

Hampden County sheriff candidates – General information

Overview: Current sheriff, Michael Ashe, is retiring. Three candidates are running to replace him.

General news clips: Final candidates: http://www.masslive.com/politics/index.ssf/2016/09/hampden_county_sheriffs_race_-.html
 August debate (including candidates no longer in race):
http://www.masslive.com/politics/index.ssf/2016/08/hampden_county_sheriffs_race_c_2.html
 September forum (includes candidates no longer in race):
http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2016/08/10_days_before_preliminary_ele.html#incart_river_index_topics

CANDIDATE	OCCUPATION	WEBSITE, FACEBOOK PAGE & MISCELLANEOUS NEWSCLIPS
Nick Cocchi (Democrat)	Deputy Superintendent, Hampden Co. Sheriff's Department	Website: http://nickforsheriff.com/ Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/nickforsheriff/ Endorsement by sheriff Ashe: http://www.masslive.com/politics/index.ssf/2016/05/sheriff_mike_ashe_officially_e.html Remarks on suburban vs. urban addiction: http://seattlemedium.com/why-do-politicians-treat-addiction-differently-in-the-suburbs/
John Comerford (Republican)	Director of county veterans program	Website: Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/John-M-Comerford-for-Sheriff-Hampden-County-1335529199807063/?fref=nf Candidacy: http://www.masslive.com/politics/index.ssf/2016/05/hampden_county_sheriffs_race_r.html
James Gill (No party)	Asst. Deputy Superintendent, Hampden C. Sheriff's Department	Website: http://www.votejamesgill.com/ Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/Vote-James-Gill-For-Sheriff-of-Hampden-County-920158858045289/ Candidacy: http://www.masslive.com/politics/index.ssf/2015/06/james_gill_announces_run_for_s.html

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