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# CONTACT INFORMATION

## San Joaquin County - Registrar of Voters

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The Registrar of Voters office strongly recommends that any prospective candidate obtain legal advice to assist in complying with applicable California laws, including the California Elections Code and California Government Code.

This guide is intended to help you understand your responsibilities and resources. We recommend that you review this guide for valuable information on how to complete the required forms.

In addition to this candidate guide, our website contains useful information which includes an election calendar and information on how to request voter files.

You may access our website at www.sjcrov.org. You may also contact candidate filing services where our staff is ready to answer your questions and provide assistance at (209) 468-8945.
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WHAT’S NEW

Registrar of Voters

We are pleased to announce that we are beginning the New Year with our new Registrar of Voters, Heather Ditty. With over 20+ years of experience in elections, her expertise is both rich and in line with what San Joaquin County Voters value: accurate and transparent elections with integrity.

AB 571

Assembly Bill (AB) 571, a bill that imposes state contribution limits on candidates for elective county or city office unless the county or city has established contribution limits, became effective January 1, 2021. Under the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) regulations implementing AB 571, candidate-controlled committees subject to AB 571 (where there are no local contribution limits) are not permitted to redesignate an existing committee for a new election. At this time, San Joaquin County does not have any contribution limits for local candidates.

AB 571 does not apply to candidates for school board, community college district, political party central committee or judicial offices.

If you have further questions and/or concerns about AB 571, we encourage you to email FPPC at advice@fppc.ca.gov or call their advice line at 1-866-ASK-FPPC (M-Th 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.).

E-File Ordinance

San Joaquin County Code of Ordinance, Title 6, Division 12, Chapter 1 - Economic Filings requires all Form 460 Recipient Committee Campaign Statement reports and Form 700 Statement of Economic Interests to be filed electronically beginning January 13, 2022. Please see, How to E-File Campaign Committee Statements, on page 26.

Redistricting

Every ten years districts are redrawn using U.S Census data. Redistricting is the process of drawing electoral district maps, which then determine what neighborhoods and communities are grouped together. For most elected offices, voters in each district elect representatives from those districts. Incumbents and candidates may be required to live in their district and, due to boundary line changes, may no longer reside in those districts. Please remain flexible in case of delays or new information from the state. Candidates or incumbents who have questions regarding which districts they reside in may contact our office at (209) 468-8945.
United States Senator Special Primary Vacancy Election

United States Senator Special Primary Vacancy Election will be consolidated with the regularly scheduled Statewide Direct Primary Election to be held on June 7, 2022, and the regularly scheduled General Election to be held on November 8, 2022.

Elections Code § 10720(b)

This special vacancy election is for the remainder of the unexpired term in the United States Senate, which ends on January 3, 2023. Candidates may choose to run for the partial and/or the full-term seat. If a candidate chooses to run for both seats, then two separate filing fees will be required.

For further information, please visit the Secretary of State’s website at: https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/upcoming-elections/statewide-direct-primary-election-june-7-2022/qualifications
Abbreviated Election Calendar
June 7, 2022 Statewide Direct Primary Election

(Dates subject to change to accommodate redistricting efforts.
Please note, the Registrar of Voters office hours are M-F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. and closed on holidays and weekends.)

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<td>Signatures-In-Lieu (SIL) of Filing Fee Petitions (contests requiring a filing fee)</td>
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<td>During this period, petition forms may be obtained to secure signatures-in-lieu of all or a portion of the filing fee. Valid signatures submitted on the in-lieu petitions may also be applied to the signature requirements for that office. Candidates will be notified of any deficiency within 10 days of filing the petition. SIL petition forms will be available January 3rd for all offices except County Supervisor.</td>
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<td>Recommended Deadline Recommended Deadline</td>
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<td>Recommended deadline for governing boards to adopt resolution calling a governing board member election and setting forth the specifications of the election order.</td>
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<td>E-154 – E-118</td>
<td>During this period, petition forms may be obtained to secure signatures-in-lieu of all or a portion of the filing fee. Valid signatures submitted on the in-lieu petitions may also be applied to the signature requirements for that office. Candidates will be notified of any deficiency within 10 days of filing the petition. Pursuant to SB 594 and EC § 21501 the start date for SIL’s has changed for BOS, and dependent on the date of the final adoption of the boundaries map of county supervisorial districts.</td>
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<td>During this period, candidates for judicial offices must file a Declaration of Intention to become a candidate. The filing fee must be paid at this time. Signatures-in-lieu of filing fee will not be accepted after the Declaration of Intention is filed. The filing fee is nonrefundable.</td>
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<td>Order and Notice of Election</td>
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* Start date, end date or deadline falls on a weekend or holiday, please note the Registrar of Voters office hours and plan accordingly.
### Declaration of Intention Extension Period (Judicial Offices)

During this period, if an incumbent fails to file Declaration of Intention papers by February 9th for their office, there will be a 5-Calendar day extension period during which any qualified person other than the incumbent may file a Declaration of Intention no later than the first day for filing nomination papers.

EC § 8023(b)

### Nomination Period

During this period, candidates must file a Declaration of Candidacy and nomination papers. Filing fees if required must be paid at the time the nomination papers are obtained from the Voter Registration and Elections office. This fee is nonrefundable. Signatures-In-Lieu of filing fee can be counted toward the number of signatures required for the candidate’s nomination papers. If the candidate’s signatures-in-lieu of filing fee petition contains the requisite number of valid signatures required for their nomination papers, the county elections office shall not require the candidate to circulate nomination papers.

A candidate may prepare a candidate statement on the appropriate form provided by the elections official. The 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 statement shall be filed in the election’s office at the time the candidate’s nomination papers are returned/filed.

Candidates for judicial offices must file a Declaration of Candidacy and nomination papers during this period.

EC §§ 8020, 8028, 8061, 8062, 8100, 8105, 8106, 10401, 13307

### County Holiday

The Registrar of Voters office will be closed.

EC §§ 8000, 10224, 10603

### Candidate Withdrawal

No candidate who has filed a Declaration of Candidacy may withdraw as a candidate, except candidates for a municipal office or school district office are permitted to withdraw up to and including the deadline to file a Declaration of Candidacy.

EC §§ 8800, 1024, 10603

### Candidate Statement Withdrawal

Last day for a candidate to withdraw their Candidate Statement. This must be done by 5:00 p.m. in writing. This deadline does not pertain to any offices that are in extension.

EC § 13307(3)

### Nomination Extension Period

During this period, if an incumbent fails to file nomination papers by March 11th for their office, there will be a 5-Calendar day extension period during which any qualified person other than the incumbent may file. The nomination extension is not applicable where there is no incumbent to be elected or an incumbent has served the maximum number of terms as permitted by the California Constitution.

EC §§ 8022, 8024, 8204, 10407(b)

### Public Examination Period

10-Calendar day review period for Candidate Statements submitted by 5:00 p.m. March 11th (E-88). This review period does not pertain to any offices that are in extension. During this 10-Calendar day review period, any person may seek a Writ of Mandate or injunction requiring any or all of the material in the candidate statement to be amended or deleted. All Writs of Mandate must be filed no later than the end of the 10-Calendar day public examination period.

EC § 13313

### Randomized Alphabet Drawing

Randomized Alphabet Drawing to be held by the Secretary of State and Counties to determine the order of candidates on the ballot. This is held at 11:00 a.m.

EC §§ 13111(i), 13112

### Public Examination for Extension Period

10-Calendar day review period for Candidate Statements submitted during the extension period. During this 10-Calendar day review period, any person may seek a Writ of Mandate or injunction requiring any or all of the material in the Candidate Statement to be amended or deleted. All Writs of Mandate must be filed no later than the end of the 10-Calendar day public examination period.

EC § 13313

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<td>Last Day to Challenge Ballot Designation / Certified List of Candidates</td>
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<td>§ 8120</td>
<td>Last day to challenge ballot designations. Last day for the Secretary of State to prepare and send to the election’s office a certified list of candidates.</td>
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<td>04/11/22 – 05/24/22</td>
<td>Write-In Period</td>
<td>EC</td>
<td>§§ 8600, 8601</td>
<td>A name written on a ballot will not be counted unless the person has filed during this period a statement of write-in candidacy and sponsor signatures, if applicable, stating that they are a write-in candidate for the election.</td>
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<td>04/28/22</td>
<td>Campaign Disclosure Statements</td>
<td>GOV</td>
<td>§§ 84200.5, 84200.8</td>
<td>Last day for committees and candidates (460 and 470 filers) to file 1st Pre-election Campaign Statement.</td>
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<td>04/28/22 – 05/28/22*</td>
<td>County Voter Information Guide Mailings</td>
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<td>§§ 13300, 13303</td>
<td>During this period a County Voter Information Guide will be mailed to every registered voter.</td>
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<td>§ 4005(a)(8)(A)</td>
<td>Ballots are mailed to all voters.</td>
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<td>EC</td>
<td>§ 3025.5(a)(b)</td>
<td>All ballot drop-off locations open this day through Election Day.</td>
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<td>05/23/22</td>
<td>Deadline to Register</td>
<td>EC</td>
<td>§§ 2102, 2170, 2171</td>
<td>After the 15-day close, Conditional Voter Registration is available. Registrar of Voters Office - 5/23/22 through Election Day Polling Places - Election Day Only</td>
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<td>Campaign Disclosure Statements</td>
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<td>Completion of canvass.</td>
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<td>Last day for all committees (460 filers) to file Semi-Annual Campaign Statement.</td>
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TOP-TWO OPEN PRIMARY ACT

On June 8, 2010, California voters approved Proposition 14, which created the Top-Two Open Primary Act. Before the Top-Two Open Primary Act, candidates running for partisan office appeared only on their party ballot. The top vote getter from each qualified political party and any candidates who qualified using the independent nomination process would move on to the General Election. The Top-Two Open Primary Act allows all candidates running, regardless of their party preference, to appear on a single combined ballot. Voters can vote for any candidate from any political party.

