

**Election  
Tuesday  
November 3,  
2020**



# ★ 2020 GENERAL PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION ★ **VOTERS GUIDE**

For more information see the Civic Association webpage: [palmbeachcivic.org/elections](http://palmbeachcivic.org/elections)

## **VOTE BY MAIL**

The deadline to request that a Vote-by-Mail ballot be mailed to you for the November 3rd, 2020 General Election is no later than 5:00 p.m. on October 24, 2020

## **REQUESTING YOUR VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT**

A request for a Vote-by-Mail ballot may be made in one of the following ways:

By Phone: (561) 656-6208

By Fax: (561) 656-6230

Online: [pbcelections.org](http://pbcelections.org)

In Person:

240 S. Military Trail  
West Palm Beach, FL



Your ballot must be received by the Supervisor of Elections office by 7 p.m. on Election Day for it to be counted.

## **EARLY VOTING**

**OCTOBER 19, 2020 - NOVEMBER 1, 2020 (7 AM - 7 PM)**

Summit Main Library  
3650 Summit Blvd.  
West Palm Beach

WPB City Hall Flagler Gallery  
401 Clematis Street  
West Palm Beach

## **DAY OF VOTING**

**NOVEMBER 3, 2020 (7 AM - 7 PM)**

### **Precincts 1390 & 1392**

St Edwards Church  
165 N County Road

### **Precincts 1394 & 7154**

Morton & Barbara Mandel Center  
340 Seaview Ave

### **Precincts 7156, 7158 & 7166**

PB Fire Station #3  
2185 S Ocean Blvd

## **CANDIDATE FORUM**

As part of our mission to inform our members and residents of important issues affecting our Town, the Palm Beach Civic Association will host a Candidate Forum.

Look for the announcement in upcoming issues of our email newsletter, Membership Matters and on our website, [www.palmbeachcivic.org/elections](http://www.palmbeachcivic.org/elections)

Please note: Check your sample ballot from the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections. There are many more candidates running for offices. This Voters Guide does not cover write-in candidates.

Join the Civic Association today! ★ [PalmBeachCivic.org](http://PalmBeachCivic.org)

# PRESIDENT

Four-year term (vote for one)



**Donald Trump – R (Incumbent)**



**Personal:** Born June 14, 1946, in Queens, NY is the 45th and current president of the United States.

**Education:** He attended Fordham University before transferring to the Wharton School of Finance at the University of Pennsylvania, where he earned a B.S. in economics in 1968.

**Political Career:** On November 8, 2016, he was elected the 45th president of the United States. He was sworn into office on January 20, 2017.

Campaign Website: [donaldjtrump.com](http://donaldjtrump.com)



**Joe Biden – D**



**Personal:** Born November 20, 1942, in Scranton, PA is the former Democratic vice president of the United States.

**Education:** He graduated from the University of Delaware with a degree in history and political science and received his law degree from the Syracuse University Law School.

**Political Career:** Biden served in the Senate from 1973 to 2009. He chaired the Senate Judiciary Committee and the Committee on Foreign Relations for several years. Biden served as vice president from 2009 to 2017.

Campaign Website: [joebiden.com](http://joebiden.com)

# HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

Two-year term (vote for one)



**Lois Frankel – D (Incumbent)**



**Personal:** Frankel was born on May 16, 1948 in New York City.

**Education:** She received a BS degree from Boston University in 1970. She earned a Juris Doctor from Georgetown University Law Center in 1973.

**Political Career:** She was elected to represent Florida's 22nd Congressional District from 2013-17. She's represented Florida's 21st Congressional District since 2018.

Campaign Website: [loisfrankelforcongress.com](http://loisfrankelforcongress.com)



**Laura Loomer – R**



**Personal:** Born May 21, 1993 in Miami, Florida.

**Education:** She attended Barry University in Miami, FL as an undergraduate, where she first became involved in Republican political groups on campus.

