

# Gibson County Conservative Voter Guide

November 3, 2026 General Election

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| Federal                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                             |                                                              |
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| United States Representative, Eighth District                                                                                                                                                         | <b>Mark Messmer</b> [C] [NRAA]                              | Johnson Township Board Member, Gibson County                 |
| State                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                             | <b>Andrew Goedde</b> (Republican nominee)                    |
| Gibson County Treasurer                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>Mike Watkins</b> (Republican nominee)                    | Montgomery Township Board Member, Gibson County              |
| Secretary of State                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Max Engling</b> [IRLP] [C] [ACG] [HCG] [ECG] [PCG] [MCG] | <b>Terry R. Smith</b> (Republican nominee)                   |
| State Comptroller (Auditor of State)                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>Elise Nieshalla</b> [C] [ACG] [ECG]                      | Patoka Township Board Member, Gibson County                  |
| State Representative, District 064/075 — 064: Matt Hostettler [C] [NRAA]; 075: Cindy Ledbetter [LC] [NRAA]                                                                                            |                                                             | <b>Angela C. Speedy</b> (Republican nominee)                 |
| State Senator, District 48                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>Daryl Schmitt</b> [C] [NRAA]                             | Patoka Township Board Member, Gibson County                  |
| Treasurer of State                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Daniel Elliott</b> [C]                                   | <b>Jim Williams</b> (Republican nominee)                     |
| County                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                             |                                                              |
| Barton Township Board Member, Gibson County                                                                                                                                                           | <b>Larry E. Wira, Sr</b> (Republican nominee)               | Patoka Township Board Member, Gibson County                  |
| Barton Township Board Member, Gibson County                                                                                                                                                           | <b>Ronald Cromer</b> (Republican nominee)                   | <b>Larry Matthews</b> (Republican nominee)                   |
| Barton Township Trustee, Gibson County                                                                                                                                                                | <b>Thomas (Eddie) Wilkison</b> (Republican nominee)         | Patoka Township Trustee, Gibson County                       |
| Center Township Board Member, Gibson County                                                                                                                                                           | <b>Leo McDonald</b> (Republican nominee)                    | <b>Phyllis Ernst</b> (Republican nominee)                    |
| Columbia Township Board Member, Gibson County                                                                                                                                                         | <b>Gina Dupps</b> (Republican nominee)                      | Prosecuting Attorney of Gibson County, 66th Judicial Circuit |
| Columbia Township Board Member, Gibson County                                                                                                                                                         | <b>Michelle Ewin</b> (Republican nominee)                   | <b>Michael R. Cochren</b> (Republican nominee)               |
| Columbia Township Board Member, Gibson County                                                                                                                                                         | <b>Taunya Deffendall</b> (Republican nominee)               | Union Township Board Member, Gibson County                   |
| Columbia Township Trustee, Gibson County                                                                                                                                                              | <b>Shannon Green</b> (Republican nominee)                   | <b>Seth DeLong</b> (Republican nominee)                      |
| Gibson County Commissioner, District 1                                                                                                                                                                | <b>Nick Burns</b> (Republican nominee)                      | Union Township Trustee, Gibson County                        |
| Gibson County Council, District 1/2/3/4 — 1: Jay Riley (Republican nominee); 2: Thomas J. Perry (Republican nominee); 3: Robert Schleter (Republican nominee); 4: Jeremy Overton (Republican nominee) |                                                             | <b>Jessica Dix Kramer</b> (Republican nominee)               |
| Gibson County Recorder                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>Tim Schurmeier</b> (Republican nominee)                  | Wabash Township Board Member, Gibson County                  |
| Gibson County Sheriff                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>Bruce Vanoven</b> (Republican nominee)                   | <b>Jack Penner</b> (Republican nominee)                      |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                             | Wabash Township Board Member, Gibson County                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                             | <b>Jerry Jaquemai</b> (Republican nominee)                   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                             | Wabash Township Board Member, Gibson County                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                             | <b>Ryan Winterheimer</b> (Republican nominee)                |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                             | Wabash Township Trustee, Gibson County                       |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                             | <b>Dorothy Jaquemai</b> (Republican nominee)                 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                             | Washington Township Board Member, Gibson County              |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                             | <b>Thomas (T.J.) Ice</b> (Republican nominee)                |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                             | Washington Township Trustee, Gibson County                   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                             | <b>Joseph E. Fears</b> (Republican nominee)                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                             | White River Township Board Member, Gibson County             |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                             | <b>Randall Kendall</b> (Republican nominee)                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                             | White River Township Trustee, Gibson County                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                             | <b>Chad Ellis</b> (Republican nominee)                       |
| Judicial                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                             |                                                              |
| Gibson County Circuit Court Clerk                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>Sherri Smith</b> (Republican nominee)                    |                                                              |
| Local                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                             |                                                              |
| North Gibson School Board, District 1/2 — 1: Michael J. Ice (Republican nominee); 2: Amy Michele Bingham (Republican nominee)                                                                         |                                                             |                                                              |

**Key:** IRLP = Indiana Right to Life PAC; C = iVoterGuide (Conservative); ACG = Allen County GOP; HCG = Hamilton County GOP; ECG = Elkhart County GOP; PCG = Porter County GOP; MCG = Morgan County GOP; NRA = NRA-PVF (NRA Political Victory Fund grade); LC = iVoterGuide (Leans Conservative). (Republican nominee) = Republican on the ballot, no published endorsement found. NP = nonpartisan race; "Listed by" = a Republican Party's listing, not a nomination. Recommendations are the listed groups', not this guide's; a blank race means no published recommendation was found, not that none exists.