



Sutter County Candidate Handbook

PRIMARY ELECTION - TUESDAY JUNE 2, 2026

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THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS STRONGLY recommends that any prospective candidates obtain legal advice, to assist in complying with the applicable California laws, including the California Elections Code and California Government Code.

CODE REFERENCES made in this guide, unless otherwise stated, are to the California Constitution and Statutes. California legal code references in this guide include:

- Business Professions Code
- Education Code (Ed Code)
- Election Code (EC)
- Government Code (GC)
- Health and Safety Code
- Insurance Code
- Penal Code
- Revenue and Taxation Code

E-DATE'S have been used throughout this guide to indicate important dates and deadlines. These dates are the number of days prior to or after an election date. Example: E-88 means E minus 88 days and would be 88 days prior to an election, and E+28 means E plus 28 days and would be 28 days after an election. This type of date is often used in the Elections Code in order to avoid any variance from one election to the next. Refer to the Election Calendar for guidance as to what actual date the indicated E-Date falls on.

All candidate's filing information is considered public information and contact information may be posted on the Elections website.

ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

The following is a list of resources regarding whom to contact for various types of violations. The **Sutter County Registrar of Voters is NOT an enforcement agency** and is therefore unable to investigate any violations. If you would like to report a violation, please refer to the election official agencies listed below:

- False or misleading campaign materials (No agency enforcement - these issues are dealt with in court)
- Violations of the Political Reform Act (Title 9 of the California Government Code at Sections 81000 through 91015) i.e. mass mailing requirements; slate mailers; campaign disclosure; proper use of campaign funds; disclosure of economic interests: contact the Fair Political Practices Commission at (800) 561-1861 www.fppc.ca.gov
- Election fraud: contact your local district attorney or the California Secretary of State at (916) 657-2166 www.sos.ca.gov
- Unlawful use of public funds, violations of the Elections Codes, the Penal Code or any laws other than the Political Reform Act: contact your local district attorney or the California State Attorney General at (800) 952-5225 www.oag.ca.gov
- Federal campaigns, Congress, U.S. Senate or President of the United States: contact the Federal Election Commission at (800) 424-9530 www.fec.gov
- Open meeting laws (Brown Act): contact your local district attorney or the California State Attorney General at (800) 952-5225 www.oag.ca.gov
- Local ordinances: contact your local city attorney or district attorney
- Vandalism or requirements concerning campaign signs: contact local city attorney or district attorney



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Dear Officeholders and Candidates:

Thank you for your willingness to serve your community by running for and holding elective office! This guide has been compiled to assist candidates in the complex process of seeking electoral office. The election process can be confusing for both new candidates and returning officeholders, so the Sutter County Elections office stands ready to assist you and welcomes your questions.

It is recommended that you review these pages carefully. Filing for office is an expensive and difficult process involving many laws and deadlines. Failure to observe these laws and deadlines could result in late fees and/or further filing requirements.

As we will be in contact with you during this process, *make sure your contact information is current*. If you make any changes to this information, please let us know.

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If you have any questions, please feel free to call our office at (530) 822-7122 or visit our website at www.suttercounty.org/elections.

We wish you the best of luck in your endeavors.

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OFFICES UP FOR ELECTION IN THE JUNE 2026 PRIMARY

VOTER-NOMINATED OFFICES AND INCUMBENTS	REQUIREMENTS AND DOCUMENTS	CODE
GOVERNOR Open Seat	Must be a citizen and a registered voter; 2 term limit. File with the Secretary of State two (2) copies of every income tax return the candidate filed with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) in the five (5) most recent taxable years, one unredacted copy and another copy with required redactions. Filing fee, Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers. (65-100 Signatures)	EC 201, 8020, 8062; Art. V Sec. 2, 9, and 11 CA Constitution
LT. GOVERNOR Eleni Kounalakis	Must be a citizen and a registered voter; 2 term limit. Filing fee, Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers. (65-100 Signatures)	EC 201, 8020, 8062; Art. V Sec. 2, 9, and 11 CA Constitution
ATTORNEY GENERAL Rob Bonta	Must be a citizen and a registered voter; 2 term limit. Shall have been admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the State for at least 5 years immediately preceding the election. Filing fee, Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers. (65-100 Signatures)	EC 201, 8020, 8062; Art. V Sec.11 CA Constitution Gov. Code 12503
STATE CONTROLLER Malia Cohen	Must be a citizen and a registered voter; 2 term limit. Filing Fee, Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers. (65-100 Signatures)	EC 201, 8020, 8062; Art. V Sec.11 CA Constitution
SECRETARY OF STATE Shirley Weber	Must be a citizen and a registered voter; 2 term limit. Filing Fee, Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers. (65-100 Signatures)	EC 201, 8020, 8062; Art. V Sec.11 CA Constitution
STATE TREASURER Fiona Ma	Must be a citizen and a registered voter; 2 term limit. Filing Fee, Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers. (65-100 Signatures)	EC 201, 8020, 8062; Art. V Sec.11 CA Constitution
STATE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER Ricardo Lara	Must be a citizen and a registered voter; 2 term limit. During tenure in office, may not be an officer, agent or employee of an insurer or directly or indirectly interested in any insurer or licensee under the Calif. Insurance Code, except as a policy holder or by virtue of relationship by blood or marriage to any person interested in any insurer or licensee. Filing Fee, Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers. (65-100 Signatures)	EC 201, 8020, 8062; Ins Code 12900 and 12901
US REP IN CONGRESS DISTRICT 4 (No incumbent – prop 50) 2-year term	Every candidate shall be at least 25 years of age, a U.S. citizen for seven years, and a resident of California on January 3, 2027, the date to be sworn into office if elected. Filing fee, Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers (40-60 Signatures)	Art. I, Sec. 2, US Constitution EC 201, 8020, 8062, 8103
STATE ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 3 Open Seat	Must be a citizen of the United States and a registered voter in the district. Under the provisions of term limits, each Member elected on or after the passage of Proposition 28, in 2012, may serve a lifetime maximum of 12 years in the State Legislature. Senate Members who were first elected to the State Legislature on or after the passage of Proposition 28 may serve 12 years in the Senate, or a combination of service in the Assembly and Senate if the combined terms do not exceed 12 years. However, Members elected to the State Assembly prior to the passage of Proposition 28 may serve a maximum of three two-year terms established by the passage of Proposition 140, in 1990. Filing fee, Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers (40-60 Signatures)	EC 201, 8020, 8062

STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION DISTRICT 1 Ted Gaines	Must be a citizen of the United States and a registered voter in the district; 2 term limit. Filing Fee, Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers. (40-60 Signatures)	EC 201, 8020, 8062; CA Constitution Art. XIII §17
STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION Tony Thurmond	Must be a registered voter and otherwise qualified to vote for that office at the time that nomination papers are issued to the person. Not have been convicted of a felony involving accepting or giving, or offering to give, any bribe, the embezzlement of public money, extortion or theft of public money, perjury, or conspiracy to commit any of those crimes. Not have served two terms in the office. Filing fee, Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers (65-100 Signatures).	EC 201, 20 Cal. Const., art. IX, § 2

SUPERIOR COURT	REQUIREMENTS AND DOCUMENTS	CODE
JUDGE Jesse Santana - Dept. 2 Fitzgerald Javellana - Dept. 4 (6-year term)	Must be a member of the State Bar or served as a judge of a court of record in this State for ten years immediately preceding his/her election or appointment. Filing fee, Declaration of Intent, Declaration of Candidacy, documentation proving qualifications and Nomination papers (20-40 Signatures)	Art. VI, Sec 15, State Constitution EC 13.5(2)(b)(5), 8020, 8023, 8062, 8104
COUNTY OFFICES	REQUIREMENTS AND DOCUMENTS	CODE
ASSESSOR Kathy Scriven	Must be a registered voter of Sutter County. No person shall exercise the powers and duties of the office of Assessor unless: (a) He or she holds a valid appraiser's certificate issued by the State Board of Equalization pursuant to Article 8 (commencing with Section 670) of Chapter 3 Part 2 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code. (b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), a duly elected or appointed person may exercise the powers and duties of assessor, for a period not to exceed one year, if he or she acquires a temporary appraiser's certificate from the State Board of Equalization within 30 days of election or appointment. (c) This does not apply to any person holding the office of assessor on January 1, 1997. Filing fee, Declaration of Candidacy, and Nomination papers (20 to 40 Signatures)	GC 24001, 24002.5 EC 8020, 8062, 8104
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Dan Flores Dist. 2 Mike Ziegenmeyer Dist. 3	Must be a registered voter of the district for at least 30 days immediately preceding the deadline for filing nomination documents and reside in the district during incumbency. Filing fee, Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers (20-40 Signatures)	GC 25041 EC 8020, 8062, 8104

CLERK-RECORDER Donna M. Johnston	<p>Must be a registered voter of Sutter County. Filing fee, Declaration of Candidacy, and Nomination papers (20 to 40 Signatures)</p>	GC 24001 EC 8020, 8062, 8104
AUDITOR-CONTROLLER Nathan Black	<p>Must be a registered voter of Sutter County. Must meet at least one of the following criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The person possesses a valid certificate issued by the California Board of Accountancy under Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 5000) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code showing the person to be, and a permit authorizing the person to practice as, a certified public accountant or as a public accountant. 2. The person possesses a baccalaureate degree from an accredited university, college, or other four year institution, with a major in accounting or its equivalent, as described in subdivision (a) of Section 5081.1 of the Business and Professions Code, and has served within the last five years in a senior fiscal management position in a county, city, or other public agency, a private firm, or a nonprofit organization, dealing with similar fiscal responsibilities, for a continuous period of not less than three years. 3. The person possesses a certificate issued by the Institute of Internal Auditors showing the person to be a designated professional internal auditor, with a minimum of 16 college semester units, or their equivalent, in accounting, auditing or finance. 4. The person has served as County Auditor, Chief Deputy County Auditor, or Chief Assistant County Auditor for a continuous period of not less than three years. <p>Filing fee, documentation proving qualifications, Declaration of Candidacy, and Nomination papers (20 to 40 Signatures).</p>	GC 24001, 26945 EC 13.5(2)(b)(1), 8020, 8062, 8104
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS Tom Reusser	<p>Must be a registered voter of Sutter County. All county superintendents of schools in counties within classes (1) to (8), inclusive, shall possess a valid administrative credential issued by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing. For purposes of this section, the possession of a valid elementary administrative credential and a valid secondary administrative credential are equivalent to the possession of a valid general administrative credential. Filing fee, documentation proving qualifications, Declaration of Candidacy, and Nomination papers (20 to 40 Signatures).</p>	GC 24001 EC 13.5(2)(b)(4), 8020, 8062, 8104 EDC 1208

<p>TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR Nicholas Valencia</p>	<p>Must be a registered voter of Sutter County and meet at least one of the following criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The person has served in a senior financial management position in a county, city, or other public agency dealing with similar financial responsibilities for a continuous period of not less than three years, including, but not limited to, treasurer, tax collector, auditor, auditor-controller, or the chief deputy or an assistant in those offices. (2) The person possesses a valid baccalaureate, masters, or doctoral degree from an accredited college or university in any of the following major fields of study: business administration, public administration, economics, finance, accounting, or a related field, with a minimum of 16 college semester units, or their equivalent, in accounting, auditing, or finance. (3) The person possesses a valid certificate issued by the California Board of Accountancy pursuant to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 5000) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code, showing that person to be, and a permit authorizing that person to practice as, a certified public accountant. (4) The person possesses a valid charter issued by the Institute of Chartered Financial Analysts showing the person to be designated a Chartered Financial Analyst, with a minimum of 16 college semester units, or equivalent, in accounting, auditing, or finance. (5) The person possesses a valid certificate issued by the Treasury Management Association showing the person to be designated a Certified Cash Manager, with a minimum of 16 college semester units, or their equivalent, in accounting, auditing, or finance. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) This section shall only apply to any person duly elected or appointed as county treasurer, county tax collector, or county treasurer-tax collector on or after January 1, 1998. <p>Filing fee, documentation proving qualifications, Declaration of Candidacy, Nomination papers (20 to 40 Signatures)</p>	<p>GC 24001, 27000.7 EC 13.5 (2)(b)(6), 8020, 8062, 8104</p>
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PRIMARY ELECTION CALENDAR – TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2026

