

**SCHOOLS AND/OR GENERAL
DISTRICTS MEASURE ELECTIONS**

**CONSOLIDATED WITH THE
NOVEMBER 2, 2010
GENERAL ELECTION**

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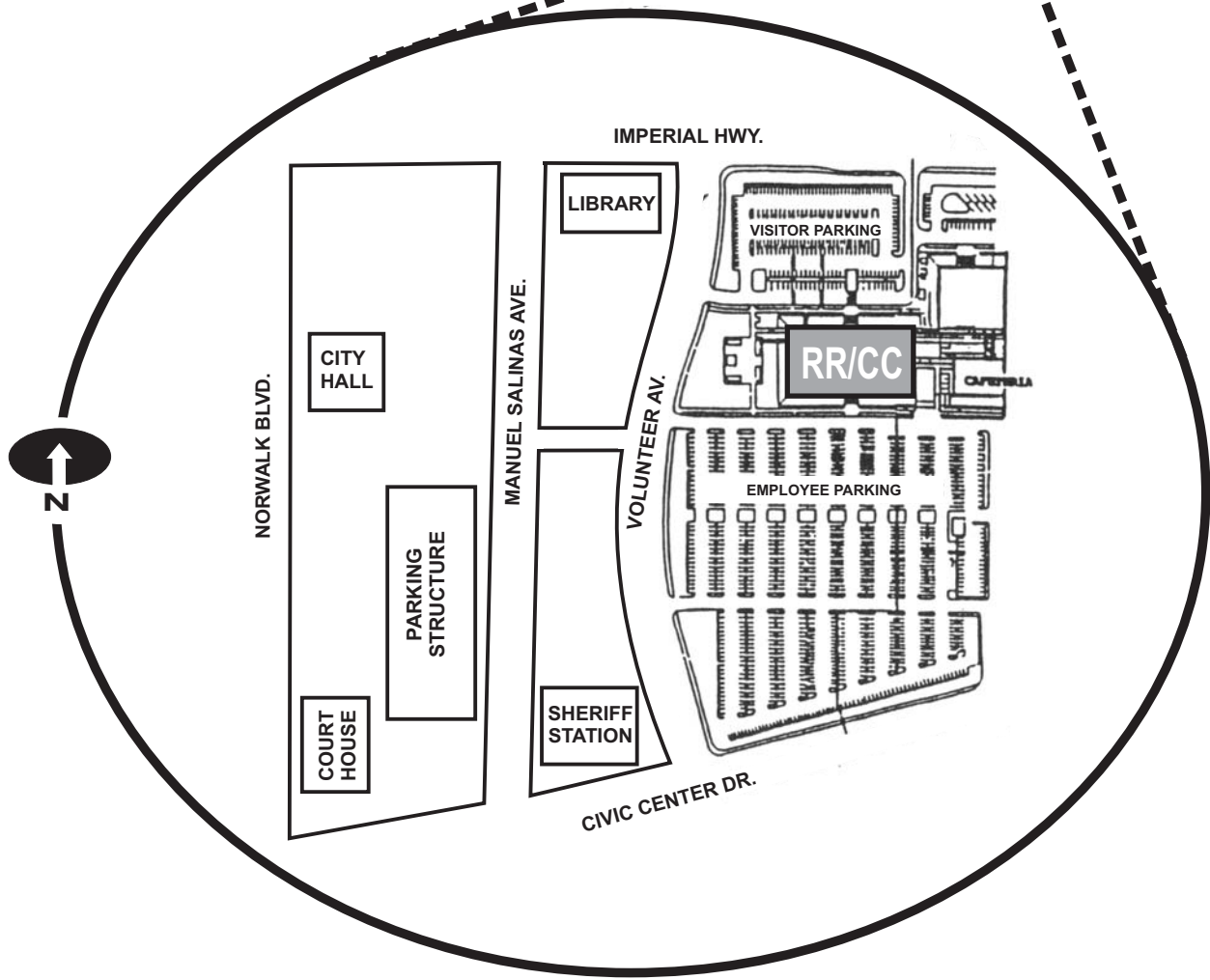
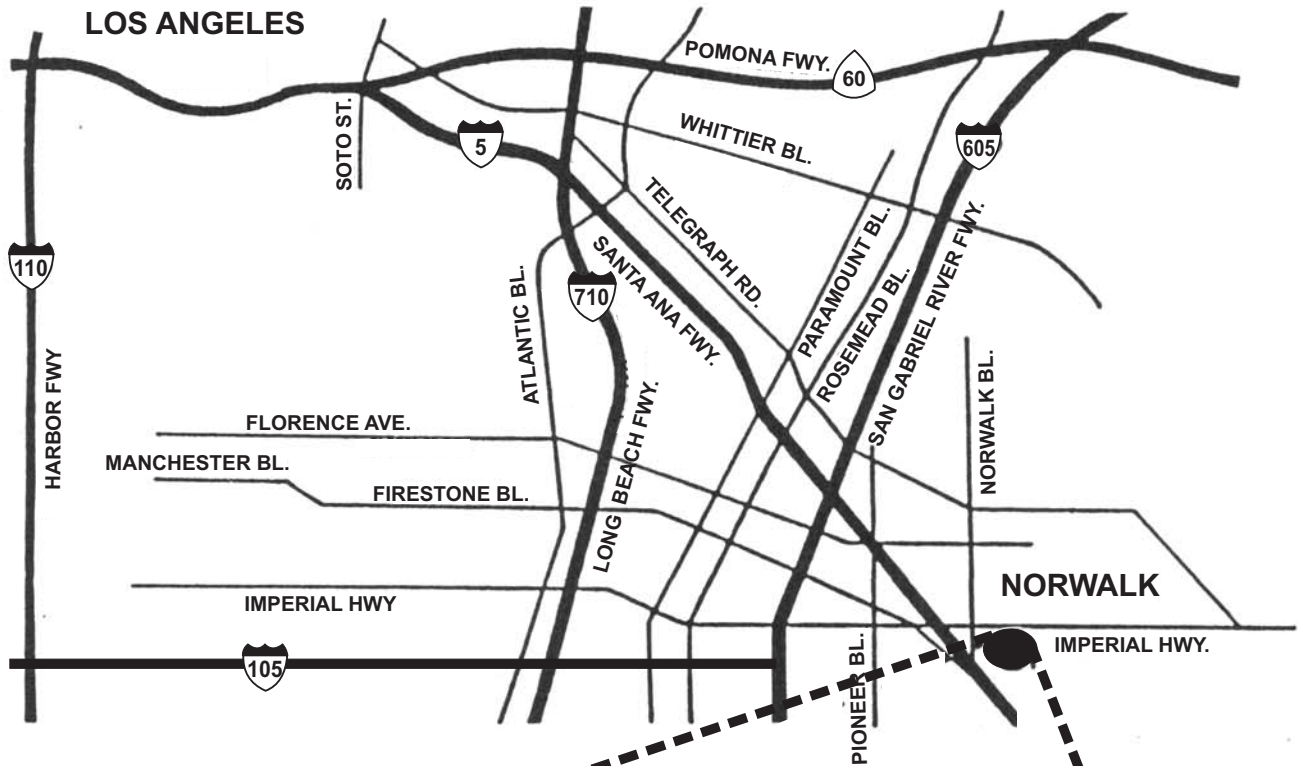


