

## FORT BEND COUNTY CLERK CANDIDATE TAMARA MCFARLANE (R)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <u>ELECTION DENIER WHO IS DRIVEN BY CONSPIRACY THEORIES</u></li><li>● <u>CREDIBILITY ISSUE: UNCONFIRMED JOB OFFER AND GOVERNMENT AUDIT AWARD</u></li><li>● <u>QUESTIONABLE INTEGRITY - MULTIPLE LAWSUITS AND LEGAL ISSUES</u></li><li>● <u>SUPPORTS THE TEXAS NATIONALIST MOVEMENT AND TEXAS SECESSION</u></li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <u>DIVISIVE ATTACKS ON OWN PARTY AND LACK OF CAMPAIGN INFRASTRUCTURE &amp; FUNDRAISING</u></li><li>● <u>WEAK OR WITHDRAWN REPUBLICAN ENDORSEMENTS</u></li><li>● <u>OPPORTUNISTIC - OFFERED TO LEAVE RACE FOR ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR ROLE</u></li></ul> |

### **Key Findings Include:**

**Lack of policy depth.** Advocates for general policy improvements without specified policy actions on campaign website.

**Right wing extremist who shares conspiracy theories consistently.** Has shared Covid-19 misinformation, CCP misinformation and election denier misinformation based on various conspiracy theories.

**Multiple legal and ethical controversies.** Involved in several active and settled lawsuits, has made claims that cannot be independently verified about a previous award and the election administrator job offer, and Has attacked several Republican candidates, including her Republican opponent, and is being sued by one for defamation. Publicized a disputed endorsement from Steve Toth, who claims he isn't endorsing anyone in this election cycle.

**Social media presence.** Prolific poster and responder, with multiple community accusations of rude comments, blocking and other negative behaviours.

### **Jurisdiction Summary**

Fort Bend County is located in southeast Texas, immediately southwest of Houston, and forms part of the Houston metropolitan area. The county includes fast-growing suburban and exurban communities such as Sugar Land, Missouri City, Richmond, Rosenberg, Fulshear, and portions of Houston and Katy. Fort Bend had an estimated population of 958,434 in 2024, up from 822,779 in the 2020 census. Its economy has evolved from agriculture, sugar production, and energy into a diversified base that includes healthcare, professional services, logistics, manufacturing, technology, and energy-related industries. [[U.S. Census Bureau](#), accessed 7/20/26]

In the 2024 presidential election, Democrat Kamala Harris narrowly carried Fort Bend County with approximately 49.3% of the vote, compared with 47.8% for Republican Donald Trump;

roughly 2.9% supported other candidates. Although Harris won the county by approximately 1.6 percentage points, the result represented a significant Republican shift from 2020, when Joe Biden carried Fort Bend by more than 10 points. Fort Bend supported Republican presidential candidates through 2012 but has voted Democratic in every presidential election since 2016, making it a politically competitive suburban county rather than a reliably Democratic jurisdiction. [[Fort Bend County 2024 official canvass](#), accessed 7/20/26]

## BACKGROUND

### PERSONAL LIFE

**McFarlane is married to Brad McFarlane, and has 3 children.** [[Tamara McFarlane](#), accessed 7/23/2026]

**McFarlane grew up in Yugoslavia before becoming a naturalized citizen.** [[Tamara McFarlane](#), accessed 7/23/2026]

### PROFESSIONAL, CIVIC, & PUBLIC SECTOR BACKGROUND

**McFarlane has a Bachelor of Commerce degree from the Haskayne School of Business, University of Calgary.** [[Tamara McFarlane](#), accessed 7/23/2026][[Tamara McFarlane](#), accessed 7/23/2026]

**McFarlane is the Director of Real Estate for McFarlane Management.** Previously she worked in Acquisitions & Divestitures for ConocoPhillips, BP, and Shell. She also worked as a government auditor for the oil & gas sector for the government of Alberta Canada. [[Tamara McFarlane](#), accessed 7/23/2026]

**McFarlane served as a Fort Bend County Election Judge.** [[Tamara McFarlane](#), accessed 7/23/2026]

**McFarlane claims she won the “Excellence Award by the Legislative Assembly for record-breaking multi-million dollar audit recoveries”.** She calls herself an “award-winning government auditor” however no verification of this award being presented to McFarlane is available. [[Tamara McFarlane](#), accessed 7/23/2026][[Tamara McFarlane](#), accessed 7/23/2026]

