# **Candidate Information Guide**

Statewide Direct Primary Election June 7, 2022



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# Ventura County



# Shared Districts

The following is a list of the Registrar of Voters offices in counties that share districts with Ventura County:

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#### Santa Barbara County

4440-A Calle Real Santa Barbara, CA 93110 Phone (805) 568-2200 <u>sbcvote.com</u>

#### San Luis Obispo County

1055 Monterey Street, Room 120 San Luis Obispo, CA 93408 Phone (805) 781-5080 slovote.com

### Kern County 1115 Truxtun Avenue, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Bakersfield, CA 93301 Phone (661) 868-3590 (800) 452-8683 kernvote.com

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# Candidate Qualifications

Office	Term of Office	Term Begins	Qualifications
United States Senator	6 years	January 3, 2023	U.S. citizen for 9 years, at least 30 years
		(U.S. Constitution, Article XX, §1)	of age, resident of the state when sworn in.
			(U.S. Constitution, Article I, §3; Elections Code §201)
Governor Lieutenant Governor	4 years	January 2, 2023 (noon) (California Constitution, Article V, §§2 & 11)	U.S. citizen, resident of California for 5 years (It is the legal opinion of the CA Secretary of State that this provision violates the U.S. Constitution, and is unenforceable.), registered voter, and otherwise qualified to vote for that office when nomination papers are issued. May not hold other office. May not serve in the same office for more than two terms. Governor: In addition to the above qualifications, shall 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.
			(California Constitution, Article II, §2; Article V, §§2, 9 & 11; Elections Code §§201, 8902 & 8903)
Secretary of State Controller Treasurer	4 years	January 2, 2023 (California Constitution, Article V, §§2 & 11)	U.S. citizen, resident of California, registered voter, and otherwise qualified to vote for that office when nomination papers are issued. May not serve in the same office for more than two terms.
			(California Constitution, Article V, §11; Elections Code §201)
Member of the State Board of Equalization (2nd District)	4 years	January 2, 2023 (California Constitution, Article II, §20)	U.S. citizen, resident of California, and a registered voter, resident of the district, and otherwise qualified to vote for that office. May not have served in the same office for more than two terms.
			(California Constitution, Article XIII, §17; Elections Code §§201 & 8162)

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Attorney General	4 years	January 2, 2023 (California Constitution, Article II, §20)	<ul> <li>U.S. citizen, resident of California, registered voter and otherwise qualified to vote for that office when nomination papers are issued; shall have been admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of California for at least five years immediately preceding the election. May not have served in the same office for more than two terms.</li> <li>(California Constitution, Article II, §2; Article V, §11; Government Code §12503; Elections Code §201)</li> </ul>
State Superintendent of Public Instruction	4 years	January 2, 2023 (California Constitution, Article II, §20)	U.S. citizen, resident of California, and a registered voter at the time nomination papers are issued. May not have served in the same office for more than two terms. (California Constitution, Article IX, §2; Elections Code §201)
Insurance Commissioner	4 years	January 2, 2023 (California Constitution, Article V, §§2 & 11)	U.S. citizen, resident of California, a registered voter and otherwise qualified to vote for that office when nomination papers are issued. During tenure of office, may not be an officer, agent, or employee of an insurer or directly or indirectly interested in any insurer or licensee under the California Insurance Code, except (1) as a policyholder, or (2) by virtue of relationship by blood or marriage to any person interested in any insurer or licensee. May not have served in the same office for more than two terms. (California Constitution, Article II, §2; Insurance Code §§12900-901; Elections Code §201)
United States Representative in Congress	2 years	January 3, 2023 (U.S. Constitution, Article XX)	U.S. citizen for seven years, be at least 25 years of age, and a resident of California on date to be sworn in. Must be a registered voter at the time nomination papers are issued. (U.S. Constitution, Article II, §2; Elections Code §201)

Office	Term of Office	Term Begins	Qualifications
Member of the State Assembly	2 years	December 5, 2022 (California Constitution Article IV, §3)	U.S. citizen, resident of California for three years and a resident of the district for one year (It is the legal opinion of the CA Secretary of State that these provisions violate the U.S. Constitution, and are unenforceable.), a registered voter, and otherwise qualified to vote for that office. Members of the Assembly who were elected before June 2012 may not serve in the same office for more than three terms in the State Assembly, for all others, may not serve more than 12 years in the Senate, Assembly, or both, in any combination of terms.
			(California Constitution, Article IV, §2(c); Elections Code §201)
Assessor	4 years	January 2, 2023 12:00 noon (Government Code §24200)	<ul> <li>(a) A person may not exercise the powers and duties of the office of assessor unless he/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 of Part 2 of Division 1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.</li> <li>(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 no later than 30 days after taking office.</li> <li>(c) This section does not apply to any person holding the office of assessor on January 1, 1997. Must be a registered voter of the county or district in which the duties of the office are to be exercised.</li> <li>(Government Code §§24001 &amp; 24002.5; Elections Code §201)</li> <li>Documentation required upon obtaining nomination papers.</li> </ul>

Auditor-Controller4 yearsJanuary 2, 2023 12:00 noon (Government Code §24200)No person shall hereafter be elected appointed to the office of county audit of any county unless the person meet at least one of the following criteria: (a) The person possesses a va certificate issued by the California Boa of Accountancy under Chapter (§5000 et. seq.) of Division 3 of the	Office	Term of Office Term Begins	Qualifications
the person to be, and a perr authorizing the person to practice as, certified public accountant or as a pub accountant; or (b) the person possess a baccalaureate degree from a accredited university, college, or oth four-year institution, with a major accounting or its equivalent, described in subdivision (a) §5081.1 the Business and Professions Code, at has served within the last five years in senior fiscal management position in county, city, or other public agency, private firm, or a nonprofit organizatic dealing with similar fiscal responsibilite for a continuous period of not less tha three years; (c) the person possesses certificate issued by the Institute Internal Auditors showing the person be a designated professional interr auditor, with a minimum of 16 colle, semester units, or their equivalent, acccounting, auditing, or finance; (d) ti person has served as a county auditor chief deputy county auditor for a continuo period of not less than three years. Mu be a registered voter within the county the time nomination papers are issued (Government Code §2694 Elections Code §20		4 years January 2, 202 12:00 noon (Government	No person shall hereafter be elected o appointed to the office of county audito of any county unless the person meets at least one of the following criteria: (a) The person possesses a valid certificate issued by the California Board of Accountancy under Chapter 1 (§5000 et. seq.) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code showing the person to be, and a permi authorizing the person to practice as, a certified public accountant or as a public accountant; or (b) the person possesses a baccalaureate degree from ar accredited university, college, or othe four-year institution, with a major in

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Board of Supervisors	4 years	January 2, 2023 12:00 noon (Government Code §24200)	Except as otherwise provided, each member of the Board of Supervisors shall be elected by the district which he/ she represents and not at large. Each member shall have been a registered voter of the district which he/she seeks to represent for at least 30 days immediately preceding the deadline for filing nomination documents and shall reside in the district during his/her incumbency.
Clerk and Recorder	4 years	January 2, 2023 12:00 noon (Government Code §24200)	Elections Code §201) Except as otherwise provided, a person is not eligible to a county or district office unless at the time of issuance of nomination papers or appointment he or she is a registered voter of the county or district in which the duties of the office are to be exercised. (Government Code §24001;
District Attorney	4 years	January 2, 2023 12:00 noon (Government Code §24200)	Elections Code §201) A person is not eligible to the office of district attorney unless he/she has been admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of the State. Must be a registered voter and otherwise qualified to vote for that office at the time nomination papers are issued. (Government Code §24002;
Judge of the Superior Court	6 years	January 9, 2023 (California Constitution Article VI, §16 (c))	Elections Code §201) Documentation required upon obtaining nomination papers. Citizen of the United States, member of the State Bar for 10 years or have served as a judge of a California court of record for ten years immediately preceding the election, and a registered voter in the State at the time nomination papers are issued. (California Constitution Art. VI, §15; Elections Code §201) Documentation required upon obtaining

Office	Term of Office	Term Begins	Qualifications
Sheriff	4 years	January 2, 2023 12:00 noon	No person is eligible to become a candidate for the office of sheriff in any
		(Government Code §24200)	county unless, at the time of the final filing date for the election, he or she meets one of the following criteria: (1) An active or inactive advanced
			certificate issued by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training. (2) One year of full-time, salaried law
			enforcement experience within the provisions of Section 830.1 or 830.2 of the Penal Code at least a portion of
			which shall have been accomplished within five years prior to the date of filing, and possesses a master's degree from
			<ul><li>an accredited college or university.</li><li>(3) Two years of full-time, salaried law enforcement experience within the</li></ul>
			provisions of Section 830.1 or 830.2 of the Penal Code at least a portion of which shall have been accomplished
			within five years prior to the date of filing, and possesses a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university.
			(4) Three years of full-time, salaried law enforcement experience within the provisions of Section 830.1 or 830.2 of
			the Penal Code at least a portion of which shall have been accomplished within five years prior to the date of filing,
			and possesses an associate in arts or associate in science degree, or the equivalent, from an accredited college.
			(5) Four years of full-time, salaried law enforcement experience within the provisions of Section 830.1 or 830.2 of
			the Penal Code at least a portion of which shall have been accomplished within five years prior to the date of filing, and possesses a high school diploma or the equivalent.
			(Government Code §24004.3; Elections Code §201)
			Documentation required upon obtaining nomination papers.

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Superintendent of Schools	4 years	January 2, 2023 12:00 noon (Government Code §24200)	Except as provided in this section no person shall hereafter be elected or appointed to office as county superintendent of schools of any county who does not possess a valid credential issued by the State Board of Education of the type designated in Section 1205 to 1212, inclusive, for each class. Shall possess a valid certification document authorizing administrative services and a registered voter at the time nomination papers are issued.
			(Education Code §§1206 & 1208; Elections Code §201) Documentation required upon obtaining
Treasurer-Tax Collector	4 years	January 2, 2023 12:00 noon (Government Code §24200)	<ul> <li>nomination papers.</li> <li>Except as otherwise provided, a person is not eligible to a county or district office unless at the time of issuance of nomination papers or appointment he/ she is a registered voter of the county or district in which the duties of the office are to be exercised. The person must meet at least one of the following criteria: <ul> <li>(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.</li> <li>(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,</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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Treasurer-Tax Collector (continued)			<ul> <li>auditing, or finance.</li> <li>(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.</li> <li>(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 their equivalent, in accounting, auditing, or finance.</li> <li>(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.</li> <li>(Government Code §§24001 &amp; 27000.7; Elections Code §201)</li> </ul>

# General Information to Run for and Hold Public Office

Candidates are urged to be aware of all the qualifications for office before taking out nomination papers.

Except as otherwise provided, a person is not eligible to run for a county or district office, unless at the time of issuance of nomination papers he/she is a registered voter of the county or district in which the duties of the office are to be exercised. Judicial candidates are only required to be registered voters of the State.

Unless otherwise specifically provided, no person is eligible to be elected or appointed to an elective office unless that person is a registered voter and otherwise qualified to vote for that office at the time that nomination papers are issued to the person or at the time of the person's appointment.

(Elections Code §201)

The offices of Auditor, Assessor, District Attorney, Sheriff, Treasurer-Tax Collector, County Superintendent of Schools, and Judge of the Superior Court must show proof of qualifications to hold office. The documents which are considered acceptable pursuant to Elections Code §13.5 (a) (1) for establishing the qualifications for candidates include, but are not limited to: certificates, diplomas, official correspondence, and declarations under penalty of perjury. Documentation may include the submission of either an original or a duplicate of the original.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a public officer who is a minor shall have the rights and liabilities of an adult, both civil and criminal, regarding his (her) official duties, and a candidate for nomination or election to public office who is a minor shall have the rights and liabilities of an adult, both civil and criminal, regarding his (her) activities as a candidate.

(Government Code §275.2)

A person is disqualified from holding any office upon conviction of designated crimes as specified in the Constitution and laws of the State.

(Government Code §1021-31)

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.

(Elections Code §20 (a))

Successful candidates for the various county offices and superior court judges must qualify for office by taking an oath of office and be able to be bonded in the amounts provided by statute.

(Government Code §24150-24151)

This Candidate Information Guide contains legal dates and events pertaining to this election. Candidates should check the Election Calendar, pages 65 through 72, for the dates and deadlines affecting the filing of their nomination documents and the filing of campaign statements regarding contributions and expenditures.

# 2022 Candidate Filing Procedures

Detailed information and procedures for obtaining nomination documents will also be on our website.

#### **Issuing Candidate Documents**

The Ventura County Elections Division will be issuing candidate documents in-person during regular business hours by appointment.

Prior to issuing candidate documents, the Elections Division will follow normal procedures and guidelines, such as verification of eligibility for the office sought.

#### **Execution of Candidate Documents**

Any documents that require an oath by the candidate must be executed in the presence of a notary, or in the alternative, in the office of the elections official during available business hours.

### Receipt of Candidate Documents and Filing Deadlines

In order to be a qualified candidate for the office in which they seek, the completed documents with original signatures must be received by the Ventura County Elections Division by the close of the nomination period for that particular office.

Please make an appointment to submit the necessary documents. Appointments are available for any election-related services at: <u>https://VenturaCountyElectionsDivisionAppointmentScheduling.as.me/</u>

# **Candidate Nomination Process**

Key Dates

Nomination Period Write-In Period February 14 – March 11, 2022 April 11 – May 24, 2022

Nomination Documents typically consist of:

- I. Candidate Registration and Application for Nomination Documents Form
- II. Declaration of Candidacy
- III. Nomination Petition
- IV. Candidate Statement Form
- V. Ballot Designation Worksheet
- VI. Campaign Disclosure Forms 501 and 410
- VII. Statement of Economic Interest Form 700
- VIII. Voluntary Expenditure Limitation Statement (County Offices)

All nomination documents shall be filed as follows:

a) For all officers to be voted for wholly within one county, except as provided in subdivision (a), shall file in the office of the elections official of that county. (Elections Code §8100)

The filing fees for all candidates shall be paid at the time the candidates obtain their nomination forms from the county elections official. (Elections Code §8105)

The forms shall be issued to all candidates applying for them upon the payment of the filing fee; however, *Signature In-Lieu* petitions are available without first paying the filing fee. All filing fees received by the Secretary of State or the county elections official are non-refundable.

(Elections Code §8101, §8105-8106)

All forms and nomination documents are available from the Ventura County Elections Division. Only the official forms prepared or issued by the Ventura County Elections Division may be used. Candidates, or their authorized agents, will be given both oral and written instructions on the procedures to complete their nomination process at the time they apply.

## Early Application

It is advisable for candidates to obtain their nomination documents as early as possible during the filing period and to file them well in advance of the filing deadline so that any irregularities may be corrected prior to the deadline.

## Additional Filing Requirements

Candidates for state legislative office who accept voluntary spending limits may purchase a 250-word *Candidate Statement of Qualifications* in the County Voter Information Guide for each of the counties in the jurisdiction. Legislative candidates must file FPPC Form 501, (*Candidate Intention Statement*) which must identify the election and whether the candidate has agreed to the State expenditure limits or not and be filed before receiving any campaign contributions. These statements may be viewed at the following website: <u>http://cal-access.sos.ca.gov/campaign/</u>.



# Authorization to Pick-Up and/or File Nomination Documents

In the event a candidate is unable to pick-up and/or file nomination documents, they may authorize an agent to do so by completing the *Authorization to Pick-up and/or File Candidate Nomination Documents* form. This form is available on the Ventura County Elections Division website at <u>http://venturavote.org</u> and in the Ventura County Elections Division office.

