



STATE OF MICHIGAN
BUREAU OF ELECTIONS
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 25, 2024
TO: County Clerks and Election Directors
FROM: Michigan Bureau of Elections
SUBJECT: Write-in Candidates for November 5, 2024, General Election

The deadline for filing a Declaration of Intent form for the November 5, 2024, general election elapsed at **4:00 p.m. today, Friday, October 25, 2024**. The following represents a **final listing** of the individuals who filed a Declaration of Intent form **on the state level** to express their interest in seeking election to the indicated offices with write-in votes.

Candidate Name	Office	Term
Jay J. Bowman	President of the United States	Regular
Claudia De la Cruz	President of the United States	Regular
Cherunda Lynn Fox	President of the United States	Regular
Peter Sonski	President of the United States	Regular
James Chapman	United States Senator	Regular
Marcus A. Irvine	United States Senator	Regular
Valerie Lee Willis	United States Senator	Regular
*Steven Elliott	Representative in Congress, 12 th District	Regular
Shakira Lynette Hawkins	Representative in Congress, 13 th District	Regular
Danetta Lynese Simpson	Representative in Congress, 13 th District	Regular
Danetta Lynese Simpson	Representative in State Legislature, 9 th District	Regular
Michael Christopher-Floyd Clack	Representative in State Legislature, 70 th District	Regular
Huwaida Arraf	University of Michigan Regent	Regular
Vanessa Marie Moss	Judge of District Court, 36 th District	Regular Non- Incumbent

Reno Marcus Boles	Judge of Wayne County Probate Court	Regular Non- Incumbent
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*Pending a review of the submitted Declaration of Intent, Steven Elliott is a write-in candidate for representative of the 12th congressional district.

Actions You Must Take

- All valid write-in votes cast for the above-listed candidates must be tallied. Please advise the appropriate city and township clerks to instruct their precinct boards to record any valid write-in votes cast for the indicated candidate(s) for President, United States Senator, Representative in Congress, State Representative, University of Michigan Regent, and any other district listed above that falls within your county.
- A write-in vote cast for an individual who has *not* filed a Declaration of Intent *does not count* and must not be recorded by the precinct board. Similarly, a write-in vote cast for an individual who filed a Declaration of Intent does not count unless the office for which the write-in vote was cast corresponds to the office identified on the Declaration of Intent. Write-in votes which do not count for the above reasons are *not* considered when determining whether an *over vote* has occurred or whether a *split ticket* has been cast at a partisan primary. For further information on the documenting and canvassing of write-in votes, please refer to [Chapter 4 of the Election Officials' Manual](#).
- If you accepted any Declaration of Intent filings from write-in candidates seeking the office of Representative in Congress or State Representative who were required to submit the form to your office, please fax a copy of the Declaration of Intent forms submitted by the candidates to the Bureau as soon as possible if you have not done so already. Fax: (517) 335-3235.

Please feel free to contact this office if you have questions. Email: email mdos-file-canvass@michigan.gov.
Phone: 800-292-5973.