

Kaufman County Conservative GOP Primary Voter's Guide

*KTP - Kaufman County Tea Party : TFR - Texans for Fiscal Responsibility
YCT - Young Conservatives of Texas : NTP - North Texas Tea Party*

STATE OFFICES**	CANDIDATE	KTP	TFR	YCT	NTP
Governor	Greg Abbott	X	X		X
	Lisa Fritsch				
	Miriam Martinez				
	SECEDE Kilgore				
Lieutenant Governor	Dan Patrick	X	X	X	
	David Dewhurst				
	Jerry Patterson				
	Todd Staples				
Attorney General	Barry Smitherman				
	Dan Branch				
	Ken Paxton	X	X	X	X
Comptroller of Public Accounts	Debra Medina				
	Glenn Hegar	X	X	X	
	Harvey Hilderbran				
	Raul Torres				
Commissioner of the General Land Office	David Watts	X			
	George P. Bush				
Commissioner of Agriculture	Eric Opiela				
	J. Allen Carnes				
	Joe Cotten				
	Sid Miller	X	X	X	X
	Tommy Merritt				
Railroad Commissioner	Becky Berger				
	Malachi Boyuls				
	Ryan Sitton				
	Wayne Christian	X	X	X	X
Chief Justice, Supreme Court	Nathan Hecht	X	X	X	
	Robert Talton				
Justice, Supreme Court, Place 6	Jeff Brown	X	X	X	
	Joe Pool				
Justice, Supreme Court, Place 8	Phil Johnson	X	X		
	Sharon McCally				
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals Place 3	Barbara Walther				
	Bert Richardson	X			
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals Place 4	Jani Jo Wood				
	Kevin Patrick Yeary	X			
	Richard Dean Davis				
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals Place 9	David Newell				
	W.C. "Bud" Kirkendall	X			
State Senator, District 2	Bob Deuell				
	Bob Hall	X	X	X	X
	Mark Thompson				
State Representative District 4	Lance Gooden				
	Stuart Spitzer	X			
District Judge 86th District Court	Casey Blair				
	Raymond "Rayme" Shackelford				
	Rebecca Calabria				
	Wade Gent				
County Court At Law Judge #2	Bobby Rich				
	David Lewis				
County Clerk	Angie Tijerina				
	Laura Hughes				
County Treasurer	Johnny D. Countryman				
	Ronnie Oldfield				
County Commissioner Precinct 2	Jon Foster				
	Ray Clark				
	Skeet Phillips				
County Commissioner Precinct 4	Danny Newton				
	Jakie Allen				
	Thomas Kintz				
	Tim Ratcliff				
	Tom S. Manning				
Justice of the Peace Precinct 1	Lisa Gent Harrison				
	Mary A. Bardin				
	Michelle Cheney				
	Tony Torres				
	Johnny Perry				
Justice of the Peace Precinct 4	Grover Sanders				
	Johnny M. Adams				

** These groups are State PACs and can only recommend for state & lower offices - data as of 1/21/14

KTP - <http://www.kaufmancountyparty.org/kaufman-county-tea-party-endorsements-for-the-march-2014-republican-primary-3/>

TFR - <http://www.empowertexans.com/2014-endorsements/>

YCT - <http://www.yct.org/young-conservatives-of-texas-releases-more-2014-endorsements/>

NTTP - <http://northtexasteaparty.org/teaapproved/>

A WORD ABOUT VOTER GUIDES

Voter guides are a very important resource. Experienced vetting organizations thoughtfully did their vetting homework and we should applaud those who have stepped into the public arena to encourage people to know the candidates and get informed. Included in this Voter Guide are three organizations: **North Texas Tea Party (NTTP)**, **Texans for Fiscal Responsibility**, and the **Young Conservatives of Texas**. Their web sites can be found at the following: <http://www.northtexasteaparty.org> – <http://www.empowertexans.com> – <http://www.yct.org>

The Voter Guide lists those with an “X” by their name that are the best candidates and are indeed CONSERVATIVE because our vetting committee first fact-checked the candidate’s voting record as well as past actions and public records and statements on the issues. Each vetting committee spent hundreds of hours going through votes, online data, campaign finances and discussions with people ‘in the know’. For example, the North Texas Tea Party personally interviewed 33 candidates for 60-90 minutes each and these interviews are known to be some of the toughest around. The committees either attend or review video taken at many candidate forums as well. But ALL three groups emphasize deeds, actions and associations far more than the words candidates think you want to hear; candidates and office holders in forums and at ‘meet & greets’ can be an entirely different creature from the one sitting in office. The purpose of all of this group effort is to provide a service to the voting public whose busy lives may not allow them to put this level of detailed analysis into their votes (though we encourage everyone who CAN to DO their own research). Each group listed here is dedicated to doing as thorough a job as possible in service to the conservative taxpaying citizens of Texas.

It is possible that you will not receive a voter guide that you 100% agree with so please understand, this is a resource and a guide and the decision of how much to rely on any given guide is up to the voter. All of these organizations- all with at least three cycles of experience at vetting- have put in the analysis efforts on records, actions and principles; the voter must now determine their worth. When in doubt, research any organization passing out such and see if they hold values similar to yours; in the past, shadow groups have popped up for the sole purpose of backing those that do NOT pass conservative review.

If you find these guides useful, we encourage people to send them by email or in person to your friends, family and neighbors in your precinct and church/synagogue and/or civic organizations. You may also want to be a patriotic volunteer who shows up at the various voting locations and pass out the guides to those before they vote since so many do not know candidates in various races, especially down-ballot. (An individual is allowed to spend up to \$200 in individual advocacy to do such things, if they choose to on their own.) We have received such appreciative responses from those who see us when they show up at the polling places to vote. Or you may direct others to download their own online copies at <http://www.northtexasteaparty.org/voter-guides-2014/>

Work to become informed and get out to vote in the upcoming primary, no matter what.

Early Voting Feb. 18th – Feb 28th – Election Day Tuesday March 4th

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