

Candidate Qualifications
August 2, 2022 Primary Election
Cape Girardeau County Elected Offices

Office	Qualifications	Statutory Reference
Presiding Commissioner	Resident of the county	49.020 RSMo
Clerk of the Circuit Court	Resident of the county 3 months next preceding election Over 21 years of age	483.010 RSMo
County Clerk	Over 21 years of age Resident of the county 1 year next preceding election	51.050 RSMo
Recorder of Deeds	At least 21 years of age Registered voter Resident of the state of Missouri and the county one year prior to the date of the general election Must provide a copy of a signed affidavit from a surety company indicating that the candidate meets the bond requirements of \$5,000 (this amount is set by the county commission and can change)	59.021 RSMo
Prosecuting Attorney	At least 21 years of age Licensed to practice law in Missouri Resident of the county 1 year next preceding the date of the general election	56.010 RSMo
County Auditor	Over 21 years of age Resident of county 3 months immediately preceding election Familiar with the theory and practice of accounting by education, training, and experience	55.060 RSMo
Collector of Revenue	At least 21 years of age Resident of the county at least 1 year prior to filing Must provide a copy of a signed affidavit from a surety company indicating that the candidate meets the bond requirements of \$750,000 (this amount is set by the county commission and can change)	52.010 RSMo
Associate Circuit Judge Division III	At least 25 years of age Qualified Missouri voter Resident of the county for at least 1 year prior to the election Licensed to practice law in Missouri	Article V, Sec. 21 Constitution of Missouri & 478.320 RSMo
Associate Circuit Judge Division IV	At least 25 years of age Qualified Missouri voter Resident of the county for at least 1 year prior to the election Licensed to practice law in Missouri	Article V, Sec. 21 Constitution of Missouri & 478.320 RSMo

In addition to the qualifications above, each individual filing for a county office must meet the following qualifications:

- Citizen of the United States (Article VII, Sec. 8 Constitution of Missouri);
- Resident of the state 1 year next preceding the election (Article VII, Sec. 8 Constitution of Missouri);
- Registered voter (115.349.3 RSMo);
- Is not delinquent in the payment of any taxes on the place of residence as stated in the declaration of candidacy, or is not a past or present corporate officer of any fee office that owes any taxes to the state (115.306.2 RSMo);
- Has not been found guilty of or pled guilty to a felony under the federal laws of the United States of America or to a felony under the laws of this state or an offense committed in another state that would be considered a felony in this state (115.306.1 RSMo);
- Does not have outstanding campaign disclosure reports due from prior elections (130.071.2 RSMo).