

PUBLIC NOTICE

Establishing Qualifying Fees for the 2024 General Election

The Board of County Commissioners is required by O.C.G.A. 21-2-131, to fix and publish qualifying fees for county offices not later than February 1 of any year in which a general primary, nonpartisan election, or general election is to be held. The qualifying fees for the offices of Clerk of Superior Court, Judge of Probate Court, Sheriff, Tax Commissioner, Coroner, and Chief Magistrate shall be 3% of the minimum base salary, specified in state law for each county based on population. The base which appears in the Code should not be adjusted to reflect supplements, cost-of-living increases, or longevity increases. For the offices of members of the county governing authority, or Board of Commissioners, the qualifying fee is 3% of the base salary established by local Act of the General Assembly, and is not adjusted to reflect training, supplements, or cost-of-living increases.

COUNTY OFFICE	TOTAL GROSS SALARY FOR 2023	3% QUALIFYING FEE
County Commissioner	\$5,638.55	\$169.16
Sheriff	\$77,294.36	\$2,318.83
Chief Magistrate	\$64,512.39	\$1,935.37
Probate Judge	\$63,247.38	\$1,897.42
Clerk of Superior Court	\$63,247.38	\$1,897.42
Tax Commissioner	\$63,247.38	\$1,897.42
Coroner	\$3,600.00	\$108.00
School Board Member	\$600.00	\$18.00

Qualifying for the 2024 elections for partisan offices (Sheriff, Clerk of Superior Court, Tax Commissioner, County Commissioner, and Coroner) will begin at 9:00 a.m., Monday, March 4, 2024 and end Friday, March 8, 2024 at 12 noon with the respective political parties. Qualifying for nonpartisan offices (Probate Judge, Chief Magistrate, and Board of Education members) and independent candidates will be held beginning Monday, March 4, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. and end Friday, March 8, 2024 at 12 noon in the Lee County Elections and Registration Office. For more information regarding the election process, contact the Board of Elections and Registration at 759-6002.