VOTER-NOMINATED AND NON-PARTISAN OFFICES

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<td>VOTER-NOMINATED OFFICES</td>
<td>All voters regardless of party preference can vote for any candidate.</td>
<td>The top-two vote getters, regardless of party preference, move on to the General Election.</td>
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<td>U.S. Senator</td>
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<td>NON-PARTISAN OFFICES</td>
<td>All voters can vote for any candidate.</td>
<td>These are majority vote contests, candidates that receive a majority (50% plus one) of the votes win outright in the Primary Election. If no candidate receives a majority of the vote, then the top two vote-getters move on to the General Election.</td>
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<td>State Superintendent of Public Instruction</td>
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<td>U.S. Representative</td>
<td>District 9, 2 years</td>
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<td>District 13, 2 years</td>
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<td><strong>City (Candidates must file with the City Clerk)</strong></td>
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*Term Limits: Members are limited to 12 years of service in the State Senate or State Assembly. There are no term limits for congressional or federal offices.

CA Constitution, Article IV, § 2(a)(4)

**Incumbent has termed out.
QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICE

Federal Offices

U.S. Senator

Qualifications

1) Be at least 30 years of age.

2) Be a U.S. Citizen for nine years.

3) Be a resident of California on the date they are sworn into office, if elected.

U.S. Representative

Qualifications

1) Be at least 25 years of age.

2) Be a U.S. citizen for seven years.

3) Be a resident of California on the date they are sworn into office, if elected.

State Offices

Governor

Lieutenant Governor

Secretary of State

Controller

Treasurer

Attorney General

Insurance Commissioner

Board of Equalization

State Superintendent of Public Instruction

State Assembly

Qualifications

1) Be a U.S. Citizen.

2) Be a registered voter and qualified to vote for that office at the time nomination papers are issued.

3) 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.

4) Not have served two terms in the office sought since November 6, 1990.

Elections Code §§ 20, 201
CA Constitution, Article IV, § 2(a)(4)
Additional Qualifications for Specific Offices

**Attorney General**

a. Admitted practicing before the California Supreme Court for at least five years.
   
   Government Code § 12503

**Insurance Commissioner**

a. Have no conflicts of interest with the insurance industry. Not have served two four-year terms
   
   Insurance Code § 12901

**County Offices**

Member, Board of Supervisors

Auditor-Controller

Sheriff-Public Administrator

County Superintendent of Schools

Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk

District Attorney

Treasurer-Tax Collector

Member, Board of Education

Qualifications

1) Be a U.S. Citizen.

2) Be a registered voter at the time the Declaration of Candidacy is issued.

3) 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, 201

Additional Qualifications for Specific Offices

**Member, Board of Supervisors** - No additional qualifications.

**Assessor**

a. A valid appraiser’s certificate or temporary appraiser’s certificate no later than 30 days after taking office.
   
   Government Code § 24002.5

**Auditor** - Have at least one of the following:

a. A valid certificate issued by the California Board of Accountancy as a certified public accountant or as a public accountant.

b. A Bachelor’s Degree from an accredited university, college, or other four-year institution, with a major in accounting or its equivalent, and served within the last five years in a senior fiscal management position continuously for not less than three years.

c. A certificate issued by the Institute of Internal Auditors as a professional internal auditor.

d. Service as county auditor, chief deputy county auditor, or chief assistant county auditor for a continuous period of not less than three years.
   
   Government Code § 26945
County Superintendent of Schools
a. A valid certification document authorizing administrative services or possession of a valid elementary and secondary administrative credential.

Education Code § 1208

District Attorney
a. Admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of the State of California.

Government Code § 24002

Sheriff-Public Administrator - Have at least one of the following:
 a. An active or inactive advanced Peace Officer Standards and Training certificate.

b. A Master’s Degree from an accredited college or university and one year of full-time, paid law enforcement experience.

c. A Bachelor’s Degree from an accredited college or university and two years of full-time, paid law enforcement experience.

d. An Associate in Arts or Associate in Science Degree, or the equivalent, from an accredited college and three years of full-time, paid law enforcement experience.

e. A High School Diploma or the equivalent and four years of full-time, paid law enforcement experience.

Government Code § 24004.3
Penal Code §§ 830.1 or 830.2

Treasurer-Tax Collector - Have at least one of the following:
 a. Service in a senior financial management position in a county, city, or other public agency, dealing with similar financial responsibilities for a continuous period of three years.

b. A valid Bachelor’s, Master’s, 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 units in accounting, auditing, or finance.

c. A valid certificate issued by the California Board of Accountancy, authorizing practice as a Certified Public Accountant.

d. A valid charter issued by the Institute of Chartered Financial Analysts as a Chartered Financial Analyst with a minimum of 16 units in accounting, auditing, or finance.

e. A valid certificate issued by the Treasury Management Association as a Certified Cash Manager, with a minimum of 16 units in accounting, auditing, or finance.

Government Code § 27000.7
SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE

Non-partisan – 6 year term of office commences at 12 o’clock noon the first Monday after January 1st succeeding the election.

Office Up for Election:

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*Judicial office numbers have been assigned in alphabetical order by the incumbent’s last name by the Registrar of Voters Office. These numbers are assigned only for identification purposes during the election process and are not official office or district numbers.

Judicial Offices

Superior Court Judge

Qualifications

1) A registered voter in California.

2) A member of the State Bar for 10 years or served as a judge of a California court of record for 10 years immediately preceding selection.

Requirements

a) Provide documentation proving qualifications.

b) Submit the required minimum number of valid nomination signatures which is 20. Nomination papers allow up to 40 signatures.

c) File a declaration of intention between January 31, 2022 and February 9, 2022 (No later than 5:00 p.m.)

FILING PERIODS:

- Signatures-In-Lieu E-155 to E-118 January 3, 2022 to February 9, 2022
- Declaration of Intention E-127 to E-118 January 31, 2022 to February 9, 2022
- Nomination E-113 to E-88 February 14, 2022 to March 11, 2022

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Declaration of Intention

Information concerning the declaration of intention presented below applies ONLY to candidates for office of Superior Court Judge.

Every candidate for Superior Court Judge, not more than 14 nor less than 5 days prior to the first day on which their nomination papers may be circulated and signed or may be presented for filing, shall file in the office of the Registrar of Voters a written and signed statement of intention to become a candidate for that office on a form to be supplied by the Registrar of Voters.

A candidate for a numerically designated judicial office shall file a declaration for the office intended. Note: A judicial candidate must also pay the filing fee at the time the Declaration of Intention is filed. Signatures-in-Lieu will not be accepted after the filing of a Declaration of Intention.

If an incumbent Superior Court Judge fails to file a declaration of intention by February 9, 2022, 5:00 p.m., the period is extended, for persons other than the incumbent, to February 14, 2022, 5:00 p.m. for that particular office.

Elections Code § 8023

If an incumbent Superior Court Judge files a declaration of intention, but for any reason fails to qualify for nomination for the office by the last day prescribed for the filing of nomination papers, March 11, 2022, 5:00 p.m., an additional five days shall be allowed for the filing of nomination papers for the office during the extended period, notwithstanding that they have not filed a written and signed declaration of intention to become a candidate for the office.

Elections Code § 8204

Candidates for a Superior Court judicial office shall not be required to state a residential address on the declaration of intention provided for in this section. However, if the address is not stated on the declaration of intention, the address must be provided to the elections official for verification.

Elections Code § 8023
SIGNATURES-IN-LIEU OF FILING FEE FORMULAS

Filing fees are based upon the annual salary in effect on the first year in office. A candidate may submit a petition containing signatures of registered voters, instead of paying the filing fee. The signatures submitted may cover all, or a portion, of the filing fee.

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Federal and State office fees are payable to the Secretary of State. County office fees are payable to the San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters.