# Candidate Registration and Application for Nomination Documents

February 14 – March 11, 2022

Candidates or authorized agents are required to fill out a *Candidate Registration and Application of Nomination Documents* form providing the information requested. This form is available online at <u>http://venturavote.org</u>. Information on the form is used to verify Candidate Qualifications and once deemed eligible, used to prepare the nomination documents. The information will also be printed on listings distributed to the news media and the public. Therefore, it is important that the information provided be accurate.

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# Signatures-In-Lieu of Filing Fee Petition

All Candidates Excluding County Supervisor Office January 3 – February 9, 2022 Candidates for County Supervisor January 4 – February 9, 2022

A candidate may submit a petition containing signatures of registered voters *in-lieu* of paying the filing fee to run for office. The signatures submitted may cover all, or a prorated portion, of the filing fee. Any registered voter who is a resident of the district may sign a *Signatures-In-lieu of Filing Fee Petition* for any candidate for whom he or she is eligible to vote. (Elections Code §8106)

**NOTE:** It is suggested that *Signatures-In-Lieu of Filing Fee Petition* sections be filed periodically for checking so that the candidate may assess his/her filing fee/signature position. It is the responsibility of the candidate to make sure that the filing fee is paid in full before obtaining nomination documents. The county elections official will issue a receipt for all petitions submitted.

For all candidates, including judicial candidates, the last day to turn in the *Signatures-In-Lieu of Filing Fee Petition* is Wednesday, February 9, 2022. Any portion of the filing fee not covered by the signatures must be paid in full before the nomination documents may be issued. The filing fees are adjusted based upon the pro rata value of the filed signatures.

The county elections official has 10 days after the receipt of a *Signatures-In-Lieu of Filing Fee Petition* in which to verify signatures and notify the candidate of any invalid signature(s). Petitions must be filed only in the county in which circulated. (Elections Code §8106 (b)(3-4))

### Signatures In-Lieu of Filing Fee Petition as a Nomination Paper

The county elections official shall count all valid signatures appearing on the petition towards the number of sponsor signatures required for the candidate's nomination paper. If the *Signatures In-Lieu of Filing Fee Petition* contains the requisite number of valid signatures required for the nomination paper, the candidate is not required to circulate and file nomination papers; the county elections official shall accept the *Signatures In-Lieu of Filing Fee Petition* as nomination papers instead of requiring separate additional nomination documents.

If the *Signatures In-Lieu of Filing Fee Petition* does not contain the requisite number of valid signatures required for the nomination papers, the candidate may still circulate and file nomination papers to be signed by qualified registered voters during the nomination period. The nomination paper shall be delivered to the county elections official of the county in which the signer resides and is a voter.

(Elections Code §§8061, 8063)

**NOTE**: Even though the candidate has submitted sufficient valid signatures on the *Signatures In-Lieu* of *Filing Fee Petition* to satisfy the nomination requirement, he/she must still file a *Declaration of Candidacy* during the nomination period.

# List of Offices to be Filled

Voter Nominated Offices	Filing Fee (% of salary it represents)¹	In-Lieu of Signatures	Value of Each Signature	Sponsors
United States Senator (Full Term)	\$3,480.00 (2%)	4,750	.732631579	65 to 100
United States Senator (Partial/Unexpired Term)	\$3,480.00 (2%)	4,750	.732631579	65 to 100
Governor	\$4,371.12 (2%)	4,750	.920235789	65 to 100
Lieutenant Governor	\$3,278.34 (2%)	4,750	.690176842	65 to 100
Secretary of State	\$3,278.34 (2%)	4,750	.690176842	65 to 100
Controller	\$3,496.86 (2%)	4,750	.736181053	65 to 100
Treasurer	\$3,496.86 (2%)	4,750	.736181053	65 to 100
Attorney General	\$3,796.82 (2%)	4,750	.799330526	65 to 100
Insurance Commissioner	\$3,496.86 (2%)	4,750	.736181053	65 to 100
Member, State Board of Equalization, 2nd District	\$1,639.17 (1%)	3,338	.491063511	40 to 60
Representative in Congress	\$1,740.00 (1%)	1,358	1.281296024	40 to 60
Member of the State Assembly	\$1,197.02 (1%)	679	1.762916053	40 to 60
Nonpartisan Office				
Superintendent of Public Instruction	\$3,796.82 (2%)	4,750	.799330526	65 to 100

The filing fee for all offices must be paid at the time a candidate obtains his/her nomination documents. ALL FILING FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE. (Elections Code §8105(a))

Check must be made payable to: SECRETARY OF STATE.

**NOTE:** The filing fee can be paid in whole or in part by signatures-in-lieu of filing fee.

(Elections Code §8106)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Salaries and filing fees are based on the salary as of the first day a candidate may circulate petitions in lieu of filing fees. (Elections Code §8103(b))

Judge of the Superior Court (Incumbent)	Appointed or Elected	Term	Filing Fee/ Sigs in-Lieu	Sponsors
Office No. 1 (Nancy Ayer)	11/08/16 (E)	6	\$2250.74 4,501	20 to 40
Office No. 2 (Rocky J Baio)	11/08/16 (E)	6	\$2250.74 4,501	20 to 40
Office No. 3 (Bruce A. Young)	11/08/16 (E)	6	\$2250.74 4,501	20 to 40
Office No. 4 (David Worley)	11/08/16 (E)	6	4,501	20 to 40
Office No. 5 (Ferdinand P. Inumerable)	11/08/16 (E)	6	\$2250.74 4,501	20 to 40
Office No. 6 (Kevin G. De Noce)	11/08/16 (E)	6	\$2250.74 4,501	20 to 40
Office No. 7 (Ryan Wright)	11/08/16 (E)	6	\$2250.74 4,501	20 to 40
Office No. 8 (Roger Lund)	11/08/16 (E)	6	\$2250.74 4,501	20 to 40
Office No. 9 (Manuel Covarrubias)	11/08/16 (E)	6	\$2250.74 4,501	20 to 40
Office No. 10 (Charmaine Buehner)	09/25/20 (A)	6	\$2250.74 4,501	20 to 40

The filing fee for Judge of the Superior Court is payable at time of filing the Declaration of Intention. ALL FILINGFEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.(Elections Code §8105 (a))

The filing fee for Judge of the Superior Court is 1% of the annual salary. (Elections Code §8104)

The number of signatures required in-lieu of the filing fee is two for each dollar of the filing fee or justify any pro rata portion of the filing fee, making each signature worth .50. (Elections Code §8106 (a)(4))

Check must be made payable to: VENTURA COUNTY ELECTIONS DIVISION.

Office (Incumbent)	Appointed or Elected	Term	Filing Fee/ Sigs In Lieu	Value of Each Signature	Sponsors
Supervisor, 2 <sup>nd</sup> District (Linda Parks)	06/05/18 (E)	4	\$1,566.81 3,133	.500098947	20 to 40
Supervisor, 4 <sup>th</sup> District (Bob Huber)	06/05/18 (E)	4	\$1,566.81 3,133	.500098947	20 to 40
Assessor (Daniel R. Goodwin)	06/05/18 (E)	4	\$2,271.10 4,542	.500022017	20 to 40
Auditor-Controller (Jeffery S. Burgh)	06/05/18 (E)	4	\$2,465.01 4,930	.500002028	20 to 40
County Clerk and Recorder (Mark A. Lunn)	06/05/18 (E)	4	\$2,179.88 4,359	.500087176	20 to 40
District Attorney (Erik Nasarenko)	01/26/21 (A)	4	\$2,936.87 5,873	.500063000	20 to 40
Sheriff (William Ayub)	06/05/18 (E)	4	\$3,150.11 6,300	.500017460	20 to 40
Treasurer-Tax Collector (Steven Hintz)	06/05/18 (E)	4	\$2,198.51 4,397	.500002274	20 to 40
County Superintendent of Schools (César Morales)	04/16/21 (A)	4	\$2,800.00 5,599	.500089302	20 to 40

The filing fee for county offices is payable at the time the candidate obtains his/her nomination papers. ALL FILING FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE. (Elections Code §8105 (a))

The filing fee for county offices is 1% of the annual salary.

(Elections Code §8104)

The number of signatures required in-lieu of the filing fee for each office is as indicated above.

(Elections Codes §8163 (c))

Check must be made payable to: VENTURA COUNTY ELECTIONS DIVISION.

# Declaration of Intention – Judicial Offices

### January 31 – February 9, 2022

Candidates for Judge of the Superior Court are required to file a *Declaration of Intention* to become a candidate prior to filing their nomination documents.

The *Declaration of Intention* shall be obtained and filed with the County Elections Official of the county in which his/her nomination papers are required to be filed. The *Declaration of Intention* must be filed during the period of January 31 through February 9, 2022. The non-refundable filing fee for the office must also be paid at the time the *Declaration of Intention* is filed. However, if payment is by Signatures-in-lieu, the candidate MUST file the required number of in-lieu-signatures by February 9, 2022. If necessary, to compensate for deficient signatures submitted on petitions by February 9, 2022, the candidate shall pay a pro rata portion of the filing fee at the time of obtaining nomination documents. (Elections Code §§8023, 8105(b))

### Extension of Declaration of Intention Period

February 10 – February 14, 2022

If the incumbent judge has not filed a *Declaration of Intention* to succeed to the same office by Wednesday, February 9, 2022, then any qualified person, other than the incumbent, may file such papers during the extension period from Thursday, February 10, 2022 until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 14, 2022. (Elections Code §8023(b))

## Sponsors or Signers to Nomination Papers

February 14 – March 11, 2022

Candidates are required to have sponsors or signers sign their nomination papers asserting that he/she is a qualified voter of the district or political subdivision in which the candidate is to be voted on and that he/she has not signed more nomination papers than there are places to be filled for the same office. The sponsor/signer prints his/her name as registered to vote, signs his/her name beneath the printed name and then writes his/her correct residence address in the space provided. If no street or number exists, then a designation of the place of residence which will enable the location to be readily ascertained.

(Elections Code §§8041, 100)

Beginning January 1, 2014, the circulator of a petition is not required to be a resident of the state; however, the circulator must be at least 18 years of age. (Elections Code §8066)

Candidates and circulators are cautioned that they must sign a declaration swearing or affirming that all signatures on the nomination paper were made in their presence and, to the best of their knowledge and belief, each signature is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be. A candidate may personally obtain signatures and may sign their own nomination paper. (Elections Code §§8041, 8065)

No defect in any nomination document presented shall prevent the filing of another nomination document within the period allowed for presenting the nomination document or any other petition or paper, is required to be signed by voters who is an eligible registered voter at the time of signing the petition or paper is entitled to sign it. (Elections Code §8102)

Signatures improperly obtained can subject the candidate to possible challenge and disqualification by his/her opposition.

# **Declaration of Candidacy**

February 14 – March 11, 2022



All candidates for office in the Statewide Direct Primary Election must file a *Declaration of Candidacy* with the county elections official. The *Declaration of Candidacy* form is obtained from the Ventura County Elections Division and is prepared based on the information provided on the *Candidate Registration and Application for Nomination Documents* form. This declaration must be signed by the candidate acknowledging the name and ballot designation (occupation) requested to be printed on the ballot. The candidate must provide the information requested and verify that the information is correct for publication.

Note: This form must be notarized if it is signed outside the State of California.

# **Candidate Statement of Qualifications**

February 14 – March 11, 2022

A *Candidate Statement of Qualifications (Statement)* is **optional**. To be included in the County Voter Information Guide, the *Candidate Statement* must be filed at the time the *Declaration of Candidacy* is filed. If a *Candidate Statement* is not filed, a waiver must be filed in order to complete the nomination requirements. *Candidate Statements* remain confidential until the expiration of the filing deadline.

(Elections Code §13307, §13311)

Each candidate for nonpartisan elective office in any local agency, county, or district, may prepare a Candidate Statement only on the form provided by the elections official. Each Candidate Statement may include the name, age and occupation of the candidate and a brief description of the candidate's education and qualifications expressed by the candidate. The Candidate Statement shall be limited to a recitation of the candidate's own personal background and gualifications and shall not in any way refer to other candidates for that office or to another candidate's qualifications, character, or activities. For these candidates, the Ventura County Elections Official will remove the improper language from the Candidate Statement and not allow it to be printed. The candidate will be notified of the improper language and its removal from the Candidate Statement. Each agency has previously determined the maximum number of words permitted in the Candidate Statement. However, the governing body of the local agency may authorize an increase in the limitations on words for the Candidate Statement from 200 to 400 words. Candidate Statement forms distributed to candidates provide information regarding district policy. Ventura County policy allows for no more than 200 words on Candidate Statements. The Candidate Statement must be in 12-point type and is limited to 30 lines. The Candidate Statement shall not include the party affiliation of the candidate, nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations. Each agency has determined whether the candidate or the district is to pay the pro-rated cost of the Candidate Statement.

(Elections Code §13307, §13308)

All prospective candidates may want to refer to California Elections Code Sections 13307, 13308, 13311, 13313, and 13314, as well as the California Court of Appeal ruling in *Dean v. Superior Court*, (1998 4<sup>th</sup> Dist.) 62 Cal. App. 4<sup>th</sup> 638. However, this list is not exhaustive, and candidates are solely responsible for preparation and submittal of their Statement that is in conformance with the law.

Any candidate who knowingly makes a false statement of material fact in a *Candidate Statement*, with the intent to mislead the voters, is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000. (Elections Code §18351)

If a candidate decides to submit a *Candidate Statement*, a deposit (based on estimated pro rata share – see page 22) shall be paid at the time the *Candidate Statement* is filed. The *Candidate Statement* authorized by this subdivision shall be filed in the Ventura County Elections Division when the candidate's nomination papers are submitted for filing.

A signed hardcopy of the *Candidate Statement* must be submitted in addition to an electronic version. The electronic Word version may be on a USB or it may be emailed to <u>Candidate.Filing@ventura.org</u>. The signed hard copy of the *Candidate Statement* is the official filed document. In the event of a discrepancy between the hard copy and the electronic copy, the hard copy version will be printed in the County Voter Information Guide.

The *Candidate Statement* cannot be changed after it is submitted; however, it can be withdrawn by written request at any time during the nomination period and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period. (Elections Code §13307(a)(3))

In accordance with the Federal Voting Rights Act, all *Candidate Statements* will be translated into Spanish by the Ventura County Elections Division using a certified translator and this cost is included in the estimated pro rata share amount.

The estimated cost is determined prior to all information being available; therefore, it is an approximation of the actual cost that varies from election to election and may be significantly more or less depending on the actual number of candidates filing *Candidate Statements*.

**NOTE:** The *Candidate Statements* must be filed with all other nomination documents no later than 5:00 p.m. on **Friday, March 11, 2022**, the 88<sup>th</sup> day prior to the election (or **March 16, 2022**, the 83<sup>rd</sup> day in the event of a nomination period extension).

Public Examination Period: *Candidate Statements* are confidential until the close of the nomination period. Once the filing period closes, the *Candidate Statements* are open for public examination for a ten (10) calendar day period. If the nomination period is extended for a particular office, the *Candidate Statements* are open to public examination for a ten (10) calendar day period after the close of the extended nomination period. A fee may be charged to any person wishing to obtain a copy of the material. During both periods, any person may file a writ of mandate or an injunction to require any or all content or data to be amended or deleted. (Elections Code §13311, 13313)

PROPOSITION 34: State Legislative Office – (Member of the Assembly) – Candidates who accept the voluntary expenditure limit in accordance with Proposition 34 by appropriately filing a FPPC Form 501, may submit a *Candidate Statement* for inclusion in the County Voter Information Guide. A deposit of the estimated cost is required at the time of filing the *Candidate Statement*. The maximum number of words is 250. (Government Code §85601)

**NOTE**: For shared districts, candidates must file a *Candidate Statement* and payment with each county, if a *Candidate Statement* is desired in each county. *Candidate Statement* may be similar between counties.

