stage. He is a Navy vet and has a wealth of business experience and has grown many companies.
- **T.W. Shannon – R**  
I have always wondered about the hype around T.W. Admittedly he looks good and sounds good, but what has he actually done that is worthwhile for our state in the last 4-5 years? But to hear him talk, you would think he saved Oklahoma with one hand tied behind his back. Let’s remember he did help write the Amicus brief that brought us the McGirt Decision and the division that has come from that. And he was mentored by Tom Cole, who doesn’t hold true conservative values based on his voting record and stance. When TW filed to run for Lt Gov, it appears he still owed \$50,000 from his last campaign that had not been settled. But he recently attended a \$40,000/plate fundraiser for JD Vance? Perhaps that money would have been better spent paying back the previous campaign? Recently at a candidate forum, T.W. got mad that one of the candidates was allowed to show up late and so walked out. What we can see from actions like that are immature candidates, who if elected would be immature elected officials representing us. They tell us who they really are and the lack of maturity when they don’t get their way.
- **Brian Hill – R**  
He has served in the OK House since 2018 in District 47 which includes parts of OKC, Mustang and Tuttle. He created the Oklahoma ONE Plan which includes his strategy to strengthen the economy by investing in infrastructure, expanding workforce development, supporting small businesses, grow tourism, and attract new opportunities creating 10 distinct regional economic hubs to help all 77 counties thrive.
- **Victor Flores – R**  
He doesn’t seem to have a good grasp on what is currently happening in our legislature so I think would be extremely hard for him to do well in this position if elected.
- **Kelly Forbes – D**

## **ATTORNEY GENERAL –**

- **Our Choice – Jon Echols – R**  
Choosing Echols not because he is a perfect candidate, but a better one than his opponents in my opinion. Of the things I have appreciated is how he helped stop a Senate bill to allow driver’s licenses for illegals. And he helped fast track a bill that ensured Oklahoma would

not be bound by requirements or mandates issued by World Health Organization, but we would remain to determine what is best for the state.

- **Jeff Starling – R**  
Starling hasn't shown up for several forums/debates with his opponents. What is he hiding? He obviously doesn't want to be in a conversation with those he is running against to let the voters do a comparison. His work as a litigator for an organization that worked for Clinton and Obama is a concern as is my frustration which his determination to NOT pursue justice for Oklahomans regarding Fauci's detrimental vaxx mandates. The evidence is overwhelming of the harm for many Oklahomans hospitalized during that time and those in nursing homes where families were blocked from seeing them and sometimes beneficial drugs blocked. Starling doesn't see this as important. Maybe he should tell that to the families who lost loved ones over it.

Winner will face off with Nick Coffey – D in November.

## STATE TREASURER

- **Our Choice - Todd Russ (incumbent) – R**  
Has done a good job in this position overall and so I don't see a need to change what isn't broken.
- **Cindy Byrd – R**  
I think Cindy did a great job as auditor and taking on some really hard tasks. The last minute move to run for this position after running for months for Lt governor, probably lost me.
- **Kiefer Perry – L**

## SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

- **Our Choice – Dr. James Taylor – R**  
a History and Government teacher, community leader, pastor, he has lived the need for a change. His priorities center on improving academic outcomes, strengthening support for teachers, and building genuine partnerships with parents who wants to focus on teacher shortages, practical legislative solutions, and accountable spending that improves student outcomes. Something we currently don't have.
- **2<sup>nd</sup> choice – John Cox – R**  
My concern with Cox, is although I like him overall, his performance as a superintendent in a smaller school district didn't show anything outstanding in their results. So why should we expect suddenly in a bigger pond he can produce results? I think he could do the job, but I don't think necessarily spectacular results.
- **Toni Hasenbeck – R**  
Has been in the OK House since 2018. Since filing she has made the claim that she is the most conservative representative we have. I did like her Women's Bill of Rights bill that she authored. However, her voting record doesn't put her as the most conservative representative. Her Conservative Index score is just 62%. When you did down part of the reason when she voted for HB 3379 to prevent state

universities from being able to research if a student applying had a criminal background.

- Adam Pugh – RINO and appears ineligible per a previous ruling. Has been part of OK Senate since 2016. He co-chaired the Economic and Workforce Committee on the Legislative Joint Committee to determine who would receive state ARPA funds (Pandemic Relief Funds). With his help, \$10 million went to the Oklahoma Arts Council where his wife works. THAT kind of stuff is what we want to see quit happening. Also, Pugh shouldn't be able to run at this time for state Superintendent because compensation for the position was increased during Pugh's senate term. Meaning if he won, he was essentially voting in a raise for himself. This was prohibited in the case of Fair v. State Election Board (1994) which mirrors the current situation with Senator Pugh. In that case State Senator Mike Fair was prohibited from running mid-term for State Labor Commissioner because compensation for the labor commissioner position had been increased during Fair's senate term. He terms out of his senate seat in 2028, so this simply looks like he is looking how to stay in politics. Yuck.
- Jennettie Marshall – D  
She has served on the Tulsa School Education Board. She really worked hard for Tulsa families in this position, but too many positions on which I disagree with her.
- Robert Franklin – R
- Debra A. Herlihy – R
- William E Crozier – R
- Craig McVay – D

### **LABOR COMMISSIONER – will share my reasons in next issue.**

- **Our Choice – Kevin West – R**  
Fought for Oklahomans when he and Rep Tom Gann filed a brief asking the Oklahoma Supreme Court to overturn \$98 million in rate increases for Oklahoma Natural Gas (ONG) well as \$1.77 billion of the utility's ratepayer-backed bonds. The rates were approved by the Oklahoma Corporation Commission (OCC) and then commissioner Todd Hiatt.