### INTEGRITY & ACCOUNTABILITY

**McFarlane has an active court case filed against her by Sali’s Roofing LLC.** The roofing company claims McFarlane didn’t pay the remaining balance on a roofing project before selling the property. [[Covering Katy](#), 2/9/2026]

**McFarlane is being sued for defamation by Ken Mathews, the Republican candidate for Fort Bend County’s precinct 4 commissioner:** “The million-dollar lawsuit, filed by Attorney Karan Joshi of Orange Law Firm, seeks “appropriate legal remedies arising from alleged misconduct that includes defamation, coordinated reputational attacks, interference with lawful political activity, and other wrongful actions allegedly committed by certain individuals who are now named as defendants in the case.”[[Fort Bend Independent](#), 5/24/2026][[Tamara McFarlane](#), 5/24/2026][[Tamara McFarlane](#), 5/23/2026]

**McFarlane had a court case filed against her and her husband by the Grayson Lakes Community Association.** The HOA claimed the McFarlanes violated the neighborhood's deed restrictions by installing a water well without approval. The district court found the McFarlanes violated the deed restrictions but the HOA and the McFarlanes settled in 2025 by agreeing to allow the well to remain only as long as the McFarlanes own the property. [[Covering Katy](#), 2/9/2026]

CAMPAIGN BACKGROUND  
No findings of note

IDEOLOGY & POLITICS  
**McFarlane lists “Champion Conservative Values” in the Issues section of the campaign website:** “Our community thrives when we uphold the values that built this great nation – faith, family, and freedom.” [[Tamara McFarlane](#), accessed 7/23/2026]

AFFILIATION WITH POLITICAL FIGURES/ORGANIZATIONS  
**McFarlane is a member of the Republican Women's Club of Katy.** She is currently the VP of Legislation. [[Republican Women's Club of Katy](#), accessed 7/23/2026]

PARTISAN POSTS  
**McFarlane posted about stolen elections.** [[Facebook](#), 6/5/2026]



**I'm so tired of watching elections stolen on live TV. Happening now in South Korea, LA, and wherever mail-ins & machines are used.**

**McFarlane posted about exposing the CCP's influence on Chinese immigrants and politicians in America.** She also attacked her Republican opponent, JJ Clemence, in the same post by claiming she “hosted officials from the genocidal Chinese Communist Party at our local county government offices in December 2025”. [[Tamara McFarlane](#), 5/30/2026]



**Tamara McFarlane** ✓

May 30 · 🌐

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🇺🇸 Just made some incredible new friends in Hawaii — amazing pro-America patriots of Chinese descent who are courageously exposing the CCP's influence on Chinese immigrants and our politicians right here in America. Their bravery is inspiring!

Never forget: My "Republican" opponent [#JJClemence](#), who I defeated, hosted officials from the genocidal Chinese Communist Party at our local county government offices in December 2025. They were welcomed by former County Judge KP George (who has a felony conviction), & they attacked anyone that questioned this insanity.

JJ and her allies smeared concerned Americans and me as "racists" — the classic Marxist playbook.

Shockingly, JJ is still a GOP precinct chair. 🤔

Stay vigilant, expose CCP activity, and share if you're done with politicians playing both sides.

[#AmericaFirst](#) [#StopCCP](#) [#EndCCP](#) [#NoCommunismInAmerica](#)  
[#DrainTheSwamp](#)

**McFarlane commented several times with anti-Covid vaccine misinformation on a LinkedIn post asking if people would avoid going to a restaurant if proof of a Covid-19 vaccine was required.** [[LinkedIn](#), accessed 7/23/2026]



**Jeffrey Spangler** ✓ • 3rd+

Public Administration

4y ...

I'm vaxed so I don't really care. People that are scared or unwilling to get vaxed are pretty unreasonable but if they haven't gotten it by now, they're not going to.

Like | Reply · 2 replies



**Tamara McFarlane, B.Comm** • 3rd+

Property Management

4y ...

I know right? Look at all these unreasonable people! Lock em down.