*Candidate Statements* shall be filed in each county no later than **5:00 p.m.** on **March 11, 2022**, the 88th day prior to the election (or **March 16, 2022**, the 83rd day in the event of a nomination period extension). (Government Code §85601)

A candidate for United States Representative may purchase space to place a *Candidate Statement*, not to exceed 250 words, in the voter information portion of the County Voter Information Guide booklet. The *Statement* may not make reference to any opponent of the candidate. The statement shall be submitted in accordance with the time frames and procedures set forth in this code for the preparation of the voter information portion of the County Voter Information Guide §13307.5)

Candidates for United States Senator may purchase space for a 250-word *Candidate Statement* in the official State Voter Information Guide. *Candidate Statements* must be filed in the Secretary of State's office no later than 5:00 p.m. on February 16, 2022.

Bilingual Translation: Bilingual translations of *Candidate Statements* for County Voter Information Guides are provided in Spanish in accordance with the National Voting Rights Act provisions and Department of Justice specifications. These guides are sent only to voters who have requested translated material. Additional guides are provided at the polling places on Election Day.

The following deposits are based on the estimated pro rata cost of the *Candidate Statement* (with multiple *Candidate Statements* being filed):

Note: Deposit amounts and the number of voters in a district are subject to change. After district boundaries are finalized, your residence address may not fall in the district that you are seeking.

Jurisdiction	Deposit	Approximate Number of Voters
Congressional		
24 <sup>th</sup> Congressional District	\$ 1,500	75,600
26 <sup>th</sup> Congressional District	\$ 6,000	430,965
32 <sup>nd</sup> Congressional District	\$ 600	1,450
<u>State</u>		
38 <sup>th</sup> Assembly District	\$ 4,000	266,515
42 <sup>nd</sup> Assembly District	\$ 3,600	239,876
46 <sup>th</sup> Assembly District	\$ 600	1,450
Countywide		
Judges/County Offices	\$ 6,900	507,841
County		
Supervisor, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Supervisorial District	\$ 1,950	110,323
Supervisor, 4th Supervisorial District	\$ 1,950	109,970

Registration counts of each district are as of January 2022.

**NOTE:** Cost figures given for *Candidate Statements* are estimates only. Computations of estimates assume that two candidates will file in the same district, submit a *Candidate Statement*, and share the costs. If actual costs exceed estimates, candidates will be billed the balance of the costs incurred.

The Ventura County Elections Division may pursue recovery of debts by:

- 1) Certified, Return Receipt letter notification;
- 2) Civil Court proceedings; and
- 3) Enforcement of Judgement, including, but not limited to, garnishment of wages and property liens.

Individuals for whom the Ventura County Elections Division has had to resort to filing civil actions against them will be required to conduct all further Ventura County Elections Division business, including *Candidate Statement* purchases and FPPC late filing fees, on a cash in advance basis. In addition, deposits for *Candidate Statements* from such individuals will be calculated and collected based on full-page cost.

#### GUIDELINES FOR PREPARING CANDIDATE STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS E.C. 13307.5

#### For the Statewide Direct Primary Election to be held on June 7, 2022.

#### Instructions to Candidate:

Official issuing	<ul> <li>Instructions to Candidate:</li> <li>Statements must be submitted on a CD as a text document or a Word document and provided to the official filing agent when filing the nomination documents. A paper copy of the Statement of Qualifications must also be filed along with the CD Statement</li> <li>This statement may include your age.</li> <li>Prepare statements according to the following rules: <ul> <li>Statement must be a recitation of candidate's own personal background and qualifications, and shall not in any way make reference to other candidates.</li> <li>Statements which do not conform to the rules will be corrected by the elections official.</li> <li>Neither grammar nor spelling will be proofed or changed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
form, to	NO MORE THAN 200 WORDS. ESTIMATED COST: \$ TO BE PAID BY: <u>CANDIDATE</u> The estimated cost is an approximation based on multiple candidates filing statements and may be significantly higher or lower depending on the actual number of statements filed. Payment is required upon submission of your statement. A refund or invoice will be sent after the election.	
	CANDIDATE FOR	
Occupation may be more	NAME: Jessica Wells AGE: 36	If either age or occupation is left blank, none
descriptive than ballot designation that appears on the official ballot. All statements must be prepared in upper and lower case, lettering, block paragraph style. A limit of ien words may	OCCUPATION: Businesswomen I am running for governing board member of the Ultimate Unified School District because I feel I can bring balance to the board. I attended local schools, graduating from Ultimate High School. I am married and have two children attending schools in the district. I own and operate my own business, so I am well aware of the need to operate within a budget. With proper distribution of resources and educational materials I am convinced we can offer quality education to all students within the district. I have been an active member of the PTA, and I have served on the Youth Club committee	Statements should be written in first person.
No: Bolding, Underlining, or Centering.	for the past five years. I also serve as a volunteer at the Hometown Senior Center. PTA, 2000 – 2010 City Council, 1990 – 1994 American Heart Association, 1994 – 1996 I am looking forward to serving you on the Ultimate Unified School District Governing	Correct any
or characters such as bullets, asterisks, or other symbols.	Board. J.S.	typos and initial, Prior to filing.
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Candidate to Initial:

Please sign and date where \_\_\_\_\_

### Format and Style:

- 1. *Candidate Statements* will be typeset using Arial font in 12-point size and will be printed in uniform type, style and spacing. However, the *Candidate Statement* may be typed and submitted using any standard font. Text submitted indented or centered will be typeset in block paragraph form. See sample of *Candidate Statement* on page 23 for recommended form and style content.
- 2. Use block paragraphs and single space format. Entire *Candidate Statements* in all capital letters are not acceptable. Indentations, circles, stars, dots, italics and/or bullets cannot be accommodated. However, you may use dashes/hyphens. It is recommended that you do not uses dashes or hyphens at the end of a line. Any combinations of enhanced words are counted as one word. However, the number of words/acronyms that can be in all capital letters shall not exceed 10.
- 3. All *Candidate Statements* should be checked by the candidate for spelling and punctuation as the elections official is not permitted to edit any material contained therein once the *Candidate Statement* has been filed. See guidelines for preparing *Candidate Statement of Qualifications* on page 22 for other suggestions.

# Candidate's Name and Ballot Designation

February 14 – March 11, 2022

<u>Name on Ballot</u>: The manner in which the candidate's name is shown on the *Declaration of Candidacy* is the manner in which it will appear on the ballot; it cannot be changed after the document is filed.

(Elections Code §8040)

No title or degree such as "Miss", "Mrs.", "Mr.", "Dr.", "Rev.", or "Ph.D." shall appear on the same line on a ballot as a candidate's name, either before or after the candidate's name, in the case of any election to any office. (Elections Code §13106)

If a candidate changes his/her name within one year of any election, the new name shall not appear upon the ballot unless the change was made by marriage or by decree of any court of competent jurisdiction.

(Elections Code §13104)

The ballot name may be designated as follows:

- 1) First, middle, and last names.
- 2) Initials only and last name.
- 3) A nickname may be included, but must be in parentheses () or quotation marks "", or
- 4) A short version of the first name, such as "Ron" for Ronald or "Liz" for Elizabeth.

<u>Ballot Designation</u>: The ballot designation describes the current profession, vocation, occupation, or incumbency status of the candidate that will appear on the ballot under the candidate's name.

Ballot Designations are:

- 1) OPTIONAL
- 2) Public record once the information is filed on the *Declaration of Candidacy*.
- 3) Not allowed to be changed after the final date to file nomination documents.

Only one of the following categories is allowed:

 Elective Office Title: Words describing an elective office title may be used if the candidate holds the office at the time nomination documents are filed and the office was filled by a vote of the people. Example A: Governing Board Member Example B: Board Member, XYZ School District 2) Incumbent: The word Incumbent may be used if the candidate is seeking re-election to the same office and was elected to that office by a vote of the people or was appointed as a nominated candidate in-lieu of an election.

Note: <u>A candidate for the office of Representative in Congress, Member of the State Board of</u> <u>Equalization, State Senator, or Member of the Assembly shall not choose the word "incumbent" as a</u> <u>designation to appear on the ballot</u>. (Elections Code §8168 (a))

3) Appointed Incumbent: The words Appointed Incumbent must be used if the candidate was appointed to the office and is seeking election to that office. The word Appointed may also be used with the office title.

Example A: Appointed Incumbent

- Example B: Appointed Board Member, XYZ School District
- Exception: Candidates appointed to office in-lieu of an election do not have to use the word Appointed
- 4) Principal Occupation: No more than three words to either describe the current principal professions, vocations, or occupations of the candidate, or the principal professions, vocations, or occupations of the candidate during the calendar year immediately preceding the filing of nomination documents.

Example A: High School Teacher Example B: Attorney/Educator/Rancher Example C: CEO/Council member

- 5) Community Volunteer: Community Volunteer means a person who engages in an activity or performs a service for or on behalf of, without profiting monetarily, for one or more of the following:
  - a) A charitable, educational or religious organization as defined by the U.S. Code §501(c)(3);
  - b) A governmental agency; or
  - c) An educational institution.

The vocation or occupation is subject to the following conditions:

- a) A candidate's community volunteer activities constitute his/her principal profession, vocation, or occupation.
- b) A candidate may not use the designation of "community volunteer" in combination with any other principal profession, vocation, or occupation.
- c) A candidate is not engaged concurrently in another principal profession, vocation, or occupation.
- 6) No Occupation Desired: If no ballot designation is requested, write the word "NONE" and place your initials in the space provided for ballot designation on the *Declaration of Candidacy* form.

<u>Format of Ballot Designation</u>: Ballot designations which exceed space allotted on the ballot are printed in a smaller typeface pursuant to Elections Code §13107(i). <u>Restrictions</u>: The rules governing ballot designations can be a subject of confusion. For clarification, the California Secretary of State's ballot designation regulations are included with the nomination documents.

<u>Ballot Designation Worksheet</u>: A *Ballot Designation Worksheet* which supports the use of the requested ballot designation is required to be filed with the Elections Official at the same time as the *Declaration of Candidacy*. If a candidate fails to file a *Ballot Designation Worksheet*, no designation will appear on the ballot. (Elections Code §13107.3)

<u>Rejection of Ballot Designation</u>: If the ballot designation is in violation of any of the restrictions set forth in the California Elections Code, the candidate will be notified by phone and by registered or certified mail with a return receipt requested, addressed to the mailing address provided on the candidate's *Ballot Designation Worksheet*. If an alternative designation is not provided within the time allowed, no ballot designation will appear on the ballot. (Elections Code §13107(f)1-2)

Unacceptable Ballot Designations – Pursuant to Elections Code §13107(e), the Elections Official shall not accept a ballot designation if:

- 1) It would mislead the voter.
- 2) It would suggest an evaluation of a candidate, such as outstanding, leading, expert, virtuous, or eminent.
- 3) It abbreviates the word "retired" or places it following any word(s) which it modifies. Unacceptable: Ret. Policeman, Policeman, Retired
- 4) It uses a word or prefix, such as "former" or "ex-," which means a prior status. Unacceptable: Former Policeman, Ex Policeman

The only exception is the use of the word "retired." Acceptable: Retired Policeman

- 5) It uses the name of any political party, whether it has qualified for the ballot or not.
- 6) It uses a word(s) referring to a racial, religious, or ethnic group.
- 7) It refers to any activity prohibited by law.

Guidelines for Accepting Ballot Designations (Basic Test)

1) Is it true?

2) Is it accurate?

3) Does it mislead?

4) Is it generic? (This means "IBM" is unacceptable, "Computer Company" is acceptable.)

5) Is it neutral? (This means not for or against)

6) Is it how this person makes a living?

False or Misleading Information to Voters:

- No candidate shall, in his or her occupational designation on the ballot, assume a designation that would mislead the voters. (Elections Code §13107(e))
- 2) Every candidate is guilty of a misdemeanor who pretends or implies that he or she is the incumbent of a public office or that he or she has acted in the capacity of a public office when this is not the case. (Elections Code §18350)
- Any candidate or incumbent in a recall election who makes a false statement of facts in a Candidate Statement, with intent to mislead voters is punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000).

Candidates may review their own *ballot designation*, as well as that of other candidates, at the Ventura County Elections Division, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, from **February 14, 2022** through **March 11, 2022** or if the nomination period is extended, from **March 12, 2022** through **March 16, 2022**.

Word Count: The following are the guidelines for computing the word count:

1) The title and signatures are not counted – only the text is counted.
2) Punctuation not counted
3) Dictionary words one
a. Examples "I", "a", "the", "and", "an" – 1 word
4) Abbreviations one
a. Examples: UCLA, PTA, U.S.M.C., and L.A.P.D.
Each abbreviation for a word, phrase, or expression
All acronyms count towards the all CAPS 10-word limit
5) All proper nouns one
a. Examples: County of Ventura – 1 word
b. Ventura Unified School District – 1 word
6) Numbers:
´a. Digits (1, 10 or 100, etc.) one
b. Spelled out (one, ten, or one hundred)
7) Numeric combinations one
8) Dates:
a. All digits (4/8/14) one
b. Words and digits (April 8, 2020)one
9) Monetary amounts (if the dollar sign is used with figures - \$1,000.00) one
a. Spelled out (one thousand dollars)
10)Hyphenated words
Words appearing hyphenated in a standard dictionary published within the
last 10 years one per word
11)Website and telephone number
12)If measure designation (example: Measure A) is used in the text
13)Limit of 10 all CAP words

If text exceeds the word limit, the author will be asked to delete or change a sufficient number of words, or a sentence, to ensure compliance with the required word limit.

# Pre-Campaign Candidate Intention Requirements

February 14 – March 11, 2022

### FPPC Form 501 – Candidate Intention Statement

Any individual who intends to be a candidate for state or local office must file a Candidate Intention Statement FPPC Form 501, with the local filing officer prior to the solicitation or receipt of any contribution or loan, including personal funds used for election. A separate Form 501, must be filed for each election, including re-election to the same office. (Government Code §85200)

**NOTE**: You may use personal funds for the filing fee and/or for the Candidate's Statement of Qualifications in the County Voter Information Guide without first depositing those funds into the campaign bank account.

**EXCEPTION**: This form is not required if you will not receive any contributions from others and the total expenditures from personal funds will be less than \$2,000 in a calendar year. (Government Code §85201)

### FPPC Form 410 – Statement of Organization and Campaign Bank Account Statement

A candidate who is receiving contributions from others and/or is spending more than \$2,000 of personal funds to run for office must:

- 1) Open a campaign bank account and all money to be used for campaign purposes, including the candidate's personal funds, must be deposited in the campaign bank account for the specific office prior to expenditure.
- 2) Candidate must complete a Statement of Organization, Form 410, which includes the candidate's name, office sought, year of the election, and campaign bank account information.
- 3) File Form 410 within 10 days of receiving \$2,000 in contributions. The date this form is postmarked is the date it is considered filed. The original form is to be filed with the Secretary of State's office with a copy to the local filing official (Ventura County Elections Division).

More information on campaign filing on pages 35 through 42.

## Final Filing of Nomination Documents

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Candidate filing is not complete until all nomination documents are executed and submitted to the county elections official, Ventura County Elections Division, Lower Plaza, Hall of Administration, 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009, no later than **5:00 p.m.** on **Friday, March 11, 2022**. In the following chart are mandatory and optional documents to be filed for candidacy. It is the obligation of the candidate to ensure that all filing requirements and deadlines are met. All candidates are urged to file documents as early as possible. Documents must be submitted in person.