Note: City Council Member candidates can only file with the City Clerk.

The candidate or any registered voter may serve as a circulator to collect signatures. Any registered voter who is a resident of the jurisdiction may sign a “Signatures-In-Lieu of Filing Fee” petition for any candidate for whom he/she is eligible to vote.

Signatures on petitions in lieu of filing fees may be applied to and combined with, the valid number of signatures on the nomination petitions to help satisfy the signature requirement for the office.

Elections Code § 8106

Note to Judicial Candidates: “Signatures-In-Lieu of Filing Fee” petitions are to be filed with the “Declaration of Intention,” no later than February 14, 2022.
SIGNATURES-IN-LIEU OF FILING FEE PETITION

The first day to circulate a signatures-in-lieu petition for the June 7, 2022 Statewide Direct Primary Election is January 3, 2022 (E-155).

Signatures-in-Lieu Petition toward Nomination Signatures

If a candidate submits a signatures-in-lieu petition, the county elections official will also count those valid signatures appearing on the petition toward the number of voter signatures required for the candidate's nomination qualification.

If the signatures-in-lieu petition contains the required number of valid signatures required for the nomination paper, the candidate is not required to circulate and file a separate nomination paper. However, all other required documents (i.e. Declaration of Candidacy, etc.) must still be filed during the appropriate time frame. Between February 14, 2022 and March 11, 2022, 5:00 p.m., all candidates who are required to file a Declaration of Intention are also required to file a Declaration of Candidacy.

If the signatures-in-lieu petition does not contain the required number of valid signatures for the nomination paper, the candidate may circulate and file a separate nomination paper to be signed by qualified registered voters during the nomination period.

Elections Code § 8106

Filing fee with signatures-in-lieu
Check amount is left blank with the words Not to exceed followed by the amount of filing fee printed in the memo line.

Filing fee without signatures-in-lieu
Check is filled out completely for the full amount of the filing fee.

Returned checks:
The elections official will notify the candidate by telephone if the check for the filing fee is returned for non-sufficient funds. The candidate must present payment for the filing fee with cash, money order or cashier's check by 5 p.m. on the next business day for the full amount of the filing fee in addition to the returned check fee. Failure to do so will invalidate the individual's candidacy, and the candidate's name will not appear on the ballot. The San Joaquin County returned check fee is $45.00.
CANDIDATE FILING PERIOD

Candidates must complete nomination papers during the candidate filing period. Paperwork must be picked up from the Registrar of Voters. Candidates are encouraged to start the process early in the filing period to meet the filing deadline. The nomination papers include the following forms and information:

- Nomination Papers (if applicable)
- Filing Fee Information
- Declaration of Candidacy
- Character-Based Name Form
- Ballot Designation Worksheet
- Permission to Post
- Candidate Statement of Qualifications
- Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700)
- Campaign Finance Disclosure
- Code of Fair Campaign Practices (optional)
- Declaration of Intention (Judicial Candidates ONLY)

Nomination Papers

Candidates are required to file nomination papers with the required number of valid signatures for the office. Nomination papers are furnished by the Registrar of Voters, except for city offices which are distributed by the city clerk.

Circulators of Nomination Papers

Circulators must be 18 years of age or older. Candidates may circulate and sign their own nomination papers.

The Affidavit of Circulator section, located on the back of each paper, must be completed in the circulator’s own hand, even if the candidate is the circulator.

Signers’ Qualifications

Signers must be registered voters in the district or political subdivision in which the candidate is to be voted on.

Signers’ Limitations

Signers may only sign one nomination paper for any candidate for a given office. If more than one position is to be filled in the same office, signers may sign nomination papers for as many candidates as there are positions to be filled for that office.
Verification of Signatures on Nomination Papers

Papers are validated in the order of arrival. The signatures of all signers on nomination papers will be verified by each voter's registration status. The signer must be a registered voter residing at his or her address of registration at the time of signing any nomination paper. If your nomination papers are filed early and any signatures are found insufficient, there will be time for you to submit supplemental signatures. By not filing your nomination papers early, you could be risking your nomination, if you don't have the required number of valid signatures.

Returning Nomination Papers

The nomination paper shall be delivered to the elections official of the county in which the signer resides and is a voter.

Elections Code § 8063

Filing Fee Information

For more information on filing fees, please refer to page 7.

Declaration of Candidacy

The Declaration of Candidacy form must be filed by a candidate for any office sought. The Declaration of Candidacy is an official document in which the candidate indicates how his/her name and ballot designation is to appear on the ballot. The candidate declares that he/she meets the statutory and/or constitutional qualifications for the office sought, and that if nominated, the candidate will accept the nomination and not withdraw.

Elections Code §§ 8001, 8800, 8801

Character-Based Name (optional)

Assembly Bill 57 (2019) requires that any ballot providing a translation of a candidate's name, in jurisdictions required to provide translated ballot materials, contain a phonetic transliteration of the candidate's name unless certain conditions are met and as specified:

1) Permits a candidate who has a character-based name by birth, which can be verified by birth certificate or other valid identification, to use that name on the ballot instead of a phonetic transliteration.

2) Permits a candidate who does not have a character-based name by birth, but who identifies by a particular character-based name and can demonstrate that the candidate has been known and identified within the public sphere by that name over the past two years, to use that name instead of phonetic transliteration.
If a candidate’s name is to appear in more than one jurisdiction in an election, all of those jurisdictions are required to provide translated ballot materials and shall use the same phonetic transliteration or character-based translation of the name.

Elections Code § 13211.7

Candidates with a character-based name will be required to fill out a Character-Based Name Form, and submit supporting documents.

Ballot Designation Worksheet

The ballot designation is the word or group of words that will appear on the ballot under the candidate’s name, designating the candidate’s principal profession, vocation, or occupation.

Ballot Designations may be rejected if they do not comply with the rules set by California Election Code 13107. If rejected, the candidate will be notified by the contact on the candidate’s Ballot Designation Worksheet. If an alternative designation is not provided within the time allowed, no designation will appear on the ballot.

Elections Code §§ 13107, 13107.3

For more information on Ballot Designation, please refer to page 21.

Candidate Statement of Qualifications

Each candidate for elective office must complete a “Candidate Statement of Qualifications”. The candidate statement is designed to familiarize voters with a candidate’s qualification for the office sought. The candidate statement is incorporated into the “Voter Information Guide”, and will be mailed to all registered voters eligible to vote for that particular office. The candidate statement is printed in English and Spanish.

Elections Code § 13307

Filing of Candidate Statement

The statement must be filed during the nomination period. In addition to filing a hardcopy, San Joaquin Registrar of Voters requests that candidates submit their statement in an editable text format (e.g. Word), to the following email address: candidates@sjgov.org

Restrictions

The candidate statement cannot refer to other candidates or to another candidate’s qualifications, character or activities.

Elections Code § 13308

Do Not Use:

- Bullets
- Underlines
- Boldface Type
- Lists
- Indentations
- Tables
- Stars
- Italics or All Caps
- Multiple Punctuation Marks
- Any Unusual Spacing or Underscoring
Changing a Candidate Statement

The candidate statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the period for filing nomination papers and until 5:00 p.m. of the next business day, after the close of the filing period. A candidate must sign a statement if they choose to withdraw the candidate statement. A new candidate statement cannot be filed to replace a withdrawn candidate statement. The candidate statement will remain confidential until after the close of the filing period for the office sought.

Elections Code § 13311

Public Review Period

After the close of the filing period, anyone may examine any ballot designation and/or statement. During a 10 calendar day period commencing the day after the close of the filing period, any voter of the jurisdiction in which the election is being held or the county elections official may seek a writ of mandate or an injunction challenging any or all of the material in a candidate statement or challenging the ballot designation.

Elections Code §§ 13313, 13314

Candidate Statement Costs

The estimated cost of the candidate statement must be paid at the time the statement is filed. The candidate is responsible for paying any unpaid balance of the actual cost.

Elections Code § 13307

Please note, due to the redistricting process, the cost estimates for the Candidate Statement of Qualifications for the San Joaquin County Voter Information Guide are currently not available until February 14.

Proposition 34 Candidate Statement Provisions

Proposition 34 established voluntary spending limits for candidates running for statewide office, the State Senate, and the State Assembly. Candidates who choose to accept the spending limits are able to purchase space for a 250-word candidate statement in either the state Voter Information Guide or in the county Voter Information Guide, depending on the office.
# Candidate Statement of Qualifications, Word Limits and Estimated Cost

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**Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700)**

Every candidate is required to file a “Statement of Economic Interests” (Form 700) disclosing certain financial interests.

The Form 700 is not required if the candidate has filed a statement for the same jurisdiction within 60 days prior to filing of his/her “Declaration of Candidacy”.

**Government Code §§ 87202, 87203**

**Campaign Finance Disclosure**

All state and local candidates, their committees, and committees supporting or opposing ballot measures are required to report campaign contributions and expenditures.