(All code references are to California Elections Code unless otherwise stated)

December 19 – February 4 (E-173 to E-118)	Signatures in Lieu of Filing Fee Forms Forms may be obtained from the County Election Official during this period. Petition forms may be obtained to secure Signatures in Lieu of all or a portion of the filing fee. Signatures submitted on the in Lieu petitions may also be applied to the signature requirements for offices on the nominating petition. EC 8061, 8105, 8106
January 26 – February 4 (E-127 to E-118)	Declaration of Intent for Judicial Candidates Every candidate for a judicial office shall file with the County Election Official a written and signed declaration of his or her intention to become a candidate for Superior Court Judge and designate the seat number they are seeking. <u>Nonrefundable filing fees</u> must be paid at the time the Declaration of Intent is filed. Signature in Lieu of filing fee petitions will not be accepted after the Declaration of Intent is filed. EC 8023, 8105
February 5 – February 9 (E-117 to E-113)	Extension of Declaration of Intention Period for Judicial Candidates If the incumbent for a judicial office does not file a Declaration of Intention to succeed to the same office by the end of the Declaration of Intent Filing Period, qualified persons other than the incumbent may file a Declaration of Intention for that office during this extension period. <u>Nonrefundable filing fees</u> must be paid at the time the Declaration of Intention is filed. Signature in Lieu of filing fee petitions will not be accepted after the Declaration of Intention is filed. EC 8023, 8105
February 9 – March 6 (E-113 to E-88)	Candidate Nomination Period – All Candidates Candidates, including incumbents, must file nomination documents with the County Election Official during this period. If not already paid during the Declaration of Intention period (judicial), <u>non-refundable filing fee</u> (money, signatures or any prorated combination of both) shall be paid at the time the candidate obtains their nomination forms. Candidate Statement of Qualifications The candidate statement of qualifications shall be filed with the candidate's Declaration of Candidacy. Statements may not be changed but may be withdrawn until 5 pm on March 6. EC 8020, 8028, 8060-8063, 8105-8106, 8800 Form 700 Candidate Statement of Economic Interest - filing deadline for all candidates (except US Senate and Congress) who have not submitted a Form 700 within the previous 60 days. Gov. Code 87100-87314
March 6, 5 p.m. (E-88)	Close of Regular Candidate Nomination Period Candidate nomination documents are due. EC 8020-8022 Last Day for Governing Bodies to Submit a Measure Resolution with the Board of Supervisors requesting consolidation with this election. EC 10401-10403
March 7 – March 11 (E-87 to E-83)	Candidate Nomination Extension Period For anyone other than the incumbent if the incumbent did not file by March 6. This provision does not apply if there is no incumbent to be elected or if the incumbent has met the term limit. EC 8022, 8024, 8204
March 12 11 a.m. (E-82)	Randomized Alphabet Drawing Conducted by the Secretary of State to determine candidate name order as it will appear on the ballot. The County Election Official will also hold a drawing at 11:00 a.m. for State Senate and State Assembly. EC 13112
March 16 (E-78)	Superior Court Judge Write-In Campaign Deadline If a petition against an unopposed judge is signed by at least 0.1% or 100 registered voters, whichever is greater, in the county and filed with the County Election Official by this deadline the name of the incumbent shall be placed on the ballot. EC 8203
March 26 (E-68)	Certified List of Candidates for Federal and State Offices This list will be issued by the Secretary of State. EC 8120
April 3 (E-60)	Military and Overseas Vote by Mail Ballots First day Military and Overseas Vote by Mail ballots can be processed by County Election Officials for Military, Overseas and 60-Day Voters. EC 3105

April 6 – May 19 (E-57 to E-14)	Write-In Candidacy Period Statement of Write-in Candidacy and Nomination Papers must be filed with the County Election Official. EC 8600, 8601
April 23 – May 12 (E-40 to E-21)	State Voter Information Guide Mailed by the Secretary of State to each household. EC 9094
April 23 – May 12 (E-40 to E-21)	County Sample Ballot Pamphlets Pamphlets are mailed to each registered voter. EC 13303, 13304
May 4 (E-29)	Vote by Mail Ballots Mail Out Deadline No later than this date, county elections officials shall begin mailing each registered voter a vote-by-mail ballot. EC 3001
May 18 (E-15)	15-Day Close Last Day to Register for this election. Postmarks, DMV submissions, and election office delivery/drop off are acceptable. EC 2119(d)
May 19 – June 2 (E-14 to E-0)	Conditional Voter Registration Anyone who does not register by close of registration may complete a conditional voter registration and cast a provisional ballot during the 14 days immediately preceding an election, or on election day. EC 2170(b)
June 2 (E)	ELECTION DAY Polls are open from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. EC 1000, 14212
June 4 (E+2)	The Official Canvass The Official Canvass begins. EC 15301, 15372

NEW CONFIDENTIAL VOTER STATUS

Assembly Bill (AB) 1392, effective **January 1st, 2026**, adds Election Code section 2166.9. This applies to all federal, state, or local elected officials as well as candidates. The residence address, telephone number, and email address appearing on an elected official or candidate's affidavit of voter registration is made confidential unless the individual opts out. Candidates can request to opt out when completing candidate filing forms. Please contact the Elections Office if you have any questions.

SIGNATURES IN LIEU OF FILING FEE PETITIONS

(EC 8105, 8106)

Signatures in Lieu of Filing Fee Petition

A candidate may submit a petition containing signatures of registered voters in Lieu of paying the filing fee. Signatures submitted may cover all, or a portion, of the filing fee. Any registered voter may sign a Signature in Lieu Petition for any candidate for whom he or she is eligible to vote. Petitions must be filed with the County Elections Official in the county where circulated no later than **February 4, 2026**. The County Elections Official will notify candidates of the number of valid signatures. The Signature in Lieu signatures are applied to the nomination signatures. The candidate can cover a deficiency of nomination signatures by submitting Nomination Documents prior to the close of nomination period. **All filing fees are non-refundable.**

Obtaining the Petition Form

Signature in Lieu petitions will be available from the County Elections Official beginning December 19, 2025. The form will be issued directly to the candidate or an authorized representative. There is no charge for the Signature in Lieu petition form and the candidate is responsible for duplicating as many copies as he/she needs. Duplicate the two pages **front to back** or staple single sided pages to ensure the two pages will not be separated. The County Elections Official maintains a list of persons who have applied for Signatures in Lieu Petitions. **This is considered public information** in the event of inquiries from the media or others.