**Political Career:** Loomer has worked with Project Veritas, She reported for the Canadian far-right news website The Rebel Media in 2017 and has occasionally reported for InfoWars

Campaign Website: [lauraloomerforcongress.com](http://lauraloomerforcongress.com)

# STATE HOUSE DISTRICT 89

Four-year term (vote for one)



**Michael Caruso - R (Incumbent)**



**Personal:** Born September 14, 1958 (age 62), Washington, D.C., and he moved to Florida in 1986

**Education:** He graduated from George Washington University with a BBA in accounting.

**Political Career:** Mike Caruso is a member of the Florida House of Representatives, representing District 89. He assumed office on November 6, 2018.

Campaign Website: [electmikecaruso.com](http://electmikecaruso.com)



**James Bonfiglio – D**



**Personal:** Age 66.

**Education:** Jim Bonfiglio graduated from the University of Rochester in 1975 with a double major in Political Science and History. He attended Loyola University School of Law, graduating in 1979 with a JD degree.

**Political Career:** Jim Bonfiglio is the former Mayor of Ocean Ridge

Campaign Website: [jimbonfigliofordistrict89.com](http://jimbonfigliofordistrict89.com)

# SHERIFF

Four-year term (vote for one)



**Ric Bradshaw – D (Incumbent)**



**Personal:** 72 years old, married.

**Education:** Bachelor of Science Degree with honors in Human Resources Management and a Masters of Science in Administration with honors-with a specialization in Emergency Management.

**Political Career:** Sheriff Bradshaw has forty-nine (49) years in law enforcement. He rose through the ranks of the West Palm Beach Police Department and in 1996 was appointed Chief of Police. On January 4, 2005, Sheriff Bradshaw was sworn in as Sheriff of Palm Beach County.

Campaign Website: [ricbradshawforsheriff.com](http://ricbradshawforsheriff.com)



**Lauro Diaz – R**



**Personal:** Married with 2 children and a granddaughter.

**Education:** Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice and a Master's Degree in Homeland Security and Emergency Management.

**Political Career:** 34 years of law enforcement experience. 27 of those years were spent at the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office. Captain of the Organized Crime Division, Training, Law Enforcement Division, Criminal Investigations Division, Operations and 911 Coordinator.

Campaign Website: [diazforsheriff.com](http://diazforsheriff.com)

# TAX COLLECTOR

Four-year term (vote for one)



**Anne Gannon – D (Incumbent)**



**Personal:** Born December 23, 1947, in Xenia, Ohio, and grew up in Mechanicsburg, Ohio.

**Education:** She attended Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, and then attended Palm Beach Community College, Barry University, and Florida Atlantic University, studying business administration and political science.

**Political Career:** Gannon is a Democratic politician who currently serves as the Palm Beach County Tax Collector. She served as a member of the Florida House of Representatives, representing the 88th District from 2000 to 2002, and the 86th District from 2002 to 2006.

Campaign Website: [reelectannegannon.com](http://reelectannegannon.com)



**Frank Ciatto – NPA**

**Personal:** Age 49

**Education:** Master of Arts degree in International Studies from Charter University in the United Kingdom and a Bachelor of Science degree in Liberal Arts, with a concentration in Economics, from the State University of New York's Regents College.

**Political Career:** Ciatto served our country as an Intelligence Specialist in the United States Navy. He served as a Code Enforcement Officer and most recently as a Deputy Tax Collector.

Campaign Website: [frank4change.com](http://frank4change.com)

# BOARD of COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT 7

Four-year term (vote for one)



**Mack Bernard – D (Incumbent)**

**Personal:** Born March 4, 1976, married with 3 children.

**Education:** Bernard holds a JD with honors from University of Florida Levin College of Law.

**Political Career:** Elected to the Florida House of Representatives in 2009 in the 27th district. County Commissioner since 2016.

