

Precinct Captain Responsibilities



Welcome. The precinct is the smallest subdivision of a political entity, but many call it the most important. It is where the art of electing a candidate is practiced at the most fundamental level, one-on-one. You are the first and, in many ways, the most important link in the chain.

Our objective is to help elect qualified, responsive, and conservative Republican candidates for a wide variety of positions, including Governor, Statewide Offices, Congress, Georgia General Assembly, and County Commissioners. As you may know, the 9th District is the fourth most conservative district in the nation. We want to be first. By becoming a Precinct Captain, you will have an opportunity to affect political choices made here in Gilmer County and at the State and national levels, and to help spread the conservative values - a strong national defense, fiscal responsibility, lower taxes and individual liberty and freedom. You will know best your own neighborhood and precinct.

The *grass roots* level is what puts the votes in the ballot box. Precinct Captains' responsibilities, with whatever time and effort you are willing to commit, include:

1. **Precinct leadership.** Knowing the current Republicans, as well as other residents of your precinct; asking voters about their views and how the party could improve its appeal to them;
2. **Meeting new residents,** providing information about registering to vote and the Gilmer GOP Party.
3. **Communicating** with voters in your precinct by precinct walking , calling, sending welcome letters, and helping to increase voter participation in political activities; asking if anyone knows others who may want to run for office or get involved in changing things, and contacting them;
4. **Attending Gilmer Republican meetings.** Trading information and ideas. Volunteering at Election Headquarters.
5. **Assisting in voter registration drives;** encouraging or assisting those who want to register to vote, to do so;
6. **Distributing election information,** lists of Republican candidates, and candidate literature to voters. Educating voters on candidates, timetables, activities, and processes.
7. **Getting out the vote;** contacting households in the precinct and encouraging them to vote via early/absentee voting. On election day, checking lists to find out who has voted; contacting those who haven't and reminding them; helping anyone get to the polls if they need it.

We are most fortunate to have you on board, and we thank you for being willing to get involved.

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