When a candidate receives nomination papers, they will receive an informational overview of all filing responsibilities including electronic filing of all campaign disclosures.

San Joaquin County Code of Ordinance Title 6, Division 12, Chapter 1 Economic Filings requires all campaign disclosure reports and documents mandated by the California Political Reform Act to be filed electronically.

Candidates should familiarize themselves thoroughly with the information provided by the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) and carefully note the filing deadlines, as the Act imposes penalties for late filing of campaign statements. Information and requirements can be found at [www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov).

**Government Code § 85201**

**Code of Fair Campaign Practices**

By subscribing to the Code of Fair Campaign Practices, a candidate vows to follow the principles of decency, honesty, and fair play. Subscription to the code is optional. Completed forms are to be filed with the Election Division, and shall be retained for public inspection until 30 days after the election.

**Elections Code §§ 20400, 20440-20444**

**Write-In Candidates**

A person who did not file during the regular filing period may file for office as a write-in candidate. There is no fee or charge required of a write-in candidate, except in the case of some city offices.

Any person who desires to be a write-in candidate and have votes cast for him/her counted shall file a Statement of Write-In Candidacy.

**Elections Code § 8605**

Forms are available from the Registrar of Voters from April 11-May 24, 2022.

Write-In candidates must also file the same forms required of other candidates, who have filed during the regular filing period. The candidate statement form or ballot designation form does not apply to write-in candidates and write-in candidates may not submit a candidate statement.

Only votes cast for official write-in candidates will be reported.
BALLOT DESIGNATION GUIDELINES

The ballot designation is the word, or group of words, which appear on the ballot under the candidate’s name, designating the current principal profession, vocation, or occupation of the candidate.  

Elections Code § 13107

Ballot designations cannot be changed and they become public once the “Declaration of Candidacy” has been filed.  

Elections Code § 20711

Format of Ballot Designation

A ballot designation may be an elective office title, officeholder status, or profession. The following examples illustrate each type. Combining these types is not permitted.

Elective Office Title

Words designating the elective public office currently held, provided the officeholder was elected to the office. In the case of judicial offices only an appointed Judge may use the office title.  

Example A: Governing Board Member  
Example B: Board member, XYZ School District

Officeholder Status

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 election. NOTE: A candidate for the office of Representative in Congress, Member of the State Board of Equalization, State Senator, or Member of the Assembly shall not choose the word “incumbent” as a designation to appear on the ballot. 

Elections Code § 8168(a)

Appointed Incumbent: The phrase “appointed incumbent” may be used if:  

a) the candidate holds an office other than a judicial office by virtue of appointment and is a candidate for the same office; or

b) is a candidate for the same office or to some other office, the word “appointed” and the title of the office.

The phrase “appointed incumbent” is not required of a candidate who seeks re-election to an office which they hold and to which they were appointed in-lieu of an election.  

Example A: Appointed Incumbent  
Example B: Appointed Board Member, XYZ School District
Profession

Principal Occupation: 3-Word Profession/Occupation/Vocation- No more than three words designating the current principal professions, vocations, or occupations of the candidate.

Example A: High School Teacher
Example B: Attorney/Educator/Rancher
Example C: Businessman/Councilmember

Community Volunteer

A Community Volunteer shall constitute a valid principal vocation or occupation subject to the following conditions:

a) A candidate’s community volunteer activities constitute their 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.

No Occupation Desired

If no ballot designation is requested, the word “NONE” and the candidate’s initials must be written in the space provided for ballot designation on the Declaration of Candidacy form. The space provided for the ballot designation on the official ballot will be blank.

Unacceptable Designations

Designations will not be accepted if:

- It would mislead the voter
- It would suggest an evaluation of a candidate, such as outstanding, leading, expert, virtuous, or eminent
- It abbreviates the word “retired” or places it following any word(s) that it modifies
  
  Acceptable: Retired Policeman
  Unacceptable: Ret. Policeman
  Policeman, Retired

- 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.”

- It includes the name of the political party, whether or not it has qualified for the ballot
- It uses any word(s) referring to a racial, religious or ethnic group
- It refers to any activity that is prohibited by law
STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS WORD COUNT

These are the guidelines utilized by the elections official in determining the number of words submitted on any document (such as the candidate statement) whose content is limited by statute.

Elections Code § 9

**Punctuation:**

- Punctuation is not counted.

**Proper Nouns:**

- All proper nouns shall be considered as one word.
  
  **Example A:**  John Smith = one word

**Geographical Names:**

- All geographical names shall be counted as one word. Areas that have political boundaries with an elected or appointed board are considered geographic areas by this office.

  **Example A:**  County of San Joaquin = one word
  
  **Example B:**  Stockton Unified School District = one word

**Abbreviations:**

- Each abbreviation for a word, phrase or expression shall be counted as one word.

  **Example A:**  PTA = one word

**Hyphenations:**

- Hyphenated words that appear in any generally available standard reference dictionary shall be considered as one word. Each part of all other hyphenated words shall be counted as separate words.

  **Example A:**  Re-election = one word
  
  **Example B:**  Re-elect = two words

**Dates:**

- Numbers shall be counted as one word. Dates containing both numerical and alphabetical characters will be counted separately when the date is spelled out.

  **Example A:**  01/01/2016 = one word
  
  **Example B:**  January 1, 2020 = two words

**Numbers:**

- Any number consisting of a digit or digits shall be counted as one word. Any number which is spelled shall be considered as a separate word or words.

  **Example A:**  One = one word
  
  **Example B:**  One hundred = two words
  
  **Example C:**  100 = one word

**Telephone Numbers:**

- Telephone numbers shall be counted as one word.

  **Example A:**  (209) 468-8945 = one word

**Internet Website and Email Addresses:**

- Internet website and email addresses shall be counted as one word.

  **Example A:**  www.jdoe.voteforme.com = one word
  
  **Example B:**  jdoe@gmail.com = one word
SUMMARY OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

**Form 501 - Candidate Intention Statement**

A candidate for state or local office must file this form for each election, including re-election to the same office. This statement must be filed before a candidate solicits or receives any contributions or loans from others or before any expenditure is made from personal funds on behalf of his/her candidacy, excluding personal funds used to pay filing fees and/or fees for Statements of Qualifications.

**Exception:** Form 501 is not required to be filed by candidates who do not receive any contributions or loans, and the only expenditures from personal funds would be for payment of the filing fee (if applicable) and the Statement of Qualifications. Form 501 is not used to obtain a Committee Identification Number.

**Form 410 - Statement of Organization**

Form 410 must be filed if a candidate or committee receives contributions or loans totaling $2,000 in a calendar year. This statement must be filed within 10 days of opening a campaign bank account at a financial institution in California. All personal funds and/or contributions or loans made to the candidate, to a person on behalf of the candidate, or the candidate’s-controlled committee shall be deposited in the campaign bank account before expenditure. A printed copy of Form 410 must be filed with the Secretary of State’s Office to obtain a Committee Identification Number.

**Form 460 - Recipient Committee Campaign Statement**

Candidates for office who receive contributions or have expenditures over $2,000 must file pre-election and semi-annual campaign statements during the year in which their election is being held. Please refer to the Filing Schedule for filing deadlines.

**Form 470 - Officeholder/Candidate Campaign Statement-Short Form**

Candidates for office who expect to receive or spend less than $2,000 during the election and who do not have a controlled committee may file a Form 470 with their Declaration of Candidacy (or no later than the filing deadline for the first pre-election campaign statement).

**Form 470 - Supplemental**

Supplemental Candidate and Officeholder Campaign Statement. This form applies to candidates and officeholders who have filed a Form 470 and subsequently receive contributions or make contributions totaling $2,000 or more for a calendar year. Once a Supplemental Form 470 is filed, the candidate or officeholder will be required to file Form 410 and Form 460.
**Form 700 - Statement of Economic Interests**

This form is used for the disclosure of certain personal financial interests under the Political Reform Act. This includes investments, interests in real property and any income received during the immediately preceding 12 months. All information required to be disclosed per the Conflict of Interest Code for the office sought during the 12 months prior to the nomination deadline must be reported. Every candidate is required to file a Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700). A statement is **not** required if the candidate filed a statement for the same jurisdiction within 60 days before filing a Declaration of Candidacy.

Form 700 is to be completed and filed prior to the deadline to file a Declaration of Candidacy.

*Please note:* per San Joaquin County Code of Ordinance Title 6, Division 12, Chapter 1 - Economic Filings, Form 460 and Form 700 must be filed electronically with NetFile at [www.netfile.com/filer](http://www.netfile.com/filer). See following page.

