

**SPECIMEN BALLOT
WHITESIDE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 3, 2020**

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS SPECIMEN BALLOT IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE OFFICES AND CANDIDATES TO BE VOTED IN THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN WHITESIDE COUNTY ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020.

Dana Nelson

DANA NELSON, COUNTY CLERK

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

"NOTICE

THE FAILURE TO VOTE THIS BALLOT MAY BE THE EQUIVALENT OF A NEGATIVE VOTE, BECAUSE A CONVENTION SHALL BE CALLED OR THE AMENDMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE IF APPROVED BY EITHER THREE-FIFTHS OF THOSE VOTING ON THE QUESTION OR A MAJORITY OF THOSE VOTING IN THE ELECTION. (THIS IS NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS A DIRECTION THAT YOUR VOTE IS REQUIRED TO BE CAST EITHER IN FAVOR OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSITION HEREIN CONTAINED.)

WHETHER YOU VOTE THIS BALLOT OR NOT YOU MUST RETURN IT TO THE ELECTION JUDGE WHEN YOU LEAVE THE VOTING BOOTH".

CONSTITUTION BALLOT

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 1970 ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION

Explanation of Amendment

The proposed amendment grants the State authority to impose higher income tax rates on higher income levels, which is how the federal government and a majority of other states do it. The amendment would remove the portion of the Revenue Article of the Illinois Constitution that is sometimes referred to as the "flat tax," that requires all taxes on income to be at the same rate. The amendment does not itself change tax rates. It gives the State the ability to impose higher tax rates on those with higher income levels and lower income tax rates on those with middle or lower income levels. You are asked to decide whether the proposed amendment should become a part of the Illinois Constitution.

For the proposed amendment of Section 3 of Article IX of the Illinois Constitution.

- YES
- NO

FEDERAL

FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

(Vote for one)

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| <input type="radio"/> (JOSEPH R. BIDEN
(KAMALA D. HARRIS) | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> (DONALD J. TRUMP
(MICHAEL R. PENCE) | REPUBLICAN |
| <input type="radio"/> (HOWIE HAWKINS
(ANGELA WALKER) | GREEN |
| <input type="radio"/> (GLORIA LA RIVA
(LEONARD PELTIER) | PARTY FOR
SOCIALISM
AND LIBERATION |
| <input type="radio"/> (BRIAN CARROLL
(AMAR PATEL) | AMERICAN
SOLIDARITY PARTY |
| <input type="radio"/> (JO JORGENSEN
(JEREMY "SPIKE" COHEN) | LIBERTARIAN |
| <input type="radio"/> Write-in _____ | |

FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR

(Vote for one)

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| <input type="radio"/> RICHARD J. DURBIN | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> MARK C. CURRAN JR. | REPUBLICAN |
| <input type="radio"/> WILLIE L. WILSON | WILLIE WILSON
PARTY |
| <input type="radio"/> DAVID F. BLACK | GREEN |
| <input type="radio"/> DANNY MALOUF | LIBERTARIAN |
| <input type="radio"/> Write-in _____ | |

CONGRESSIONAL

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS SEVENTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

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| <input type="radio"/> CHERI BUSTOS | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> ESTHER JOY KING | REPUBLICAN |

REPRESENTATIVE

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SEVENTY-FIRST REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

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| <input type="radio"/> JOAN PADILLA | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> TONY M. McCOMBIE | REPUBLICAN |

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY EIGHTY-NINTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

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| No Candidate | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> ANDREW S. CHESNEY | REPUBLICAN |
| <input type="radio"/> JOHN COOK | INDEPENDENT |

COUNTY

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK

(Vote for one)

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| No Candidate | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> SUE R. COSTELLO | REPUBLICAN |

FOR RECORDER

(Vote for one)

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| No Candidate | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> DAWN M. YOUNG | REPUBLICAN |

FOR CORONER

(Vote for one)

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| <input type="radio"/> JOSEPH P. McDONALD | DEMOCRATIC |
| No Candidate | REPUBLICAN |

FOR STATE'S ATTORNEY

(Vote for one)

