

All information is required to be provided unless indicated as optional.

APPLICATION FOR A PLACE ON THE PALESTINE CITY COUNCIL GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT					
TO: City Secretary/Secretary of Board					
I request that my name be placed on the above-named official ballot as a candidate for the office indicated below.					
OFFICE SOUGHT (Include any place number or other distinguishing number, if any.) <u>City Council Seat 4</u>				INDICATE TERM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FULL <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPIRED	
FULL NAME (First, Middle, Last) <u>Quintin Carter Cotton</u>			PRINT NAME AS YOU WANT IT TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT <u>Quintin Cotton</u>		
PERMANENT RESIDENCE ADDRESS (Do not include a P.O. Box or Rural Route. If you do not have a residence address, describe the address at which you receive personal mail and location of residence.) <u>1201 W. Point Tap Rd. Palestine TX 75803</u>			PUBLIC MAILING ADDRESS (Campaign mailing address, if available.) <u>1201 W. Point Tap Rd. Palestine TX 75803</u>		
CITY <u>Palestine</u>	STATE <u>TX</u>	ZIP <u>75803</u>	CITY <u>Palestine</u>	STATE <u>TX</u>	ZIP <u>75803</u>
PUBLIC EMAIL ADDRESS (if available) <u>QCBoom@gmail.com</u>		OCCUPATION (Do not leave blank) <u>Substitute Teacher</u>		DATE OF BIRTH <u>11/30/65</u>	VOTER REGISTRATION VOID NUMBER (Optional) ¹ <u>1040708255</u>
TELEPHONE CONTACT INFORMATION (Optional) Home: <u>903.729.5631</u> Work: Cell: <u>903.391.8595</u>		LENGTH OF CONTINUOUS RESIDENCE AS OF DATE APPLICATION SWORN IN STATE <u>14</u> year(s) <u>6</u> month(s)		IN TERRITORY ELECTED FROM <u>14</u> year(s) <u>6</u> month(s)	
If using a nickname as part of your name to appear on the ballot, you are also signing and swearing to the following statements: I further swear that my nickname does not constitute a slogan nor does it indicate a political, economic, social, or religious view or affiliation. I have been commonly known by this nickname for at least three years prior to this election.					
Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared (name) <u>Quintin Cotton</u> , who being by me here and now duly sworn, upon oath says:					
"I, (name) <u>Quintin Cotton</u> , of <u>Anderson</u> County, Texas, being a candidate for the office of <u>City Council Seat 4</u> , swear that I will support and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Texas. I am a citizen of the United States eligible to hold such office under the constitution and laws of this state. I have not been finally convicted of a felony for which I have not been pardoned or had my full rights of citizenship restored by other official action. I have not been determined by a final judgment of a court exercising probate jurisdiction to be totally mentally incapacitated or partially mentally incapacitated without the right to vote. I am aware of the nepotism law, Chapter 573, Government Code.					
I further swear that the foregoing statements included in my application are in all things true and correct."					
Sworn to and subscribed before me at <u>City Hall</u> , this the <u>17</u> day of <u>February</u>			SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE <u>Quintin Cotton</u>		
Signature of Officer Administering Oath ² <u>Teresa D. Herrera</u>			TERESA D HERRERA My Commission Expires March 9, 2019		
TO BE COMPLETED BY CITY SECRETARY OR SECRETARY OF BOARD: (See Section 1.007)			Title of Officer Administering Oath		
Date Received <u>February 17, 2017</u>			Signature of Secretary <u>Teresa D. Herrera</u>		
Voter Registration Status Verified <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					

INSTRUCTIONS

An application to have the name of a candidate placed on the ballot for any general election may not be filed earlier than 30 days before the deadline prescribed by this code for filing the application. An application filed before that day is void.

The general election filing deadline is 5:00 p.m. 78 days prior to election day for any uniform election date.

NEPOTISM LAW

The candidate must sign this statement indicating his awareness of the nepotism law. The nepotism prohibitions of chapter 573, Government Code, are summarized below:

No officer may appoint, or vote for or confirm the appointment or employment of any person related within the second degree by affinity (marriage) or the third degree by consanguinity (blood) to himself, or to any other member of the governing body or court on which he serves when the compensation of that person is to be paid out of public funds or fees of office. However, nothing in the law prevents the appointment, voting for, or confirmation of anyone who has been continuously employed in the office or employment for the following period prior to the election or appointment of the officer or member related to the employee in the prohibited degree: six months, if the officer or member is elected at the general election for state and county officers.

No candidate may take action to influence an employee of the office to which the candidate is seeking election or an employee or officer of the governmental body to which the candidate is seeking election regarding the appointment or employment of a person related to the candidate in a prohibited degree as noted above. This prohibition does not apply to a candidate's actions with respect to a bona fide class or category of employees or prospective employees.

Examples of relatives within the third degree of consanguinity are as follows:

- (1) First degree: parent, child;
- (2) Second degree: brother, sister, grandparent, grandchild;
- (3) Third degree: great-grandparent, great-grandchild, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece.

These include relatives by blood, half-blood, and legal adoption. Examples of relatives within the second degree of affinity are as follows:

- (1) First degree: spouse, spouse's parent, son-in-law, daughter-in-law;
- (2) Second degree: brother's spouse, sister's spouse, spouse's brother, spouse's sister, spouse's grandparent.

Persons related by affinity (marriage) include spouses of relatives by consanguinity, and, if married, the spouse and the spouse's relatives by consanguinity. These examples are not all inclusive.

FOOTNOTES

¹Inclusion of a candidate's VUID is optional. However, many candidates are required to be registered voters in the territory from which the office is elected at the time of the filing deadline. Please visit the Elections Division of the Secretary of State's website for additional information. <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/laws/hb484-faq.shtml>

²All oaths, affidavits, or affirmations made within this State may be administered and a certificate of the fact given by a judge, clerk, or commissioner of any court of record, a notary public, a justice of the peace, city secretary, and the Secretary of State of Texas.