



Iron County Clerk's Office  
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## 2026 IRON COUNTY DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY

Candidate name: Jonathan T. Whittaker

(Print exactly as it shall appear on the ballot)

If a candidate's name, as listed above, does not consist only of their legal first and last names, they may be required to submit signed affidavits per Utah Code 20A-6-109.

Office: Clerk District/Seat: N/A Political Party Republican

### PUBLIC CONTACT

This is a **PUBLIC** form for display on the counties website. JW Please initial.

Please note that the information on this form may be available to the public in accordance with Utah State Code 63-G-2-301 and 63G-2-201.

Address (home & mailing): 360 S. 1000 W, Cedar City, UT 84720

Phone: 435-327-0977

Email: jontonwhittaker@gmail.com

Website (optional): N/A

I prefer to keep my residential address private and will provide private contact information to the Election Office.

I am seeking the nomination process allowed under Utah Code, Check one

Convention only  
20A-9-407

Signature Gathering only  
20A-9-408

Both Convention & Signature

### PLEASE CHECK THE FOLLOWING BOX IF IT APPLIES TO YOU

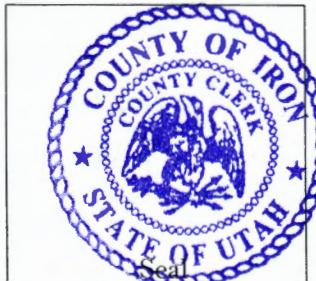
I currently hold the office for which I am seeking reelection, I have previously filed a conflict of interest disclosure in accordance with Utah Code § 20A-11-1603, and that conflict of interest disclosure is updated and accurate as of today's date.

Signature of Candidate: Jonathan T. Whittaker Date: Jan 2, 2026  
(mm/dd/yyyy)

(Must be signed in the presence of a filing officer)

Subscribed and Sworn before: Matthew B. Bos Date: 01/02/2026  
(mm/dd/yyyy)

(filing officer name)



## 2026 DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY PLEDGE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES

Information entered on this form is a **public record** under Utah Code § 63G-2. This form will be posted on [vote.utah.gov](http://vote.utah.gov).  
This is a **voluntary** pledge. Candidates are not required to sign this pledge to file a declaration of candidacy.

There are basic principles of decency, honesty, and fair play which every candidate for public office in the State of Utah has a moral obligation to observe and uphold, in order that, after vigorously contested but fairly conducted campaigns, our citizens may exercise their right to a free election, and that the will of the people may be fully and clearly expressed on the issues.

### **THEREFORE:**

**I SHALL** conduct my campaign openly and publicly, discussing the issues as I see them, presenting my record and policies with sincerity and frankness, and criticizing, without fear or favor, the record and policies of my opponents that I believe merit criticism.

**I SHALL NOT** use, nor shall I permit the use of, scurrilous attacks on any candidate or the candidate's immediate family. I shall not participate in nor shall I permit the use of defamation, libel, or slander against any candidate or the candidate's immediate family. I shall not participate in nor shall I permit the use of, any other criticism of any candidate or the candidate's immediate family that I do not believe to be truthful, provable, and relevant to my campaign.

**I SHALL NOT** use, nor shall I permit the use of, any practice that tends to corrupt or undermine our American system of free elections, or that hinders or prevents the free expression of the will of the voters, including practices intended to hinder or prevent any eligible person from registering to vote or voting.

**I SHALL NOT** coerce election help or campaign contributions for myself or for any other candidate from my employees or volunteers.

**I SHALL** immediately and publicly repudiate support deriving from any individual or group which resorts, on behalf of my candidacy or in opposition to that of an opponent, to methods in violation of the letter or spirit of this pledge. I shall accept responsibility to take firm action against any subordinate who violates any provision of this pledge or the laws governing elections.

**I SHALL** defend and uphold the right of every qualified American voter to full and equal participation in the electoral process.

I, the undersigned, candidate for election to public office in the State of Utah, hereby voluntarily endorse, subscribe to, and solemnly pledge myself to conduct my campaign in accordance with the above principles and practices.

Name: Jonathan T. Whitaker Office: Clerk

Signature of Candidate: Jonathan T. Whitaker Date: Jan 2, 2026



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## CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY QUALIFICATIONS

Before the filing officer accepts any declaration of candidacy, the filing officer shall read to the candidate the constitutional and statutory requirements for candidacy, and the candidate shall state whether they fulfill the requirement. If the candidate indicates that they do not qualify, the filing officer may not accept their declaration of candidacy (20A-9-201).