[OpenVaers.com](#)

Like · 🇺🇸 1 | Reply

**McFarlane visited Mar-A-Lago.** [[Tamara McFarlane](#), 11/7/2025]



Tamara McFarlane is with Karen Fosdick Perez and Aaron Reitz at Mar-A-Lago. ...

November 7, 2025 · Palm Beach, FL · 🌐

Great running into the next Attorney General of Texas at Mar-a-Lago! Team Reitz! 🇺🇸



McFarlane posted that Trump is the best president of her lifetime. [[Tamara McFarlane](#), 3/31/2026]



Tamara McFarlane for County Clerk 🇺🇸 recommends The White House. ...

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March 31 · 🌐

This is the best President of my lifetime. The border is finally secure, inflation is down, federal taxes are down, American jobs are up, the streets are safer, and the future is bright! 🇺🇸 🇪🇺  
People are ignoring the fake news and the thousands of fake bots on this platform.

👍👍 26

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#### CAMPAIGN INFRASTRUCTURE

**Campaign treasurer Victor Perez resigned, citing the campaign's negativity and divisiveness.** The most current report does not list a treasurer or other campaign staff. [[Covering Katy](#), 2/5/2026] [[Fort Bend BOE](#), accessed 7/28/2026]

#### ENDORSEMENTS

**McFarlane posted that State Representative Steve Toth endorsed her.** Steve Toth later stated he has not endorsed any candidate, but also commented from his Facebook page that McFarlane has his full support. [[Tamara McFarlane](#), 2/11/2026][[Covering Katy](#), 2/15/2026]

**McFarlane is endorsed by the Heasley Show.** [[Tamara McFarlane](#), 2/14/2026]

**McFarlane is endorsed by Latinos For Trump - Arizona.** [[Tamara McFarlane](#), 1/29/2026]

**McFarlane is endorsed by Masala Radio 98.7 FM.** [[Tamara McFarlane](#), 2/10/2026]

**McFarlane is endorsed by True Texas Project.** [[Tamara McFarlane](#), 1/14/2026]

**McFarlane is endorsed by Veterans for America First.** [[Veterans For Trump/VFAF](#), 1/23/2026]

#### CAMPAIGN FINANCE

**McFarlane has \$0 cash on hand, received \$4,685 in contributions, had \$34,047.60 in expenses and has \$30,000 in outstanding loans.** These totals are best estimates based on the filings submitted, which contain inaccuracies in the summary and reporting figures. The majority of the contributions came from 4 people:

- Clyde Neel, affiliated with the Fort Bend County Republican Party, \$2,500
- Victor Perez, contributed days before resigning, \$500
- Kym Paddock, VP of Programs Republican Women's Club of Katy, \$50
- Gou Cheng, no identifying information, \$750

The bulk of the funding came from loans from McFarlane, and no contributions from PACs, corporations or other candidate committees. No immediate vulnerabilities were assessed in any of the contributions. [[Fort Bend BOE](#), accessed 7/23/2026]

#### PERSONAL POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

**McFarlane contributed \$600 in 2025 to the Republican Party of Fort Bend County Federal Committee.** No immediate vulnerabilities assessed. [[FEC](#), accessed 7/23/2026]

**McFarlane contributed \$1,695 to the Republican Women's Club of Katy PAC, Allen B. West, Matthew R. Morgan, and Texas Nationalist Movement PAC.** The Texas Nationalist Movement PAC promotes politicians that support Texas First ideology and potentially seceding from the United States. [[Texas Ethics Commission](#), accessed 7/27/2026][[Take Texas Back](#), accessed 7/27/2026]