Gann and West's brief claimed the OCC failed to perform lawful audits of ONG's bonds in every rate case since the bonds were issued.

Additionally, in December 2025, with Rep. Rick West, R-Heavener, Gann and Kevin West asked the court to overturn a \$127 million rate increase and \$760 million in winter storm bonds for customers of Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company (OG&E). Now THAT is the kind of action we want to see from our representatives who are standing up for us!

- Lisa Janloo – R  
Her huge support of Otis Moses (D) makes me question why. He has donated to her as well, but politically it doesn't appear they should be on the same page, but evidently they are.

- John Pfeiffer – R
- Keith Swinton – R
- Kevin Dawson – D
- Mike Hall – L

## **INSURANCE COMMISSIONER** – will share my reasons in next issue.

- **Our Choice – Greta Shuler – R**  
She is self-funded and has the kind of grit we need to bring needed changes to this position. Some have said she doesn't have the experience needed. I disagree. She has been in insurance for around 15 years and has been a small business owner for several years as well. So she knows the importance of working for Oklahomans and not the big insurance companies. She also has a pretty ingenious plan on how to lower insurance rates, by working with fire depts to lower homeowners' fire ratings (ISO ratings) to get response rates down so ratings are lower and insurance rates are lower. "It won't be hard to do," Shuler said.
- Bob Sullivan – R  
I really like Sullivan as far as he doesn't appear to be a big insurance company backer compared to Quinn and Meredith and has the needed experience to do the job. However, one of Sullivan's ardent supporters is RINO Chris Kannady, who called conservative Republicans in the OK House a "cancer" and worked to purge them. That's a HUGE red flag because if Kannady likes Sullivan, it tells us a lot.
- Marty Quinn – R  
The biggest issue with Quinn is that his home is in Arkansas and his insurance license is for Arkansas as well. Evidently, he has been renting a house in Oklahoma to campaign here to see if he could win the seat and presumably would buy a home here if he did. If he doesn't? Just goes back to Arkansas. That's a problem. Additionally, he is the pick of the current insurance commissioner, which didn't do a great job in my opinion, but stood firmly with the big insurance companies. That right there makes me think we would have a 2.0 version if Quinn were elected, which wouldn't be good for Oklahomans, but great for insurance companies. No thanks.
- Chris Meridith – R  
By his own admission he has been a lobbyist for State Farm. Need I say more? No way. We need someone fighting for US not the big insurance companies.
- Craig MacIntyre – D  
He has around 30 years experience in many different areas of the insurance business which would be helpful in the position. He says his plan is to lower insurance rates, but doesn't share specifics. Shuler did and was the only one I heard who shared specifics.

## **CORPORATION COMMISSIONER**

- **Our Choice – Justin Hornback – R**

This guy gets an award for sticking with it as he has run for this office twice before. Maybe the third time is the charm. He has 20 years experience in pipeline welding industry which has included being an inspector and knowledge in regulations, safety, energy generation and transmission pipelines which would all be helpful.

- Brad Boles – R  
He has served in the Oklahoma House for the last 6 or 7 years. His previous experience includes being a mayor and serving as former Chairman of the Board of OK Manufacturing Alliance. His grassroots voting record was less than 40% showing he's not very conservative and his support of the "green energy scam" costing Oklahoma taxpayers more money is a hard "NO."
- Harold D. Spradling – D
- Rhonda Eastman – D
- Donald Anthony Clytus – D

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## **OKLAHOMA LEGISLATORS:**

**House of Representatives** – watch for more races and info in the June edition.

### **HD 6**

- **Our Choice - Amber Ellis – R**
- Rusty Cornwell - R
- Eli Richard - R

### **HD 8**

- **Our Choice – Tom Gann – R (incumbent)**

This is an easy choice as Gann's consistent record of showing up to do his job and fight for his constituents speaks for itself. Here is just one example of how he has fought for Oklahomans when he and Rep Kevin West filed a brief asking the Oklahoma Supreme Court to overturn \$98 million in rate increases for Oklahoma Natural Gas (ONG) well as \$1.77 billion of the utility's ratepayer-backed bonds. The rates were approved by the Oklahoma Corporation Commission (OCC) and then commissioner Todd Hiatt.

Gann and West's brief claimed the OCC failed to perform lawful audits of ONG's bonds in every rate case since the bonds were issued. Gann filed a similar brief asking the Court to overturn \$250 million in rate increases and some \$700 million in ratepayer-backed bonds that the OCC had approved for Public Service Company of Oklahoma (PSO).