For technical questions regarding completion of the aforementioned forms, please contact:

Fair Political Practices Commission  
1102 Q Street, Suite 3000  
Sacramento, CA 95811  
(866) 275-3772  
advice@fppc.ca.gov  
[www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov)
How to E-File Campaign Committee Statements

San Joaquin County Code of Ordinance Title 6, Division 12, Chapter 1 Economic Filings requires all campaign disclosure reports and documents mandated by the California Political Reform Act to be filed electronically.

San Joaquin County has contracted with NetFile to be the filing platform for all local candidates, their committees, and committees supporting or opposing ballot measures to electronically submit Campaign Finance Statements.

NetFile offers tutorials and help for each page of their website. You may find it helpful to watch the “How to Create a New Campaign NetFile User” video in the “How To Videos” section of the page at www.netfile.com/filer.

![NetFile Login Page](image-url)
Basic Filing Guidelines for Candidates & Committees. For more information, you may contact FPPC at 1-866-ASK-FPPC (1-866-275-3772) and by going to the FPPC website at www.fppc.ca.gov

Form 501 – Candidate Intention Statement
Who Files: All Candidates
When to File: Before raising or spending any money including personal funds.
With: Original to Local Filing Officer

Form 470 – Campaign Statement Short Form
Who Files: Candidates who do not plan to raise or spend $2,000 or more for their campaign, and do not have an open committee.
When to File: Any time, but no later than the date the first Pre-Election statement is due. Statement covers entire calendar year.
With: Local Filing Officer via NetFile, or submit original if by mail or in person.

Form 470 Supplement
Who Files: Candidates who filed Form 470, but subsequently raised or spend $2,000 or more for their campaign.
When to File: Within 48 hours of raising or spending $2,000.
With: Secretary of State, Local Filing Officer and every other candidate seeking the same office. (See Form 470 instructions for delivery methods)
MUST ALSO FILE FORM 410

Form 410 – Statement of Organization
Who Files: Candidates and organizations who raise $2,000 or more.
When to File: Anytime, but required to be filed within 10 days of reaching $2,000 in contributions.
With: Original & copy to Secretary of State, one copy to Local Filing Officer (Take note, if filing via NetFile, users will be reminded to send original and copy to Secretary of State)
There will be a fee of $50 payable to the Secretary of State upon filing the Form 410.

Form 460 – Campaign Statement
Who Files: All candidates and committees who have filed a Form 410 and have raised or spent $2,000 or more in a calendar year.
When to File: Must be filed according to applicable FPPC filing schedules. Filing schedules are available on the FPPC website at www.fppc.ca.gov.
With: Local Filing Officer via NetFile, or submit original if by mail or in person.

After the Election
After the election, a successful candidate has the option of maintaining his/her committee and campaign bank account, or terminating the campaign committee and closing the bank account. An officeholder who maintains a committee may:
• Continue to receive contributions;
• Use campaign funds to offset officeholder expenses; or
• Hold funds for use in a future election as per AB 571 (does not apply to schoolboard, community college, political party central committee or judicial candidates.)
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### Filing Schedule for Candidates and Controlled Committees for Local Office Who Will be Voted Upon at the June 7, 2022 Election

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<td>Jan 31, 2022</td>
<td>* – 12/31/21</td>
<td>460</td>
<td>• Each candidate listed on the ballot must file Form 460 or Form 470 (see below).</td>
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<td>• If a candidate raised or spent less than $2,000 during 2021, file Form 470 (see below).</td>
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<td><strong>Within 24 Hours Contribution Reports</strong></td>
<td>3/9/22 – 6/7/22</td>
<td>497</td>
<td>• File if a contribution of $1,000 or more in the aggregate is received from a single source.</td>
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<td>• File if a contribution of $1,000 or more in the aggregate is made to or in connection with another candidate or measure being voted upon June 7, 2022.</td>
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<td>• The recipient of a non-monetary contribution of $1,000 or more in the aggregate must file a Form 497 within 48 hours from the time the contribution is received.</td>
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<td>• File by personal delivery, e-mail, guaranteed overnight service, or fax. The committee may also file online, if available.</td>
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<td>Apr 28, 2022</td>
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<td>460 or 470</td>
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<td>4/24/22 - 5/21/22</td>
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<td>• All committees must file this statement.</td>
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<td>Aug 1, 2022</td>
<td>5/22/22 - 6/30/22</td>
<td>460</td>
<td>• All committees must file Form 460 unless the committee filed termination Forms 410 and 460 before June 30, 2022.</td>
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### Additional Notes:
- **Period Covered:** The period covered by any statement begins on the day after the closing date of the last statement filed, or January 1, if no previous statement has been filed.
- **Local Ordinance:** Always check on whether additional local rules apply.
- **Deadline Extensions:** Deadlines are extended when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. This extension does not apply to a 24-Hour/10-Day Contribution Report (Form 497) that is due the weekend before the election, and this extension never applies to any 24-Hour/10-Day Independent Expenditure Report (Form 496). Such reports must be filed within 24 hours, regardless of the day of the week.
- **Method of Delivery:** All paper filings may be filed by first class mail unless otherwise noted. A paper copy of a statement may not be required if a local agency requires online filing pursuant to a local ordinance.
- **Form 501:** All candidates must file Form 501 (Candidate Intention Statement) before soliciting/receiving contributions.
- **Form 460:** Candidates who have raised/spent $2,000 or more file the Form 460. The Form 410 (Statement of Organization) must also be filed once $2,000 or more has been raised/spent.
• **Form 470 (2021):** Non-incumbent candidates who raised or spent less than $2,000 during 2021 and did not have an open committee must file Form 470 by January 31, 2021.

• **Form 470 (2022):** Candidates who do not raise or spend $2,000 or more (or anticipate raising or spending $2,000 or more) in 2022 and do not have an open committee may file Form 470 on or before April 28, 2022. If, later during the calendar year, the candidate raises or spends $2,000 or more, a Form 470 Supplement and a Form 410 must be filed.

• **Independent Expenditures:** Committees making independent expenditures totaling $1,000 or more to support or oppose other candidates or ballot measures also file:
  - **Form 496:** This form is due within 24 hours if made in the 90-day, 24-hour reporting period of the candidate’s or measure’s election. Refer to the applicable filing schedule. Form 496 is filed with the filing officer in the jurisdiction of the affected candidate or measure.
  - **Form 462:** This verification form must be e-mailed to the FPPC within 10 days. Once the California Access Replacement System (CARS) system is live, this report will be eliminated, and the information captured on other reports.

• **After the Election:** Reporting requirements will depend on whether the candidate is successful and whether a campaign committee is open. See [Campaign Disclosure Manual 2](#) for additional information.

• **Public Documents:** All statements and reports are public documents.

• **Resources:** Campaign manuals and other instructional materials are available on the [Campaign Rules](#) page. Or, visit [fppc.ca.gov](http://fppc.ca.gov/) Learn > Campaign Rules.
CAMPAIGN BASICS
For candidates spending $2,000 or more

CAMPAIGN RULES PAGE:
Bookmark the Campaign Rules page to find resources and answers to campaign-related questions throughout your campaign. All links noted below can be reached through the Campaign Rules page.

FPPC Home Page > Learn > Campaign Rules

TWO IMPORTANT RULES TO REMEMBER:
- Candidates MUST file Form 501 before soliciting or accepting contributions.
- Candidates MUST deposit funds into the campaign bank account before spending money on the campaign. Candidates may not spend money out of pocket for campaign expenses.

FORMS TO START:
- Form 501 – Candidate Intention Statement
- Form 410 – Statement of Organization (No bank account yet? Enter “Pending” where asked.)
- Form 700 – Statement of Economic Interests (See your elections official for filing date.)

ID NUMBER:
1. Send completed Form 410 to CA Secretary of State (SOS) and a copy to your local filing official.
2. SOS issues the committee ID number and posts it to their website, usually within 1-2 business days after receiving your completed Form 410.
3. To find your committee ID number, go to cal-access.sos.ca.gov.
4. Enter your committee name in the search bar at top left of the screen.
   - If your committee ID number is not available, SOS may not have posted it yet. Or, the Form 410 may be incorrect and SOS will send you a notice via USPS.
   - To find out the status of your ID number, contact the SOS at (916) 653-6224.

FILING SCHEDULES & DEADLINES:
Determine what campaign reports are due, and when they’re due, by reviewing your filing schedule.

MOST COMMON CAMPAIGN REPORTS:
- Form 460 – Recipient Committee Campaign Statement
- Form 497 – 24-Hour Contribution Report

MANUALS:
- Disclosure Manual 1 – State Candidates
- Disclosure Manual 2 – Local Candidates and Judges

CANDIDATE/TREASURER VIDEO:
Watch the Candidate/Treasurer video and print the accompanying slides.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:
In addition to the video above, you may learn more by registering for webinars and workshops.
FPPC Home Page > Learn > Campaign Rules > Training & Outreach > Candidate, Treasurer, or Committee?

QUESTIONS?
- advice@fppc.ca.gov
- (866) 275-3772 Mon-Thurs, 9-11:30 a.m.