Note: Candidates for voter-nominated offices may collect signatures from any registered voter within their district regardless of party registration.

CANDIDATE FILING FEES AND SIGNATURES IN LIEU

If the salary changes from the date of this publication the filing fee will change. You will need to verify the filing fee at time of filing. EC 8104(b)

Office	Filing Fee	Signatures In-Lieu	Signature Value	Nomination Signatures
Governor	\$4,918.58	6,000	\$0.819763333	65 - 100
Lieutenant Governor	\$3,688.94	6,000	\$0.614823333	65 - 100
Secretary of State	\$3,688.94	6,000	\$0.614823333	65 - 100
Controller	\$3,934.86	6,000	\$0.65581	65 - 100
Treasurer	\$3,934.86	6,000	\$0.65581	65 - 100
Attorney General	\$4,272.34	6,000	\$0.712056667	65 - 100
Insurance Commissioner	\$3,934.86	6,000	\$0.65581	65 - 100
State Board of Equalization	\$1,844.47	4,743	\$0.388882564	40 - 60
Superintendent of Public Instruction	\$4,272.34	6,000	\$0.712056667	65 - 100
United States Representative	\$1,740.00	1,714	\$1.015169195	40 - 60
State Senator	\$1,346.94	1,714	\$0.785845974	40 - 60
State Assembly	\$1,346.94	857	\$1.571691949	40 - 60

Office	Salary	Filing Fee	Signatures In-Lieu	Signature Value	Nomination Signatures
Judge Dept. 2	\$244,727	\$2,447.27	3,892	0.629	20 to 40
Judge Dept. 4	\$244,727	\$2,447.27	3,892	0.629	20 to 40
Supervisor Dist. 2	\$34,471	\$344.71	591	0.583	20 to 40
Supervisor Dist. 3	\$34,471	\$344.71	921	0.374	20 to 40
County Sup. of Schools	\$248,802	\$2,488.02	3,892	0.639	20 to 40
Auditor-Controller	\$145,842	\$1,458.42	3,892	0.375	20 to 40
County Assessor	\$139,361	\$1,393.61	3,892	0.358	20 to 40
Clerk-Recorder	\$137,716	\$1,377.16	3,892	0.354	20 to 40
Treasurer-Tax Collector	\$133,415	\$1,334.15	3,892	0.343	20 to 40

SIGNATURES IN LIEU TOWARD NOMINATION SIGNATURES

(EC 8022, 8040-8041, 8061-8063, 8105-8106)

If a candidate submits a Signatures in Lieu Petition the County Elections Official shall also count those valid signatures appearing on the petition toward the number of voter signatures required for the candidate's Nomination Paper.

If a Signature in Lieu Petition does not contain the requisite number of valid signatures as set forth in Election Code 8062, the candidate shall be entitled to obtain nomination signatures within the time period allowed. A candidate who submits a Nomination Paper pursuant to this paragraph shall only be required to obtain the number of signatures thereon needed to supplement the Signature in Lieu Petition fee so that the combination of signatures appearing on the Signature in Lieu Petition fee and the Nomination Paper equals or exceeds the requisite number of signatures set forth in Election Code 8062.

GUIDELINES FOR GATHERING SIGNATURES

(EC 100, 102, 104, 106, 8065, 8066, 8068, 8106(b) (4))

Circulators (whether the candidate or another person) perform the important duty of obtaining signatures of properly registered voters for the Signatures in Lieu Petitions and/or Nomination Papers. If the signatures are not obtained properly and in accordance with the law, the candidate's right to be placed on the ballot could be jeopardized. Candidates should obtain the required number of signatures as soon as possible and return their petitions to the Elections Office for examination, filing or certification as required.

Petition Circulator Information

Anyone who is circulating a Signatures in Lieu Petition or Nomination Paper must be 18 years of age or older. A candidate for any office may obtain signatures and sign his/her own Nomination Petition or Signatures in Lieu Petition. His/her signature will be given the same effect as that of any other qualified signer. The circulator may circulate the petitions throughout the jurisdiction regardless of his/her county of residence.

Affidavit of Circulator

(EC104)

Each petition submitted shall have attached complete declaration; in his/her own hand:

- 1) Printed name of the circulator.
- 2) Residence address of the circulator, giving street and number, or if no street or number exists, adequate designation of residence so that the location may be readily ascertained.
- 3) Dates between which all the signatures to the petition or paper were obtained.

Each declaration submitted pursuant to this section shall also set forth the following:

- 1) That the circulator circulated that section and witnessed the signatures being written.
- 2) According to the best information and belief of the circulator, each signature is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be. The circulator shall certify under penalty of perjury to the truth and correctness of the content of the declaration. The circulator shall state the date and the place of execution on the declaration immediately preceding his or her signature.
- 3) That the circulator is 18 years of age or older.
 - (b) The circulator shall certify the content of the declaration as to its truth and correctness, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, with the signature of his or her name. The circulator shall state the date and the place of execution on the declaration immediately preceding his or her signature.

Qualified Signers

Only a person who is a registered qualified voter at the time he/she signs the Nomination Petition or Signatures in Lieu Petition is entitled to sign it. At the time of signing the petition or paper each voter shall personally affix his or her signature, print his or her name and place of residence. Residence must indicate the street and number, and if no street or number exists, then a designation of the place of residence which will enable the location to be readily ascertained.

- Voter-nominated office Signatures in Lieu Petitions - Any registered voter within that jurisdiction regardless of party.
- Non-Partisan office Nomination Petitions – Any registered voter within that jurisdiction.

Voters May Sign Only One Paper Per Office

(EC 8069)

Signers may only sign one candidate's Nomination Paper per office unless the race has more than one seat to be filled. (i.e. If the office is a "Vote for Two" signers may sign up to two candidate's Nomination Papers)

Validation of Signatures

Secretary of State Guidelines

The following guidelines will be used when validating signatures on Nomination Petitions or Signatures in Lieu of filing fee Petitions.