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- Todd Rice

## HD 9

- **Our Choice – Scotty Stokes – R**  
Endorsed by Rogers County GOP, Stokes is the director of Rogers County Emergency Management with 30 years experience as a fire captain and paramedic.
- Debbie Long – R  
Her record as Claremore mayor and the recall effort against her by citizens speaks for itself.
- Crystal Campbell - R

Winner will face off with Andrea Biscardi – D in the general in November.

## HD10

- **Our Choice – Jake Bair – R**  
Lives in the Skiatook area and is an Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering. Said he refuses to take lobbyist money and completely supports the Constitution.
- Judd Strom – R – incumbent  
A liberal “Republican” in the House with a conservative voting record of around 53%. So only a Republican about half the time. LOL.
- Cuen Funderburke – R

Winner will face off with Isaac Mattox – D in November.

## HD 11

- **Our Choice - Wendi Stearman – R**  
Earned a conservative index score of 100% for the past two years.
- John Kane – R  
Wouldn't be a bad choice, but his voting record in areas such as economic development and growing the government not as conservative as Stearman.

**HD12**

- **Our Choice – Mark Chapman – R (incumbent)**

I wasn't 100% happy with all of Chapman's votes, but that could be said for probably everyone. He is working to get back with his constituents when they call and understand the issues in Wagoner County. That's a good thing and I believe him to be a good man who wants to do the right thing and is honest.

- **Sandy Hodges – R**

Currently the tax assessor for Wagoner County. Why has she not publicized to seniors that they can fill out an application to freeze their property taxes? (You can.) Seems like that would be helpful for citizens. At every meeting where I have heard her campaigning, she states she isn't the one who determines how much our homes will be taxed. What? Of course she is. Yes there is software that gives guidelines, but if that is all she is doing is going by what the software says and not actually doing anything else but running software figures, then we can get a secretary to do that. The job is supposed to have EVALUATION based on the property. It's dishonest to say she isn't responsible, because isn't SHE the one who sits before the Equalization Board to defend their assessments?

She was formerly the Wagoner County State Committee person. But in that elected position, she missed several State Committee meetings which she had been elected to attend. When that was exposed, she claimed she hadn't missed a meeting in 40 years. The problem was she was referring to a monthly community meeting and we were talking the meetings she was elected to attend—and she knew it. That's just not honest, and honesty is certainly needed in an elected official. She's a NO!

**HD14**

- **Our Choice – Roy Timmons – R**
- Chris Sneed

The winner of the election will face off with Jeremiah Gantz – D in November.

**HD 24**

- **Our Choice – Chris Banning (incumbent) – R**

Banning is still relatively new to this seat and so I will give grace in the areas I think he just missed it. But he needs to do better and more consistent with his voting record and his research. But the his opponent below is a hard no.

- Casey Sutterfield (Grippando) – RINO

She filed under the name Sutterfield, but her legal name is Casey Grippando. Her posts on Facebook under her real name reveal her hobbies include pole dancing, bashing and lying about Charlie Kirk and supporting Hamas and Oct 7 massacre of Israelis. No wonder she has a different name to run under or it is her real name and the other her dance name? If a candidate can't even be honest in their filing, how the heck can we trust anything about them?

**HD29**

- **Our Choice - Brian Jackson – R**

This is more about a hard no against Hilbert. Anyone would be better—hopefully. Has served on Sand Springs City Council and part of that time as Vice Mayor. He leans liberal as does Hilbert, but since we know how Hilbert has blocked conservative votes, giving newcomer Jackson, seems a next step.

- **Kyle Hilbert – Incumbent – RINO**

Hilbert repeatedly used his position as Speaker of the House to block conservative bills that NEEDED to be heard. He flexed his muscles to block bills as political retribution against those who made him mad to prove he could. What a child. He doesn't deserve to be a representative because he only represents his own self-serving ideals—and oh yeah, the lobbyists. Of ALL the Representatives in the State House he took the most money from lobbyists. Almost \$250K. Bought and paid for? Working for Oklahomans or lobbyists? Check it out. <https://moganetwork.com/research#chart-house-overview>

**HD32**

- **Our CHOICE – Jim Shaw – R (incumbent)**

Shaw is one of the strongest leaders and fighters we currently have in the House. He put together the [Save Oklahoma Plan](#) and has fought to ensure Oklahoma is protected. Liberal leadership worked to keep his bills from getting heard on the Floor. His “punishment” for not towing their line—but also proves that he is fighting for us against them!

- Jack Vaughn – R

**HD33**

- **Our Choice – Molly Jenkins – R**

- B.J. Roberson – R

**HD35**

- **Our Choice – Dillon Travis – R**

- Kevin Wright - R

**HD 36**

- **Our Choice – Jenni White – R**

Jenni has been in the fight to expose corruption and get election integrity back into Oklahoma. In fact she was on the Oklahoma County Election Board and got removed for her efforts to expose corruption. Think about that for a moment. She is a researcher who stands for conservative values.

- John George

- Joe Sarge Nelson

Winner will face off with Leslie Hellebuyck – D in November.

#### HD 36 –

- **Our Choice – Philip Weiland – R**

A political newbie, but sure seems like we need someone else in this position after Haste's voting record showed his overall conservative voting score in 2025 was just 36%!

- John Haste – R – (incumbent)

His authorship of SQ833, was rejected by Oklahoma voters 61% -38% which would have put infrastructure fees into our property taxes. Anyway you mix it his plan was to give us more taxes and project developers bigger financial breaks.

