

**SAMPLE GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT  
ALACHUA COUNTY FLORIDA  
NOVEMBER 4, 2008**

- **TO VOTE COMPLETELY FILL IN THE OVAL ● NEXT TO YOUR CHOICE.**
- Use only the marking device provided or a number 2 pencil.
- If you make a mistake, don't hesitate to ask for a new ballot. If you erase or make other marks, your vote may not count.
- To vote for a candidate whose name is not printed on the ballot, fill in the oval, and write in the candidate's name on the blank line provided for a write-in candidate.

PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT		COUNTY		NONPARTISAN	
<b>PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT (Vote for One)</b>		<b>COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1 (Vote for One)</b>		<b>DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL</b>	
<input type="radio"/> John McCain Sarah Palin	REP	<input type="radio"/> Kevin Riordan	REP	Shall Judge Clay Roberts of the First District Court of Appeal be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> Barack Obama Joe Biden	DEM	<input type="radio"/> Mike Byerly	DEM	<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO
<input type="radio"/> Gloria La Riva Eugene Puryear	PSL	<input type="radio"/> Write-in _____		Shall Judge William A. Van Nortwick Jr. of the First District Court of Appeal be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> Chuck Baldwin Darrell Castle	CPF	<input type="radio"/> Lloyd W. Bailey, Jr.	REP	<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO
<input type="radio"/> Gene Amondson Leroy Pletten	PRO	<input type="radio"/> Paula M. DeLaney	DEM	<b>COUNTY JUDGE</b>	
<input type="radio"/> Bob Barr Wayne A. Root	LBT	<b>COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 5 (Vote for One)</b>		<b>COUNTY JUDGE GROUP 2 (Vote for One)</b>	
<input type="radio"/> Thomas Robert Stevens Alden Link	OBJ	<input type="radio"/> Ward Scott	REP	<input type="radio"/> Denise Ferrero	<input type="radio"/> Lorraine H. Sherman
<input type="radio"/> James Harris Alyson Kennedy	SWP	<input type="radio"/> Rodney Long	DEM	<b>NONPARTISAN</b>	
<input type="radio"/> Cynthia McKinney Rosa Clemente	GRE	<b>JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT</b>		<b>SOIL AND WATER</b>	
<input type="radio"/> Alan Keyes Brian Rohrbough	AIP	Shall Justice Charles T. Wells of the Florida Supreme Court be retained in office?		<b>ALACHUA COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT Group 2 (Vote for One)</b>	
<input type="radio"/> Ralph Nader Matt Gonzalez	ECO	<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> David T. Gildart	<input type="radio"/> Todd P. Martin
<input type="radio"/> Brian Moore Stewart Alexander	SPF	<b>DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL</b>		<b>ALACHUA COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT Group 4 (Vote for One)</b>	
<input type="radio"/> Charles Jay John Wayne Smith	BTP	Shall Judge Robert T. Benton of the First District Court of Appeal be retained in office?		<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO
<input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in		Shall Judge Marguerite H. Davis of the First District Court of Appeal be retained in office?		<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO
<b>CONGRESSIONAL</b>		Shall Judge Joseph Lewis Jr. of the First District Court of Appeal be retained in office?		<b>PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS</b>	
<b>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS DISTRICT 6 (Vote for One)</b>		<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		<b>NO. 1 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE I, SECTION 2</b>	
<input type="radio"/> Clifford B. (Cliff) Stearns	REP	Shall Judge Ricky L. Polston of the First District Court of Appeal be retained in office?		<b>Declaration of Rights</b>	
<input type="radio"/> Tim Cunha	DEM	<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO	Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to delete provisions authorizing the Legislature to regulate or prohibit the ownership, inheritance, disposition, and possession of real property by aliens ineligible for citizenship.	
<b>LEGISLATIVE</b>		<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO
<b>STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 10 (Vote for One)</b>		<b>STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 11 (Vote for One)</b>		<b>STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 23 (Vote for One)</b>	
<input type="radio"/> Don Curtis	REP	<input type="radio"/> Elizabeth Porter	REP	<input type="radio"/> Bernie DeCastro	REP
<input type="radio"/> Leonard L. Bemby	DEM	<input type="radio"/> Debbie Boyd	DEM	<input type="radio"/> Charles S.*Chuck* Chestnut, IV	DEM

If you live in Congressional District 6, this race will also appear on your ballot. ↓