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General Information

SCHOOL/GENERAL DISTRICT RESPONSIBILITIES (continued)

- Election resolutions should be addressed to **Ms. Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer Board of Supervisors** and be mailed to:

**Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street, Room 383
Los Angeles, California 90012**

- Additionally, election resolutions and request of letter designation for measures should be addressed to **Mr. Dean C. Logan, Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk** and be faxed/mailed to:

**Election Coordination Section
12400 Imperial Highway, Room 3207
Norwalk, California 90650
Phone: (562) 462-2632 FAX: (562) 406-2658**

- Ballot argument enclosure materials, including arguments and rebuttals, must be accompanied by a transmittal letter and **DELIVERED** by the applicable dates and times indicated in the Calendar of Events to:

**Election Planning Section
12400 Imperial Highway, Room 2015
Norwalk, California 90650
Phone: (562) 462-2317 FAX: (562) 466-6025**

- All ballot material should be photocopied, including measure arguments, rebuttals and other measure ballot enclosures available for public examination for the period designated in the Calendar of Events, **chapter 1 of this booklet**.
- **Legible copies** of measure ballot enclosures should be provided by **E-81** and **legible copies** of arguments, and other related ballot materials by **E-77** which are to be printed and included in the Official Sample Ballot Booklet. Legible copies of rebuttal arguments must be submitted by **E-67**. If you are unable to meet these deadlines please contact us and we may recommend that you contact your election supplier to make arrangements to print and mail a supplemental voter booklet.
- **A resolution** should be filed with the RR/CC by **E-83** to **amend** a measure for an election or **withdraw** a measure for a cancelled election.