Haste said he believes “voters were simply confused” when they voted the bill down. No we weren't. We didn't want more taxes put on us that developers should be paying.

In my opinion Haste has done little to help his district.

Winner will face off with Rick Larsen – D in November.

**HD 38** – covering parts of Grant, Garfield, Kay, Logan, and Noble counties. this race we have two. We like them both. You decide.

- **Our Choice – Brian Hobbs – R**

2<sup>nd</sup> time around running for this seat and lots of momentum. He has lots of varied experience. He has been a former mayor of Newkirk, OK. He is the former GOP Chair for Kay County and currently the Congressional District 3 Vice Chair. He is an Army veteran and very active in his local area.

- **Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice – Michael Norman – R**

Resides in Logan county. He is a former teacher and a small business owner. He is against lobbyist money.

- **Jim Neal – R**

He previously ran for the U.S. Senate in North Carolina in 2008 as a Democrat.

- **Madison Bolay – R**

Received significant funding from the Oklahoma Conservative Coalition and direct contributions from the Hilliary family, who are linked to broadband grants.

- **Suzanne Callihan – R**

- **Danielle Deterding – R**

The winner will face off with Doyle Lewis (D) in November.

#### HD40

- **Our Choice – Kaity Keith – R**

- **Cindy Roe**

**HD47**

- **Our Choice - Kevin Warnemuende – R**
- Toby Thompson – R
- Kevin Simon – R
- Kevan Gentry – R
- Indigo Oliver – D

**HD69**

- **Our Choice – Angela Strohm – R**  
Angela’s husband filled this seat first and now she is running for it. She has pledged to refuse lobbyist and “special-interest” money. She promotes defending property rights and stopping the forced data centers which have lacked transparency especially in the Tulsa area. She wants to see free turnpikes and is a conservative fighters. She can’t be bribed and is hard worker. She won’t bow to the Establishment and she has remained active in her volunteer work for Oklahoma. She supports pro-life and 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment among other things.
- **Carrie DeWeese – R**  
A political outsider, new to this arena and making a good show for her this entry. She is a real estate agent and Chairperson for the National Association of Homebuilders’ Professional Women in Building Council between 2003-2008.
- **Cody Nichols – R**  
A marine corp veteran and an advocate for increasing limiting govt overreach, for Parental Choice Tax Credit and eliminating “wasteful” education spending while increasing teacher compensation. He supports the Second Amendment and pro-life.
- **Sheila Dills – R**  
She already served in this seat once from 2018 through 2022. Her Freedom Index voting score was 60% during that time. Sheila has all the establishment players behind her, which makes her not my choice as I want someone who will consistently vote conservative, not as told and not a puppet.

**HD 86**

- **Our Choice – David Hardin – R (incumbent)**  
David has done a great job, quick to respond and has fought for his constituents. No need for a change here.
- Ryan Martin

**HD98-**

- **Our Choice – Gabe Woolley – R (incumbent)**  
Gabe has proven to be a fierce advocate for justice and for the people of Oklahoma. He actually talks/listens to the needs of his constituents and researches, researches, researches.
- **Dean Davis**  
With 3 DUI’s and questionable behavior toward law enforcement revealing an entitlement attitude when he was previously in this position, there is nothing that

shows anything has changed. He didn't show up for votes then—and probably would see no different now. Heck, he didn't even bother to come out to try to campaign until two weeks before the election. Can we say lazy? **We have a really great representative (Gabe Woolley) in HD98 so why would revert to the doesn't show up for votes Davis?**

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## State Senators

### SD2 -

- **Our Choice – Payton Pepin – R**

This is as much a choice of NO WAY for Seifried as it is a thumbs up for Pepin. He has vowed to not accept lobbyist money and will fight the green energy scam but instead protect Oklahoma's sovereignty from the globalist agenda.

- Ally Seifried – R (RINO)

Seifried is bad news all the way around. She claims to be a Trump conservative, but the number of hard-core Trump-hating Democrats that donate to her seems to negate that claim. Plus, her vote to continue to give SNAP benefits to illegals—when our ability for SNAP benefits is already compromised in the state, makes her a no. Her conservative voting record is 37% and has taken over \$130,000 in PAC money which tells the story about who she really is.

The winner of the above race will face

Winner will face off with Randy Cowling – D in the general election.

### SD4

- **Our Choice – Kenny Smith – R**

I can't say enough good things about Smith and why this district MUST vote him in if they want integrity and a fighter working for them. You need someone who will not only show up (which Woods hasn't been doing) but who is smart and full of integrity. That is Smith.

- Tom Woods - R

He joined the Air National Guard six months AFTER being elected and went to Japan and Virginia being "deployed." Why? If he was elected to do a job, why would you do that where you wouldn't be here to do the job? That was not a good decision because he was elected to represent his constituents, but then he isn't there half the time. When he was, it was pretty worthless. He voted to increase utility bills for utility projects yet to be built! (SB998) He voted yes for wind turbines to be able to be built ¼ mile from your front door (SB2). He voted yes to allow international corporations to lobby for your tax dollars to fund

their corporations as long as they register with the OK Sec of State. (HB 2762) What???  
 And also voted to increase the spending budget in Oklahoma by \$200 million (SB1177).  
 He definitely needs to go!

