



# North Carolina Municipal Notice of Candidacy

Use this form to place your name on ballot  
as a candidate in a municipal election.

## Election information

1 Title of the office sought City Council Alderman  
District or ward (if applicable) Hickory Ward 5  
Election 2025 Election date (mm/dd/yyyy) 11/04/2025

## Candidate information

You must provide your full legal  
name in this section. This  
information will be public.

2 Last name Ledford Suffix (Jr, Sr., II, III, IV) \_\_\_\_\_  
First name Joshua Middle name Kenneth  
Name to appear on ballot Joshua Ledford  
Campaign phone number 305-393-3448 Campaign email JoshuaforHickoryWard5@gmail.com

## Residential address

This information will be public.

3 Address (not P.O. Box) 221 3rd St NE  
City Hickory State NC Zip 28601  
County Catawba

## Mailing address

This information will be public.

4 ☒ Same as above  
Address or P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

## Candidate's pledge

Check 1 box and complete the  
pledge that applies to the office  
that you are seeking candidacy for.

5 ☐ I am filing for a partisan contest:  
I hereby file notice as a candidate for nomination as \_\_\_\_\_  
in the \_\_\_\_\_ party primary election to be held on (mm/dd/yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_.  
I affiliate with the \_\_\_\_\_ party (and I certify that I am now registered on the registration records of  
the precinct in which I reside as an affiliate of the \_\_\_\_\_ party).  
I pledge that I have been affiliated with that party for at least 90 days as of the date of the filing of the notice of candidacy. I  
pledge that if I am defeated in the primary, I will not run for the same office as a write-in candidate in the next general election.

☒ I am filing for a non-partisan contest:  
I hereby file notice that I am a candidate for election to the office of City Council Alderman (at large)  
(for the 5th Ward) in the regular municipal election to be held in  
Hickory (municipality) on (mm/dd/yyyy) 11/04/2025.

## Felony disclosure

6 Have you ever been convicted of a felony? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
If you have been convicted of a felony, you must complete a **Candidate Felony Disclosure** form within **48 hours** of submitting  
this notice (G.S. 163-106). The required form can be obtained from any election office or from the NC State Board of Elections  
website at [www.NCSBE.gov](http://www.NCSBE.gov). A prior felony conviction does not preclude holding elected office if rights of citizenship have been  
restored. Felony conviction need not be disclosed if the conviction was dismissed as a result of reversal on appeal or resulted in a  
pardon of innocence or expungement.



## Affidavit attesting to nickname

Complete only if you would like an acceptable nickname to appear on the ballot in lieu of your legal name.

Even if your nickname is accepted, your legal last name will still appear on the ballot.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have been duly sworn, hereby state under oath that I have been commonly known by the nickname \_\_\_\_\_ for at least five years and request that my name be placed on the ballot as follows: \_\_\_\_\_ In the event that another candidate with the same last name as mine files notice of candidacy for the same office for which I am a candidate, my name should be listed as: \_\_\_\_\_.

State of North Carolina, \_\_\_\_\_ County.

I hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_, the candidate who signed this Affidavit attesting to nickname, personally appeared before me this day and signed this document in my presence.

7 Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

Name of notary \_\_\_\_\_

My commission expires (mm/dd/yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_

Notary seal

Notary, sign here

X

## Acknowledgment of notice of candidacy

This section must be completed by the chair, secretary, or director of the board of elections, or by a notary. See G.S. 163-294.2(a)

The notice of candidacy shall be either signed in the presence of the chairman or secretary of the board of elections or the director of elections of that county, or signed and acknowledged before an officer authorized to take acknowledgments who shall certify the notice under seal. An acknowledged and certified notice may be mailed to the board of elections.

State of North Carolina, Catawba County.

I hereby certify that Joshua Ledford, the candidate who signed this notice of candidacy, personally appeared before me this day and signed this document in my presence or acknowledged his/her signature to be the same.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of July, 2025.

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Name of certifying officer or notary Phoebe J. Huneycutt

Title of certifying officer \_\_\_\_\_

My commission expires (mm/dd/yyyy) 07-30-2029

**PHOEBE J HUNEYCUTT**

Notary Public

Caldwell Co., North Carolina

My Commission Expires July 30, 2029

Certifying officer or notary, sign here

X

## Candidate's certification

Fraudulently or falsely completing this form is a Class I Felony under Chapter 163 of the NC General Statutes.

I swear or affirm that the statements on this form are true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge or belief.

Candidate, sign and date here (Required)

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Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

07/08/2025

Sign and date this section in the presence of the chair, secretary, or director of the board of elections, or the notary from section 8.

Submit this form to the board of elections in the county in which you plan to be a candidate.