Please make an appointment to submit the necessary documents. Appointments are available for any election-related services at: <u>https://VenturaCountyElectionsDivisionAppointmentScheduling.as.me/</u>

Applies to	Documents	Contact Information
Optional for all candidates	Candidate Statement of Qualifications	Osastistata Filian Osatisu
	Declaration of Candidacy	Candidate Filing Section (805) 654-2664
	Ballot Designation Worksheet	()
	Statement of Economic Interest – Form700	Campaign Finance Disclosure
All Candidates	Candidate Campaign Statement Forms	(866) 275-3772
	Bilingual Document Translations	Bilingual Voting Services (805) 654-2664
	Nomination Petition	Candidate Filing Section (805) 654-2664

# Candidate/Agent General Receipt February 14 – March 11, 2022

Once a candidate has filed all necessary documents to run for office, a receipt indicating the items that were submitted is given to the candidate.

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	MARK A. LUNN -Recorder, Registrar of Voters y of Ventura Elections Division	
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	acy and Nomination Petition, all documents a hat the candidate meets the qualifications an candidate for <u>«OfficeTitle»</u> .	
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Statement of Candidacy		
Nomination Petition		
Voluntary Expenditure Limitation	Statement	
Form 501		
Form 700 (Statement of Econo	mic Interests)	
Form 470 /Linder \$2,000 in our	tributions or expenditures & no committee.)	
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## **Extension of Nomination Period**

March 12 – March 16, 2022

A five-day extension of the nomination period occurs when the incumbent does not file nomination documents by the filing deadline. During this period, any qualified person, excluding the incumbent, may file nomination documents for these offices. This section is not applicable when there is no incumbent. Nomination documents for these offices must be completed and filed no later than **5:00 p.m.** on **Wednesday**, **March 16, 2022**. (Elections Code §§8022-8024)

#### Ballot Order of Candidates

March 17, 2022

The drawing of the letters of the alphabet for the order of the candidates' names on the ballot will be conducted by Secretary of State on Thursday, March 17, 2022, at 11:00 a.m.

(Elections Code §1311(b)(1)(B))

The Ventura County Registrar of Voters will conduct a drawing of the letters of the alphabet for the order of the names of candidates in the shared districts.

# General Information for Write-In Candidates

(Elections Code §8600-8601)

A person who has not followed the usual procedure for placing his/her name on the ballot for the election may still be elected to office as a Write-In Candidate.



# **Nomination Papers**

The required number of signers to a Write-In candidate's nomination paper for the respective offices are as indicated on pages 14-16.

(Elections Code §8600(b))

A Write-In candidate is not required to pay a filing fee.

Filing Deadline		
April 11, 2022 through May 24, 2022	E – 57–14	First and last day to file Statement of Write-In Candidacy

All candidates are urged to file the following documents as early as possible:

<u>Statement of Write-In Candidacy</u>: Refer to the Candidate Nomination Process on pages 11 – 29 of this information guide. The Statement of Write-In Candidacy must be filed with the Ventura County Elections Division no later than **5:00 p.m.** on **May 24, 2022**.

<u>Candidate Campaign Statement Forms</u>: If you have any questions regarding the completion of these forms, contact the Campaign Finance and Disclosure Section at (805) 654-2664.

# Election Results for Write-In Candidates

Write-In election results are not determined until the canvass is completed. California election law allows a prescribed number of days to conduct the official canvass. The official canvass includes an inspection of all material and supplies, a reconciliation of signatures on voter rosters with the number of ballots recorded, a reconciliation of the number of ballots issued with ballots recorded and processing of any valid Vote By Mail and provisional ballots not included in the semi-official election results. Write-In ballots must be individually reviewed to determine if the Write-In vote is for a qualified/unqualified Write-In candidate. All aspects of the canvass shall be open to the public. Write-In votes are counted and certified in an election only if the candidates have qualified by filing the required nomination documents with the elections official.

<u>Offices Omitted from Ballot</u>: Prospective Write-In candidates should note that Write-In candidacy is possible only if the office appears on the ballot. When judicial, school and uniform district elections law contests are involved, if the number of persons qualifying for the ballot does not exceed the number of offices to be filled, the election is cancelled, and eligible candidates are appointed in-lieu of the election in those jurisdictions. However, California provides that for school and uniform district elections law offices, a petition indicating that a Write-In campaign will be conducted must have been filed with the Elections Official by March 16, 2022, the 83<sup>rd</sup> day before the election, to require the office(s) to be placed on the ballot by means of a petition drive. For judicial offices, the deadline is March 21, 2022.

(Elections Code §10515)

<u>Name Does not Appear on Ballot</u>: The candidate's name does not appear on the official ballot. The candidate is not entitled to a Candidate Statement in the County Voter Information Guide.

(Elections Code §302)

### For Write-In Candidates to be Elected

<u>To be Elected</u>: In order for a candidate, including a Write-In candidate, to win the election, the candidate must receive a majority of the ballots cast for candidates for that office. In order for a candidate, including a Write-In candidate, to be nominated to a judicial or county office at the general election, the candidate must be one of the top two vote getters at the primary election.

(Elections Code § 8140-8141, §15451)

# **Election Services**

All requests for voter registration information must be made in accordance with California Elections Code §2188. An application for voter registration information must be filed with the Ventura County Elections Division.

# Precinct Lists/Index of Registered Voters

The index will list all registered voters eligible to vote in a given election. Indexes are printed in precinct sequence with streets in alphabetical order within the precinct, and voters in numeric order under the street name. Indexes are also available in electronic format on a USB drive with file format documentation.

The price of the Index on paper is \$40 plus 50¢ per thousand names (minimum order is 50¢). The price for a district Index on a USB drive is \$67. Each candidate or his/her campaign committee may purchase up to two copies of the index. (Elections Code §2184)

Orders placed for Indexes must be paid for at the time of the order. Allow one full working day for completion of the order.

# <u>USB</u>



- 1) Registered Voter File of any district or precinct
  - a. With or without voter history \$34
- 2) Voters who requested a Vote By Mail ballot in the last countywide election \$33

Note: California Code of Regulations. Title 2. Division 7. Chapter 1. Article 1. §19005.

No person who obtains voter registration information from a source agency shall make any such information available under any terms, in any format, or for any purpose, to any person without receiving prior written authorization from the source agency. The source agency shall issue such authorization only after the person to receive such information has executed the written agreement set forth in §19005.

The application for voter registration information is signed under penalty of perjury. Perjury is punishable by imprisonment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 1170. (Penal Code §126)

# Vote By Mail USB

Beginning on May 10, 2022, the Ventura County Elections Division will provide USBs of the Vote By Mail voters and the status of returned ballots processed up to the date of the order. The cost is \$33, and the USB order must be placed and paid for by 10:00 a.m. of the pick-up day. The information ordered will be available to pick-up from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

# Help America Vote Act (HAVA)



The Help America Vote Act (HAVA) has required all states to implement a single, uniform, centralized, computerized statewide voter registration system. The Secretary of State certified VoteCal as the system of record for voter registration in California. VoteCal is California's statewide, centralized voter registration database, connecting all 58 counties with the Secretary of State's office. As a result, a person must provide a driver license or state identification card number when registering or re-registering to vote. If a person does not have a driver license or state identification card, the person must provide the last four digits of their social security number. If elections officials verify that the person does not have any of the above numbers, a unique identification number will be assigned to the person.

The Secretary of State's office must verify all identification numbers provided for a person, as well as the last four digits of a social security number, if provided. Inaccurate information can delay processing of the voter registration card.

# Select Campaign Disclosure Forms

# **Filing Obligations**

All state and local elected office holders, candidates for state and local elective offices, and their controlled committees are required to file campaign statements at specified intervals that disclose:

- Contributions received (including monetary and non-monetary contributions, loans received, and enforceable promises received)
- Expenditures made (including loans made)
- Unpaid bills

• Any miscellaneous increases to cash, such as bank interest or refunds.

Detailed itemization is required for:

- Contributions received from a single source totaling, in the aggregate, \$100\* or more in a calendar year.
- Expenditures of \$100\* or more
- Accrued expenses of \$100\* or more
- Miscellaneous increases to cash of \$100\* or more

Failure to file appropriate statements and reports in compliance with the Political Reform Act can result in substantial criminal, civil and administrative penalties. Also, failure to file within the prescribed deadlines can lead to late filing penalties of \$10 for each day the statement is late. The law does not allow for extensions of the due dates for filing of campaign statement.

Forms and manuals for all applicable campaign committees can be found on the California Fair Political Commission (FPPC) website. following links Practices The are to obtain the forms (http://www.fppc.ca.gov/forms.html) and the manuals (http://www.fppc.ca.gov/forms/all-fppcmanuals.html). A summary of some of the most common forms is provided below.

<u>FPPC Form 501</u>: Candidates, who intend to receive contributions for their campaign must file a Candidate Intention Statement, Form 501 before accepting contributions. (Government Code §85200)

<u>FPPC Form 470</u>: Candidates who anticipate receiving or spending less than \$2,000 during the entire calendar year, excluding the filing fee and the cost of a *Candidate Statement*, if paid from personal funds, must file a Candidate and Officeholder Campaign Statement Short Form, Form 470, by April 28, 2022.

Candidates who have filed a Form 470 and thereafter receive contributions or make expenditures totaling \$2,000 or more, are required to complete and provide Form 470 Supplement to

- 1) Secretary of State
- 2) Local filing office
- 3) Each candidate contending for the same office.

The notice must be sent within **48 hours** of receiving or expending the \$2,000. (Government Code §84206)

<u>FPPC Form 410</u>: Recipient committees, including any group, individual or candidate, that receive or spend \$2,000 or more during a calendar year must file a Statement of Organization, Form 410, within 10 days of receiving \$2,000 in contributions with

- 1) Secretary of State
- 2) Local filing office

A \$50 annual fee paid to Secretary of State applies to all active committees.

(Government Code §84101-84101.5)

\*\$50 or more applies to all county offices.

<u>FPPC Form 460</u>: A candidate or office holder who has a controlled committee, or who has raised or spent, or will raise or spend \$2,000 or more during a calendar year in connection with the election, is required to file the Recipient Committee Campaign Statement Form 460. Form 460 is also required if \$2,000 or more will be raised or spent during the calendar year at the behest of the officeholder or candidate.

(Government Code §84200-84216.5)

<u>FPPC Form 497</u>: A late contribution is a monetary or non-monetary contribution, including a loan, totaling \$1,000\* or more from a single source and is made or received during the 90 days immediately preceding the election in which the recipient candidate is to be voted on. Form 497 must be filed within 24 hours of making or receiving a late contribution of \$1,000\* or more.

(Government Code §82036)

Any county candidate and the candidate's controlled committee that raises or spends at least one thousand (\$1,000), or any independent expenditure committee that raises or spends at least one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in connection with any county election, in support of or opposition to a county candidate, must file all campaign statements within 24 hours electronically through NetFile.

# **FPPC Contact Information**

For further information on the contribution limits please refer to the contribution limits chart on the FPPC website: https://www.fppc.ca.gov/content/dam/fppc/NS-Documents/TAD/Campaign%20Documents/State ContributionVolunExpenditureLimites/2021%20 Contribution%20Limits%20Chart.pdf, or email the FPPC at advice@fppc.ca.gov, or call (866) 275-3772 Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.



# Conflict of Interest

Each district has adopted a Conflict of Interest Code pursuant to the provisions of the Political Reform Act of 1974. A Statement of Economic Interests (FPPC Form 700) shall be filed by designated officers and employees as required by the district's Code and shall disclose any reportable investments and interests in real property. The Form 700 is filed by all candidates with the exception of Municipal Advisory Council candidates. (Government Code §87300 et seq.)

\*\$250 or more applies to all county offices from May 22, 2022 through Election Day. (Ventura County Campaign Finance Reform Ordinance No. 4510 §1287(d))

# Who, Where and What to File

This is an overview of where candidates must file their campaign statements. Detailed instructions for complying with the Political Reform Act are in each candidate's Campaign Finance Disclosure Packet and available from the FPPC.

Office	Where to send copies	Forms
<ul> <li>Controlled Committees for:</li> <li>Statewide Offices</li> <li>Shared District State Offices</li> <li>Superior Court</li> </ul>	1 original $\rightarrow$ Secretary of State 1 copy $\rightarrow$ County of Ventura 1 copy $\rightarrow$ County of Domicile (or county with the largest number of registered voters in shared districts)	<ul> <li>Form 501</li> <li>Form 470</li> <li>Form 410</li> <li>Form 460</li> <li>Form 497</li> </ul>
Controlled Committees for: County Offices	1 original $\rightarrow$ County of Ventura	<ul> <li>Form 501</li> <li>Form 470</li> <li>Form 460</li> <li>Form 497</li> </ul>
	1 original $\rightarrow$ Secretary of State 1 copy $\rightarrow$ County of Ventura	<ul> <li>Form 410</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Federal Offices</li> </ul>	Representative in Congress candidates should contact: Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, N.W. Washington D.C. 20463 Phone: (800) 424-9530	

# <u>NetFile</u>

Ventura County uses the electronic filing program NetFile. Should a committee meet the Fair Political Practice Commission requirements, they can provide a copy of the committee's Form 410 to the Elections Division and request an account be set up on NetFile. Other Filers in the county may utilize the NetFile system if they choose to do so. This is a free service for filers.

NetFile can be accessed by visiting our website *venturavote.org* or *https://netfile.com/Filer*.

See the NetFile user guides for detailed instructions on setting up filers and using the E-Filing system.



# Campaign Expenditure Report Filings

Important: The following filing schedule is for use by candidates, officeholders, their controlled committees, and committees who are involved in the June 7, 2022 Statewide Direct Primary Election.

June 7, 2022 Filing Schedule

Type of Statement	Period Covered	Filing Deadline	Method of Delivery
Semi-Annual (Form 460)	through		Personal Delivery First Class Mail
Late Contribution and Late independent Expenditure of \$1,000* or more (Form 497)	March 9, 2022 through June 7, 2022	within 24 hours	Personal Delivery Guaranteed Overnight Service Fax Online
First Pre-Election (Form 460 or 470)	January 1, 2022 through April 23, 2022	April 28, 2022	Personal Delivery First Class Mail
Second Pre-Election (Form 460)	April 24, 2022 through May 21, 2022	May 26, 2022	Personal Delivery Guaranteed Overnight Service
Semi-Annual (Form 460)	**May 22, 2022 through June 30, 2022	August 1, 2022	Personal Delivery First Class Mail

\*\$250 for county candidate committees.

\*\* The period covered by any statements begins on the day after the closing date of the last statement, or January 1<sup>st</sup>, if no previous statement has been filed.

# **Review of Reporting Requirements**

The Political Reform Act imposes certain duties and obligations on candidates, officeholders, committee treasurers and others participating in the political process.

# For example:

Detailed records must be maintained for all financial activity. Contributions received for political purposes must not be commingled with personal funds.

Campaign statements must be filed at specified times disclosing contributions received, expenditures made and other financial information. In some cases, candidates can avoid filing campaign statements by submitting a Candidate and Officeholder Campaign Statement Short Form, (Form 470).

Campaign statements must be hand delivered, post-marked, or e-filed through NetFile by the filing deadline established by law.

**NOTE**: The <u>second Pre-Election Statement</u> must be filed in person or guaranteed overnight delivery. Mail, which is not received by the filing officer, shall presumed not to have been sent unless the filer possesses a postal receipt establishing the date of the deposit, and the name and address of the addressee.

Filing after a deadline may lead to late filing penalties. The fine is \$10 per day, starting the day after the filing deadline, until the statement is filed; however, no liability may exceed the cumulative amount of reported contributions or expenditures, or \$100.

The failure to submit a required statement is a misdemeanor. Persons who fail to submit required statements are referred to the Fair Political Practices Commission.

# **Defeated Candidates**

Campaign Disclosure Statements must be filed until the campaign committee has been terminated using Form 410.

It is recommended that campaign disclosure statements be mailed by certified mail or by purchasing a certificate of mailing. This will eliminate any question regarding receipt of your statement.

Unsigned forms are incomplete and are not considered filed until they are signed.