Campaign Website: [mackbernard.com](http://mackbernard.com)



**Leonard Serratore – NPA**

**Personal:** Born August, 1955

**Education:** Florida Institute of Technology Graduate

**Political Career:** Currently, Airport Operations Supervisor at Palm Beach County Airport.

Campaign Website: [leonardserratore.com](http://leonardserratore.com)



**Caneste Succe – NPA**

**Personal:** Born December, 1962

**Education:** Bachelor's degree in political science from American Intercontinental University

**Political Career:** Seven years in the corrections department at the PB County Sheriff's Office and also spent four years at the Supervisor of Elections office.

Campaign Website: [succecaneste.com](http://succecaneste.com)

## PORT of PALM BEACH - GROUP 2 Four-year term (vote for one)



**Katherine Waldron – D (Incumbent)**



Age: 60

**Education:** BA University of Virginia  
MBA Palm Beach Atlantic University

**Political Career:** Group 2 Incumbent Katherine Waldron is a businesswoman who has been an executive with Fortune 500 companies and has founded small businesses.

Campaign Website: [votekw.com](http://votekw.com)



**Mike Whalen – NPA**

Age: 78

**Education:** BA University of Virginia MBA Palm Beach Atlantic University

**Political Career:** He is employed as a Realtor with business background which includes Finance Director for 2 different Palm Beach County corporations,

Campaign Email: [michaelj15@att.net](mailto:michaelj15@att.net)

## PORT of PALM BEACH - GROUP 3 Four-year term (vote for one)



**Jean Enright – D (Incumbent)**



**Personal:** Widowed with 2 children.

**Education:** She received a Bachelor's Degree from Tuskegee University, a Master's Degree from Howard University, and a Doctorate Degree from the Catholic University of America.

**Political Career:** Dr. Jean Landfair Enright joined the Board in 2005. Dr. Enright has worked as a university administrator, public school administrator, university instructor, and teacher.

Campaign Email: [votejeanlenright@gmail.com](mailto:votejeanlenright@gmail.com)



**Roderick Clarke – R**



**Personal:** Age 46

**Education:** Business Management Engineering

**Political Career:** Over 25 years of military experience making a better military force helping military people to transition into the Civilian world from the military working in the local community with food banks and shelters.

Campaign Website: [roderickclarkeforpalmbeach.com](http://roderickclarkeforpalmbeach.com)

**THESE CANDIDATES ARE ON THE BALLOT  
THE OTHER CANDIDATES IN THESE RACES ARE  
QUALIFIED WRITE-IN CANDIDATES**

### CLERK of the CIRCUIT COURT & COMPTROLLER

#### **Joseph Abruzzo – D**

Age: 40 years old

Campaign Website:  
None

### BOARD of COUNTY COMMISSIONERS - DISTRICT 1

#### **Maria Marino – R**

Age: 63 years old

Campaign Website:  
[electmariamarino.com](http://electmariamarino.com)

### PORT of PALM BEACH GROUP 1

#### **Wayne Richards – D**

Age: 57 years old

Campaign Website:  
[facebook.com/CommissionerRichards](https://facebook.com/CommissionerRichards)

# JUDGESHIPS

Non-partisan, six-year terms. Florida law requires Florida Supreme Court justices and appeals court judges to be placed on the ballot in nonpartisan elections every six years, so voters can determine whether the judges or justices should remain on their courts for another six-year term. These are called “merit retention” elections.

See [www.floridasupremecourt.org/justices](http://www.floridasupremecourt.org/justices).

## Florida Supreme Court Justice



### Shall Justice Carlos G. Muñoz of the Supreme Court be retained in office?

**Personal:** 51, Married, three children.

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts from the University of Virginia in 1991. Yale Law School, Juris Doctor in 1997.

**Professional:** January 2001, Muñoz moved to Florida to become deputy general counsel for Governor Jeb Bush. June 2003, moved to the law firm of GrayRobinson. April 2005 as general counsel of the Florida Department of Financial Services. December 2006, Muñoz was the policy director of the Republican Party of Florida. July 2007, he became the deputy chief of staff and counsel in the office of the Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives. January 2011, Muñoz became deputy attorney general and chief of staff to Florida Attorney General Pam Bondi. A senior advisor in the Office of Secretary of the department in February 2018, and was confirmed as General Counsel by the U.S. Senate in April 2018. January 22, 2019, Governor Ron DeSantis appointed Muñoz to the Supreme Court of Florida.