A signature is **INVALID** if the signer:

- is not registered to vote;
- provides a signature on the petition that does not compare to the signature on the voter's affidavit of registration;
- does not reside in the appropriate district/county;
- uses a P.O. Box number for residence;
- uses a mail drop number for residence address;
- provides an address that is different from the voter's residence address on the affidavit of registration on record;
- prints his or her name for the signature, unless registered as such;
- lists her name as Mrs. John Jones;
- uses ditto marks for an address;
- authorizes Power of Attorney to sign on his or her behalf.

FILING FEES

(EC 8103 – 8105, 8106 (b))

When the filing fee is paid:

Candidates are required to pay the filing fee at the time they pick up their nomination forms. Candidates for Judicial Offices are required to pay the filing fee at the time they file their Declaration of Intention Form.

Where the filing fee is paid:

Pay the filing fee to the County Elections Official at the Sutter County Elections office.

Who the filing fee is paid to:

US Senate / State Senate / State Assembly / Congress: Checks are made payable to the "Secretary of State." The county will forward the fee to the Secretary of State.

County Offices / Superior Court Judge: Checks are made payable to "Sutter County Elections."

Amount of the filing fee:

The filing fee is a percentage of the annual salary for the office sought; refer to the 2026 Primary Filing Fee/Signature Requirement chart in this guide. No filing fee is required of offices with no fixed compensation or annual salary of \$2,500 or less. Write-in candidates are not required to pay filing fees.

Returned checks:

If the filing fee is paid with a personal check that is returned without payment, the County Elections Official will contact the candidate. The candidate must make payment by money order or cash by 5 p.m. on the next business day. Failure to do so will invalidate the individual's candidacy, **and the candidate's name will not appear on the ballot.** A returned check fee shall apply.

The filing fee is non-refundable.

DECLARATION OF INTENTION – JUDICIAL CANDIDATES

(EC 8023)

Candidates for Judicial Offices are required to file a Declaration of Intention and pay filing fees to become a candidate. No additional Signatures in Lieu Petitions may be filed after the Declaration of Intention has been filed.

The Declaration of Intention must be obtained from and filed with the County Elections Official of the county in which the candidate nomination papers are required to be filed and must be filed by the deadline.

NOMINATION PAPER

(EC 8020, 8041, 8062-8070)

All candidates must obtain Nomination signatures. The Nomination Petition must contain the minimum number valid signatures depending on the office sought. The petition shall be obtained and filed prior to filing the Declaration of Candidacy.

Deliver the Nomination Paper to the County Elections Official of the county in which the nomination papers are required to be filed.

Signers must be voters in the district or political subdivision in which the candidate is to be voted on and shall be affiliated with the party, if applicable, in which the nomination is proposed.

The County Elections Official will transmit to the Secretary of State the Nomination Document for each candidate for state office, United States Senator, Representative in Congress, and Member of the State Senate and State Assembly.

DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY

(EC 8020, 8023, 8028, 8101, 8105)

The Declaration of Candidacy is the official nomination document wherein the candidate (an incumbent or challenger) indicates how his/her name and ballot designation is to appear on the ballot. Additionally, the candidate declares that he/she meets the statutory and/or constitutional qualifications for the office sought and, if nominated, the candidate will accept the nomination and not withdraw.

The Oath of Office on the Declaration of Candidacy form must be taken and signed by the candidate before a person authorized to administer oaths. The county election official and public notaries are authorized administrators.

The candidate is required to execute the Declaration of Candidacy in the office of the county elections official unless a written statement is signed and dated by the candidate designating a person to receive the Declaration of Candidacy form from the county elections official and deliver it to the candidate. The written statement from the candidate includes language indicating that the candidate is aware that the Declaration of Candidacy must be properly executed and delivered to the county elections official in the county of the candidate's residence by the 88th day prior to the primary election or the 83rd day prior to the election if there is an extension to that office.

WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDACY

(EC 8800-8811)

No candidate whose Declaration of Candidacy has been filed for any primary election may withdraw as a candidate at that primary election.

No candidate nominated at any primary election may withdraw as a candidate at the ensuing general election except those candidates permitted to withdraw by this part.

No vacancy on the ballot for a nonpartisan office at a general election shall be filled in the event of a candidate passing away and that fact has been ascertained by the officer charged with the duty of printing the ballots at least 68 days before the date of the next ensuing general election. EC 8808

BALLOT DESIGNATION

(EC 13107.3, 13107.5)

Ballot designation refers to the candidate's current occupation, vocation, profession, or incumbency status and appears below their name on the ballot. Candidates who wish to submit a ballot designation shall file a Ballot Designation Worksheet that supports the use of that designation by the candidate in a format prescribed by the Secretary of State. The ballot designation worksheet shall be filed with the Elections Official at the same time that the candidate files his/her Declaration of Candidacy. **If a candidate fails to or chooses not to file a ballot designation worksheet; no designation shall appear under the candidate's name on the ballot.** The word "None" will appear under the candidate's name if no Ballot Designation Worksheet is filed.

Regulations are defined on the Ballot Designation Worksheet.

Note: "Community Volunteer" as a ballot designation is subject to a candidate's community volunteer activities constitute his or her principal profession, vocation, or occupation; a candidate is not engaged concurrently in another principal profession, vocation, or occupation; and a candidate may not use the designation of "community volunteer" in combination with any other principal profession, vocation, or occupation designation. The Secretary of State shall by regulation define what constitutes a community volunteer for purposes of this section.

The Ballot Designation Worksheet is a public record and shall be available for inspection and copying at the Elections Office.

CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

(EC 13307, 13308, 13311, 13313, 13314, 18351)

A statement by the candidate describing his/her education and qualifications is optional at the expense of the candidate for a nonpartisan elective office in any local agency and can be printed in the County Voters Information Pamphlet. The candidate statement and payment (estimated cost) must be submitted at the same time as the Declaration of Candidacy. If payment is made by check and the check does not clear the candidate's banking institution before the end of the County Voter Information Guide public display period (March 9, 2026), the candidate's statement **will not be printed in the County Voter Information Guide.**

The candidate's statement is designed to acquaint voters with a candidate's qualifications for the office he/she is seeking. The statement may include the name, age and occupation of the candidate and a brief description of no more than **200 words** (250 for Congressional candidates pursuant to EC 13307.5) of the candidate's education and qualifications. State Senate and Member of the Assembly candidates may file a **250-word** candidate statement in the County Voter Information Guide only if they have accepted the voluntary spending limits, Form 501, pursuant to Government Code 85601(c).

