

Precinct Official's  
Initials

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County Auditor & Commissioner of Elections

**OFFICIAL BALLOT  
GENERAL ELECTION  
MARION COUNTY, IOWA  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2008  
CITY OF MELCHER - DALLAS**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

To vote, darken the oval(s) completely next to your choice, like this: .  
**Write-In:** To vote for a write-in candidate, write the person's name on the line provided and darken the oval.

**Where to find the judges and proposed amendment to the Iowa Constitution:**  
**Judges:** on the back of this ballot, beginning in the center column.  
**Constitutional Amendment:** on the back of this ballot, beginning in the right hand column.

**PARTISAN OFFICES**

**STRAIGHT PARTY VOTING**  
**Straight party voting.** To vote for all candidates from a single party, fill in the oval in front of the party name. Not all parties have nominated candidates for all offices. Marking a straight party vote does not include votes for nonpartisan offices, judges or questions.

**Straight Party Voting**  
(Vote for no more than one)  
 Democratic Party (DEM)  
 Republican Party (REP)  
 Socialist Workers Party (SWP)

**OTHER POLITICAL ORGANIZATIONS**  
The following organizations have nominated candidates for only one office:  
**Constitution Party (CON)**  
**Green Party (GRN)**  
**Libertarian (LIB)**  
**Party for Socialism and Liberation (PSL)**  
**Peace and Freedom (PAF)**  
**Socialist Party USA (SPU)**

**FEDERAL OFFICES**

**For President and Vice President**  
(Vote for no more than one team)  
 **Barack Obama**, of Illinois (DEM)  
**Joe Biden**, of Delaware  
 **John McCain**, of Arizona (REP)  
**Sarah Palin**, of Alaska  
 **Chuck Baldwin**, of Florida (CON)  
**Darrell L. Castle**, of Tennessee  
 **Cynthia McKinney**, of California (GRN)  
**Rosa Clemente**, of North Carolina  
 **Bob Barr**, of Georgia (LIB)  
**Wayne A. Root**, of Nevada  
 **Gloria La Riva**, of California (PSL)  
**Robert Moses**, of Maryland  
 **Ralph Nader**, of Connecticut (PAF)  
**Matt Gonzalez**, of California  
 **Brian Moore**, of Florida (SPU)  
**Stewart A. Alexander**, of California  
 **James Harris**, of California (SWP)  
**Alyson Kennedy**, of New Jersey  
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(Write-in vote for President, if any)  
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(Write-in vote for Vice President, if any)

**For United States Senator**  
(Vote for no more than one)  
 **Tom Harkin** (DEM)  
 **Christopher Reed** (REP)  
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(Write-in vote, if any)

**For United States Representative Third District**  
(Vote for no more than one)  
 **Leonard L. Boswell** (DEM)  
 **Kim Schmett** (REP)  
 **Frank V Forrester** (SWP)  
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(Write-in vote, if any)

**STATE OFFICES**

**For State Senator District 36**  
(Vote for no more than one)  
 **Deb Ballalatak** (DEM)  
 **Paul McKinley** (REP)  
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(Write-in vote, if any)

**For State Representative District 72**  
(Vote for no more than one)  
 **James Demichelis Jr.** (DEM)  
 **Richard D. Arnold** (REP)  
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(Write-in vote, if any)

**COUNTY OFFICES**

**For Board of Supervisors At Large**  
(Vote for no more than two)  
 **Jerry James Weldon Sr.** (DEM)  
 **Paul Kockler** (DEM)  
 **Sam L Nichols** (REP)  
 **Jim Kingery** (REP)  
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(Write-in vote, if any)  
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(Write-in vote, if any)

**For County Auditor**  
(Vote for no more than one)  
 **Jake Grandia** (REP)  
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(Write-in vote, if any)

**For County Sheriff**  
(Vote for no more than one)  
 **Tim Cox** (DEM)  
 **Ronald Goemaat** (REP)  
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(Write-in vote, if any)

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**NON PARTISAN OFFICES**

**For Soil & Water Conservation  
District Commissioner**  
(Vote for no more than three)

- Jack Bensink
- Janet Petty
- Vernon Boot
- \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write-in vote, if any)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write-in vote, if any)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write-in vote, if any)

**For County Agricultural Extension Council**  
(Vote for no more than four)

- Craig Greene
- Kisha Jahner
- Nancy Harsin
- Karen M. Ackley
- Cindi Dale
- \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write-in vote, if any)
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(Write-in vote, if any)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write-in vote, if any)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write-in vote, if any)

**For County Agricultural Extension Council  
To Fill Vacancy**  
(Vote for no more than one)

- Mark Drost
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(Write-in vote, if any)

**JUDICIAL BALLOT**

**Notice to voters:** Vote on all names by filling in the appropriate oval in front of each name.

**Supreme Court**

Shall the following judges of the Supreme Court be retained in office?

**Daryl L. Hecht**

- Yes
- No

**Brent Appel**

- Yes
- No

**Mark S. Cady**

- Yes
- No

**Court of Appeals**

Shall the following judges of the Court of Appeals be retained in office?

**Rosemary Shaw Sackett**

- Yes
- No

**Larry J. Eisenhauer**

- Yes
- No

**Terry L. Huitink**

- Yes
- No

**District 5A Court**

Shall the following judges of the District 5A Court be retained in office?

**Dale B. Hagen**

- Yes
- No

**William H. Joy**

- Yes
- No

**PUBLIC MEASURE**

**Notice to voters:** For an affirmative vote upon any question submitted upon this ballot fill in the oval in front of the word "YES." For a negative vote fill in the oval in front of the word "NO."

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**Shall the following amendment to the Constitution be adopted?**

**Summary:** Changes the language that describes a person who cannot legally vote from "idiot or insane person" to "a person adjudged mentally incompetent to vote."

Section 5 of Article II of the Constitution of the State of Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:  
**DISQUALIFIED PERSONS. SEC. 5.** A person adjudged mentally incompetent to vote or a person convicted of any infamous crime shall not be entitled to the privilege of an elector.

- Yes
- No

**TURN THE BALLOT OVER**