This factsheet provides guidance and a general overview of the rules for campaigns, but it does not replace any requirements under the Political Reform Act or Fair Political Practices Commission Regulations. Information here should be used in conjunction with a careful review of the applicable laws.

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Candidates seeking a state office and committees that make contributions to state candidates are subject to contribution limits from a single source. Beginning January 1, 2021 a state campaign contribution limit will by default apply to city and county candidates when the city or county does not have laws addressing a contribution limit on such candidates. (Sections 85301 - 85303.) Contributions from affiliated entities are aggregated for purposes of the limits. (Regulation 18215.1.) The chart below shows the current limits per contributor for state offices and city and county candidates when the city or county does not have laws addressing a contribution limit on such candidates. The primary, general, special, and special run-off elections are considered separate elections. Contribution limits to candidates apply to each election. Contribution limits to officeholder and other committees apply on a calendar year basis. Contact your city or county about contribution limits for local offices, state campaign contribution limit will by default apply to city and county candidates when the city or county does not have laws addressing a contribution limit on such candidates.

### Contribution Limits to State and Local* Candidates Per Election

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<td>City and County Candidates subject to Section 85301 (d)</td>
<td>$4,900</td>
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<td>Senate and Assembly</td>
<td>$4,900</td>
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<td>CalPERS/CalSTRS</td>
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<td>$9,700</td>
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<td>Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Treasurer, Controller, Supt. of Public Instruction, Insurance Commissioner, and Board of Equalization</td>
<td>$8,100</td>
<td>$16,200</td>
<td>No Limit</td>
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<td>Governor</td>
<td>$32,400</td>
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*State campaign contribution limit will by default apply to city and county candidates when the city or county does not have laws addressing a contribution limit on such candidates.

### Contributions to Other State Committees Per Calendar Year

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<td>Political Party Account for State Candidates</td>
<td>$40,500</td>
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<td>Small Contributor Committee</td>
<td>$200</td>
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<td>Committee Account NOT for State Candidates (Ballot Measure, PAC, Political Party)</td>
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*State committees (including political parties and PACs) may receive contributions in excess of the limits identified above as long as the contributions are NOT used for state candidate contributions. (Regulation 18534.)

### Contributions to State Officeholder Committees Per Calendar Year

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<td>$6,700</td>
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<td>Governor</td>
<td>$26,900</td>
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California Fair Political Practices Commission
California State Contribution Limits
(Effective January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2022)

The contribution limits are effective for elections held between January 1, 2021 and December 31, 2022. (Regulation 18545.) These limits do not apply to contributions made to elections in previous years. Such contributions are subject to the limits in place for that year see previous charts.

Legal Defense Funds
Contributions raised for a legal defense fund are not subject to contribution limits or the voluntary expenditure ceiling. However, a candidate or officeholder may raise, in total, no more than is reasonably necessary to cover attorney’s fees and other legal costs related to the proceeding for which the fund is created. (Section 85304; Regulation 18530.4.)

Recall Elections
A state officeholder and city or county officeholder subject to Section 85301 (d) who is the subject of a recall may set up a separate committee to oppose the qualification of the recall measure and, if the recall petition qualifies, the recall election. Neither contribution limits nor voluntary expenditure ceilings apply to the committee to oppose the recall that is controlled by the officeholder who is the target of the recall attempt. Candidates running to replace an officeholder who is the target of a recall are subject to the contribution limits and the expenditure limits applicable to the election for that office. (Section 85315; Regulation 18531.5.)

Ballot Measure Committees
Contributions to ballot measure committees controlled by a candidate for elective state office or a candidate for elective city or county office subject to Section 85301 (d) are not limited.

Contributions from State Candidates and Candidates subject to Section 85301 (d)
A state candidate or candidate for elective city or county office subject to Section 85301 (d) may not contribute more than $4,900 to a committee controlled by another state candidate or candidate for elective city or county office subject to Section 85301 (d). This limit applies to the candidate’s personal funds and from campaign funds. (Section 85305; Regulation 18535.) This limit does not apply to a committee controlled by a candidate for elective city or county office subject to Section 85301 (d) to oppose his or her recall or their contributions made to a legal defense fund established by a candidate for elective state office or candidate for elective city or county office subject to Section 85301 (d). It also does not apply to contributions made by a candidate for elective state office or a candidate for elective city or county office subject to Section 85301 (d) to a ballot measure committee controlled by another state candidate or candidate for elective city or county office subject to Section 85301 (d). Please note there are certain rules applicable to use of funds held by state officeholder committees (See Regulation 18531.62.)

Communications Identifying State Candidates
Any committee that makes a payment or a promise of payment totaling $50,000 or more for a communication that:

1. Clearly identifies a state candidate; but
2. Does not expressly advocate the election or defeat of the candidate; and
3. Is disseminated, broadcast, or otherwise published within 45 days of an election, may not receive a contribution from any single source of more than $40,500 in a calendar year if the communication is made at the behest of the candidate featured in the communication. (Section 85310.)

Officeholder Committees
Officeholder contributions must be cumulated (in full) with any other contributions from the same contributor(s) for any other future elective state office or elective city or county office subject to Section 85301 (d) for which the officeholder maintains a controlled committee during the term of office in which the contribution is received. Contributions to candidates for future elections and to their officeholder account are cumulated for purposes of contribution limits. (Regulation 18531.62.)

Contributions from State Lobbyists
A state lobbyist may not contribute to a state officeholder’s or candidate’s committee if the lobbyist is registered to lobby the agency of the elected officer or the agency to which the candidate is seeking election. The lobbyist also may not contribute to a local committee controlled by any such state candidate. (Section 85702; Regulation 18572.) In addition, effective January 1, 2015, lobbyists and lobbying firms may no longer take advantage of the $500 or less home/office fundraiser exception that is available to other individuals and entities. (Section 82015(f).)

Local Elections
Many cities and counties have local contribution limits and other election rules. “Local Campaign Ordinances” are listed on the FPPC’s website. Check with your city or county about contribution limits for local elections. A State campaign contribution limit will by default apply to city and county candidates when the city or county does not have laws addressing a contribution limit on such candidates.

Definitions
Person: An individual, proprietorship, firm, partnership, joint venture, syndicate, business trust, company, corporation, limited liability company, association, committee, and any other organization or group of persons acting in concert. (Section 82047.)

Small Contributor Committee: Any committee that meets all of the following criteria:

(a) The committee has been in existence for at least six months.
(b) The committee receives contributions from 100 or more persons.
(c) No one person has contributed to the committee more than $200 per calendar year.
(d) The committee makes contributions to five or more candidates. (Section 85203; Regulation 18503.)

Political Party Committee: The state central committee or county central committee of an organization that meets the requirements for recognition as a political party under Elections Code Section 5100. (Section 85205.)
POLITICAL SIGN GUIDELINES

The ROV does not have jurisdiction over the placement or removal of campaign lawn signs or other outdoor advertising within city limits. The placement of political signs is subject to local regulations, it is the candidate's responsibility to know the requirements before placing their signs.

**State**

The California Department of Transportation, Right of Way Program - Outdoor Advertising Branch, has specific requirements about political signs placed within their areas of jurisdiction. If a candidate chooses to post campaign signs, a completed “Statement of Responsibility for Temporary Political Signs” form must be filed with the Department of Transportation.

Political signs may be placed 90 days before the election and removed 10 days after.

CA Business and Professions Code § 5405.3 (b)

**County**

All political signs in unincorporated San Joaquin County shall be placed any time before an election and removed within 30 days following the conclusion of an election.

San Joaquin County Ordinance 9 § 1710.5 (c) (d)

**Cities within San Joaquin County**

**Escalon:** Signs may be placed 90 days before the election and removed 5 days after.

Escalon Municipal Code § 17.42.180

**Lathrop:** Signs may be placed 90 days before the election and removed 7 days after.

Lathrop Municipal Code § 17.84.060

**Lodi:** Signs may be placed any time before the election and removed 10 days after.

Lodi Municipal Code § 17.34.070

**Manteca:** Signs may be placed any time before the election and removed 7 days after.

Manteca Municipal Code § 7.54.040 b (7)

**Ripon:** Signs may be placed 90 days before the election and removed 7 days after.

Ripon Municipal Code § 16.172.030 (L)

**Stockton:** Signs may be placed upon filing for office and removed 7 days after an election.

Stockton Municipal Code § 16.76.040 (D)

**Tracy:** Signs may be placed 45 days before the election and removed 5 days after.

Tracy Municipal Code § 10.08.4460 (f)

**Public Utilities prohibit the posting of signs on their property including telephone poles.**
DATA AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

Voter Registration Data

The Registrar of Voters Office has a great deal of data available to candidates for use in their campaigns. Most data is available on C.D., USB, printed report, or through our FTP site. Please allow 3-5 business days for regular jobs and 5-7 business days for custom jobs.