Statements should not contain any demonstrably false, slanderous, or libelous statements. The candidate is responsible for the content of the statement submitted for inclusion in the County Voter Information Guide. It is a misdemeanor for a candidate to knowingly make a false statement of a material fact in a candidate statement with intent to mislead voters in connection with his/her campaign for election to a nonpartisan office.

Time period for filing: The Statement of Qualifications must be filed with the Declaration of Candidacy.

Where: Sutter County Elections, 1435 Veterans Memorial Circle, Yuba City, CA

Format: Statement must be submitted as a Microsoft Word document on a USB drive.

Contents: The statement may contain the name, age and occupation of the candidate and a brief description of no more than 200 words (*unless otherwise stated*)

of the candidate's education and qualifications expressed by the candidate. The occupation listed in this location does not have the same restrictions as the ballot designation. The spacing for the statement is to be uniform and conform to the guidelines provided. Statements not in compliance with the formatting guidelines will be rejected or corrected by County Clerk.

Restrictions:

The candidate's statement shall not include the political party affiliation of the candidate nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations. Candidate photographs are not permitted.

Candidate statements should be about the candidate's own personal background and qualifications and shall not in any way refer to other candidates. The elections official shall not print or circulate any statement that the elections official determines does not meet this restriction. EC 13308

Withdrawal:

The statement may be withdrawn **but not changed** during the period for filing nomination papers and until 5:00 p.m. of the next business day after the close of the nomination period. Any request for withdrawal of a candidate's statement must be in writing and signed by the candidate. EC 13307(a)(3)

Confidentiality:

Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, candidates' statements filed pursuant to EC 13307 shall remain confidential until the close of the nomination period for the office sought. EC 13311

Public Examination:

After the close of the nomination period, anyone may examine any candidate's statement and may purchase copies. During a 10-calendar-day period commencing the day after the close of the nomination period, any voter of the jurisdiction in which the election is being held, or the county elections official may seek a writ of mandate or an injunction requiring any or all of the material in a candidate's statement to be amended or deleted. EC 13313-13314

Cost:

An estimated printing cost is required when a candidate statement is filed. **Candidates will be billed for the difference if the actual cost exceeds the estimate and will receive a refund if the actual cost is less than the estimate.** The refund, if any, will be paid to the account the check was received from, so please keep your campaign account open after the election. EC 13307 (d)

Estimated Amount Per Language (English / Spanish)

Countywide: \$600

Supervisor District 2 & 3: \$450

PREPARATION OF THE CANDIDATE STATEMENT

(EC 13307)

The statement of each candidate shall be printed in uniform size, darkness, and spacing in standard paragraph format. The following guidelines are not permitted and will be removed if present:

1. Handwritten statements, circles, extra exclamation points, arrows, stars, dots, or bullets.
2. Use of any unusual spacing, underscoring or bolding on the statement.
3. Multiple indentations or multiple underscoring.

4. Use of all capital letters.
5. Use of any party affiliation for a nonpartisan office.
6. Inclusion of any membership or activity in partisan political organizations if filing for a nonpartisan office.

The California Elections Code prefers uniformity of appearance in the Candidates' Statements. By preparing your statement in accordance with the above guidelines, each statement will be uniformly printed and allowed the same amount of space in the Voter Information Pamphlet. **Statements will be type set exactly as submitted unless includes non-permissible items; candidates are, therefore, advised to carefully check their statements for errors in spelling, punctuation, and grammar.**

HOW TO COUNT WORDS

(EC 9, listed below)

Counting of words, for purposes of this code, shall be as follows:

- (1) Punctuation is not counted.
- (2) Each word shall be counted as one word except as specified in this section.
- (3) All proper nouns, including geographical names, shall be considered as one word; for example, "City of Yuba City or County of Sutter" shall be counted as one word.
- (4) Each abbreviation for a word, phrase, or expression shall be counted as one word.
- (5) Hyphenated words that appear in any generally available standard reference dictionary, published in the United States at any time within the 10 calendar years immediately preceding the election for which the words are counted, shall be considered as one word. Each part of all other hyphenated words shall be counted as a separate word.
- (6) Dates shall be counted as one word.
- (7) Any number consisting of a digit or digits shall be considered as one word. Any number which is spelled, such as "one," shall be considered as a separate word or words. "One" shall be counted as one word whereas "one hundred" shall be counted as two words. "100" shall be counted as one word.
- (8) Telephone numbers shall be counted as one word.
- (9) Internet Web site addresses shall be counted as one word.
- (b) This section shall not apply to counting words for ballot designations under Section 13107.

Note: It is department policy to count numbers consisting of a digit or digits used with a dollar sign (\$), cent sign (¢), percentage sign (%), or number sign (#) as one word.

Examples:

Abbreviations – (UCLA, U.C.L.A., USMC, U.S.M.C.) - one word
 Geographic Names – (County of Sutter, Yuba City) - one word
 Whole numbers - Digits - (1 or 10 or 100) - one word
 Spelled out numbers - (one hundred) – two words
 Numeric combinations - (1973, 18 1/2, 1971-73, 5%) - one word
 Monetary amounts - (if the dollar sign is used \$1) - one word
 Spelled out - (one thousand dollars) - one for each word
 Regularly hyphenated words if hyphenated in dictionary - one word

PLACEMENT OF CANDIDATE NAMES ON THE BALLOT

Random Alphabet Draw

(EC 13112)

The placement of names on the ballot is determined by a random alphabet draw which is held by the Secretary of State and Registrar of Voters on the 82nd day before the election. If more than one candidate has the same first letter of their last name, this draw applies throughout the name. County draws for State Senate and State Assembly, SOS to draw all other contests.

ELECTION DATA AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

All voter registration requests must be accompanied by a signed application and prepaid. Voter registration information is confidential pursuant to EC 2194. Misuse of this information is a misdemeanor pursuant to EC 18109. The individual signing the application is responsible for this data. Fees are subject to change; please contact the Elections Office for current fee.