For detailed information on Campaign Disclosure Statements see the 2020 Campaign Disclosure Manual 2 on Campaign Disclosure Provisions of the Political Reform Act or contact the Fair Political Practices Commission at (866) 275-3772.

\*Deadlines are extended when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. This extension does not apply to 24-hour Independent Expenditure Report (Form 496) or 24-hour Contribution Report (Form 497) that are due the weekend before the election. Such reports must be filed within 24 hours regardless of the day of the week.

Things to Remember				
~	Maintain detailed records of contributions and expenditures of \$25 or more. Refer to recordkeeping guidelines in your campaign disclosure manual.			
~	If a contribution of \$100 or more is received from a single source in a calendar year, the source must be listed on the committee's Form 460. If a contribution is received through an intermediary, both the intermediary and the true source of the contribution must be identified. (See Chapter 3 of your campaign disclosure manual for additional information about intermediaries)			
~	For contributions of \$100 or more, including loans and in-kind contributions, you must disclose the contributor's name, address, occupation, and employer.			
~	Know the due dates for campaign statements and file on time.			
~	Include your name and campaign address in at least 6-point type on the outside of all mass mailings (more than 200 pieces). Your committee's name may be used if it includes your name. If your name is not part of the committee's name, you may use just your name or both your name and the name of the committee.			

# County Campaign Finance Reform Ordinance Summary

In 2003, the Ventura County Board of Supervisors adopted a Campaign Finance Reform Ordinance. The current Ordinance No. 4510 applies to all county candidates. A "county candidate" is any individual who is a candidate for the positions of County Supervisor, Sheriff, District Attorney, County Clerk and Recorder, Treasurer-Tax Collector, Auditor-Controller, County Superintendent of Schools, or Assessor in the County of Ventura. "Countywide office" means the office of Sheriff, District Attorney, County Clerk and Recorder, Treasurer-Tax Collector, Auditor-Controller, County Superintendent of Schools, or Assessor in the County of Ventura. "Countywide office" means the office of Sheriff, District Attorney, County Clerk and Recorder, Treasurer-Tax Collector, Auditor-Controller, County Superintendent of Schools, and Assessor.

As of February 2021, the Ventura County Campaign Finance Reform Ordinance expenditure limit for countywide candidates is \$765,000 for Primary elections and \$885,000 for General elections. The limit for Supervisorial district candidates is \$235,000 for Primary elections and \$295,000 for General elections.

A Voluntary Expenditure Limitation Statement is required of each county candidate for each election. Contributions to candidates or the controlled committees of candidates who have not accepted the voluntary expenditure limits (nonparticipating candidates) are limited to \$375 per person per candidate for a primary election or a general (runoff) election. Contributions to candidates or the controlled committees of candidates who have accepted the voluntary expenditure limits (participating candidates) are limited to \$750 per person per candidate for a primary election or a general (runoff) election. The limits do not apply to a candidate's contributions of personal funds to the candidate's own campaign but do apply to spouses' contributions.

#### **Electronic Filing of Campaign Statements**

Any county candidate and the candidate's controlled committee that raises or spends at least one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or any independent expenditure committee that raises or spends at least one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in any county election in support of or opposition to a county candidate, shall file all campaign statements in a format that is approved by the County Clerk for electronic filing.

The County Clerk shall cause to be placed on the County's web site a copy of each campaign statement required by the preceding paragraph to be filed in a format approved for electronic filing within three working days of the statement's filing with the County Clerk.

#### Ventura County Elections Division Policies Regarding Campaign Finance Reform Act

1) It is the policy of the Ventura County Elections Division (hereinafter referred to as "Division") to provide the public and all governmental offices with accurate and efficient services and information. To accomplish this, the Division must receive timely and accurate campaign reporting. To ensure such timely and accurate reporting, it is the Division's policy to report, to the appropriate enforcement authority, any violations of state law or county ordinances pertaining to campaign filing, reporting, and disclosure that the Division discovers, for which the County serves as the Filing Official. It is not the responsibility of the Division to report on State Committees for which the County is not the Filing Official. The Division will not file complaints or otherwise report alleged violations on behalf of any other person.

The Division will advise members of the public or other governmental officers seeking to file complaints of the appropriate enforcement/reporting authority. Those authorities are the California Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC), the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and/or the District Attorney, depending on the specific type of alleged violations.

If it is determined that the alleged violation is related to the Ventura County Campaign Finance Reform Ordinance, complaints shall be filed in writing with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors on a form provided by that office and shall be signed by the Complainant under penalty of perjury. All available credible evidence supporting the allegations must be filed with the complaint. Any resident seeking to file a complaint must pay a filing fee of \$35 per complaint.

- b) If it is determined that the alleged violation is a matter of state law and outside the jurisdiction of the County, the Division shall refer the person to the FPPC.
- c) If it is determined that the alleged violation is within the jurisdiction of the County Filing Official, the Division shall follow state and local policies related to providing notices to the affected candidates, including requesting amendments or other such actions as appropriate or required by law.
- 2) It is the policy of the Division in its capacity as County Filing Official to review all campaign reports (State and Local Candidates/Committees) filed to ensure compliance with both State law and County ordinances, as applicable.
  - a) If it is determined that further information is needed or if the report is lacking the required information, a written notice requesting an amendment to the form shall be prepared and mailed to the committee campaign Treasurer.
  - b) If the report in question is a Pre-Election Statement, the deadline date for submission of the amended report shall be five days from the notification letter date.
  - c) The Division shall send two written notices prior to referring the matter to any enforcement authority.
- 3) It is the policy of the Division to enforce the state law mandates regulating penalties for violations. All penalties collected will be payable to the Ventura County Elections Division and shall be deposited into the County General Fund, pursuant to state law.
- 4) It is the policy of the Division to require County candidates (as defined in the ordinance) and treasurers for County candidates' controlled committees that meet the County's threshold limit for electronic filing to file electronically all original campaign reports filed with this Division including Forms 410 updates, 460, 496, and 497.

County Contribution Restrictions County Offices Limits

Primary Election, Supervisor – \$235,000 Primary Election, County Office – \$765,000 Participating Contribution – \$750 Non-participating Contribution – \$375



	Things to Remember				
~	Maintain detailed records of contributions and expenditures of \$25 or more. Refer to recordkeeping guidelines in your campaign disclosure manual.				
~	If a contribution of \$50 or more is received from a single source in a calendar year, the source must be listed on the committee's Form 460. If a contribution is received through an intermediary, both the intermediary and the true source of the contribution must be identified. (See Chapter 3 of your campaign disclosure manual for additional information about intermediaries)				
~	For contributions of \$50 or more, including loans and in-kind contributions, you must disclose the contributor's name, address, occupation and employer.				
✓	Know the due dates for campaign statements and file on time.				
v	Include your name and campaign address in at least 6-point type on the outside of all mass mailings (more than 200 pieces). Your committee's name may be used if it includes your name. If your name is not part of the committee's name, you may use just your name or both your name and the name of the committee.				

# In-Person Voting



Saturday, May 28, 2022 Sunday, May 29, 2022 Monday, May 30, 2022 Tuesday, May 31, 2022 Wednesday, June 1, 2022 Thursday, June 2, 2022 Friday, June 3, 2022 Saturday, June 4, 2022 Sunday, June 5, 2022 Monday, June 6, 2022	10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 7, 2022 (Election Day)	7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

There will be 51 Voting Centers in the June 7, 2022 Statewide Direct Primary Election. Ten centers will be open on each of the above dates. All 51 centers will be open starting Saturday, June 4, 2022.

Frequently Asked Questions				
Can a candidate host a polling place at his/her residence or office on Election Day?	No, this is not legally allowed. (Elections Code §12287)			
How can candidates get a list of In- Person voting locations?	Contact the Ventura County Elections at (805) 654-2664. There's a small fee for this service; however, all In-Person locations are listed on our website at <u>venturavote.org</u> .			
	NOTE: (b) A person is guilty of a misdemeanor who, with actual knowledge and intent to deceive, causes to be distributed or distributes, including distribution by mail, radio or television broadcast, telephone call, text message, email, or any other electronic means, including over the Internet, literature or any other form of communication to a voter that includes any of the following:			
	(1) The incorrect location of a vote center, office of an elections official, satellite office of an elections official where voting is permitted, vote by mail ballot drop box, or vote by mail ballot drop-off location. (Elections Code §18302 (b)(1))			
What do election workers do?	Election workers are civic-minded citizens and legal permanent residents who help to set up the voting locations, assist voters when signing in, demonstrate how to use the voting system, issue ballots, etc. After the vote centers close, election workers are responsible for counting all the ballots, packing up election supplies and delivering ballots and supplies to the Elections Division.			

#### **Bilingual Election Workers**

The federal Voting Rights Act requires that bilingual election workers be hired in vote centers to provide oral assistance to limited-English proficiency voters. The Ventura County Elections Division is currently recruiting election workers that speak Spanish.

Bilingual election workers must be registered voters who speak English well enough to explain election procedures to English speaking voters. They must also understand English well enough to assimilate the difficult procedures taught in the training classes.

Bilingual election workers are vital in helping citizens with limited English proficiency to exercise their voting privileges. They assist voters, whose primary language is not English, and help them understand voting procedures by responding to their questions. As a means to address the bilingual election worker recruitment challenges, an "Election Worker/Recruiter" Program, which brought community activists into recruiting bilingual election workers from their communities, was launched in 2004. In addition, to solve the general election worker recruiting issues, Ventura County has developed the Student Election Worker and County Employee Election Worker Programs. The County has utilized these programs, in addition to the "Election Worker/Recruiter" Program, to address bilingual election worker recruiting challenges.

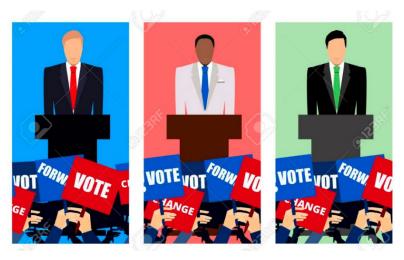
# Election Results/Canvass/Statement of Votes Cast



# Frequently Asked Questions

Can I, as a Candidate, view all parts of the ballot counting process?	Yes, the ballot counting process is open for public observation. If you wish to observe the process, you may go to the Elections Division lobby, located in the Lower Plaza of the Hall of Administration at the Government Center, at 800 South Victoria Avenue, to check in and be provided with an observer's badge. Tours are available by appointment.
How can I get results on Election Night?	<ol> <li>There are multiple ways to obtain election results:</li> <li>1) Website: venturavote.org</li> <li>2) Phone: Live operators are also available by calling (805) 654-2664 from 8:00 p.m. and thereafter until all precincts have reported.</li> <li>3) Ventura Headquarters: Hard copies of the results are printed and available at the Elections Division.</li> </ol>
Are Election Night results final?	No. California State law allows a specified period after the election for the completion of the official canvass. Results released on Election Night are considered semi-official.

# **Campaign Practices**



The following code sections concerning campaign literature and mass mailing are required by law to be issued to all candidates.

# Mass Mailing

(Government Code §84305)

- (a) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (b), a candidate, candidate controlled committee established for an elective office for the controlling candidate, or political party committee shall not send a mass mailing unless the name, street address, and city of the candidate or committee are shown on the outside of each piece of mail in the mass mailing and on at least one of the inserts included within each piece of mail of the mailing in no less than 6-point type that is in a color or print that contrasts with the background so as to be easily legible. A post office box may be stated in lieu of a street address if the candidate's, candidate-controlled committee established for an elective office for the controlling candidate's, or political party committee's street address is a matter of public record with the Secretary of State.
  - (2) Except as provided in subdivision (b), a committee, other than a candidate controlled committee established for an elective office for the controlling candidate or a political party committee, shall not send a mass mailing that is not required to include a disclosure pursuant to Section 84504.2 unless the name, street address, and city of the committee is shown on the outside of each piece of mail in the mass mailing and on at least one of the inserts included within each piece of mail of the mailing in no less than 6-point type that is in a color or print that contrasts with the background so as to be easily legible. A post office box may be stated in lieu of a street address if the committee's address is a matter of public record with the Secretary of State.
- (b) If the sender of the mass mailing is a single candidate or committee, the name, street address, and city of the candidate or committee need only be shown on the outside of each piece of mail.
- (c) (1) A candidate, candidate controlled committee established for an elective office for the controlling candidate, or political party committee shall not send a mass electronic mailing unless the name of the candidate or committee is shown in the electronic mailing preceded by the words "Paid for by" in at least the same size font as a majority of the text in the electronic mailing.
  - (2) A committee, other than a candidate controlled committee established for an elective office for the controlling candidate or a political party committee, shall not send a mass electronic mailing that is not required to include a disclosure pursuant to Section 84502 or 84504.3 unless the name of the committee is shown in the electronic mailing preceded by the words "Paid for by" in at least the same size font as a majority of the text in the electronic mailing.

(d) If the sender of a mass mailing is a controlled committee, the name of the person controlling the committee shall be included in addition to the information required by subdivision (a) or (c).

(e) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) "Mass electronic mailing" means sending more than 200 hundred substantially similar pieces of electronic mail within a calendar month. "Mass electronic mailing" does not include a communication that was solicited by the recipient, including, but not limited to, acknowledgements for contributions or information that the recipient communicated to the organization.

(2) "Sender" means the candidate, candidate controlled committee established for an elective office for the controlling candidate, or political party committee who pays for the largest portion expenditures attributable to the designing, printing, and posting of the mailing which are reportable pursuant to 84216.5, inclusive.

(3) To "pay for" a share of the cost of a mass mailing means to make, to promise to make, or to incur an obligation to make, any payment: (A) to any person for the design, printing, postage, materials, or other costs of the mailing, including salaries, fees, or commissions, or (B) as a fee or other consideration for an endorsement or, in the case of a ballot measure, support or opposition, in the mailing.

(f) This section does not apply to a mass mailing or mass electronic mailing that is paid for by an independent expenditure.

# Political Advertisement Requirements

Any paid political advertisement that refers to an election or to any candidate for state or local elective office and that is contained in or distributed with a newspaper, shall bear on each surface or page thereof, in type or lettering at least half as large as the type or lettering of the advertisement or in 10-point roman type, whichever is larger, the words "Paid Political Advertisement." The words shall be set apart from any other printed matter. (Elections Code §20008)

# Simulated Ballot Requirements

(a) Every simulated ballot or simulated county voter information guide shall bear on each surface or page thereof, in type or lettering at least half as large as the type or lettering of the statement or words or in 10-point roman type, whichever is larger, in a printed or drawn box and set apart from any other printed matter, the following statement:

#### "NOTICE TO VOTERS "(Required by Law)

"This is not an official ballot or an official county voter information guide prepared by the county elections official or the Secretary of State.

"This is an unofficial, marked ballot prepared by \_\_\_\_\_ (insert name and address of the person or organization responsible for preparation thereof)."

This section shall not be construed as requiring this notice in any editorial or other statement appearing in a regularly published newspaper or magazine other than a paid political advertisement.

(b) A simulated ballot or simulated county voter information guide referred to in subdivision (a) shall not bear an official seal or the insignia of a public entity, and that seal or insignia shall not appear upon the envelope in which it is mailed or otherwise delivered.

(c) The superior court, in a case brought before it by a registered voter, may issue a temporary or permanent restraining order or injunction against the publication, printing, circulation, posting, or distribution of any matter in violation of this section, and all cases of this nature shall be in a preferred position for purposes of trial and appeal, so as to assure the speedy disposition of cases of this nature. (Elections Code §20009)



# Ventura County Elections Division Website

The Ventura County Elections website has a wealth of information for voters, candidates, media and community activists. The information below, along with many others are available at venturavote.org.