## District Court of Appeals

**District 4** See [4dca.org/judges](http://4dca.org/judges)

### Shall Judge Alan O. Forst be retained in office?



**Personal:** 61, Palm City. Married, three children.

**Education:** Bachelor's degree, international politics, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service; law degree, Catholic University of America.

**Professional:** Associate/partner at Crary Buchanan law firm, Stuart, 1998-2001; worked for various agencies in Washington, D.C., including the U.S. Department of Labor, U.S. Merit System Protection Board and U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, 1986-1998.

### Shall Judge Mark Klingensmith be retained in office?



**Personal:** 59, of Sewall's Point. Married, two children.

**Education:** Bachelor's in political science and law degree, University of Florida.

**Professional:** Shareholder, Sonneborn Rutter Cooney & Klingensmith PA, West Palm Beach, 1992-2011; junior partner, Sonneborn & Rutter PA, West Palm Beach, 1990-92; associate, Metzger & Sonneborn PA, West Palm Beach, February 1986-90.

### Shall Judge Martha C. Warner be retained in office?



**Personal:** 70, Stuart. Widowed, three children.

**Education:** The Colorado College, B.A., magna cum laude, 1971. University of Chicago Law School, 1971-72. University of Florida School of Law, J.D. with high honors, 1974. University of Virginia, Master of Laws in the Judicial Process, LL.M. received May 1995

**Professional:** Private Practice, 1974-85. Circuit Court Judge, Nineteenth Judicial Circuit, 1986-88. Judge, Fourth District Court of Appeal, 1989-present. Chief Judge, Fourth District Court of Appeal, July 1, 1999-June 30, 2001.

# 15th Circuit Court Judge Group 30

Six-year term

Circuit Courts handle serious criminal matters (felonies), juvenile cases over 14 years-old, estates, tax disputes, and monetary disputes over \$15,000



**Jaimie Goodman – NPA**

**Age:** 62

**Admission to the Bar:** May 7, 1992

**Education:** Bachelor of Science (B.S.), with Honors, Cornell University; Law Degree (J.D.), Cornell Law School

Campaign Website: [judgejaimiegoodman.com](http://judgejaimiegoodman.com)



**Adam Myron - NPA**

**Age:** 43

**Admission to the Bar:** Florida - 2004 Maryland - 2002

**Education:** Emory University, Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy, magna cum laude, 1998; The George Washington University Law School, Juris Doctor degree, 2002

Campaign Website: [adammyronforjudge.com](http://adammyronforjudge.com)

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## Palm Beach Soil and Water Conservation

Four-year term

Mission is to educate residents, land users and businesses on ways to protect our natural resources, promote best management practices and conserve, improve and sustain the environment.

### GROUP 2



**Ann Marie Sorrell**

**Age:** 40

**Occupation:** Business Owner

**Education:** Master of Business Administration, Nova Southeastern University and Bachelor of Science, Florida A&M University

Campaign Website: [electannmariesorrell.com](http://electannmariesorrell.com)



**Audrey Friedrich**

**Age:** 37

**Occupation:** Licensed Psychologist

**Education:** Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology, LSU; Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology, LSU; Bachelor of Science, Major, Psychology, Minor, Business, University of Florida

Campaign Website: [voteaudreyabc.com](http://voteaudreyabc.com)

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### GROUP 3



**Chad Alvarez**

**Age:** 43

**Occupation:** Activist

**Education:** B.A. in Interdisciplinary Social Sciences minor in Anthropology from FAU

Campaign Email: [chadalvarez1@outlook.com](mailto:chadalvarez1@outlook.com)



**Nicholas O'Neal**

**Age:** 40

**Occupation:** Victim Advocate

**Education:** Masters of Divinity Emory University, Bachelors of Arts Miles College

Campaign Website: [upicknick.com](http://upicknick.com)



**Adam Baer**

**Age:** 42

**Occupation:** Attorney

**Education:** Juris Doctor Florida State University University of Florida, B.A. Political Science

Campaign Email: [baeradam@icloud.com](mailto:baeradam@icloud.com)



**Jon Shaw**

**Age:** 37

**Occupation:** Water Resources Manager

**Education:** B.A. Geology, Univ. of South Florida, M.S. Geology, Univ. of South Florida, MBA, Business, Nova Southeastern Univ.