1. Requests for election and voter data must be in writing (preferably on company or campaign letterhead).

2. If voter addresses and phone numbers are being requested, the “Application for Voter Registration Services” must be completed. A copy can be downloaded from our website [www.sjcrov.org](http://www.sjcrov.org) or emailed upon request. A photocopy of a driver’s license or State ID must accompany the application.

3. Advanced payment is required prior to processing any requests for information (check, money order or cash is acceptable). Call the Registrar of Voters Office for a cost estimate.

4. Shipping will be charged to the purchaser. If out of the area, it is suggested you include a Federal Express air bill, which is billed to your account.

Purchasing a Precinct Index (Walking List)

The Registrar of Voters has a listing of all registered voters by district at a cost of $.50 per thousand registered voters ($.50 minimum). This list is designed for precinct walking or phone banks, but does not have mailing addresses so is not recommended for use in mailing political material.

The Election Code limits the number of precinct indexes a candidate or their campaign may purchase to two (2) per Election.

Vote by Mail Data

A Vote by Mail (VBM) data report is prepared each weekday starting on the 29th day before the election. This report is an alphabetical listing of all voters issued a VBM. The report also shows residence and mailing address, political party, date application received, date ballot mailed, voting precinct and Vote by Mail precinct.

There is a charge of $45 per VBM data report for a daily listing of Vote by Mail voter requests. The VBM data is then transmitted electronically to CD/DVD, USB or FTP. Voter data is not emailed for security reasons.

An application needs to be completed and approved for each purchase. Advance notice of 24 hours and prepayment (or deposit) is required.

For more information regarding the Vote by Mail voter data, please contact the Registrar of Voters Office at (209) 468-2890.

All transactions are nonrefundable, and there are no exchanges on ordered reports.
How Cybersecurity Affects Candidates and Campaigns
(Information provided in part by the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center)

Electronically maintained data as mandated for all states by the federal Help America Vote Act (HAVA), poses unavoidable privacy risks when people register to vote. Personal information, such as date and place of birth and current residence, can be used by identity thieves, hackers and bad actors. Such confidential information is available to candidates and campaigns under EC 2194. Consider how much of your personal/voter information is stored either on your own computer or on someone else’s system. How that data and the systems on which that data resides is kept secure? How is that data transmitted securely?

There are three core principles of cyber security: **Confidentiality, Integrity and Availability.**

**Confidentiality:**
Information which is sensitive or confidential must remain protected and be shared only with appropriate users. Think of voter data as you would medical information in the healthcare environment.

**Integrity:**
Information must retain its integrity and not be altered from its original state.

**Availability:**
Information and systems must be available to those who need it and those authorized to use it.

For example voter data should be released by the registrar only to those people or political organizations authorized to see (confidentiality); the records should be well protected so that no one can change the information without authorization (integrity); and the voter’s information should be available and accessible to authorized users (availability).

**Type of threats:**
The increasing volume and sophistication of cybersecurity threats, (i.e. targeting phishing scams, data theft, and other online vulnerabilities), demand that candidates and campaigns remain vigilant about securing their system and information.

The average unprotected computer (i.e. does not have proper security controls in place) connected to the internet can be compromised in seconds. Thousands of infected web pages are being discovered every day. Hundreds of millions of records have been involved in data breaches. New attack methods are launched continuously and targeted at campaigns, voting, and elections.

1. **Denial-of-service:**

Refers to an attack that successfully prevents or impairs the authorized functionality of networks, systems or applications by exhausting resources. This can affect voter’s ability access information quickly and accurately.
2. **Social Engineering, Phishing and Spear-Phishing:**

Almost every type of attack contains some kind of social engineering. The classic email “phishing” and virus scams, for example, are laden with social overtones. Phishing emails attempt to convince users they are in fact from legitimate sources, in hopes of producing even a small bit of personal or company data. Emails that contain virus-filled attachments, meanwhile, often claim to be from trusted contacts or offer media content that seems harmless, such as “funny” or “cute” videos. Some attacks rely on actual communication between attackers and victims, here the attacker convinces the user to grant access. Many people do not realize that with only a few pieces of information- name, date of birth, or address- hackers can gain access to data by masquerading as legitimate users. From there it is easy to reset passwords and gain almost unlimited access.

3. **“Scareware” – fake security software warning:**

This type of scam can be particularly profitable for cyber criminals, as many users believe the pop-up warnings telling them their system is infected, are lured into downloading and paying for the special software to “protect” their system. Your vigilance in updating security software must include verifying the source!

4. **Ransomware:**

Ransomware is a type of malware that prevents you from using your computer or accessing certain files unless you pay a ransom. It often encrypts files so that they cannot be opened. Ransomware is often distributed as a Trojan or malware disguised as a legitimate file. Once installed, it may lock your computer and display a “lock screen” with a message saying you must pay a ransom to regain use of your computer. Some ransomware may allow you to use your computer but will prevent you from opening certain files. You may see a message or alert box stating your files are being held for ransom and you must pay a fee to regain access to them. The best way to deal with ransomware is to prevent it. Don’t open unknown files or downloads from untrusted websites.

5. **Social Network Attacks, Disinformation and Misinformation:**

*Social network attacks* are major sources of attacks due to of the volume of users and the amount of personal information that is posted. User’s inherent trust in their online friends is what makes these platforms a prime target. For example, users may be prompted to follow a link on someone’s page, which could bring users to malicious websites or provide inaccurate information. *Disinformation and Misinformation* is information warfare which is an attack on intellectual infrastructure, on people themselves, on society, and on systems of information and belief. Inaccurate but persuasive news about politics regularly appears in our daily lives. The goal is not to fool people into believing any one lie. It’s to overwhelm individuals’ ability to determine what’s true. Directing voters to a trusted source of up to date and accurate information is key to helping voters.
6. **Malware, Worms and Trojan horses:**

These spread by email, instant messaging, malicious websites and infected non-malicious websites. Some websites will automatically download the malware without the user’s knowledge or intervention. This is known as a “drive-by download.” Other methods will require the users to click on a link or button.

7. **Botnet and Zombies:**

A botnet, short for robot network, is an aggregation of compromised computers that are connected to a central “controller.” The compromised computers are often referred to as “zombies.” These threats will continue to proliferate as the attack techniques evolve and become available to a broader audience, with less technical knowledge required to launch successful attacks. Botnets designed to steal data are improving their encryption capabilities and thus becoming more difficult to detect.

**What can you do?**

- Properly configure and patch operation systems, browsers, and other software programs. Use resources that are available to you such as Customer Service from your software provider or company brand.
- Use and regularly update firewalls, anti-virus, and anti-spyware programs. (Did you know that some update reminders that pop up are sometimes spoofs?)
- Use strong passwords (combination of upper and lower case letters, numbers and special characters).
- Be cautious about all communications, especially links in emails. Do not click on links even if you know the sender. They could have been hacked and emailed spoofed. Go to the website yourself by typing in the link with your browser.
- Allow access to systems and data to only those who need it, and protect those access credentials. Always use the principle of least access and permissions.
- Consider using a dedicated system to store data rather than risking data security on systems you have no control over or are not monitored by you.

You are responsible and accountable for the security of the data provided to you by elections officials.
Products and Services Price List
Effective July 1, 2018

All Services require an Application for Voter Registration Services or a GIS Product Request form be completed.

Setup Fees
Data Customer Setup $40.00
Election Setup (City, School and Special Districts) $500.00
Reclamation District Set-up $50.00
Election Appearing on Ballot actual cost

Candidate Statements of Qualifications Fees are Actual Cost
Actual costs will vary depending on the number of registered voters in the district, translation fees, printing costs, typing and proofing costs, page setup fees, plus fees shown below.