County Clerk		County Recor	der		Elections
REGISTERED VOTERS AS	OF 10/01/21 REP: 145,65	53 <b>DEM</b> : 220,672 <b>NG</b>	DNPARTISAN: 109,105	OTHER: 36,010	TOTAL 511,440
CANDIDATES AND CAMPAIG	INS VOTER INFO EL	ECTION RESULTS/CANVASS	VOTER LOOKUP	NEWSROOM	ELECTIONS FORMS
Campaign Finance	County Voter	Election Results/	Am I A	Press Releases	Update Voter Registration
E-Filing System	Delivery Options	Canvass	Registered Voter?	In the	Form
Campaign Finance FPPC Forms	Did You Know?	September 14 2021 California	Where Is My Polling	News	Affidavit to Request a 2 <sup>nd</sup> VBM ballot
Campaign Finance Information	Election Calendars	Gubernatorial Recall Election	Location? My County	Observer Panel Documents	Signature Verification
Campaign Finance Reports - Cities	Election Information	Historical Election Results And	Voter Information Guide	Videos	Ballot Envelope Statement
Campaign Finance Reports -County	"How To" Handbooks	Statement Of Votes	What Is The		County Voter Information Guide Delivery
Candidate Filing	High School Voter Education	Provisional Ballot Overview	Status of my CVR/Provision al Ballot		Options form Authorization
Candidate List	Language Accessibility Advisory	Vote Canvass	Who are my Elected		to Pick-Up Ballot form
Offices Up For Election	Committee		Officials?		Permanent Vote By Mail Application
FPPC Workshops and Seminars	Measures Military and Overseas Voters				Unsigned Ballo Envelope Statement
	Petition Flowchart				Vote By Mail Application

# Laws Concerning Campaign Practices



# Article 17 Leave of Absence to Run for Elective Office

County of Ventura Personnel Rules and Regulations

### §1701. Purpose

To provide a leave policy for employees who are running for elective office which would insure that participation in such an election would not disrupt the efficiency and integrity of the County service.

### §1702. Employees Affected

An employee who is a candidate for an elective County office shall be required to take a leave of absence. Said leave of absence shall commence at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of election and shall include the privilege of using earned vacation and compensatory time credits.

#### §1703. Review by the Civil Service Commission

An employee wishing an exception to Section 1702 shall timely request in writing a review by the Civil Service Commission. The findings of the Civil Service Commission shall be announced prior to the commencement of said leave of absence. The commission in its findings shall determine as follows:

- a) The absence of facts indicating a disruptive effect on the efficiency and integrity of the County service thus requiring that the candidate be returned to his position of employment.
- b) The presence of facts indicating a disruptive effect on the efficiency and integrity of the County service thus requiring that the leave of absence be taken.
   The Civil Service Commission shall review its findings should disruptions upon the efficiency and integrity of County service occur, following a decision that the candidate be returned to this position

#### §1704. Reinstatement Following the Election

of employment.

Following the date of the election, any employee who has been on a leave of absence to run for a political office shall be reinstated without penalty or forfeiture to the position he held prior to taking said leave of absence; except that an employee who is elected to a County political office shall resign from his previous position prior to the assumption of said elective office.

# <u>Article 24</u> Political Activity

County of Ventura

#### §2401. Purpose

In accordance with Section 1351, et seq., of the Ventura County Ordinance Code, to delineate those political activities which are restricted and those which are allowed while an individual is an employee of the County.

## §2402. Soliciting or Receiving Funds or Contributions

No employee of the County shall solicit for a candidate for elective office any contribution, pecuniary or otherwise, from other employees of the County. No employee of the County shall permit the services of his department/agency to be utilized to solicit, or process any political contribution, pecuniary or otherwise, from other employees of the County. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Article, an employee is not prevented from soliciting or receiving political funds or contributions to promote the passage or defeat of a ballot measure which would affect the rate of pay, hours of work, retirement, civil service, or other working conditions of employees of the County. A ballot measure shall be defined as any constitutional amendment or other proposition submitted to a popular vote at any election. The aforementioned activities are prohibited during the regular working hours of employees.

# §2403. Participation in Political Activity While in Uniform

No employee of the County shall participate in political activities of any kind while he is in uniform.

## §2404. Prohibition of Entry for Political Assessment, Subscription or Contribution

The purpose of this section is to deny the use of County property, its buildings, appurtenances or resources, for the solicitations of political assessments or contributions. Every employee of the County shall prohibit the entry into any place under his control, occupied and used for the governmental purposes of the County, of any person, for the purpose of therein making, or giving notice of any political assessment or subscription. No person shall enter or remain in any place as described above for the purpose of therein making, demanding, or giving notice of any political assessment or subscription. This section shall not apply to any auditorium or other place used for the conduct of public or political rallies or similar events, not to any park, street, public land or other place not being used for the governmental purposes of the County.

#### §2405. Use of Official Authority of Influence

No one who holds, or is seeking elective appointment to any office of employment in the County shall, directly or indirectly, use, promise, threaten or attempt to use, any office, authority or influence, whether then possessed or merely anticipated, to confer upon or secure for any person, or to aid or obstruct any person in securing, or to prevent any person from securing, any position, nomination, confirmation, promotion, change in compensation or position, within said County upon consideration that the vote or political influence or action of such person or another that the vote or political influence or action of such person or another that the vote or political influence, officer, or party, or upon any other corrupt condition or consideration.

#### §2406. Leave of absence to Run for Elective Absence

Leaves of absence to run for elective office are governed by Article 17 of these Rules and Regulations.

# Political Activities of Public Employees

Government Code Chapter 9.5

### §3201. Legislative finding

The Legislature finds that political activities of public employees are of significant statewide concern. The provisions of this chapter shall supersede all provisions on this subject in the general law of this state or any city, county, or city and county charter except as provided in Section 3207.

### §3202. Application of chapter; Definitions

This chapter applies to all offices and employees of a state or local agency.

- a) "Local agency" means a county, city, city and county, political subdivision, district other than a school district, or municipal corporation. Officers and employees of a given local agency include officers and employees of any other local agency whose principal duties consist of providing services to the given local agency.
- b) "State agency" means every state office, department, division, bureau, board, commission, superior court, court of appeal, the Supreme Court, the California State University, the University of California, and the Legislature.

### §3203. Restriction of Political Activities Prohibited

Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, or as necessary to meet requirements of federal law as it pertains to a particular employee or employees, no restriction shall be placed on the political activities of any officer or employee of a state or local agency.

#### §3204. Unlawful use of influence

No one who holds, or who is seeking election or appointment to, any office or employment in a state or local agency shall, directly or indirectly, use, promise, threaten or attempt to use, any office, authority, or influence, whether then possessed or merely anticipated, to confer upon or secure for any individual person, or to aid or obstruct any individual person in securing, or to prevent any individual person from securing, any position, nomination, confirmation, promotion, or change in compensation or position, within the state or local agency, upon consideration or condition that the vote or political influence or action of such person or another shall be given or used in behalf of, or withheld from, any candidate, officer, or party, or upon any other corrupt condition or consideration. This prohibition shall apply to urging or discouraging the individual employee's action.

#### §3205. Solicitation from other officers or employees

- a) An officer or employee of a local agency shall not, directly or indirectly, solicit a political contribution from an officer or employee of that agency, or from a person on an employment list of that agency, with knowledge that the person from whom the contribution is solicited is an officer or employee of that agency.
- b) A candidate for elective office of a local agency shall not, directly or indirectly, solicit a political contribution from an officer or employee of that agency, or from a person on an employment list of that agency, with knowledge that the person from whom the contribution is solicited is an officer or employee of that agency.
- c) This section shall not prohibit an officer or employee of a local agency, or a candidate for elective office in a local agency, from requesting political contributions from officers or employees of that agency if the solicitation is part of a solicitation made to a significant segment of the public which may include officers or employees of that local agency.

- d) Violation of this section is punishable as a misdemeanor. The district attorney shall have all authority to prosecute under this section.
- e) For purpose of this section, the term "contribution" shall have the same meaning as defined in Section 82105.

### §3205.5. Committee contributions or loans

No one who holds, or who is seeking election or appointment to, any office shall, directly or indirectly, offer or arrange for any increase in compensation or salary for an employee of a state or local agency in exchange for, or a promise of, a contribution or loan to any committee controlled directly or indirectly by the person who holds, or who is seeking election or appointment to, an office. A violation of this section is punishable by imprisonment in a county jail for a period not exceeding one year, a fine not exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000), or by both that imprisonment and fine.

#### §3206. Participation in political activities while in uniform

No officer or employee of a local agency shall participate in political activities of any kind while in uniform.

#### §3207. Local rules and regulations

Any city, county, or city and county charter or, in the absence of a charter provision, the governing body of any local agency and any agency not subject to Section 19251 by establishing rules and regulations, may prohibit or otherwise restrict the following:

- a) Officers and employees engaging in political activity during working hours
- b) Political activities on the premises of the local agency

#### §3208. Further limitations prohibited

Except as provided in Section 19990, limitations set forth in this chapter shall be the only restrictions on the political activities of state employees.

#### §3209. Solicitation or receipt of funds to promote passage or defeat of ballot measures

Nothing in this chapter prevents an officer or employee of a state or local agency from soliciting or receiving political funds or contributions to promote the passage or defeat of a ballot measure which would affect the rate of pay, hours of work, retirement, civil service, or other working conditions of officers or employees of such state or local agency, except that a state or local agency may prohibit or limit such activities by its employees during their working hours and may prohibit or limit entry into governmental offices for such purposes during working hours.

#### Division 18. Penal Provisions Chapter 3. Nomination of Candidates

## §18200. Fictitious name to nomination petition

Every person who subscribes to any information petition a fictitious name, or who intentionally subscribes thereto the name of another, or who causes another to subscribe a fictitious name to a nomination petition, is guilty of a felony and is punishable by imprisonment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 1170 of the Penal Code for 16 months or two or three years.

### §18201. Defacing or destroying a nomination paper

Any person who falsely makes or fraudulently defaces or destroys all or any part of a nomination paper, is punishable by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or by imprisonment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 1170 of the Penal Code for 16 months or two or three years or by both that fine and imprisonment.

#### §18202. Deliberate failure to file nomination paper

Every person acting on behalf of a candidate is guilty of a misdemeanor who deliberately fails to file at the proper time and in the proper place any nomination paper or declaration of candidacy in his or her possession that is entitled to be filed under this code.

#### §18203. False declaration of candidacy

Any person who files or submits for filing a nomination paper or declaration of candidacy knowing that it or any part of it has been made falsely is punishable by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or by imprisonment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 1170 of the Penal Code for 16 months or two or three years or by both that fine and imprisonment.

#### §18204. Suppression of nomination paper

Any person who willfully suppresses all or any part of a nomination paper or declaration of candidacy either before or after filing is punishable by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or by imprisonment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 1170 of the Penal Code for 16 months or two or three years or by both that fine and imprisonment.

#### §18205. Consideration for a person to become or withdraw from becoming a candidate

A person shall not directly or through any other person advance, pay, solicit, or receive or cause to be advanced, paid, solicited, or received, any money or other valuable consideration to or for the use of any person in order to induce a person not to become or to withdraw as a candidate for public office. Violation of this section shall be punishable by imprisonment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 1170 of the Penal Code for 16 months or two or three years.

#### Chapter 4. Election Campaigns Article 1. Campaign Literature

# §18301. Printing of simulated sample ballots

In addition to any other penalty, a person who prints or otherwise duplicates, or causes to be printed or duplicated, a simulated ballot or simulated county voter information guide that does not contain the statement required by Section 20009, or that uses an official seal or insignia in violation of Section 20009, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

# §18302. Distribution of precinct polling place information

A person is guilty of a misdemeanor who knowingly causes to be mailed or distributed, or knowingly mails or distributes, literature to a voter that includes a designation of the voter's precinct polling place other than a precinct polling place listed for that voter in an official precinct polling list that constituted the latest official precinct polling list at some time not more than 30 days prior to the mailing or distribution.

#### §18303. Mass mailing penal provisions

Every person who violates Section 84305 of the Government Code relating to mass mailing is subject to the penal provisions set forth in Chapter 11 (commencing with Section 91000) of Title 9 of the Government Code.

#### Article 3. Deceptive Online Activities

#### §18320. "Political cyberfraud" defined

- a) This act shall be known and may be cited as the "California Political Cyberfraud Abatement Act."
- b) It is unlawful for a person, with intent to mislead, deceive, or defraud, to commit an act of political cyberfraud.
- c) As used in this section:
  - a. "Political cyberfraud" means a knowing and willful act concerning a political Web site that is committed with the intent to deny a person access to a political Web site, deny a person the opportunity to register a domain name for a political Web site, or cause a person reasonably to believe that a political Web site has been posted by a person other than the person who posted the Internet Web site, and would cause a reasonable person, after reading the Internet Web site, to believe the site actually represents the views of the proponent or opponent of a ballot measure or of a candidate for public office. Political cyberfraud includes, but is not limited to, any of the following acts:
    - i. Intentionally diverting or redirecting access to a political Web site to another person's Internet Web site by the use of a similar domain name, meta-tags, or other electronic measures.
    - ii. Intentionally preventing or denying exit from a political Web site by the use of frames, hyperlinks, mousetrapping, popup screens, or other electronic measures.
    - iii. Registering a domain name that is similar to another domain name for a political Web site.
    - iv. Intentionally preventing the use of a domain name for a political Web site by registering and holding the domain name or by reselling it to another with the intent of preventing its use, or both.
      - 1. "Domain name" means any alphanumeric designation that is registered with or assigned by any domain name registrar, domain name registry, or other domain registration authority as part of an electronic address on the Internet.
      - 2. "Political Web site" means an Internet Web site that urges or appears to urge the support or opposition of a ballot measure or a candidate for public office.

#### Article 4. Political Meetings

#### §18340. Threats, intimidations, or violence

Every person who, by threats, intimidations, or unlawful violence, willfully hinders or prevents electors from assembling in public meetings for the consideration of public questions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

### Article 5. Misrepresentation by Candidates

# §18350. Misleading of voters; incumbency; public officer

- a) A person is guilty of a misdemeanor who, with intent to mislead the voters in connection with his or her campaign for nomination or election to a public office, or in connection with the campaign of another person for nomination or election to a public office, does either of the following acts:
  - a. Assumes, pretends, or implies, by his or her statements, conduct or campaign materials, that he or she is the incumbent of a public office when that is not the case.
  - b. Assumes, pretends, or implies, by his or her statements, conduct or campaign materials, that he or she is or has been acting in the capacity of a public officer when that is not the case.
- b) A violation of this section may be enjoined in a civil action brought by a candidate for the public office involved.

# §18351. False statements in a candidate statement; fine

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 Section 11327 or 13307, with the intent to mislead the voters in connection with his or her campaign for nomination or election to a nonpartisan office is punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

# Article 6. Solicitation of Funds

### §18360. Solicitation of funds

Any person who violates Section 20201 is guilty of a misdemeanor.

### §18361. Unauthorized use of candidate or committee name

Upon the complaint of the affected candidate or committee, any person who violates Section 20202 or 20203 is guilty of a misdemeanor.

# Article 7. Electioneering

# §18370. Electioneering within 100 feet of a polling place

No person, on election day, or at any time that a voter may be casting a ballot, shall, within 100 feet of a polling place, a satellite location under Section 3018, or an elections official's office:

- a) Circulate an initiative, referendum, recall, or nomination petition or any other petition.
- b) Solicit a vote or speak to a voter on the subject of marking his or her ballot.
- c) Place a sign relating to voters' qualifications or speak to a voter on the subject of his or her qualification except as provided in Section 14240.
- d) Do any electioneering as defined by Section 319.5.

As used in this section, "100 feet of a polling place, a satellite location under Section 3018, or an elections official's office" means distance of 100 feet from the room or rooms in which voters are signing the rose and casting ballots.

