

Statement of Intention of Candidacy & Party Pledge

This form must be filed with the appropriate election office by any candidate seeking a political party's nomination. All information on this form will be made available to the public at the time of filing. For more information, visit <https://scvotes.gov/candidates/>.

Name	Clayton Counts	Party	Republican
Office	State House	District	4
Voter Reg. #	470080096	Primary or Convention Date	6/9/26
		Election Date	11/3/26

Name on ballot may be any combination of a candidate's given name, derivative of the given name, or nickname. A derivative name or nickname must be used in good faith for honest purposes and may not imply professional or social status, an office, or military rank. A nickname may not exceed 15 letters.

Name on Ballot	Clay Counts
Name pronunciation, if necessary, for audio ballot (e.g., Jackson Gervais: jur-VAY)	

Candidate Contact Information (address not required to be residence address)

Address	1482 Walthalla Hwy	City	Pickens	Zip	29671
Phone	864-630-5739	Email	claycounts21@yahoo.com		

Party Pledge (Party Pledge not applicable to designees for the Office of Lieutenant Governor)

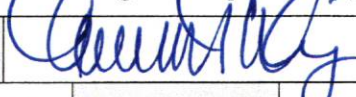
I hereby file my notice as a candidate for the nomination as State House District 4 in the primary election or convention to be held on June 9th, 2026. I affiliate with the Republican Party Party, and I hereby pledge myself to abide by the results of the primary or convention. I shall not authorize my name to be placed on the general election ballot by petition and will not offer or campaign as a write-in candidate for this office or any other office for which the party has a nominee. I authorize the issuance of an injunction upon ex parte application by the party chairman, as provided by law, should I violate this pledge by offering or campaigning in the ensuing general election for election to this office or any other office for which a nominee has been elected in the party primary election, unless the nominee for the office has become deceased or otherwise disqualified for election in the ensuing general election.

Candidate's Oath

I hereby affirm that I meet, or will meet by the time of the general or special election, or as otherwise required by law, the qualifications for this office.

Candidate Signature  **Date** 3/16/26

Candidate must sign in the presence of an Election Official or Notary Public.

Election Official Signature			
Date Received	<u>3-16-26</u>	Time Received	<u>12:22 pm</u>
		<input type="checkbox"/> SEC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>Pickens</u> County Board

For use if candidate signs in presence of Notary Public

Name of Notary Public	My Commission Expires	
Signature of Notary Public		Date