The winner will face Ellen Cuff – D in the general election.

### **SD10 – Osage, Kay and Tulsa**

- **Our Choice - Jadan Terrazas - R**  
 Conservative Christian and Constitutionalist. He is pro small govt and wants to work to see lower taxes. He has made a pledge that he will not take lobbyist money. Won't be bought out by dark money like the candidate he is running against. He doesn't support the smelter and defends land owner rights.
- **Bill Coleman – R – Incumbent – HORRIBLE**  
 This guy needs to go. He voted not once but twice to grant Oklahoma driver's licenses to illegal immigrants which would have rewarded illegal border-crossers with official state identification, with all of its implications such as potentially giving drug cartels and human-smugglers easier access to banking and financial systems. Instead of protecting our borders, Coleman helped advance the agenda of those who violate our laws. He wrote the bill (SB1620) for license-plate scanners that would unleash a surveillance state and Orwellian mass-tracking technology across Oklahoma! Fortunately, only a handful of senators voted with him! Last he voted for a bill that forced social workers (including those serving our schools) to embrace progressive "gender-affirming" ideology. If a social worker chose to provide counseling consistent with biblical teaching on sexuality, they could be branded as "unethical" and the state could potentially censure them or even yank their license to practice.

### **SD12 –**

- **Our Choice - Craig Stump – R**  
 Endorsed by OK2A supporting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment and OKGOP Certified. Formerly a deputy for Creek County sheriff's dept. and worked for American Airlines for over 30 years. He's against the green energy scam and taking on Gollihare because thank God someone needed to.
- Todd Gollihare  
 He coauthored and voted yes for bill to increase your electricity bills to pay for utility companies projects that are YET TO BE BUILT. There is no end/termination date with it. Voted for 700 foot wind turbines to be allowed to be built a quarter mile from homes. Voted for solar companies to have 50 years leases on CLO (commissioners of the land office) land while the cattle industry only allowed five year leases! Mad yet?

Winner will face off with Erika Watkins – D- in November

**SD26**

- **Our Choice – Brady Butler – R**
- Rich Koch - R
- Jessica Winegeart – R

**SD 28**

- **Our Choice – Robert Trimble – R**
- Grant Green - R  
Absolutely not! He was behind SB224 for a “workforce efficiency data solution.” Sounds great EXCEPT what it really did was create a way to collect data on all public school kids and it could then be shared with 3<sup>rd</sup> party entities.

**SD32**

- **Our Choice – Dusty Deevers – R**
- Jean Hausheer
- Curtis Erwin

**SD34 –****Our choice would be either Prieto or Taylor.**

- **Sen. Dana Prieto – R – incumbent**  
Pros and cons with Prieto. His freshman year less than stellar in my opinion, he was listening to many of the wrong people and making many poor votes. His voting record his sophomore year has been much better if you are looking for a conservative candidate. His work to expose the corruption in DHS along with Rep. JJ Humphrey, on the other hand was awesome. He took a lot of flack over it, but kept pushing through. The result was the director had to step down—thanks Sen. Prieto for that!
- **Kent Taylor – R**  
We don’t have a voting record to go off of with these other three candidates and so can only go by what they say or what we can find. However, that being said, I like Taylor a lot. He is a business professional and former executive at Helmerich and Payne with 30 years in finance and international business management. He has negotiated multi-million dollar contracts with his work in Venezuela and says he can’t be bribed if elected, because they tried in Venezuela plenty of times.
- **Aaron Forst – R**  
Ran as a Democrat for the House around eight years ago. Now running as a Republican. Doesn’t seem to have changed his stance much. I definitely like Taylor or Prieto better from what I’ve heard.
- **Brent Driskill - R**

Most likely there will be a runoff in Ausut and then the winner of that race will go to the general election where they will face:

- Amy Hossain – D

**SD42**

- **Our Choice - Melana Bracht – R**
- Brenda Stanley - R

**CREEK COUNTY:****Creek County Assessor**

- **Our Choice - Haley Anderson – R**
- Carl Prescott – R

**Creek County Commissioner Dist 3**

- **Our Choice – Danny Gann – R**
- Jarrod Whitehouse – R

**GARFIELD COUNTY:****County Commissioner Dist 3**

- **OUR CHOICE – NeAnne Clinton – R**

Clinton actually helped Maly get elected and is now running against him. She has been a fierce defender researching and protecting citizens not only in Garfield but other counties regarding the issues of the solar farms popping up and how many have negatively impacted our communities and why. She is a Yes. Yes. And Yes. Garfield you need NeAnne in this position to fight for you and protect your county!

- **Clarence Maly - R**

Removed the right for citizens to speak at meetings to silence any opposition. Admitted to signing contracts without reading them first! He signed for the transmission lines Cimarron Link with inventory.

**KAY COUNTY****District 8 – Office 1 - Judge**

- **OUR CHOICE – Scott Loftis**

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## OKLAHOMA COUNTY:

### Oklahoma County Assessor

- **Our Choice - Larry Stein – R - incumbent**

He boldly called out the \$14 million error ineptitude in Oklahoma County clerk's office. I'm not saying he is a great choice, but you have only the three candidates and he is by far a better choice then Kearns who is lazy and doesn't do his homework—ever. Gibbons past issues, would make me stay with Stein.