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

## §18371. Electioneering during Vote by Mail voting

- a) 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.
- b) Any person who knowingly violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- c) This section shall not be construed to conflict with any provision of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, 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.

### Chapter 6. Corruption of the Voting Process Article 2. Corruption of Voters

### §18520. 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:

- a) Refrain from voting.
- b) Vote for any particular person.
- c) Refrain from voting for any particular.

A violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be punishable by imprisonment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 1170 of the Penal Code for 16 months or two or three years.

#### §18521. Consideration for voting

A person shall not 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:

- a) Voted, agreed to vote, refrained from voting, or agreed to refrain from voting for any particular person or measure.
- b) Remained away from the polls.
- c) Refrained or agreed to refrain from voting.
- d) Induced any other person to:
  - 1) Remain away from the polls.
  - 2) Refrain from voting.
  - 3) Vote or refrain from voting for any particular person or measure.

Any person violating this section is punishable by imprisonment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 1170 of the Penal Code for 16 months or two or three years.

#### §18523. Bribery at Election

A person shall not 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 pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 1170 of the Penal Code for 16 months or two or three years.

### Article 3. Intimidation of Voters

#### §18540. Compelling another in voting

- a) Every person who makes 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, or because any person or measure at any election is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment pursuant to subdivision (h) of section 1170 of the Penal Code for 16 months or two or three years.
- b) Every person who hires or arranges for any other person to make use of or threaten 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 pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 1170 of the Penal Code for 16 months or two or three years.

#### §18541. Solicitation dissuading persons from voting

- a) No person shall, with 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.
- b) 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.
- c) 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.

# §18542. Pay envelopes may contain political material

Every employer, whether a corporation or natural person, or any other person who employs, is guilty of a misdemeanor if, in paying his or her employees the salary or wages due them, encloses their pay in pay envelopes upon which or in which there is written or printed the name of any candidate or any political mottoes, devices, or arguments containing threats, express or implied, intended or calculated to influence the political opinions or actions of the employees.

#### §18543. Challenge without probable cause

- a) Every person who knowingly challenges a person's right to vote without probable cause or on fraudulent or spurious grounds, or who engages in mass, indiscriminate, and groundless challenging of voters solely for the purpose of preventing voters from voting or to delay the process of voting, or who fraudulently advises any person that he or she is not eligible to vote or is not registered to vote when in fact that person is eligible or is registered, or who violates Section 14240, is punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than 12 months or in the state prison.
- b) Every person who conspires to violate subdivision (a) is guilty of a felony.

# Article 4. Corruption of Voting

## §18560. Fraudulent voting

Every person is guilty of a crime punishable by imprisonment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 1170 of the Penal Code for 16 months or two or three years, or in a county jail not exceeding one year, who:

- a) Not being entitled to vote at an election, fraudulently votes or fraudulently attempts to vote at that election.
- b) Being entitled to vote at an election, votes more than once, attempts to vote more than once or knowingly hands in two or more ballots folded together at that election.
- c) Impersonates or attempts to impersonate a voter at an election.

# Division 20. Election Campaigns

Chapter 3. Campaign Funds Article 1. Solicitation

#### §20200. "Person" definition

As used in this article "person" includes a firm, association, corporation, campaign committee or organization.

#### §20201. Solicitation of funds

It is unlawful for any person that includes in any part of its name the name of any political party that was qualified to participate in the last preceding primary election, to directly or indirectly solicit funds for any purpose whatsoever upon the representation either express or implied that the funds are being solicited for the use of that political party unless that person shall have previously obtained the written consent of one of the following: a member of the national committee from California or the majority of the members of the national committee if there are more than two national committee members from California, chairman of the state central committee, executive committee of the state central committee, or executive committee of the party whose name is being used in the county in which the solicitation is to be made. If the county central committee of the party in that county central committee is sufficient.

All persons soliciting funds in accordance with this section shall be furnished with adequate credentials bearing the name of the solicitor and a copy of the written consent that bears the signature of the person authorizing the solicitation.

#### §20202. Authorization to use candidate or committee name

It is unlawful for any person who solicits funds for the purpose of supporting or promoting any candidates or committees to include in any part of its name the name of that candidate or committee unless that person shall have previously obtained the authorization of the candidate or committee or the candidate's or committee's designated agent to use the candidate's or committee's name in the name of that person.

Authorization by a candidate or committee shall not be construed as rendering the person soliciting funds a controlled committee as defined by Section 82016 of the Government Code.

#### §20203. Notice of "not authorized by candidate" to be included in fundraising communication

Any person who solicits or receives contributions on behalf of any candidate or committee for the purported and exclusive use of that committee or the candidate's election campaign and who is not authorized by the candidate or committee or the candidate's or committee's designated agent to do so, shall include a notice in any fundraising communication, whether through any broadcasting station, newspaper, magazine, printed literature, direct mailing, or any other type of general public advertising, or through telephone or individual oral fundraising appeal, clearly and conspicuously stating that the person is not authorized by the candidate or committee and that the candidate or committee is not responsible for the actions of that person.

# To Report Election Violations

**NOTE:** The County Clerk, Registrar of Voters office is not an enforcement agency and is therefore unable to investigate any violations. When our office receives reports of violations, we refer them to the agencies listed below:

Violation	Who to contact			
False or misleading campaigning	There is no enforcement agency, matters are dealt with in court.			
The Political Reform Act (Title 9 of 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.	Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) (866) 275-3772			
Unlawful use of public funds, violation of the Elections Code, the Penal Code, or any laws other than the Political Reform Act.	Ventura County District Attorney (805) 654-2500 California State Attorney General (916) 445-9555			
Open meeting laws (Brown Act)	Local City Attorney or County District Attorney (805) 654-2500			
Local ordinances	Local City Attorney or County District Attorney (805) 654-2500			
Vandalism	Local Police Department			
Political Signs	<u><i>City</i></u> Consult the appropriate City Clerk for information concerning local sign ordinances. <u><i>County</i></u> The Ventura County Ordinance only regulates signs placed in the unincorporated areas of the county. You are encouraged to read the Ordinance and if you have any questions relating to political signs, the staff of the Ventura County Planning Department will be happy to assist you. They can be reached at (805) 654-2488 or (805) 654-2451.			

On Election Day, if your campaign workers observe problems at the voting locations that need attention, please contact our office at (805) 654-2664 so that we have the opportunity to immediately look into the problem and make necessary corrections.

# **Political Signs**

# **County Sign Regulations**

Standard and Permits

County of Ventura Planning Code, Chapter 8, states:

#### §8110-6.8 – Political Signs

The purpose of this section is to prevent damage to Public property, protect the integrity of the electoral process and prevent the erosion of aesthetic quality and historic values within the County. It is specifically recognized that if temporary political signs on private property are not removed after the election is held, the deteriorating signs and accumulating debris become a blight, defacing the landscape. It is therefore an intent of this Article to make provision for the erection and removal of such signs after the election which they publicized has been held.

#### §8110-6.8.1. Political Signs on Private Property

No temporary political sign face shall exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in area. The aggregate area of all temporary signs placed or maintained on any lot in one ownership shall not exceed ninety-six (96) square feet.

#### §8110-6.8.2. Political Sign Registration

In order to keep track of the placement of temporary political signs to assure removal subsequent to an election, such signs shall be registered with the Planning Department by the candidate or his or her registered agent, or, when a ballot proposition is involved, by an authorized agent of the group or organization sponsoring the signs, prior to the distribution of such signs for the attachment or installation on any property. Registration of political signs shall be on forms available in the Planning Department and shall be accompanied by an agreement signed by the candidate or his or her authorized agent, or when a ballot proposition is involved, agent of the group or organization sponsoring the signs, that within ten calendar days after the election all political signs shall be removed, and a certified statement by the registrant that consent will be obtained from each owner of the property on which a sign is to be posted.

#### §8110-6.8.3. Location

Political signs may not be affixed, installed, or erected within 100 feet of a polling place or historic site, nor within the right of way of any highway, nor within 660 feet of the edge of a "Scenic Highway" or landscaped freeway, nor in any location where the sign will impair sight distance or create a hazard to traffic or pedestrians, nor on any telephone pole, lamppost, tree, wall, fence, bridge, bench, hydrant, curbstone, sidewalk or other structure in or upon any public right-of-way, nor upon any other public property.

#### §8110-6.8.4. Time Frames

Temporary political signs shall not be posted sooner than 90 days prior to a scheduled election administered by the County Elections Department. Said signs shall be removed within 10 days after the election.

#### §8110-6.8.5. Enforcement

Except for signs remaining posted after the post-election deadline, any political sign not posted in accordance with the provisions of this Article shall be deemed to be a public nuisance and shall be subject to removal by the candidate, property owner, or, when a ballot proposition is involved, the authorized agent of the group or organization sponsoring the sign or, upon their failure to do so after reasonable attempt at notice by the County, by County officers or zoning inspectors. Any political sign which is not removed within the specified period following an election shall be subject to summary removal and confiscation by the County.



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September 7, 2021



#### NOTICE TO ALL POLITICAL CANDIDATES

#### POLITICAL CAMPAIGN SIGNS AND ADVERTISING IN COUNTY ROAD RIGHT OF WAY

As we enter into the election season, it is appropriate to remind all candidates that it is a violation of the County Encroachment Ordinance (Division 12 of the Ventura County Ordinance Code) to place political campaign or other such advertisements or endorsements in the County road right- of-way. This includes the center medians, sidewalk or paths, and the portion of the County road right-of-way immediately adjacent to the pavement. (Note: The County Encroachment Ordinance applies only to the unincorporated area of the County; however, most cities have similar ordinances.) Similarly, it is a violation to place campaign signs or other such advertisements on official traffic signs, public utility poles, or other improvements located in the County road right-of-way.

When placing any advertisements, banners, or signs on private property, please make sure that you obtain the property owner's permission. Also, please make sure these signs or banners do not interfere with motorist sight distance or pedestrian use of the right-of-way, including sidewalks and the like.

Public Works Agency Roads & Transportation does not have the resources to enforce all violations of the Encroachment Ordinance. However, if we observe them or receive notifications, we will attempt to notify you first and give you the opportunity to move the item. If the encroachment obstructs or interferes with the public's safe use of the right-of-way, we may have to immediately remove any such encroachment without notifying you.

We felt you would want to be aware of this Ordinance to ensure you and your supporters comply with the County's rules and regulations regarding political campaign signs and advertising. It would also be appreciated if, as soon as possible after the election is over - win or lose - all of your signs and/or banners were removed. We all take pride in the appearance of our County.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (805) 654-2077 or Chris.Kurgan@ventura.org.

Chris Kurgan Director Roads & Transportation



Si necesita esta informacion traducida en español, por favor contacte al Departamento de Obrás Publicas, del Condado de Ventura al (805) 654-2049.



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# State Sign Regulations

As noted in the following letter from the State Department of Transportation, political signs within view of State or County highways are subject to the provisions of the Outdoor Advertising Act. The division of Highways is prepared to answer questions about state regulation of campaign signs, call (916) 654-6473.

#### A Temporary Political Sign meets the following criteria:

- 1. Encourages a particular vote in a scheduled election.
- 2. Is placed not sooner than 90 days prior to the scheduled election and is removed within 10 days after that election.
- 3. Is no larger than 32 square feet.
- 4. Has had a Statement of Responsibility filed with the Department certifying a person who will be responsible for removing the sign.

A completed <u>Statement of Responsibility (PDF)</u> must be submitted to:

Division of Traffic Operations Outdoor Advertising Program P.O. Box 942874, MS-36 Sacramento, CA 94274-0001.

Temporary Political Signs shall not be placed within the right-of-way of any highway, or within 660 feet of the edge of and visible from the right-of-way of a classified "Landscaped freeway."

View the <u>Classified Landscaped Freeways List (PDF)</u> by district, county, route and post mile.

State law directs the Department of Transportation to remove unauthorized Temporary Political Signs and bill the responsible party for their removal.

#### STATE OF CALIFORNIA • DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR TEMPORARY POLITICAL SIGNS

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Election Date:	June November Other:	
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Candidate's Name:		
Office sought or Prop	position Number:	
County where sign(s)	) will be placed:	
Number of signs to be	e placed:	
RESPONSIBLE PAR	<u>{TY</u> :	
Name:		
Address:		
Phone Num	ber (Include Area Code):	
	Email (Optional):	
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	agreed that any Temporary Political Signs placed sooner than ninety (90) days prior to the elec e election, may be removed by the Department and the responsible party will be billed for any a	
Signature of Respons	sible Party	Date
Mail Statement of R	esponsibility to:	
Department of Transp Division of Traffic Op- Outdoor Advertising F P.O. Box 942874, MS Sacramento, CA 942 Email: ODA@dot.ca.	erations Program S-36 174-0001	
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# Enforcement Agency Contact Information

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California Secretary of State	1500 11th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814								
Political Reform Division	Phone (916) 653-6224 Fax (916) 653-5045								
Elections Division	Phone (916) 657-2166 Fax (916) 653-3214								
Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC)	1102 Q Street, Suite 3000, Sacramento, CA 95811								
Advice/Assistance	Phone (866) 275-3772 Fax (916) 322-0886								
	Phone (916) 322-5660 Web www.fppc.ca.gov								
Enforcement Division (Reporting Violations)	Phone (800) 561-1861								
Federal Election Commission	999 E Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20463								
(FEC) <i>Federal Candidates</i>	Phone (800) 424-9530 Web www.fec.gov								
	Phone (202) 219-3336								
U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC)	1335 East West Highway, Suite 4300, Silver Spring, MD 20910								
Non-Federal Candidates									
	Phone (866) 747-1471 Fax (301) 734-3108								
	Phone (301) 563-3919 Web www.eac.gv								
California State Attorney General	1300 I Street, #125, Sacramento, CA 95814-2919								
	Phone (916) 445-9555								
	300 South Spring Street, #1700, Los Angeles, CA 90013								
	Phone (213) 897-2000								
Ventura County District Attorney	800 South Victoria Avenue, #314, Ventura, CA 93009								
	Phone (805) 654-2500 Fax (805) 654-1313								

# Election Calendar

Statewide Direct Primary Election – June 7, 2022

	(California Constitution Article II, §8 (c); Elections Code §9040)
L-101	The last day for an initiative measure or a measure proposed by the legislature to qualify for the Statewide Direct Primary Election ballot.
January 27 E-131	Measure Qualification Deadline
	and offices to be filled. (Elections Code §12000)
E-148	Governor issues a proclamation calling the Statewide Direct Primary Election, date, time,
January 10	(Elections Code §§2187 (c)(1), 5100 (b)) Governor's Proclamation
	Primary Election candidate nominating process.
	particular party in order to qualify to participate in the June 7, 2022 Statewide Direct
E-154	The last day any person may register to vote and declare an intention to affiliate with a
January 4	Registration in New Party
	(Elections Code §2187 (a), (c), & (d)(1)
<b>through January 23</b> E-154-135	During this period, each county elections official shall send to the Secretary of State a summary statement of the number of persons registered by party affiliation, by county, and by each political subdivision thereof.
January 4	Report of Registration - 154-Day County Report
through February 9 E-154-118	
January 4	Signatures-In-Lieu of Filing Fee Petitions for County Supervisor Offices
	The last day to file petitions in-lieu of paying a filing fee for all candidates for offices, who must pay a filing fee including judicial offices of the Superior Court, is <b>February 9, 2022, 5:00 p.m.</b> (Elections Code §§8105-8106)
	Only registered voters who are qualified to vote for the candidate may sign the petition. No voter shall sign more petitions for candidates than there are offices to be filled.
	signatures on the nomination paper to satisfy the signature requirements for the office on the nomination paper. If the candidate requires an additional quantity of forms, the candidate may duplicate. (Elections Code §§8061, 8105-8106)
E-155-118	county office, may obtain his or her forms from the county Elections Division or the Secretary of State for circulating petitions to secure signatures-in-lieu of all or part of the filing fee. Signatures may also be applied to and combined with the valid number of
February 9	During this period, a candidate for any office, state constitutional, legislative, judicial, or
through	