Campaign Website: [facebook.com/jon.shae.3](http://facebook.com/jon.shae.3)

# Palm Beach Soil and Water Conservation

## GROUP 4



**Rob Long**

**Age:** 35

**Occupation:** Consultant

**Education:** BS in Civil Engineering from Penn State  
MBA from the University of Florida

Campaign Website: [voteforroblong.com](http://voteforroblong.com)



**Candace Rojas**

**Age:** 48

**Occupation:** Entrepreneur

**Education:** B.A. Sociology Duquesne University,  
Pittsburgh, PA

Campaign Website: [pblandsea.com](http://pblandsea.com)

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## Florida Constitutional Amendments

*See Sample Ballot for Official Ballot Language*

Sample Ballot for Precincts 1390, 1392 & 1394

Sample Ballot for Precincts 7154, 7156, 7158, & 7166

### No. 1 Constitutional Amendment

#### Article VI, Section 2

##### Citizenship Requirement to Vote in Florida Elections

This amendment provides that only United States Citizens who are at least eighteen years of age, a permanent resident of Florida, and registered to vote, as provided by law, shall be qualified to vote in a Florida election.

### No. 2 Constitutional Amendment

#### Article X, Section 24

##### Raising Florida's Minimum Wage

Raises minimum wage to \$10.00 per hour effective September 30th, 2021. Each September 30th thereafter, minimum wage shall increase by \$1.00 per hour until the minimum wage reaches \$15.00 per hour on September 30th, 2026. From that point forward, future minimum wage increases shall revert to being adjusted annually for inflation starting September 30th, 2027.

### No. 3 Constitutional Amendment

#### Article VI, Section 5

##### All Voters Vote in Primary Elections for State Legislature, Governor, and Cabinet

Allows all registered voters to vote in primaries for state legislature, governor, and cabinet regardless of political party affiliation. All candidates for an office, including party nominated candidates, appear on the same primary ballot. Two highest vote getters advance to general election. If only two candidates qualify, no primary is held and winner is determined in general election. Candidate's party affiliation may appear on ballot as provided by law. Effective January 1, 2024.

# Florida Constitutional Amendments

*See Sample Ballot for Official Ballot Language*

## No. 4 Constitutional Amendment

### Article XI, Sections 5 and 7

#### **Voter Approval of Constitutional Amendments**

Requires all proposed amendments or revisions to the State Constitution to be approved by the voters in two elections, instead of one, in order to take effect. The proposal applies the current thresholds for passage to each of the two elections.

## No. 5 Constitutional Amendment

### Article VII, Section 4 and Article XII

#### **Limitations on Homestead Property Tax Assessments; increased portability period to transfer accrued benefit**

Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution, effective January 1, 2021, to increase, from 2 years to 3 years, the period of time during which accrued Save-Our-Homes benefits may be transferred from a prior homestead to a new homestead.

## No. 6 Constitutional Amendment

### Article VII, Section 6 and Article XII

#### **Ad Valorem Tax Discount for Spouses of Certain Deceased Veterans Who Had Permanent, Combat-Related Disabilities**

Provides that the homestead property tax discount for certain veterans with permanent combat-related disabilities carries over to such veteran's surviving spouse who holds legal or beneficial title to, and who permanently resides on, the homestead property, until he or she remarries or sells or otherwise disposes of the property. The discount may be transferred to a new homestead property of the surviving spouse under certain conditions. The amendment takes effect January 1, 2021.