Paper Copy Handling Fee with no electronic copy $250.00
Paper Copy Handling Fee with electronic copy $150.00
Translation and Mailing actual cost

Master Voter File* (Master Voter Jobs - MVMJ004) $68.00
Voter Data for any Jurisdiction - must select jurisdiction
City, Countywide, Supervisorial District, Congressional, State Senate,
State Assembly, Municipal, School or Special District
Voting History - must select from below
No voting history (just voter data)
Voting history in up to 5 elections (in same file with voter data)
All voting history for each voter (data and history in separate files)

Election Management System Reports
Standard System EIMS Reports - free download or standard copy fee ($0.10 per page)
Precinct to District File (PDMJ001)
List of Polling Places
List of All Elected Officials
List of Candidates Who Filled for Office
Street Guide

Custom System EIMS Reports
Vote by Mail Data File* $45.00 per report
Other Custom System Reports

Special Job Requests
Technical Staff Time $200.00
ROV Staff Time $83.00

Precinct Maps
Paper Print-out $25.00 each
(City, Countywide, Supervisorial, State Senate, Assembly, Board of Education, or Supervisorial)
Set of 8 Paper Maps $65.00 set
(7 Cities and 1 Countywide)

Digital Maps
PDFs of paper maps free download or $25.00 for custom export
GIS Shapefiles
Precinct boundaries
Sub-precinct boundaries
Additional layers

Note:
Please submit Map/GIS request form for map requests and allow 3 to 5 business days for printing

* Products shown with a red star* are confidential and have special purchase requirements. For instance, data customers must meet certain qualifications, provide a statement of intended use, and attest under penalty of perjury that the information will not be used for commercial or other uses not permitted under the law.
State Mandated Charges:

Certified Copy of Voter Registration* (EC §2167) $1.50 (each)
Indexes of Voters* (Walking Index EC §2184) $0.50 (per thousand voters)

Campaign Statement / Statements of Economic Interests:

Documents available online free download
Hard Copy per page (G.C. 81008) $0.10
Retrieval Fee Per Requests for Copies More than 5 Years Old (G.C. 81008) $5.00

Statements of Votes Cast

Primary or General Election free download, hard copy paper at printing cost, or standard copy fee
City, District or by Specific Contest

General

Standard copy fees (CAM 709.7) $0.10 per page for first 21 pages
$0.07 per page thereafter

Electronic Media with ROV data (CD/DVD/USB Drive) $2.00

Credit Card Fee $1.35 or 2.29% of total (whichever is greater)

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Map and GIS products require the use of a request form stating the terms and conditions of the use of the maps. This can be found on the Forms page of our web site, or by following the link: https://www.sjgov.org/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=28752

All Services require an Application for Voter Registration Services or a GIS Product Request form be completed. Advance Payment is Required for All Requests | We Accept Cash, Check or Credit Card
Please Make Check Payable to: San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters | Credit Card fee required
POST-ELECTION ACTIVITIES

Ballot Return
After the close of polls on election night, election activities focus on completing necessary procedures, forms and delivering voted ballots and supplies to the receiving centers from all the polling places.

Election Results
Election results for San Joaquin County will be available after the close of polls on Election Day, to candidates and the public on the department's website at www.sjcrov.org.

On rare occasions, the government by court order may extend the voting period after 8:00 p.m. delaying the initial release of results. If this occurs, a notice will be posted on our website providing details of the court-ordered actions.

Tallying of Votes
San Joaquin County uses a central location for tallying votes. All ballots are tabulated in the Registrar of Voters’ warehouse located at 7585 S. Longe Street, Suite 112, Stockton, CA 95206. The tabulation is open to public viewing.

Semiofficial Election Results
Following election night, updated semiofficial results will be posted periodically, both at the elections office and on our website. The schedule of the release of semiofficial results can be obtained by calling (209) 468-VOTE or by visiting our website.

Completion of Official Canvass
A certified statement of election results must be completed within 30 days of the election.

Recounts and Challenges
Following the completion of the official canvass, any voter may, within 5 days, file with the Registrar of Voters a written request for a recount of the votes cast. The request shall specify on behalf of which candidate or position on a measure it is filed. If the particular election is conducted in more than one county, the request for the recount may be filed with the elections official of, and the recount conducted within, any or all of the affected counties.

Elections Code § 15620
Requests for recounts for statewide offices and propositions are filed with the Secretary of State.

Elections Code § 15621

Any voter or campaign committee requesting a recount is required to deposit the costs for recount each day before the counting board commences recount activity. The request may specify the order in which the precincts shall be recounted, and the method of a recount. All recount activity shall be conducted publicly.

If the recount reverses the results of the official canvass, all deposits shall be returned. If the results are not reversed, the requestor shall be entitled to a return of funds in excess of the actual costs of conducting the recount. The requestor may terminate the recount at any time.

Elections Code §§ 15620, 15621, 15624, 15627

Elections Code addresses court-ordered recounts, grounds, and probable cause, etc.

Elections Code § 15640
COMMON QUESTIONS AND SITUATIONS

Filing Nomination Papers on Behalf of a Candidate

If a candidate is unable to pick up their Candidate Filing Documents in person, they may designate a person to act on their behalf. A written statement or “Authorization Form”, signed and dated by the candidate, authorizing a person to receive the “Declaration of Candidacy” form and all other nomination papers from the Registrar of Voters is required. An authorization form can be emailed upon request. If the candidate will not be filing in person, the “Declaration of Candidacy” must be notarized before filing. Because an original signature is required, nomination documents may not be filed by fax or email. The candidate’s designee may only receive and deliver papers and may not make any changes on the nomination documents.

Elections Code § 8028

Appearance of Names on the Ballot

A randomized alphabet drawing is the basis for determining the order of candidates on the ballot. Each candidate will be placed on the ballot in the order that each of the letters of their surname was drawn. For example, the placement of candidates with the surnames of Miller and Ramos will depend on the order in which the letters M and R were drawn.

Six calendar days after the end of the filing period, the Secretary of State conducts a drawing of the letters. The drawing will be conducted March 17, 2022 for the Primary Election.

Elections Code § 13112

For an office of a State Senator or Assembly member, which includes more than one county, the elections official in each county shall conduct a random alphabet drawing. The results of this drawing will determine the order of Assembly and Senate candidates in each respective county.

Appointments In-Lieu of an Election

Special Districts

If the number of candidates is equal to or less than the number of vacancies to be filled within the particular district, the office does not appear on the ballot. The Board of Supervisors appoints the unopposed candidates. Appointees by the Board of Supervisors take office and serve exactly as if elected at the General Election.

Elections Code § 8028

School Districts

If the number of candidates is equal to or less than the number of offices to be filled within a particular district, an election will not be held and the qualified candidates shall be seated at the organizational meeting of the school district governing board.

Elections Code § 5326
Candidates Advancing to the General Election

The two candidates who receive the highest and second highest number of votes cast at the Primary Election shall appear on the ballot as candidates for that office at the General Election regardless of political party.

Elections Code § 8141.5

Candidates Elected at Primary Election

Any candidate for Board of Supervisors who receives a majority (50% plus one) of votes from all votes cast for candidates for that office, shall be elected to that office at the Primary Election.

Elections Code §§ 8140, 8141

Election Night Results

Election results are available on our website at www.sjcrov.org beginning at 8:00 pm on election night. Results will be updated periodically until all Election Day ballots are counted.

Candidates and/or members of their campaigns are welcome to observe the election night processes. Observer guidelines will be issued upon arrival.

Final Official Results

Beginning the day after the election, a complete audit of all returns is performed. Any uncounted Vote by Mail ballots are processed and counted. Additionally, provisional ballots are processed and counted and votes cast for qualified write-in candidates are counted.

Election Code requires the election to be certified by 30 days following the election.

Elections Code § 15372

Holding or Running For More than One Office

Candidates are not prohibited from seeking more than one elective office and may serve in more than one office. There are, however, situations when holding more than one office is considered a conflict and incompatible.

There is no single statute that defines “incompatibility of offices”. The common law doctrine of incompatibility of offices prevents an elected official from holding two offices simultaneously if the offices have overlapping and conflicting public duties the courts have defined this concept as follows: “One individual may not simultaneously hold two public offices where the functions of the offices concerned are inherently inconsistent, as where there are conflicting interests, or where the nature of the duties of the two offices is such as to render it improper due to considerations of public policy for one person to retain both.”

Government Code § 1099

For further information about conflict of interest or incompatibility of offices, contact the Fair Political Practices Commission at www.fppc.ca.gov or by phone toll-free (866) 275-3772.

The Political Reform Act, Government Code § 1099

San Joaquin County
CANDIDATE CHECKLIST

Before Signatures-in-Lieu and Candidate Filing Period...

☐ Review the Candidate Guide from the San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters
☐ Make an appointment with the ROV to obtain your Signatures-in-Lieu petition
☐ File an FPPC Form 501 (Candidate Intention Statement), with San Joaquin County
☐ File an FPPC Form 410 (Statement of Organization) to establish your committee with the State of California

During the Signatures-in-Lieu Period...

☐ Obtain your Signatures-in-Lieu petition from the San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters
   (available on January 3, 2022, Board of Supervisors available January 4, 2022)
☐ Collect your Signatures-in-Lieu
☐ Submit your completed Signatures-in-Lieu to the San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters no later than February 9, 2022

During the Candidate Filing Period...

☐ Obtain your nomination paper from the San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters (available on February 14, 2022)
☐ Collect nomination signatures
☐ Prepare your Candidate Statement of Qualifications
☐ Collect necessary qualification documentation
☐ Make an appointment with the ROV to return your material and take your Declaration of Candidacy
☐ Return materials to the San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters and take your Declaration of Candidacy no later than March 11, 2022 (March 16, 2022, if the incumbent for the office does not file)

During your campaign...

☐ Your first FPPC pre-election statement is due on April 28, 2022
   (Form 410 committees and Form 470 filers)
☐ Your second FPPC pre-election statement is due on May 26, 2022
   (Only Form 410 committees)