

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
GENERAL ELECTION
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS
NOVEMBER 4, 2008**

Full **DARKEN THE OVAL** 

Instructions to Voters: To vote, darken the oval (●) to the left of your choice. To cast a write-in, when available, darken the oval to the left of the blank space provided and write the candidate's name in that space. For specific information, refer to the card of instruction posted in the voting booth. If you tear, soil, deface or erroneously mark this ballot, return it to the Election Judge and obtain another.

**MARK SHELDEN, COUNTY CLERK
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Mark Shelden

| United States | United States | Champaign County |
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| President and Vice President of the United States Four Year Term Vote for up to 1 | Representative in Congress 15th Congressional District Two Year Term Vote for up to 1 | Circuit Clerk Four Year Term Vote for up to 1 |
| <input type="radio"/> Barack Obama Joe Biden Democratic | <input type="radio"/> Steve Cox Democratic | <input type="radio"/> Kimberly Hooper Democratic |
| <input type="radio"/> Cynthia McKinney Rosa Clemente Green | State of Illinois | |
| <input type="radio"/> John McCain Sarah Palin Republican | State Senator 53rd State Legislative District Four Year Term Vote for up to 1 | Coroner Four Year Term Vote for up to 1 |
| <input type="radio"/> Bob Barr Wayne A. Root Libertarian | <input type="radio"/> Dan Rutherford Republican | <input type="radio"/> Mark C. Medlyn Democratic |
| <input type="radio"/> John Joseph Polachek No Candidate New | Representative in the General Assembly 103rd State Representative District Two Year Term Vote for up to 1 | <input type="radio"/> Duane Northrup Republican |
| <input type="radio"/> Charles O. Baldwin Darrell L. Castle Constitution | Representative in the General Assembly 104th State Representative District Two Year Term Vote for up to 1 | Recorder of Deeds Four Year Term Vote for up to 1 |
| <input type="radio"/> Ralph Nader Matt Gonzalez Independent | <input type="radio"/> Naomi D. Jakobsson Democratic | <input type="radio"/> Danis Pelmore Democratic |
| <input type="radio"/> Write-in | <input type="radio"/> Frank Calabrese Republican | <input type="radio"/> Barbara A. Frasca Republican |
| United States Senator Six Year Term Vote for up to 1 | Representative in the General Assembly 105th State Representative District Two Year Term Vote for up to 1 | State's Attorney Four Year Term Vote for up to 1 |
| <input type="radio"/> Richard J. Durbin Democratic | <input type="radio"/> Lori A. DeYoung Democratic | <input type="radio"/> Julia R. Rietz Democratic |
| <input type="radio"/> Kathy Cummings Green | <input type="radio"/> William B. "Bill" Black Republican | <input type="radio"/> Janie Miller-Jones Republican |
| <input type="radio"/> Steve Sauerberg Republican | Representative in the General Assembly 110th State Representative District Two Year Term Vote for up to 1 | <input type="radio"/> County Board Member County Board District 1 Four Year Term Vote for up to 2 |
| <input type="radio"/> Larry A. Stafford Libertarian | <input type="radio"/> Shane Cultra Republican | <input type="radio"/> Eric Thorsland Democratic |
| <input type="radio"/> Chad N. Koppie Constitution | Representative in the General Assembly 110th State Representative District Two Year Term Vote for up to 1 | <input type="radio"/> Scott Hays Democratic |
| | <input type="radio"/> Chapin Rose Republican | <input type="radio"/> John D. Jay Republican |
| | Champaign County | <input type="radio"/> Lawrence D. Sapp Republican |
| | Auditor Four Year Term Vote for up to 1 | County Board Member County Board District 2 Four Year Term Vote for up to 1 |
| | <input type="radio"/> Tony Fabri Democratic | <input type="radio"/> Ron Bensyl Republican |
| | <input type="radio"/> Brad Jones Republican | |