- Citizen of the United States.
- Have required state license (if applicable)
- Registered member of the political party for which I am seeking nomination.
- Registered voter in Iron County
- Be and remain a resident of Iron County for at least one year as of November 3, 2026.
- County Attorney: Attorney licensed to practice law in the state who is an active member in good standing of the Utah State Bar (17-68-202).
- County Sheriff: Met the standards and training requirements established for law enforcement officers under Title 53, Chapter 6, Part 2, Peace Officer Training and Certification Act, met the waiver requirements in Section 53-6-206, and is qualified to be certified as a law enforcement officer, as defined in Section 53-19-103 (17-72-201).

Please initial:

The constitutional and statutory requirements were read to me and I meet those qualifications.

I understand my name will appear on the ballot exactly as it is printed on this declaration of candidacy, and that I may not make any amendments or modifications after 5:00 p.m. on January 8, 2026.

I have received a copy of the voluntary Pledge of Fair Campaign Practices.

I agree to file all financial disclosures accurately and on time. I understand that failure to do so will result in my disqualification as a candidate and removal from the ballot and may subject me to a possible fines and/or criminal penalties.

I provided a valid email or cell phone to the filing officer and I understand this will be used for official communication and updates from the election officials.

I have received a copy of Section 20A-7-801 regarding the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website Program and its applicable deadline.

I received a copy of the current campaign financial disclosure laws.

I have paid the applicable filing fee of \$ 550.05

I understand that I can withdraw my candidacy at any time by filing a written affidavit with the Clerk's office. I understand that I must withdraw at least 65 days before Election Day to have my name removed from the ballot.

Signature of Candidate:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Smith T. White".

Date: Jan 2, 2024 (16)

Signature of Filing Officer:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sarah Bess".

Date: 1-2-2024



## IRON COUNTY ELECTED OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

The following disclosures are required to be made annually by all elected officers of Iron County pursuant Utah Code 17-70-509. Additionally; a person seeking to become a candidate for a county office or local school board office shall complete the conflict of interest disclosure, if not already completed that year, and submit the statement to the county clerk at the time the candidate files a declaration of candidacy.

Jonathan T. Whittaker

Officeholder/Candidate (Print name)

Clerk

Elected Office/Candidate Filing

Elected Official  
 Candidate for Office

**Current employers and employers during the preceding year.** Employers name, address and description of Employment, occupation and job title. Iron County

**Entities in which I am currently an owner or officer or in which I was during the preceding year.** Entity name, position on Entity, description of type of business or activity conducted by this entity.

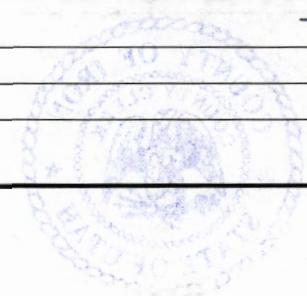
The Soda Nerd

**Entities or individuals from which I have received \$5,000 or more in income during the preceding year.** Note: Only required to provide information related to the entity or practice through which the Elected Officer provides goods or services; information of individual customer or clients is not required.

N/A

**Entities in which I hold any stock or bonds having a fair market value of \$5,000 or more as of the date of the disclosure from or during the preceding year.** Note: Excludes funds managed by a third party, including blind trusts, managed investment accounts and mutual funds.

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Entities not already listed on this form, in which I currently serve, or served in the preceding year, in a paid leadership capacity or in a paid or unpaid position on a board of directors. Entity name, Position in Entity, description of type of business or activity conducted by this entity.

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*N/A*

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Description of any real property in which I hold an ownership or other financial interest that I believe may constitute a conflict of interest. (Optional).

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*N/A*

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Name of spouse: *Charity* My spouse's current employers and employers during the preceding year. Name of employer, address, and description of employment, occupation and job title. Note spouse's employer information is only listed if the Elected officer/candidate believes it may constitute a conflict of interest.

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*Southern Utah University*

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Other adults living in my home, who are not related to me by blood or marriage, and employment information. Name and description of employment and occupation. Note: Employer information is only listed if the Elected Officer believes the adult in their home may constitute a conflict of interest.

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*N/A*

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Additional matters of interest that I believe may constitute a conflict of interest.

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*N/A*

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I believe the information contained in this form is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand this disclosure will be posted electronically on the county's website and remain on file for public inspection until I leave elected office.

*Donna T. Whittle*  
Elected Official/Candidate Signature

*Jan 2, 2026*  
Date

*Shanell Bess*  
County Clerk/Deputy