January 27 through	Candidate Statements in the State Voter Information Guide Deadline
February 16 E-131-111	Period in which statewide constitutional office and United States Senator candidates may purchase space for a 250-word statement in the official State Voter Information Guide. A candidate for statewide constitutional office may purchase space for a statement only if a Candidate Intention Statement (Form 501) has been filed and the candidate has agreed to accept the voluntary expenditure limits. (Elections Code §9084(i))
January 31 Date fixed by law	Semi-Annual Campaign Statement
Date lined by law	The last day to file semi-annual campaign statements, if required, by candidates and committees for the period of July 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, or January 1 through December 31, 2021, if no previous statement has been filed. (Government Code §84200(a))
January 31	Declaration of Intention - Judicial Offices
through February 9 E-127-118	During this period a <i>Declaration of Intention</i> for all judicial offices may be obtained from the county Elections Division office and filed with the county elections official. (Elections Code §8023 (a))
	The filing fee or petitions in-lieu of the filing fee, all or part, must be submitted at the time the <i>Declaration of Intention</i> is filed. The filing fee is nonrefundable. This applies to all candidates who are required to file a <i>Declaration of Intention</i> . (Elections Code §8105(b))
February 1 E-126	Deliver Resolution, Notice of Election and a Map of the District
	<ul> <li>Last day for the District Secretary to deliver to the County Elections Division, a resolution specifying services requested and a notice containing:</li> <li>1) Elective office(s) to be filled,</li> <li>2) Whether the candidate's statement shall be limited to 200 or 400 words.</li> <li>3) Whether the candidate or the district will bear the cost of the statement.</li> </ul>
	The District Secretary shall also deliver a map showing the boundaries of the district and of the divisions, if any, and a statement indicating in which division a director is to be elected or whether any elective office is to be elected at large. (Elections Code §1002, 10509, 10522)
	Deadline for Ballot Measures
	Last day for county, cities, districts, and schools to request consolidation to place a measure on the ballot with arguments for and against, based on the time reasonably necessary to prepare and print county voter information guides. (Elections Code §9316)
<b>February 9</b> E-118	Last Day to File Signatures-In-Lieu of Filing Fee Petitions Last day to file signatures-in-lieu. (Including judicial offices)

February 10 through February 14 E-117-113	Extension of <i>Declaration of Intention</i> – Judicial Offices If the incumbent of a judicial office for any reason fails to file a <i>Declaration of Intention</i> by February 9, 2022, 5:00 p.m., qualified persons other than the incumbent may file <i>Declarations of Intention</i> no later than the first day for filing nomination papers. (Elections Code §8023(b))						
February 14 through	Nomination Period						
March 11 E-113-88	During this period, nomination documents may be obtained from the County Elections Division, Hall of Administration, 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura. (Elections Code §7227, 7422, 7772)						
	Nomination documents shall be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 11, 2022 with the County Elections Division. (Elections Code §8064						
	All candidates must pay the nonrefundable filing fee or present in-lieu-signatures at the time nomination papers are obtained from the County Elections Division for the office ir which the nomination is proposed. (Elections Code §8061)						
	If an incumbent Judge of the Superior Court files a <i>Declaration of Intention</i> , but fails to qualify for the nomination by March 11, 2022, there is a 5-day extension allowed for al qualified persons other than the incumbent to file for such office, notwithstanding tha he/she has not filed a written and signed <i>Declaration of Intention</i> to become a candidate for the office.						
February 14	Statement of Economic Interests						
through March 11 E-113-88	Every candidate for an elective office that is designated in a conflict of interest code shall file a statement disclosing his or her investments, business positions, interests in real property, and income received during the immediately preceding 12 months, as enumerated in the disclosure requirements for that position. The statement shall be filed with the election official with whom the candidate's declaration of candidacy or other nomination documents to appear on the ballot are required to be filed and shall be filed no later than the final filing date for the declaration or nomination documents. (Government Code §87200, 87201, 87302.3(a))						
	Candidates' Statement of Qualifications for Local Offices						
	Each candidate for elective office in any local agency, city, county, or district may prepare a <i>candidate's statement</i> to be printed in the County Voter Information Guide or an appropriate form which will be provided and explained at the time the candidate obtains nomination papers. The <i>statement</i> may contain no more than 200 words. The						

obtains nomination papers. The *statement* may contain no more than 200 words. The statement in finalized form must be filed at the time nomination papers are filed. It may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the period for filing nomination papers and until 5:00 p.m. on the next working day after the close of the nomination period for that office. (Elections Code §10540, 13307)

Such statements will not be available for public inspection until after the close of the<br/>nomination period for that office.(Elections Code §13311)

February 14 through	Candidates' Statement of Qualifications for Legislative and Congressional Offices								
March 11 E-113-88	Pursuant to Proposition 34 adopted by the voters in November of 2000, all candidates for Assembly who have voluntarily agreed to expenditure limits may prepare a <i>candidate's statement</i> to be printed in the County Voter Information Guide. Candidates for Congressional offices may prepare a candidate statement. <i>Congressional candidates</i> <i>do not need to voluntarily agree to expenditure limits to prepare a candidate statement.</i>								
	The <i>statement</i> may not to exceed 250 words and must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m on the 88 <sup>th</sup> day prior to the election. All statements must be submitted on the form provided by the county elections official of each county in which the candidate wishes to have his/her statement printed. Costs of providing statements to voters shall be paid b the candidates. (Elections Code §13307.5; Government Code §85601(c)								
February 22	Ballot Measure Arguments								
through									
March 3 E-105-96	Between these dates arguments for or against any measure may be filed with the County Elections Division. (Elections Code §9163, 9502)								
March 4	Ballot Measure Rebuttal Argument								
through									
March 13 E-95-86	Between these dates, rebuttals to arguments for and against any measure may be file with the County Elections Division. (Elections Code §9167, 9504								
March 9	with the County Elections Division. (Elections Code §9167, 9504) Late Contributions Report and Late Independent Expenditure Report								
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June 7 E-90-Election	Between these dates each candidate or committee that makes or receives a lat contribution (as defined in Government Code §82036) or a late independent expenditur (as defined in Government Code §82036.5) must report the late contribution or lat independent expenditure within 24 hours. (Government Code §84203-84204								
March 11 (5:00 p.m.)	Nomination Documents Deadline								
È-88	Last day for candidates to file nomination documents with the County Elections Divisior (Elections Code §8800								
	Candidate Withdrawal								
	No candidate whose declaration of candidacy has been filed for a primary election ma withdraw. (Elections Code §8800								
March 12 through	Extension of Nomination Period – Judicial and State Legislative Offices								
March 16 E-87-83	If the incumbent of a judicial office for any reason fails to file his or her nomination paper by March 11, 2022 or dies on or before March 11, 2022 or if an incumbent Member of the Assembly, state constitutional or judicial officer, Insurance Commissioner, Member of the United States House of Representatives, or United States Senator for any reaso fails to qualify for the nomination by March 11, 2022, a five-day extension is allowed for any person, other than the incumbent, if otherwise qualified, to file for such office durin the extended period. (Elections Code §§8022, 820)								

March 12	Extension of Nomination Period – All Offices
through March 16 E-87-83	If nomination documents for an incumbent officer of a county are not delivered by 5:00 p.m. on March 11, 2022, any person other than the person who was the incumbent on March 11, 2022 shall have until 5:00 p.m. on March 16, 2022 to file nomination documents for the elective office. This section is not applicable where there is no incumbent eligible to be elected or the established term limits have been met by the current office holder (incumbent).
March 12	(Elections Code §8024)
through March 21 E-87-78	Procedure When Only Incumbent Judge Files If only the incumbent has filed nomination papers, his/her name shall not appear on the ballot unless there is filed with the county elections official, within 10 days (by March 21, 2022) after the final date for filing nomination papers for the office, a petition indicating
	that a write-in campaign will be conducted for the office and signed by 100 registered voters qualified to vote with respect to the office.
	(Elections Code §8203)
	Public Review for Candidate Statements of Qualifications and Ballot Designations
	During this period, <i>candidate statements</i> of qualifications and ballot designations will be available for public examination. These <i>statements</i> and ballot designations will be available at the county Elections Division office.
	(Elections Code §13313)
March 14 (5:00 p.m.)	Candidate Statement Withdrawal
	Last day to withdraw <i>candidate statement</i> by candidate subject to March 11, 2022 filing deadline. (Elections Code §13307(a)(3))
March 14	Public Examination Period for Measure Documents
through March 23 E-85-74	During the 10-day period immediately following the filing deadline for submission of materials related to ballot measures, the election official shall make available for public examination a copy of the election materials relating to local measures that will appear on the Statewide Direct Primary Election ballot. The materials shall include the text of the proposed measure, impartial analysis, arguments for, against, and rebuttals. (Elections Code §9295, 9380, 9509)
March 17	Random Alpha Drawing
<b>11:00 a.m.</b> E-82	County elections official draws random alphabet to determine order of candidates on ballot for assembly districts shared with other counties. Secretary of State draws random alphabet to determine order of other candidates who will appear on the ballot. (Elections Code §13111(e), 13112(b))
	Candidate Statement Withdrawal
	Last day to withdraw <i>candidate statement</i> by candidates subject to extended March 16, (Elections Code §13307)
March 17 through	Public Review for <i>Candidate Statements of Qualifications</i> and Ballot Designations for extended Nomination Period
March 26 E-82-73	Public review period for <i>candidate statements</i> and ballot designations filed during the extended filing period. (Government Code §13313)

<b>March 21</b> E-78	Last day for county elections official to certify nomination papers to Secretary of State for candidates of offices extended five days because incumbent failed to file. (Elections Code §8082)							
March 31	Last Day for Secretary of State Certified Candidate List							
E-68	On or before this date, Secretary of State certifies and transmits to county elections officials a list of candidates required to file with that office who have qualified and are eligible to be voted upon at the Statewide Direct Primary Election. (Elections Code §8120)							
	Death of Filed Candidate							
	Last day death of a filed candidate may cause name to be omitted from ballot. (Elections Code §8026)							
April 11	Statement of Write-In Candidacy and Nomination Papers							
<b>through May 24</b> E-57-14	During this period, all write-in candidates must file their statement of write-in candidacy and nomination papers with the county elections official.							
April 28	(Elections Code §8600-8601) 1 <sup>st</sup> Pre-Election Campaign Statement Deadline							
E-40	Last day to file a campaign financial disclosure statement for candidates and committees for the period beginning January 1 through April 23, 2022. (Government Code §84200.8(a))							
April 28	County Voter Information Guide Mailing							
<b>through May 17</b> E-40-21	Between these dates, the county elections official shall mail a polling place notice and an appropriate county voter information guide to each registered voter. The polling place notice shall state whether the polling place is accessible to the physically handicapped. (Elections Code § 13300, 13304)							
	State Voter Information Guide Mailing							
	Between these dates, the Secretary of State shall mail state voter information guides to households in which voters were registered by Thursday, April 28, 2022. (Elections Code §9094(a))							
May 9	Precinct Boards and Polling Places							
E-29	Last day for designation of polling places by county elections official. Publication made immediately thereafter. (Elections Code §§12105, 12286)							
May 9	Vote By Mail Ballots							
E-29	Every active registered voter will be mailed a Vote By Mail ballot and packet. (Elections Code §§3000.5, 3010)							
	Any voter subsequently registered will be mailed a ballot within five days of registering. (Elections Code §§3000.5, 3001(b))							
May 13	List of Registered Voters							
E-25	On or before this date, two copies of the printed index of registered voters by precinct or one electronic copy will be available to candidates, proponents, and opponents of ballot measures, etc., at the rate of fifty cents (50¢) per one thousand names. Two copies are provided to State and County Central Committees upon written demand made by the Chair or Vice-Chair.							
	(Elections Code §2184-2185)							

May 23	Registration Closes								
E-15	Last day to register and then vote in a vote center or by mail.								
	(Elections Code §2102)								
May 24	Write-In Candidate Declaration Deadline								
E-14	Every person who desires to have his/her name as written on the ballots counted for a particular office must file a declaration stating he/she is a write-in candidate for the particular office and submit a sponsor's certificate as required per Elections Code §8062 for that office with the county elections official no later than the 14 <sup>th</sup> day prior to the election. (Elections Code §8600-8601, 15341)								
May 24	Conditional Voter Registration Period								
<b>through</b> June 7 E-14-Election Day	Conditional Voter Registration extends the existing 15-day registration deadline in California for eligible voters. Voters are allowed to register and vote provisionally starting 14 days prior to an election through Election Day, only at all permanent and satellite offices of the county elections official and all vote centers in the county. (Elections Code §2170 (d)(1))								
May 26	2 <sup>nd</sup> Pre-Election Campaign Statement Deadline								
E-12	Last day to file campaign financial disclosure statements for candidates and committees, if required, for the period beginning April 24 through May 21, 2022.								
	Sent by guaranteed overnight mail or delivered in person. A postmark will not be sufficient. (Government Code §84200.8(d))								
May 28 through	In-Person Voting								
<b>June 7</b> E-10 – Election Day	Period for in-person voting at vote centers. The locations and hours of operation of these vote centers will be available in the Vote By Mail packet and on the Elections Division website. Any registered voter in the county may visit any vote center in order to receive voter services or vote. (Elections Code §4005(a)(2)(A))								
May 31	Report of Registration – 15-Day County Report								
E-7	Last day for county elections official to transmit to the Secretary of State a statement of the number of voters registered in the county by parties within political subdivision. (Elections Code §2187)								
	Supplemental Index to Central Committees								
	Last day for county elections official, when requested in writing, to furnish without charge to state and county central committees a copy of printed indexes by Assembly district or all voters who registered after April 14, 2022 ( $E - 54$ ). (Elections Code §2185)								
June 1	Vote By Mail Ballots – Late Conditions								
Through June 7 E-6-Election	Between these dates, any voter may apply in writing or in person for a Vote By Mail ballot if he/she will be absent or unable to go to the polls on Election Day. The voter may designate any authorized representative to obtain and return the Vote By Mail ballot. (Elections Code §3021)								

June 7	Vote By Mail Ballots – Returned In Person
Election Day	Last day County Elections Official may receive Vote By Mail ballots in person. Vote By Mail ballots must be received by 8:00 p.m. at the Ventura County Elections Division.
June 7	(Elections Code §3017, 3020) STATEWIDE DIRECT PRIMARY ELECTION
Election Day	Vote Centers open 7:00 a.m. and close 8:00 p.m. (Elections Code §14212)
	Semi-official canvass begins upon the first returns from the precincts and continues until completed. (Elections Code §10547, 15301)
June 9	Canvass Election Returns
E+2	Last day County Election Officials may begin official canvass; deadline to complete is 30 days after the election, July 7, 2022. (Elections Code §10547,15301)
<b>June 14</b> E+7	Vote By Mail Ballots Returned By Mail
	Last day County Elections Official may receive Vote By Mail ballots by mail. Ballots must be postmarked on or before the date of the election. Vote By Mail ballots must be received by 5:00 p.m. at the Ventura County Elections Division. (Elections Code §3020)
<b>July 7</b> E+30	Official Canvass – End
2.00	No later than this date, the county elections official must complete the canvass, certify its results, and submit it to the Secretary of State. (Elections Code §15372, 15400)
August 1, 2022	Semi-annual Campaign Statement Deadline
	Last day to file semi-annual campaign financial disclosure statement, if required, by all candidates and committees for the day after the closing date of the last statement or May 22 through June 30, 2022.
	(Government Code §84200(a))

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