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| <input type="radio"/> TERRY A. COSTELLO | DEMOCRATIC |
| No Candidate | REPUBLICAN |

**FOR COUNTY TREASURER
(For an unexpired 2-year term)**

(Vote for one)

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| <input type="radio"/> KRISTIN NICOLE WALRATH | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> PENNY VANKAMPEN | REPUBLICAN |

COUNTY BOARD

FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT ONE

(Vote for not more than five)

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| <input type="radio"/> JAMES C. DUFFY | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> WILLIAM MCGINN | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> THOMAS L. AUSMAN | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> OWEN HARRELL | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> ERNEST SMITH | DEMOCRATIC |
| No Candidate | REPUBLICAN |

FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT TWO

(Vote for not more than four)

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| <input type="radio"/> KAREN NELSON | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> EUGENE (GENE) JACOBY | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> SHAWN DOWD | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> BROOKE E PEARSON | REPUBLICAN |
| <input type="radio"/> LINDA S. PENNELL | REPUBLICAN |

FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT THREE

(Vote for not more than five)

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| <input type="radio"/> CYNTHIA MEAD | DEMOCRATIC |
| <input type="radio"/> HOWARD "BUD" THOMPSON | REPUBLICAN |
| <input type="radio"/> CHAD WEAVER | REPUBLICAN |
| <input type="radio"/> MARK HAMILTON | REPUBLICAN |
| <input type="radio"/> LARRY RUSSELL | REPUBLICAN |
| <input type="radio"/> CHARLES BROWN JR | REPUBLICAN |

JUDICIAL

**FOR JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
(To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Walter D. Braud)**

(Vote for one)

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| <input type="radio"/> PETER W. CHURCH | DEMOCRATIC |
| No Candidate | REPUBLICAN |

JUDICIAL RETENTION

BALLOT FOR JUDICIAL CANDIDATES SEEKING RETENTION IN OFFICE

"Vote on the Proposition with respect to all or any of the Judges listed on this ballot. No Judge listed is running against any other Judge. The sole question is whether each Judge shall be retained in his present office."

SUPREME COURT JUDGE

**SHALL
TOM L. KILBRIDE
be retained in office as
JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT?**

- YES
- NO

APPELLATE COURT JUDGE

**SHALL
MARY W. McDADE
be retained in office as
JUDGE OF THE APPELLATE COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT?**

- YES
- NO

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

**SHALL
LINNEA E. THOMPSON
be retained in office as
JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT?**

- YES
- NO

**SHALL
TERENCE M. PATTON
be retained in office as
JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT?**

- YES
- NO

PROPOSITION

MORRISON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL DISTRICT PROPOSITION TO LEASE SPACE

Shall the Morrison Community Hospital District have the authority to lease office space and common areas outside the boundaries of the District, as contemplated by Section 15(1) of Hospital District Law?

- YES
- NO

CITY OF MORRISON PROPOSITION TO LEVY TAX FOR RESTORATION OF NEGLECTED CEMETERIES

Shall a tax of not exceeding .025% be levied each year on the taxable property in the City of Morrison, Illinois for the purpose of reconditioning and restoring neglected cemeteries, which are owned, managed, and/or controlled by the City, as provided in Section 11-50-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code?

- YES
- NO

WHITESIDE COUNTY PROPOSITION TO INCREASE LOCAL SALES TAX

To pay for public safety purposes, shall Whiteside County be authorized to impose an increase on its share of local sales taxes by 0.5%?

(This would mean that a consumer would pay an additional \$0.50 in sales tax for every \$100 of tangible personal property bought at retail.)

- YES
- NO

POLO COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 222 PROPOSITION TO ELECT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS AT LARGE

Shall the members of the Board of Education of Polo Community Unit School District Number 222, Ogle, Lee and Whiteside Counties, Illinois, in accordance with Section 10-10.5(b) of the School Code of the State of Illinois, be elected at large and without restriction by area of residence within said School District rather than in accordance with the provisions of Section 10-10.5(a) of the School Code of the State of Illinois, as amended, which require mandatory board representation according to congressional townships?

- YES
- NO