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| Champaign County | | Judicial Candidates Seeking Retention in Office | |
| County Board Member County Board District 3 Four Year Term Vote for up to 1 | | <p>"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."</p> | |
| <input type="radio"/> Margaret Wright Democratic | | 4th Judicial District | |
| <input type="radio"/> Alan Nudo Republican | | | |
| County Board Member County Board District 4 Four Year Term Vote for up to 1 | | Judge Of The Appellate Court Shall Sue E. Myerscough be retained in office as Judge of the Appellate Court, 4th Judicial District? | |
| <input type="radio"/> Stanley S. (Steve) O'Connor Republican | | <input type="radio"/> YES | |
| <input type="radio"/> Carol C. Ammons Democratic | | <input type="radio"/> NO | |
| County Board Member County Board District 5 Four Year Term Vote for up to 2 | | 6th Judicial Circuit | |
| <input type="radio"/> Lloyd Carter, Jr. Democratic | | Judge Of The Circuit Court Shall Thomas J. Difanis be retained in office as Judge of the Circuit Court, 6th Judicial Circuit? | |
| <input type="radio"/> William Kyles Republican | | <input type="radio"/> YES | |
| <input type="radio"/> Corben Rice Republican | | <input type="radio"/> NO | |
| County Board Member County Board District 6 Four Year Term Vote for up to 1 | | Judge Of The Circuit Court Shall Harry E. Clem be retained in office as Judge of the Circuit Court, 6th Judicial Circuit? | |
| <input type="radio"/> Giraldo Rosales Democratic | | <input type="radio"/> YES | |
| County Board Member County Board District 6 Two Year Unexpired Term Vote for up to 1 | | <input type="radio"/> NO | |
| <input type="radio"/> Michael Richards Democratic | | Judge Of The Circuit Court Shall Arnold F. Blockman be retained in office as Judge of the Circuit Court, 6th Judicial Circuit? | |
| <input type="radio"/> Janet Anderson Democratic | | <input type="radio"/> YES | |
| <input type="radio"/> C. Pius Weibel Democratic | | <input type="radio"/> NO | |
| <input type="radio"/> Walter Pituc Green | | Judge Of The Circuit Court Shall Katherine (Kitty) McCarthy be retained in office as Judge of the Circuit Court, 6th Judicial Circuit? | |
| <input type="radio"/> Stephanie Dold Republican | | <input type="radio"/> YES | |
| <input type="radio"/> Tony Pomonis Republican | | <input type="radio"/> NO | |
| County Board Member County Board District 7 Four Year Term Vote for up to 2 | | Judge Of The Circuit Court Shall A. G. Webber be retained in office as Judge of the Circuit Court, 6th Judicial Circuit? | |
| <input type="radio"/> Samuel Jay Smucker Democratic | | <input type="radio"/> YES | |
| <input type="radio"/> Joe Futrelle Green | | <input type="radio"/> NO | |
| County Board Member County Board District 8 Four Year Term Vote for up to 1 | | <input type="radio"/> YES | |
| <input type="radio"/> Brendan M. McGinty Democratic | | <input type="radio"/> NO | |
| <input type="radio"/> Mike Lehman Green | | County Board Member County Board District 9 Four Year Term Vote for up to 1 | |
| <input type="radio"/> Brendan M. McGinty Democratic | | City of Champaign Township | |
| <input type="radio"/> Mike Lehman Green | | Proposition To Increase The Limiting Rate Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for City of Champaign Township be increased by an additional amount equal to .02% above the limiting rate for levy year 2007 and be equal to .0550% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2008? | |
| <input type="radio"/> Samuel Jay Smucker Democratic | | <input type="radio"/> YES | |
| <input type="radio"/> Joe Futrelle Green | | <input type="radio"/> NO | |
| <input type="radio"/> Brendan M. McGinty Democratic | | <p>(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recently extended limiting rate is \$2,397,810, and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$3,064,794.</p> <p>(2) For the 2008 levy year the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$6.67.</p> <p>(3) If the proposition is approved, the aggregate extension for 2008 will be determined by the limiting rate set forth in the proposition, rather than the otherwise applicable limiting rate calculated under the provisions of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (commonly known as the Property Tax Cap Law).</p> | |
| <input type="radio"/> Mike Lehman Green | | <p>(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recently extended limiting rate is \$482,723 and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$779,597.</p> <p>(2) For the 2007 levy year, the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single-family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$6.67.</p> <p>(3) If the proposition is approved, the aggregate extension for 2008 will be determined by the limiting rate set forth in the proposition, rather than the otherwise applicable limiting rate calculated under the provisions of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (commonly known as the Property Tax Cap Law).</p> | |
| <input type="radio"/> Samuel Jay Smucker Democratic | | <p>(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recently extended limiting rate is \$482,723 and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$779,597.</p> <p>(2) For the 2007 levy year, the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single-family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$6.67.</p> <p>(3) If the proposition is approved, the aggregate extension for 2008 will be determined by the limiting rate set forth in the proposition, rather than the otherwise applicable limiting rate calculated under the provisions of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (commonly known as the Property Tax Cap Law).</p> | |
| <input type="radio"/> Joe Futrelle Green | | <p>(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recently extended limiting rate is \$482,723 and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$779,597.</p> <p>(2) For the 2007 levy year, the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single-family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$6.67.</p> <p>(3) If the proposition is approved, the aggregate extension for 2008 will be determined by the limiting rate set forth in the proposition, rather than the otherwise applicable limiting rate calculated under the provisions of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (commonly known as the Property Tax Cap Law).</p> | |