- John Gibbons – D

He has not held an elected position but ran for HD88 in 2014 where he was defeated in the primary. Perhaps because he was hit with a [DUI](#) from a 2012 arrest when suspects were not charged at the time because highway patrol troopers failed to turn in paperwork to prosecutors. Seems rather convenient that it was uncovered during the guy's campaign in 2014?! Nevertheless, it is an issue and we don't need another elected official with an alcohol problem. Seems we already have enough of that in our current Oklahoma legislature of drinking on the job. Why add to it?

- Ferlin Kearns – R - Horrible

The Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce endorsed Kearns despite his previous criminal record and lack of paying taxes in previous years. What it looks like is the "good 'ol boy" system firmly in place. My personal experience with Kearns is he is a puppet who does no research or verification before he opens his mouth to make statements or cast a vote. Probably why the Chamber likes him. If you want transparency and accountability Kearns is NOT your guy.

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### County Commissioner – Dist 3

- **Our Choice – Chad Ray – R**  
Ran against Cartwright in 2022, but lost. He is now the only living candidate running in this race with the passing of incumbent Charlie Cartwright. This should be an easy choice, except Cartwright is on the ballot as he passed away after ballots were printed and someone is still putting out signs for him. Don't waste your vote.
- **DEAD – Charlie Cartwright – R**  
Cartwright passed away May 11, but is still be on the ballot, but obviously can't take office. Condolences to his family.

### County Treasurer

- **Our Choice - Bridget West – R**  
She is currently the 1st Deputy to the current Treasurer with over 4 years experience, and ten year's experience, in banking, including time handling county business
- **Shawna Myers – R**  
Was elected to office of Osage County GOP Chairman in June 2023 and removed just over a year later after the County Committee lost confidence her ability to lead. She made 10 Amazon & TEMU purchases with Osage County GOP funds between the time of notification of meeting to remove (6/28/24) and 2 weeks after her removal (9/5/24).

After 7 months retaining the remaining GOP funds, she returned \$2471.63, short \$450.33 with no treasurer reports, bank statements, few receipts and no leftover merchandise. Not a good track record for someone running for the position of treasurer.

## ROGERS COUNTY

### Rogers County Commissioner, Dist 1

- **Our Choice - Lane Brown – R**

Lane is young, but a fireball. He has been actively working and fighting for Rogers County and has consistently stood up against the data center and the nefarious actions of the Claremore crew trying to implement it and silence citizens who are speaking out against it. One thing is for sure, Lane isn't one to be silenced and will fight hard for what he believes in.

- Duane Beawer – R
- Darren Andrews - R
- Teddy Noland - R
- Kenny Breshears – R

Endorsed by the incumbent who supported the green energy scam and data centers. This shows a complete lack of discernment about what is really happening and the lack of transparency and alignment with Beale Infrastructure (which in the Coweta data center was proven they sent out fraudulent emails as if residents supporting the data center!) They are the same ones behind the Claremore data center. Good luck with that.

## TULSA COUNTY

For additional information and rankings you can go to: <https://bit.ly/TulsaCountyCandidates>

### Treasurer:

- **Our choice – Brandon Shreffler – R**

Endorsed by Dr. Everett Piper who can also see we need fresh blood in this position. Shreffler is a political outsider with both the education and experience to do this job. He also isn't part of the good 'ol boy network. He has grit and hard work. He has a Bachelor's in Finance and MBA along with plenty of experience over the last 20 years in the private sector. He has already been doing research to protect Tulsan's money. See below where that money is going! He would be a great fit for this position.

- John M. Fothergill – R (RINO) - Incumbent

Did you know he was the only vote against a pay raise for Tulsa County deputies? I guess he didn't think putting their lives on the line every day deserved more money, and yet it appears that HE has received a pay raise every year for the last 3 years or so. Like big pay raises. So pushing a pencil is more important than our deputies? Also, why not call and ask him where the excess money goes from houses sold at a sheriff's auction after the debt is paid. Also, as a treasurer, he seems really good at spending taxpayer dollars. For example, he paid \$205,196 for a countertop renovation for his office. Must have been some kind of amazing granite? And also there needs to be an investigation of over \$2 million in software and professional services over the past four years paid for from what are extremely generic, vague invoices. Is there any oversight happening? This guy needs to go. Vote for Shreffler!

## County Commissioner, Dist 1

- **Our Choice – Idris Shelby – R**

He has only been on my radar for a short time, but I like what I have seen. He was in the US Air Force for 11 years and is now a healthcare and business professional with more than a decade of leadership experience. He holds multiple degrees, including an MBA in Healthcare and Administration and doctoral work in Christian education and leadership from Liberty University. AND he doesn't carry all the baggage his opponent does! Really anyone would be better than Sallee after he sold Tulsa down the river.