NOTE: IF THE JURISDICTION IS PLACING MORE THAN ONE MEASURE ON THE BALLOT, THE JURISDICTION MUST ADVISE THIS OFFICE OF THE DESIRED BALLOT SEQUENCING FOR MULTIPLE MEASURES.

- Staff in the **Election Coordination Section** and the **Election Planning Section** are **available at the telephone numbers listed above** for additional assistance.

REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk:

- Receives signed copies of jurisdiction resolutions “Requesting Consolidation with the Election” and will automatically send the requesting jurisdiction an electronic version of the information booklet along with the appropriate forms.
- Consolidates established precincts to form voting and declared Vote By Mail precincts. If you have specific precinct consolidation requests contact the **Precincting Section at (562) 462-2473**.
- Obtains polling places, recruits poll workers, and publishes **Notice of Polling Places and Notice of Central Tally Location**. If you have specific poll locations or poll worker requests, contact the **Polls and Officers Section at (562) 466-1373**.
- Assigns letter designations for each local ballot measure on the ballot. Letter designations are assigned in alphabetical order commencing with County measures and then other local measures (jurisdictions, schools and special districts) in alphabetical sequence. Jurisdictions may request a specific letter designation in writing by **August 11, 2010 (E-83)**. An alternate choice should also be submitted, in case the requested letter designation has already been assigned to another jurisdiction.
- Prints official ballots. An Official Sample Ballot booklet will be printed and mailed. The RR/CC will include the jurisdiction’s material and measure information in the same booklet depending on the volume or voting material. In some cases, the jurisdiction will be required to prepare and mail a supplemental voter booklet.
- Prepares and mails multilingual ballot material in accordance with the Voting Rights Act (VRA).
- Issues Vote By Mail ballots/material and processes returned VBM ballots.
- Provides precinct supplies and trains poll workers.
- Staffs check-in centers and central tally location.
- Conducts election tally and releases semi-official election results.

NOTICE

This booklet has been prepared to assist you in filing documents relating to the election(s). It includes a Calendar of Events and summary of provisions and filing requirements. It is not intended to provide legal advice and is for general guidance only.

Individuals using this booklet must bear full responsibility to make their own determinations as to all legal standards, duties and factual material contained herein.

Chapter 1

Calendar of Events

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SCHOOLS AND/OR GENERAL DISTRICT MEASURE ELECTIONS
CONSOLIDATED WITH THE GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 2, 2010

IMPORTANT NOTICE

All documents are to be filed with and duties performed by the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk unless otherwise specified.

DATES	EVENTS
AUG. 6 (F) 5:00 P. M. E - 88	ADOPT SPECIAL MEASURE ELECTION RESOLUTION Last day for governing boards to adopt resolution calling special election and setting forth the specifications of the election order. Copies shall be filed with the Board of Supervisors and the county elections official. (Ed. Code § 5322) STATEMENT IN COMPLIANCE – LAST DAY TO SUBMIT Last day for school district to file statement of bond issue with the elections official if the election is for a bond measure. (E. C. § 9401)
AUG. 11 (W) E - 83	AMENDMENT OR WITHDRAWAL OF MEASURE – DEADLINE Last day for county elections official to receive a resolution from a legislative body requesting to withdraw or amend a measure previously submitted for placement on the ballot. (E. C. § 9605) MEASURE LETTER DESIGNATION Last day for a district to request a specific letter designation in writing for a measure appearing on the ballot. An alternate choice should be submitted in case the requested designation has already been assigned.

DATES**EVENTS**

AUG. 13 (F)
E - 81

DATE FIXED TO SUBMIT ARGUMENTS – PUBLICATION

Not later than this date a notice shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the district, setting forth the date fixed for submitting arguments for or against a county, school or district measure.

(E. C. §§ 9163, 9502 & Govt. Code § 6061)

NOTE: A copy of the published notice shall be delivered to the District Secretary/Superintendent and each notice shall be posted in the district office.

(E. C. § 12113)

AUG. 16 (M)
E - 78

ARGUMENTS – LAST DAY TO SUBMIT

Last day to submit arguments for or against any county, district or school measure. Arguments may not exceed 300 words in length.

(E. C. §§ 9162, 9163, 9315, 9316 & 9502)

EXCEPTION: These provisions regarding word limit do not apply to a measure on school district reorganization. Argument shall not exceed 500 words (Ed. Code § 35758)

AUG. 17(Tu) AUG. 26 (Th)
E - 77 E - 68

PUBLIC EXAMINATION PERIOD FOR BALLOT MEASURE MATERIALS

During this period the elections official shall make available for public examination a copy of any **ballot measure text, arguments** and the **bond statement** if applicable, for any district or school measure. A fee may be charged to any person obtaining a copy of the materials. During this period any person may file a writ of mandate or an injunction to require any or all of the material to be amended or deleted.

