

# Four local races head for run-offs

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Over 5,000 Conecuh County voters cast ballots in Tuesday's primary election, and the results showed that four local offices will have to be decided in the primary run-off election on Tues., April 24.

According to unofficial election results released to The Courant yesterday (Wednesday) morning, 5,294 ballots were cast in Tuesday's election, including 4,971 voters who cast ballots as Democrats. Republican ballots totaled 323.

Local races headed for a run-off include Circuit Court Judge for the 35th Judicial Circuit



Hare

and the District 2, District 4 and District 5 seats on the Conecuh County Commission.

In the race for Circuit Court Judge, there were 9,704 votes cast in Conecuh and Monroe



Weaver

counties. Challenger Jack Booker Weaver received 4,070 votes, that is, 41.9 percent of the vote. Incumbent Dawn Wiggins

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Hare received 3,918 votes for a 40.4 percent showing. Challenger Leston Curtiss Stallworth received 1,716 votes for 17.7 percent.

Hare carried Conecuh County with 2,026 votes, 42.5 percent. Weaver came in second in Conecuh County with 1,947 votes, 40.8 percent. Stallworth received 794 votes in Conecuh County, 16.7 percent.

In the race for the District 2 seat on the Conecuh County Commission, David Cook Jr. will face Adrian D. Woods in the run-off. Cook received 508 votes in Tuesday's primary for a 49.9 percent showing. Woods finished second with 269 votes, 26.4 percent. Challenger Dennis Salter finished third with 241 votes, 23.7 percent.

In the race for the District 4 seat on the Conecuh County Commission, incumbent Wendell Byrd will face Ras L. McCreary in the run-off. In Tuesday's primary, Byrd received 388 votes for a 42.1 percent showing. McCreary was a close second with 386 votes, 41.9 percent. Challenger Michelle D. Street finished third with 147 votes, 15.96 percent.

In the race for the District 5 seat on the Conecuh County Commission, incumbent Leonard "Punch" Millender will face Clinton L. Peters in the run-off election. On Tuesday, Millender received 499 votes for a 48.7 percent showing. Peters received 352 votes for 34.4 percent. Challenger Charles Ward finished third with 173 votes, 16.9 percent.

In the race for Conecuh County Circuit Clerk, incumbent David Jackson won with 3,510 votes, that is, 72.8 percent of the vote. Challenger Doris S. Gorum received 1,312 votes for 27.2 percent.

In the race for Conecuh County Probate Judge, incumbent Rogene Booker carried the day with 3,599 votes, a 75.3 percent showing. Challenger Kimberly Dailey received 1,183 votes for 24.7 percent.

In the race for the District 1 County Commission seat, Rodney Hilderth won with 682 votes, a showing of 65.1 percent. James Leon Windham finished second with 214 votes, 20.4 percent. John Greel Ralls Jr. finished third with 120 votes, that is, 11.5 percent. Larry Ryland finished third with 31 votes, 2.96 percent.

Hilderth will face Republican candidate John E. Potts in the November general election.

In the race for the District 3



seat on the Conecuh County Commission, challenger Johnny Andrews defeated incumbent D.K. Bodiford, 672-158. Andrews received 80.9 percent of the vote, and Bodiford received 19.0 percent of the vote.

Andrews will face Republican candidate James "Buddy" Howington in the November general election.

In the race for Conecuh County Superintendent of Education, incumbent Ronnie Brogden won with 2,771 votes, that is, 57.7 percent of the vote. Challenger David E. Cunningham finished second with 702 votes, 14.6 percent. Challenger Warrick E. Maye finished third with 675 votes, 14.1 percent, and challenger Elizabeth "Liz" Davis finished fourth with 651 votes, 13.6 percent.

In the race for Beat 6 Constable, which covers the Town of Castleberry as well as outlying areas in the county, Keith P. Godwin won with 169 votes, a showing of 56.9 percent. Incumbent J.B. Jackson received 128 votes, a showing of 43.1 percent.

Incumbent U.S. President Barack Obama received 2,235 votes in Conecuh County during Tuesday's primary. Voters casting "uncommitted" votes in that race totaled 1,182.

In the Republican primary election for U.S. President, there was a tie in Conecuh County with candidates Newt Gingrich and Rick Santorum receiving 102 votes each. Mitt Romney was second with 99 votes, and Ron Paul was third with 10 votes. Michelle Bachman and Rick Perry received one vote each in Conecuh County. Three "uncommitted" ballots were cast in Conecuh County.

In the race for Chief Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court, Republican candidate Roy Moore carried Conecuh County with 166 votes. Charlie Graddick followed with 67 votes, and Chuck Malone finished third with 28 votes.