- **Stan Sallee – Incumbent – R**

Who is Stan Sallee? Someone lacking discernment. He was the county commissioner who opened the door for Project Clydesdale data center in Tulsa working closely with Beale which we now know of their nefarious actions in Coweta (Project Anthem) creating fake emails from residents saying they were behind the data center to try to get it approved. He signed the NDA that started this mess and has continued to advocate for Beale ever since. His staunch support of Karen Keith (D) for mayor after the coverup of the Tulsa Juvenile Center debacle is another red flag. Then when she didn't get that job, he appointed her to INCOG where he just happens to be the Chair. Those two are just linked at the hip. Voters already said they didn't want her, but he was determined to keep giving her some voice and voting power. It's time for a change Tulsa.

### **Tulsa County District Attorney**

Originally, I was not going to make a state this race, but the antics by the Kunzweiler team and the lack of truth from the Tulsa DA's campaign, made it imperative that I make a choice.

- **OUR Choice – Colleen McCarty – R**

She is the founder of Oklahoma Appleseed, an organization which she built here to advocate for justice. She has been running a team of lawyers through that organization since 2022. The same way you would if running the DA's office. McCarty's political ideology is more liberal than my personal preference. But as I weigh the two candidates in the balance, I determined I would rather have a fighter willing to actually prosecute the bad guys and work to stomp out injustice than what we currently have in the DA's position. McCarty has relentlessly fought to uncover the truth and protect the kids from the abuses exposed at the Tulsa Juvenile Center where her opponent, who SHOULD have been fighting for the kids, apparently was working to shut down that investigation. I experienced that personally when he tried to block an attempt by citizens to gather signatures to impanel a grand jury. A grand jury that ultimately could have investigated HIS office.

People have argued that McCarty doesn't have the prosecutorial experience Kunzweiler does. But what good is the experience when he doesn't use it to prosecute but to make plea deals?

Questions about where Colleen stands? Seen the ugly memes? Click here for her responses: <https://mccartyforda.com/thetruth/>

- **Steve Kunzweiler – R (Incumbent)**

His constant claim that he is the only true conservative in the race and that “I’m not a politician, I’m a prosecutor” are completely false statements in my opinion. I continually hear people complain that McCarty is a “liberal” and a Democrat. I started to investigate her months ago after some trusted, very conservative Republican legislators reached out to me and said she needed to be the next DA because of her strong stand for justice and going against injustice. It started me on a journey of investigation into both candidates.

One of my personal experiences with Kunzweiler was how he tried to intimidate a group of women at a meeting so they wouldn’t sign a petition to impanel a grand jury regarding the Tulsa Juvenile Center. He told us it was a felony to sign the petition. I believe in a court of law that would be called obstruction of justice? In the meeting that day, after he warned the women “to be careful” about signing the petition, only four were brave enough to sign it out of about 60-70 who were there. Several told us they were too afraid of getting arrested if they did. [Click here](#) to hear the recording. He showed up at another club and did the same thing there. The petition fell short of the needed signatures. I wonder why? That is indefensible.

Kunzweiler’s history shows he prefers plea deals to prosecutions as you look at the Elliott Binney case.

In the recent, and much publicized case, Binney, who had four previous DUI incidences already had his lawyer, Allen Smallwood, working on a plea deal with Kunzweiler’s office. Then the 5<sup>th</sup> instance occurred. Binney, whose wife admitted he was drinking at the time, ran from the scene where his teen daughter died. According to an Ethic’s Report filing, Binney’s lawyer, Allen Smallwood, gave a \$1000 donation to the Kunzweiler campaign. Later the DA’s office made a deal for Binney to receive a reduced sentence. Kunzweiler defended his actions during a public meeting claiming there was no public evidence Binney was drinking. However, Binney’s own wife said he was drinking at the time of the accident, which was reported several places. Is Kunzweiler losing his memory? Or just not paying attention when he made statement? You have to wonder, but neither works for someone in this position. I have had numerous friends tell me of their frustration with the DA’s office where they feel they have been denied justice and their day in court. Add to that his attempts to try to prevent people from signing the petition for the grand jury—which an investigation into the Tulsa Juvenile Center abuse and rapes would ultimately investigate his office as to why it took years for anything to happen. It was McCarty’s Oklahoma Appleseed group that launched into that investigation helping bring it to light NOT Kunzweiler.

Is Tulsa a safer place to live under Kunzweiler? Can Tulsans be assured they will receive justice after looking at his track record? I think Tulsans deserve better. Gotham City needs to go.

This race is so highly contested, in my opinion, because McCarty's run for this office has been shining a light on how bad Tulsa County has become.

District 14 – Judges (Tulsa county area)

Office 1:

- **Our Choice – Caroline Wall**
- Tom Sawyer

Office 4:

- **Our Choice – Phillip Peak**  
Received the District 12 Prosecutor of the Year award in 2024
- Dustin Allen  
I have concerns about some who endorsed him. Looks to be very tied into the “system” while Tulsans want justice—not just the “system.”
- **Absolutely NOT - Loretta Radford**  
Judge Radford has repeatedly disparaged Republicans on her social media posts. Judges have to at least appear neutral for citizens to feel they have hope for justice within the courtroom. Radford's obvious disdain for Republicans raises the legitimate question for Republicans whether she could do that or not.