Voter Registration File Printed (EC 2184)	\$0.50 per thousand voters
Voter Registration File (tab de-limited text file on USB)	\$93.50
Vote by Mail Status Report by email	\$25.50 per report
Copies of Candidate FPPC Campaign Statements (GC 81008)	\$0.10 per page
Copies of Candidate Statements of Qualifications available for 10 days after filing deadline (EC 13313)	\$0.10 per page
County maps are available from the Sutter County IT Dept. To order, call Jarvis Jones at 530-822-7130.	

ELECTIONEERING ON ELECTION DAY - 100 Feet Rule

(EC 18370)

No person on election day shall within 100 feet of a polling place, a satellite location, ballot drop box, curbside voting area, or an Election Official's office:

- Circulate an initiative, referendum, recall or nomination petition or any other petition
- Solicit a vote or speak to a voter about marking his ballot
- Place a sign relating to voters' qualifications or speak to a voter about his/her qualifications, except as provided in EC 14240
- Do any passive or active electioneering; this includes wearing buttons, T-shirts, stickers, etc. that promote a candidate or issue on the ballot

Any person who violates any of the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

ELECTIONEERING DURING VOTE BY MAIL VOTING

(EC 18371)

No candidate or representative of a candidate and no proponent, opponent or representative of a proponent or opponent of an initiative, referendum or recall measure or of a charter amendment, shall solicit the vote of a Vote by Mail voter, or do any electioneering, while in the residence or in the immediate presence of the voter, and during the time he or she knows the Vote by Mail voter is voting.

Any person who knowingly violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

This section shall not be construed to conflict with any provision of the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 nor to preclude electioneering by mail or telephone or in public places, except as prohibited by Section 18370 or by any other provision of law.

MISREPRESENTATION BY CANDIDATES

(EC 18350)

Misleading Voters / Incumbency / Public Officer

Every person is guilty of a misdemeanor who, with intent to mislead the voters in connection with his/her

campaign for nomination or election to a public office or in connection with the campaign or another person for nomination or election to a public office, shall do either of the following acts:

- 1) Assume, pretend, or imply, by his/her statements or conduct, that he/she is the incumbent of a public office when that is not the case.
- 2) Assume, pretend, or imply, by his/her statements, conduct, or campaign that he/she has been acting in the capacity of a public officer when that is not the case.

Any violation of this section may be enjoined in a civil action brought by any candidate for the public office involved.

False Statements in Candidate Statements / Fines

Any candidate in an election or incumbent in a recall election who knowingly makes a false statement of a material fact in a candidate's statement prepared pursuant to EC 11327 or EC 13307, with the intent to mislead the voters in connection with his/her campaign for nomination or election to a nonpartisan office is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000.

POLL WATCHERS

Poll Watchers at the polling place must obey the law and election procedures. People observing the polls may:

- Inspect, but not remove, the Roster of Voters, if used. Any such inspection must be conducted without impeding, interfering or interrupting the normal process of voting and counting.
- Inspect, but not remove, the Public's Alpha Index, if used, updated regularly by the precinct workers. The index may not be removed from the polling place.
- Observe all activities at the polling place, including activities after the polls close, providing they do not interfere with the normal processing of voters and election officer duties.

CORRUPTION OF VOTERS

(EC 18403, 18500, 18520 - 18524)

Fine For Solicitation Requesting Voter Disclosure of Ballot

Any person other than an elections official or a member of the precinct board who receives a voted ballot from a voter or who examines or solicits the voter to show his/her voted ballot is punishable by a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), by imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months or two or three years or in a county jail not exceeding one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment. This section shall not apply to persons returning a vote by mail ballot pursuant to EC 3017 and EC 3021 or persons assisting a voter pursuant to EC 14282.

Fraud In Connection with Votes Cast

Any person who commits fraud or attempts to commit fraud, and any person who aids or abets fraud or attempts to aid or abet fraud, in connection with any vote cast, to be cast, or attempted to be cast is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for 16 months or two or three years.

Promise of Employment

A person shall not directly or through another person give, offer, or promise any office, place or employment or promise to procure or endeavor to procure any office, place or employment to or for any voter, or to or for any other person, in order to induce that voter at any election to:

- 1) Refrain from voting.
- 2) Vote for any particular person.
- 3) Refrain from voting for any particular person.

A violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months or two or three years.

Consideration For Voting

A person cannot directly or through any other person receive, agree, or contract for, before, during or after an election, any money, gift, loan or other valuable consideration, office, place or employment for himself or any other person because he or any other person:

- 1) Voted, agreed to vote, refrained from voting or agreed to refrain from voting for any particular person or measure.
- 2) Remained away from the polls.
- 3) Refrained or agreed to refrain from voting.
- 4) Induced any other person to remain away from the polls, refrain from voting, and vote or refrain from voting for any particular person or measure.

Any person violating this section is punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months or two or three years.

Neither a person nor a controlled committee can directly or through any other person or controlled committee pay, lend, or contribute, or offer or promise to pay, lend, or contribute, any money or other valuable consideration to or for any voter or to or for any other person to:

Induce any voter to:

- 1) Refrain from voting at any election.
- 2) Vote or refrain from voting at an election for any particular person or measure.
- 3) Remain away from the polls at an election.

Reward any voter for having:

- 1) Refrained from voting.
- 2) Voted for any particular person or measure.
- 3) Refrained from voting for any particular person or measure.
- 4) Remained away from the polls at an election.

Any person or candidate violating this section is punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months or two or three years.

Bribery At Election

A person cannot directly or through any other person advance or pay, or cause to be paid, any money or other valuable thing to or for the use of any other person, with the intent that it, or any part thereof, shall be used in bribery at any election, or knowingly pay or cause to be paid any money or other valuable thing to any person in discharge or repayment of any money, wholly or in part, expended in bribery at any election.

Any person violating this section is punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months or two or three years.

Payment For Securing Vote

A person cannot directly or through any other person advance or pay, or cause to be paid, any money or other valuable thing to or for the use of any other person, with the intent that it, or any part thereof, will be used for boarding, lodging, or maintaining a person at any place or domicile in any election precinct, ward, or district, with intent to secure the vote of that person or to induce that person to vote for any particular person or measure. Any person violating this section is punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months or two or three years.