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| City of Champaign Township | | Champaign County | State of Illinois |
| <p>Proposition To Post All Contracts And Itemized Expenses On Their Websites Shall the voters of the City of Champaign Township ask the Town of the City of Champaign Township and City of Champaign to post all contracts and itemized expenses on their websites so that taxpayers can see how their money is being spent?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> | | <p>Question Of Imposing A Retailers' Occupation Tax And A Service Occupation Tax For School Facility Purposes "Shall Champaign County be authorized to impose a retailers' occupation tax and a service occupation tax (commonly referred to as a "sales tax") at a rate of one percent (1%) to be used exclusively for school facility purposes?"</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> | <p>Proposed Call For A Constitutional Convention This proposal deals with a call for a state constitutional convention. The last such convention was held in 1969-70, and a new Constitution was adopted in 1970. The 1970 Illinois Constitution requires that the question of calling a convention be placed before the voters every 20 years. In 1988 the electors rejected the call for a constitutional convention, with 75% voting against calling a convention and 25% voting in favor of calling a convention. If you believe the 1970 Illinois Constitution needs to be revised through the convention process, vote "YES" on the question of calling a constitutional convention. If you believe that a constitutional convention is not necessary, or that changes can be accomplished through other means, vote "NO" on the calling of a constitutional convention.</p> <p>For the calling of a Constitutional Convention.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> |
| <p>Cunningham Township</p> | | <p>Compromise, Harwood, Kerr Assessment District</p> | |
| <p>Resolution To Place An Advisory Referendum Question Concerning Restricting The Use Of Cell Phones While Driving, Bicycling Or By Pedestrians Crossing Streets "Do you support restrictions on the use of cell phones by drivers and bicyclists using public streets and by pedestrians crossing streets so they will not become so distracted by cell phone use that they are a danger to themselves and others?"</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> | | <p>Proposition To Increase The Limiting Rate Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for the Compromise, Harwood and Kerr Multi-Township Assessment District, Champaign County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 41% above the limiting rate for levy year 2007 and be equal to .0482% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for all future levy years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> | |
| <p>Resolution To Place An Advisory Referendum Question Concerning The System Of Elections "Do you support keeping the current system for local elections so that each voter casts one vote for the candidate they prefer and the candidate who gets the most votes wins?"</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> | | <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> | |
| <p>Resolution To Place An Advisory Referendum Question Concerning Health Care "Do you support national legislation to provide basic health care for all Americans while containing costs through the reduction of bureaucracy and while preserving the doctor-patient relationship, patient choice of doctors, and doctors' choice of their practice settings?"</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> | | <p>(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recently extended limiting rate is \$12,750.00, and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the Proposition is approved is \$18,000.00.</p> <p>(2) For the 2009 levy year the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000.00 is estimated to be \$4.70.</p> <p>(3) If the proposition is approved, the aggregate extension for 2009 and thereafter will be determined by the limiting rate set forth in the proposition, rather than the otherwise applicable limiting rate calculated under the provisions of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (commonly known as the Property Tax Cap Law).</p> | |
| <p>Cornbelt Fire Protection District</p> | | <p>End Of Ballot</p> | |
| <p>Increase Number Of Trustees "Shall the number of trustees of the Cornbelt Fire Protection District be increased from 3 to 5?"</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> | | | |