## WAGONER COUNTY

### County Commissioner – Dist 1

- **James Hanning – R - incumbent**  
Hanning has been the District 1 County Commissioner since 2011 when he ran for office out of frustration that roads were not getting repaired. So he ran, won and started working on the roads. I have toured the facility compared to the other districts and found a depth of organization and planning that I didn't expect and the preparation and purchase of equipment that has helped keep District 1 prepared. He voted AGAINST the solar farms trying to invade our county and he REFUSED to sign the NDA he was pressured to sign regarding the data center they tried to bring into Coweta. He has been relentlessly attacked by some who want his seat and who seem willing to resort to any tactics to get it. I think Hanning has done a good job overall and certainly has run Dist 1 with more organization than Dist 3.
- **Terry Oard – R**  
Terry was a state trooper for 20 years and then a successful small business owner. He decided to run after multiple frustrations and inconsistent answers in trying to file for a building permit from the planning commission. What should have been a relatively easy task wasn't at all and he got the run around and couldn't get the same answer twice on city/county requirements. Roads in his area are another reason he is running including one particular area, which is a high-risk stop where there have already been two fatalities. Terry already has some experience in the areas needed to do the job. He is running to get some things done where he feels they are not getting done.

- **Josh Stenros – R – a horrible choice**

His job at Verizon doesn't equate to experience for this office. He has none. We have had lots of personal experience with this man where he has proven to be a bully and quite willing to make outrageous claims in order to advance or achieve his agenda. The only good news about his running for office is that it has kept his mouth in check from his typical verbal assaults since he knows people are watching him through this campaign. When he loses, God help us all, for the probable return to his typical bullying behavior. He would be a disaster in any elected position. The dark money behind him is more testimony of who he is. **Can't say NO enough.**

### **County Commissioner – Dist 3**

This race is a tough call because honestly these are some good men, each with unique experience that will be helpful for this position.

- **David Greeno - R**

Was a city councilor in Porter for 10 years and asst. mayor for 4 years and then the mayor of Porter for 4 additional years. He has the most experience working with city and county government and budgets along with his experience with road construction and infrastructure needs. He courageously challenged the Election Board over Patrick Sampson's candidacy when he claimed residency in Dist 3 to qualify to run, when all indications have shown Sampson could not be living where he claimed.

- **Johnny Walker - R**

Has worked for the railroad for years and has benefited from learning about new technology available that is equally applicable to road construction. This knowledge can save time and money and he believes will provide better quality than the present technologies in use. He has extensive experience in working with the tribal grants, not just government grants, helping us to utilize money already available that we are not yet taking advantage of.

- **Donnie Yocham – R**

Has lived in Wagoner County since he was 11 years old. He has owned and managed his own business for 26 years which includes building roads, driveways, house pads, and providing water drainage that works. This experience would be helpful as we have issues where some new housing additions being built are causing issues for neighboring additions because the water drainage was properly handled.

A small business owner. Definitely sees the need to work on roads and infrastructure, but also build more needed industry and provide better checks and balances regarding emergency management.

- **Dennis McCollough – R**

Has 39 years' experience working with the OK Dept of Wildlife Conservation - Wetland Development Unit across the state overseeing 1.6 million acres. The agency doesn't get any tax dollars and they have had to learn to leverage the money from hunting and fishing licenses to cover their budget bringing in \$3-\$4/dollars for every dollar in license purchases. That's a skill set we can use! He wants to make sure money is being spent correctly with more accountability and transparency—which actually every candidate

referred to that need. My only complaint with McCullough is he didn't show up for candidate forums to talk in group discussions.

- **Patrick Sampson – R – NO! DOESN'T LIVE IN DISTRICT 3.**

There are so many issues with this candidate who shouldn't be running at all. He was a former Wagoner City Councilor who said he moved to Coweta (Dist 3) to run for this position. However, he continued to serve as a Wagoner City Councilor until August or September, even though he states he moved prior to that. **You can't serve in an area in which you don't live.** So was he living in Coweta, but still serving as a Wagoner City Councilor? Which you can't do. OR was he still living in Wagoner and claiming to live in Coweta so he could file to run as the Dist 3 Commissioner?

A dispute was filed and brought before the Wagoner County Election Board, who overruled the complaint questioning his Coweta address stating Sampson could run. My own investigation revealed the house, which Sampson claimed to live in to qualify, was up for Sheriff's auction on June 2. The election is June 16. So even if Sampson had been living in that house (his deceased mother's home which was in probate) no one was supposed to be living in the house according to the probate judge. Plus, the auction was BEFORE the election. Evidently the winning bidder never paid the 10% due the day of the sale (it wasn't Sampson), which means the house goes back up for auction. But what is clear, is that Sampson ISN'T living in the house he said he was to qualify to run in the district. The Wagoner County Election Board should have disqualified him according to the rules. They didn't and so he is on the ballot. My encouragement is don't throw away your vote. I have no doubt if by chance Sampson did win, this will be challenged in court. In fact, there is already a police investigation filed on him for multiple issues. Bottom line is Sampson hasn't been honest, not to mention, he is the least qualified of the five anyway.

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- **Our Choice - Wendi Stearman – R**  
Earned a conservative index score of 100% for the past two years.
- John Kane – R  
Wouldn't be a bad choice, but his voting record in areas such as economic development and growing the government not as conservative as Stearman.

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