INTIMIDATION OF VOTERS

(EC 18540 - 18543)

Compelling Another in Voting

Every person who makes use of, hires or arranges for any other person to make use of, or threatens to make use of any force, violence, or tactic of coercion or intimidation, to induce or compel any other person to vote or refrain from voting at any election or to vote or refrain from voting for any particular person or measure at any election, or because any person voted or refrained from voting at any election or voted or refrained from voting for any particular person or measure at any election is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for up to 16 months or 2-3 years. This section applies to in person voting,

satellite offices, election office, Vote by Mail voting, and drop boxes.

No person shall, with the intent of dissuading another person from voting, within 100 feet of a polling place, do any of the following:

- 1) Solicit a vote or speak to a voter on the subject of marking his or her ballot.
- 2) Place a sign relating to voters' qualifications or speak to a voter on the subject of his or her qualifications except as provided in Section 14240 .
- 3) Photograph, video record, or otherwise record a voter entering or exiting a polling place.

Any violation of this section is punishable by imprisonment in a county jail for not more than 12 months, or in the state prison. Any person who conspires to violate this section is guilty of a felony.

For purposes of this section, 100 feet means a distance of 100 feet from the room or rooms in which voters are signing the roster and casting ballots.

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS

(FORM 700)

(GC 87200 – 87203, 87500, 81008)

State offices, County offices and Superior Court Judge candidates must file statements of economic interests disclosing their investments, interests in real property, and any income received during the preceding 12 months at the time of filing the Declaration of Candidacy with the local filing official during the nomination period. Statements of Economic Interest are public record.

Exception: The statement is not required if the candidate has filed such a statement within the past 60 days for the same jurisdiction.

NEW: Judges, County Treasurer, and Board of Supervisors must file electronically directly with FPPC. Candidates can obtain their log in and password information by emailing form700@fppc.ca.gov.

SIGN REGULATIONS

STATE OUTDOOR ADVERTISING ACT

Section 5405.3

The Department of Transportation, Division of Traffic Operations, Outdoor Advertising Program requires candidates to file a Statement of Responsibility certifying a person who will be responsible for the campaign's signs. State sign requirements include that signs cannot be placed 90 days prior to the election and must be removed within 10 days after the election, or the party responsible will be billed for any associated removal costs. A Statement of Responsibility and letter will be provided to the candidate during the filing process.

POLITICAL SIGNS: SUTTER COUNTY

PROHIBITED SIGN ZONING CODE 1500-9430

The following signs are expressly prohibited:

- A. Portable, A-frame, banners, inflatable displays, flying signs, searchlights and similar except as provided.
- B. Signs that include any part that appears to flash, blink, move, change color, or change intensity, excluding flags and pennants, standard barber poles, and date, time and temperature signs.
- C. Signs that emit noise, odor or any visible matter other than light.
- D. Roof signs and any signs that projects above the building wall or parapet to which they are affixed.

- E. Signs that obstruct a door, window, fire escape, or other required building access way.
- F. Pole signs.
- G. Signs that encroach into any public right-of-way or easement, means of ingress or egress, or path of travel.
- H. Signs that interfere with visibility and/or restrict safe sight distances for drivers at any intersection, public or private road, or driveway.
- I. Freestanding signs within the corner lot clear vision triangle.
- J. Signs adversely affecting traffic control or safety.
- K. Signs located on public property, excluding official signs that are posted or required by a government agency, public utility, or public service.
- L. Off-site advertising signs, including billboards, except as otherwise provided.
- M. Signs on vehicles, trailers, boats, storage boxes or other similar objects where such signs are not incidental to the primary use of the vehicle or other similar object, and where the primary purpose of the sign and vehicle or other similar object upon which the sign is attached is for advertising purposes.
- N. Signs that have become a public nuisance due to inadequate maintenance, dilapidation, or abandonment.
- O. Signs that were unlawfully installed, erected, or maintained.
- P. Signs that have less clearance from overhead lines and other utilities than required by the applicable service providers.

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Sutter County Elections, Donna Johnston County Clerk

1435 Veterans Memorial Circle, Yuba City, CA 95993
(530) 822-7122 / Fax: (530) 822-7587

City of Yuba City, Ciara Wakefield City Clerk (530) 822-4817

1201 Civic Center Boulevard, Yuba City, CA 95993-3005

City of Live Oak, Clarissa Menchaca City Clerk (530) 695-2112

9955 Live Oak Boulevard, Live Oak, CA 95953-2311



Political Sign Information:

Dept. of Transportation - Division of Traffic Operations, Outdoor Advertising Program (916) 654-6473
City of Yuba City Zoning Division (530) 822-4609

Secretary of State

1500 11th Street, 4th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814 - Political Reform Division (916) 653-6224

The Secretary of State's Political Reform Division administers provisions of California's Political Reform Act of 1974 that requires the disclosure of financial activities related to political campaigns and lobbying. Specific activities of the Political Reform Division include:

- register and issue identification numbers for all state and local campaign committees that raise funds in connection with elections (non-federal) throughout California
- receive notices from all state and local candidates of their intentions to raise campaign funds and establish separate bank accounts for these funds
- receive campaign disclosure statements (itemizing contributions received and expenditures made) filed by individuals and committees raising or spending campaign funds to support or oppose state candidates or ballot measures
- provide technical assistance regarding campaign disclosure provisions of the Political Reform Act to state and local candidates and elected officials, treasurers of campaign committees and the public
- review state campaign documents to ensure compliance with reporting requirements
- provide public access to all campaign disclosure documents
- publish campaign financing reports that summarize and analyze the extensive information contained in campaign documents filed with the Political Reform Division

Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC)

1102 Q Street, Suite 3000, Sacramento CA 95811

(866) ASK-FPPC or (866) 275-3772

Enforcement Complaints: (916) 322-5660 / Fax: (916) 322-1932

The FPPC Helpline staff are available by telephone Monday through Thursday to provide assistance to anyone who has reporting or other requirements under the Political Reform Act (the "Act"). During the hours of Monday through Thursday 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. and on Monday and Tuesday from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. call **1-866-ASK-FPPC** (this is a toll-free number) or (916) 322-5660 and press 2 to speak to a political reform consultant in the Technical Assistance Division. Political reform consultants field questions in all areas covered by the Act. In addition, the FPPC voicemail also has a special prompt that allows you to order forms, manuals and other materials any time. Helpful training courses for both candidates and

treasurers are available at <http://www.fppc.ca.gov>