Depending on your House District, one of these three Legislative races may be on your ballot. Voters in House District 22 will not have a race on their ballot.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS		COUNTY REFERENDA
<b>NO. 2 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE I, NEW SECTION</b>	<b>NO. 6 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTION 4 ARTICLE XII, NEW SECTION</b>	<b>Wild Spaces &amp; Public Places Environmental Lands, Parks and Recreation One-Half Percent Sales Tax</b>
<b>Florida Marriage Protection Amendment</b>	<b>Assessment of Working Waterfront Property Based Upon Current Use</b>	Shall Alachua County be authorized to extend the Alachua County Forever Program to acquire and improve environmentally sensitive lands to protect drinking water sources, water quality, and wildlife habitat, and to create, improve and maintain parks and recreational facilities in all cities and the County, with citizen oversight and independent audit, by the levy of a one-half percent (1/2%) sales tax for two (2) years starting January 1, 2009, and ending December 31, 2010?
This amendment protects marriage as the legal union of only one man and one woman as husband and wife and provides that no other legal union that is treated as marriage or the substantial equivalent thereof shall be valid or recognized.	Provides for assessment based upon use of land used predominantly for commercial fishing purposes; land used for vessel launches into waters that are navigable and accessible to the public; marinas and drystack that are open to the public; and water-dependent marine manufacturing facilities, commercial fishing facilities, and marine vessel construction and repair facilities and their support activities, subject to conditions, limitations, and reasonable definitions specified by general law.	<input type="radio"/> FOR the one-half percent sales tax <input type="radio"/> AGAINST the one-half percent sales tax
The direct financial impact this amendment will have on state and local government revenues and expenditures cannot be determined, but is expected to be minor.		
<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	
<b>NO. 3 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTIONS 3 AND 4 ARTICLE XII, NEW SECTION</b>	<b>NO. 8 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTION 9</b>	<b>Protection of County-Owned Lands Acquired or Used for Conservation, Recreation, or Cultural Purposes</b>
<b>Changes and Improvements Not Affecting the Assessed Value of Residential Real Property</b>	<b>Local Option Community College Funding</b>	Shall the Alachua County Charter be amended to require that the sale or conversion to another use of County-owned lands acquired or used for conservation, recreation, or cultural purposes be effective only if approved by a majority of the electors in the County in a County-wide referendum election?
Authorizes the Legislature, by general law, to prohibit consideration of changes or improvements to residential real property which increase resistance to wind damage and installation of renewable energy source devices as factors in assessing the property's value for ad valorem taxation purposes. Effective upon adoption, repeals the existing renewable energy source device exemption no longer in effect.	Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to require that the Legislature authorize counties to levy a local option sales tax to supplement community college funding; requiring voter approval to levy the tax; providing that approved taxes will sunset after 5 years and may be reauthorized by the voters.	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	
<b>NO. 4 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTIONS 3 AND 4 ARTICLE XII, SECTION 28</b>	<b>COUNTY REFERENDA</b>	<b>MUNICIPAL</b>
<b>Property Tax Exemption of Perpetually Conserved Land; Classification and Assessment of Land Used for Conservation</b>	<b>Approval Of An Additional One Mill Ad Valorem Tax For School District Operating Expenses</b>	<b>ARCHER CITY COMMISSIONER SEAT 1 (Vote for One)</b>
Requires Legislature to provide a property tax exemption for real property encumbered by perpetual conservation easements or other perpetual conservation protections, defined by general law. Requires Legislature to provide for classification and assessment of land used for conservation purposes, and not perpetually encumbered, solely on the basis of character or use. Subjects assessment benefit to conditions, limitations, and reasonable definitions established by general law. Applies to property taxes beginning in 2010.	Shall the Alachua County School District's ad valorem millage be increased by a total of one mill, beginning July 1, 2009, and ending four years later on June 30, 2013, for necessary operating expenses including funds to provide school nurses; maintain elementary music and art programs, middle school band programs, school library programs, elementary guidance programs, and academic/career/technical magnet programs; and update classroom technology; with oversight by an independent citizens' committee?	<input type="radio"/> Susan Drawdy <input type="radio"/> Blanch Parker
<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	<b>ARCHER CITY COMMISSIONER SEAT 2 (Vote for One)</b>
		<input type="radio"/> Roberta Hodges <input type="radio"/> Mickie MacKenzie
		<b>ARCHER CITY COMMISSIONER SEAT 3 (Vote for One)</b>
		<input type="radio"/> Jane A. Behringer <input type="radio"/> Roberta Lopez
		<b>HIGH SPRINGS CITY COMMISSIONER (Vote for Two)</b>
		<input type="radio"/> Kirk Eppenstein <input type="radio"/> Diane Linch Shupe <input type="radio"/> Larry L. Travis
		<b>ANNEXATION (Vote for One)</b>
		<input type="radio"/> FOR annexation of property described in Ordinance Number 080137 of the City of Gainesville <input type="radio"/> AGAINST annexation of property described in Ordinance Number 080137 of the City of Gainesville

If you live within the city limits of Archer, these three races will appear on your ballot. ↓

If you live within the city limits of High Springs, this race will also appear on your ballot. →

If you live within the annexation area in Precinct 36, this race will also appear on your ballot. →