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Candidates and Issues Certified for March 2012 Primary Election

(Columbus) The Franklin County Board of Elections certified candidates and issues today for the March 6, 2012 primary election.

Ballots countywide will list candidates for commissioner, engineer, judge, recorder, sheriff and treasurer. Local ballots will show candidates for Democratic and Republican Party Central Committees. There will be school levies on the ballot in the South-Western and Westerville City School Districts, a police/fire pension levy and library levy in Upper Arlington and a tax levy for current expenses in Jefferson Township.

There are new provisions for the primary under legislation signed this week to schedule a single primary for 2012 and to establish boundaries for 16 congressional districts throughout Ohio.

- Candidates for president and the U.S. House of Representatives who filed by Dec. 7 must re-file their nominating petitions by Dec. 30. Others who want to run for those offices but did not file by Dec. 7 now have an opportunity to file by Dec. 30.
- Candidates for the U.S. Senate and state and local offices who were required to file by Dec. 7 have no further opportunity to file.

Today was also the deadline for candidates to file post general election campaign reports to document activity through Dec. 9. Finance reports and a list of candidates and issues certified for the primary will be posted on the board's Web site <u>http://vote.franklincountyohio.gov</u>

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