**TABLE: McFARLANE TX CONTRIBUTIONS**

| Contributor        | Employer                                 | Recipient                              | Date       | Amount | Type of Payment |
|--------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------|--------|-----------------|
| McFarlane , Tamara | Housewife                                | Republican Women's Club of Katy, PAC , | 12-02-2024 | \$235  | Monetary        |
| McFarlane , Tamara | Katy Properties Real Estate professional | Republican Women's Club of Katy, PAC , | 06-15-2026 | \$482  | Monetary        |
| McFarlane , Tamara | Housewife                                | Republican Women's Club of Katy, PAC , | 12-04-2025 | \$224  | Monetary        |
| McFarlane, Tamara  | Self-Employed Properties                 | West ,Allen B.                         | 07-04-2021 | \$100  | Monetary        |

|                   |                                  |                                             |            |       |          |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------|-------|----------|
| McFarlane, Tamara | McFarlane Management Real Estate | Morgan ,Matthew R.                          | 10-03-2025 | \$250 | Monetary |
| McFarlane, Tamara | Student                          | Fort Bend Republican Women's Club PAC ,     | 10-17-2025 | \$304 | Monetary |
| McFarlane, Tamara | McFarlane Management CEO         | Texas Nationalist Movement Political Action | 01-18-2026 | \$100 | Monetary |

## ISSUES

### TAXES / CONTROVERSIAL BUDGET CUTS

No findings of note

### GOOD GOVERNMENT/ETHICS

**McFarlane lists “Ensuring government remains small & efficient” in the Issues page on the campaign website:** “Government works best when it stays small, efficient, and accountable to the people it serves.” [[Tamara McFarlane](#), accessed 7/23/2026]

### PUBLIC SAFETY

No findings of note

### HEALTHCARE

No findings of note

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

No findings of note

### HOUSING & DEVELOPMENT (AFFORDABLE HOUSING, ZONING, DATA CENTERS)

No findings of note

### ENVIRONMENT / LAND MANAGEMENT

No findings of note

### INFRASTRUCTURE (ROADS, PARKS, WATER AND UTILITIES, BIKE PATHS)

No findings of note

### EDUCATION

No findings of note

### ELECTIONS/VOTING ACCESS

**McFarlane lists “Fight for Free & Fair Elections” in the Issues section of the campaign site:** “I will fight to ensure every legal vote is counted, every illegal vote is rejected, and our elections remain transparent and secure.” [[Tamara McFarlane](#), accessed 7/23/2026]

### AFFORDABILITY / COST OF LIVING

No findings of note



## **IDEOLOGY, RHETORIC & EXTREMISM SIGNALS**

**McFarlane has circulated claims that her Republican opponent, JJ Clemence, is a Chinese asset or Chinese Communist Party spy:** “On Jan. 22, at a Republican Women’s Club of Katy Primary Candidate forum, she stated that her opponent was “busy bringing in Chinese Communist Party officials in a sister city delegation December 4th,” and asserted that Clemence had coordinated CCP delegations in Houston and Fort Bend County for the past decade.” [[Katy Christian Magazine](#), 1/23/2026]

## **VARIABLE**

**McFarlane signed the “Take Back Texas” pledge, vowing to put Texas first and support seceding from the United States whenever possible.** McFarlane signed the pledge January 18, 2026, which is the same date she contributed to the Texas Nationalist Movement PAC. [[Take Texas Back](#), accessed 7/27/2026]

**McFarlane claimed she was offered the Election Administrator role in Fort Bend.** Her supporters claimed she was willing to walk away from the Clerk race if she was appointed as the Election Administrator, however McFarlane made no mention of that portion of the claim in her comment about being appointed. A member of the committee who appointed the current Election Administrator noted that McFarlane didn’t submit a resume and wasn’t ever under consideration for the position. [[Covering Katy](#), 2/24/2026]

**Local Facebook groups Stand Up For Katy ISD and Katy ISD Matters have multiple posts attacking McFarlane** for her attacks on other members [[Facebook](#), 3/19/2025], attacking other Republicans and making conspiracy theory comments during public comments at meetings [[Facebook](#), 2/5/2026], for allegedly abusing her position as admin for one of the groups [[Facebook](#), 3/20/2025], about her campaign treasurer [[Facebook](#), 3/26/2025].

**McFarlane is a prolific social media poster, primarily on Facebook.** This includes various attack posts, conspiracy theory posts, and arguments with commenters in groups and on various pages. [[Facebook](#), 4/26/2026][[Facebook](#), 3/13/2026][[Facebook](#), 2/2/2026][[Facebook](#), 4/20/2026][[Facebook](#), 4/23/2026]

## **SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS**

[Campaign Website](#)

[Campaign Facebook](#)

[Personal Facebook](#)

[Campaign Instagram](#)

[LinkedIn](#)