

# El Paso County Redistricting Advisory Commission

**Application** 

Please email your application to: <a href="mailto:countychiefadmin@epcounty.com">countychiefadmin@epcounty.com</a>;

Or mail to: El Paso County Administration 500 E. San Antonio, Suite 302A El Paso, Texas 79901 Application Period:

May 1, 2021, through May 20, 2021

# FOR ASSISTANCE WITH INTERPRETING KEY TERMS, SEE THE GLOSSARY AT THE END OF THIS APPLICATION

You must email your application to <u>CountyChiefAdmin@epcounty.com</u> or mail a signed application to the El Paso County Administration Office at:

El Paso County Courthouse 500 E. San Antonio, Suite 302A El Paso, TX 79901

Submission Deadline: May 20, 2021

#### **DUTIES AND TERMS OF SERVICE**

#### El Paso County Redistricting Advisory Commission duties include:

- 1. Conduct duties with integrity and fairness.
- 2. Conduct an open and transparent process to enable full public consideration of and comment on the drawing of Commissioner and Justice of the Peace district lines to include an open hearing process.
- 3. Draw district lines in accordance with specific redistricting criteria.
- 4. Adopt a final redistricting plan to recommend and present to the El Paso County Commissioners Court for its consideration.
- 5. Issue a report that explains the basis on which the Commission made its decision, and, if the decision is not unanimous also present the minorities plan to the Court.
- 6. Be available to attend monthly meetings, some of which may be after 5 p.m., for the next 12 months.

#### El Paso County Redistricting Advisory Commission Member terms of service include:

- 1. Members of the Commission will not be compensated for serving. All major expenses, such as printing of maps, will be covered by El Paso County.
- 2. Serve a term until the Commissioners Court adopts a Redistricting Plan for Commissioner and JP external district boundary lines.
- 3. Members of the Commission must remain a County resident, not become a County employee, County contractor, or sub-contractor, a County board member other than membership on the Redistricting Advisory Commission, a political consultant or be elected to public office, and must not make a contribution greater than \$500, in the aggregate to any County elective office during their term.
- 4. In the event a member of the Commission becomes subject to one or more of the ineligibility criteria listed under Eligibility of this application, the Member is rendered automatically ineligible and removed from their position.
- 5. All board appointees will undergo training on the Texas Open Meetings Act, Public Information Act, and County Ethics Code.

	Please complete this se	ction legibly.		
Name of Applicant:(Last)	(First)	(M	liddle)	
Residence Address (must be a fixed	location in El Paso Count	y):		
(Street Address)		(City)	(State)	(Zip)
Mailing Address (if different from R	Residence Address)			
(Street Address or PO Box)		(City)	(State)	(Zip)
Contact Phone:				
Contact Email Address:				
Spouse's Name:				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		(Suffix)
Which Commissioners Court precis	nct do you reside/vote in:	1 2	3	4

Please check YES or NO by each require
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1. atter	Are you available to attend meetings on a monthly basis with the potential of additional meetings, as needed?	□Yes	□ No
2.	Do you reside in El Paso County?	Yes	□No
3.	Are you registered to vote in El Paso County?	<b>Yes</b>	□ No
Cod	Members of the Redistricting Advisory Commission are subject to the County's e of Ethics. Do you agree to submit additional documentation in compliance with Code of Ethics, including but not limited to a sworn financial disclosure?	<b>Yes</b>	□ No

#### **Eligibility**

The information below is required to help the El Paso County Commissioners Court identify any conflicts of interest you may have in reviewing your eligibility.

Within the past year of the application date, have you, your spouse, or family within the first-degree of consanguinity (parents, siblings, children):	
Been appointed to an El Paso County office, or County board, not to include the Redistricting Advisory Commission?	□ Yes □ No
Been elected to a public office?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Served as an officer, employee, or paid consultant of a political party?	□ Yes □ No
Served as an officer, employee, or paid consultant of the campaign committee of a candidate for elective state, county, or city office?	□ Yes □ No
Been a registered federal, state or local lobbyist?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within the past year of the application date, have you, your spouse, or family within the first-degree of consanguinity been:	
A paid employee of El Paso County?	□ Yes □ No
A person providing paid services to El Paso County through a contract with the County?	□ Yes □ No

A person with an interest in a company under contract, or sub- contract, with El Paso County for the provision of paid services or goods?	□ Yes □ No
Performing paid services under a contract to any member of the El Paso County Commissioners Court?	□ Yes □ No
In the last El Paso County Election did you, your spouse, or family within the first-degree of consanguinity:	
Contribute five hundred dollars (\$500) or more in aggregate to candidates for an El Paso County public office?	□ Yes □ No

#### **Personal Background Information**

(Completion of the following personal demographics information is voluntary)

Age: (Please check your response)  □ 18 to 24 □ 25 to 34 □ 35 to 44 □  Education level: (Please check any that apply)	45 to 54 □ 55 to 64 □ 65+
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Education level: (Please check any that apply)	
☐ High School Diploma or GED	
☐ Some College	(major
☐ Associate's Degree	(major
☐ Bachelor's Degree	(major
☐ Post-Graduate Degree, indicate highest degree attaine	ed: (subject
Qualifications/Professional	l Background

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Please list any previous volunteer organizations or		
	community service that you were, or are, involved in.	

Are you aware of any matter that could be considered a conflict that should be disclosed before you are	
considered for appointment? If so, please describe the matter.	
Please describe your interest in serving on this Commission.	

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	Please provide any other information you wish to be considered for your selection.			
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#### **DISCLAIMER**

By submitting this application, I understand that I am giving El Paso County permission to release my information to the public. In particular, I affirmatively consent to the release of the contact email address I have provided.

If I am appointed, my name and my County-assigned email address will be included on the El Paso County website.

I understand my application is public information under the Texas Public Information Act. The information will be kept according to El Paso County records retention policies.

I understand that my participation on the El Paso County Redistricting Advisory Commission is voluntary.

I understand the duties and terms of service for the El Paso County Redistricting Advisory Commission as described above.

Under penalty of law, I swear or affirm that the preceding information correct.	ation in this application is in all things true and
Signature of Applicant	Date

#### **GLOSSARY**

- "Campaign committee" in regard to an "officer, employee or paid consultant of a campaign committee" means a candidate or a specific purpose political committee supporting or opposing a candidate for federal, state, County or city office.
- "Candidate" for elective office means a person whose name appeared on a ballot, or who was a declared write-in candidate, in a general or primary election. It does not mean a person who merely announced a candidacy or only filed campaign finance filings.
- "County" means El Paso County.
- "County elective office" means the office of El Paso County Judge and El Paso County Commissioner.
- "County employee" means an employee on the El Paso County payroll, including a temporary or part-time employee.
- "Contribution," for purposes of calculating aggregate contributions to candidates for County elective office, includes all contributions to candidates for County Judge and County Commissioner.
- "Employee" with respect to a political party or campaign committee means a person who was paid wages by the political party or campaign committee.
- "Lobbyist" means a person required to register with the El Paso County Human Resources Department as a lobbyist.
- "Public office" means an office that is voted on county-wide or an office that is voted on by the voters of a precinct drawn by a Commissioners Court. Public office includes federal, state, County or city office, or any other position that is voted on county-wide, to include but not be limited to municipal utility and school district positions.