(E. C. §§ 9190, 9380 & 9509)

AUG. 26 (Th)
E - 68

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS – LAST DAY TO SUBMIT

Recommended last day for County Counsel to transmit impartial analysis of any county, district or school measure.

(E. C. §§ 9160, 9313 & 9500)

DATES		EVENTS
AUG. 26 (Th) E - 68		REBUTTALS – LAST DAY TO SUBMIT Last day for authors of arguments for or against a county, school or district measure to submit rebuttals. Rebuttals may not exceed 250 words in length. (E. C. §§ 9167, 9317 & 9504)
AUG. 27 (F) E - 67	SEPT. 7* (Tu) E - 56*	PUBLIC EXAMINATION PERIOD FOR REBUTTALS During this period rebuttals and/or impartial analyses for measures shall be available for public examination. A fee may be charged to any person obtaining a copy of the material. During this period any person may file a writ of mandate or an injunction to require any or all of the material/data to be amended or deleted. (E.C. §§ 9190, 9380 & 9509)
SEPT. 23 (Th) E - 40	OCT. 12 (Tu) E - 21	MAIL OFFICIAL SAMPLE BALLOT BOOKLETS An Official Sample Ballot Booklet shall be mailed to each voter during this period. (E. C. §§ 13300 & 13303)
OCT. 4 (M) E - 29	OCT.26 (Tu) E - 7	VOTE BY MAIL – FIRST AND LAST DAY TO APPLY Applications may be filed between these dates (both dates inclusive). Applications received prior to the 29th day preceding the election will be kept and processed during this period. (E. C. §§ 3001 & 3003)
OCT. 4 (M) E - 29		PRECINCT BOARDS AND POLLING PLACES – APPOINTMENT Last day to appoint precinct boards and designate polling places. A notice of appointment shall be mailed to each precinct board. (E. C. §§ 12286, 12307 & 12319)
OCT. 18 (M) E - 15		REGISTRATION CLOSSES Last day to transfer or register to vote in the election. (E. C. §§ 2102 & 2107)

*Date adjusted due to weekend and/or holiday

DATES**EVENTS**

OCT. 19 (Tu)

E - 14

OCT. 26 (Tu)

E - 7

NEW CITIZEN REGISTRATION/VOTING

Any person who becomes a citizen or establishes residence in California after the 15th day prior to the election may register to vote beginning on the 14th day prior to an election and ending on the 7th day prior to election day. This registration must be executed in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk. A new resident shall vote a new resident's ballot in that office.

(E. C. §§ 331, 332 & 3500-3501)

OCT. 19 (Tu)

E - 14

BILINGUAL PRECINCT BOARD MEMBER LIST

Last day to prepare list of appointed bilingual precinct board members.

(E. C. § 12303)

OCT. 25* (M)

E - 8*

TALLY CENTER LOCATION – PUBLICATION

On or before this date a notice specifying the public place to be used as the tally center location for counting the ballots shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation within the district.

(E. C. § 12109)

OCT. 26 (Tu)

E - 7

POLLING PLACES – PUBLICATION

Not later than this date, a list of polling places for each precinct shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation within the district.

(E. C. § 12105 & Govt. Code § 6061)

CANVASS VOTE BY MAIL BALLOTS

The canvass may commence on the 7th day before the election, but the results of the tally shall not be released until after the polls close.

(E. C. § 15101)

*Date adjusted due to weekend and/or holiday

DATES**EVENTS**

OCT. 27 (W)

E - 6

NOV. 2 (Tu)ELECTION
DAY**EMERGENCY VOTE BY MAIL**

Between these dates any voter may apply for Vote By Mail ballot if conditions require his or her absence from the precinct on election day. The voter may designate an authorized representative to pick up and return the ballot.
(E. C. § 3021)

NOV. 2 (Tu)ELECTION
DAY**ELECTION DAY**

Polls open 7:00 a.m., close 8:00 p.m.,
(E. C. §§ 1201 & 14212 & Ed. Code § 5000)

VOTE BY MAIL BALLOTS RETURNED – 8:00 P.M.

Last day for Vote By Mail ballots to be delivered in person by the voter to the county elections official's office or at any polling place in the jurisdiction. A designated family member or person residing in the same household may return the voted ballot under specified conditions.
(E. C. §§ 3017 & 3020)

NOV. 4 (Th)

E + 2

OFFICIAL CANVASS OF ELECTION RETURNS

The Official Canvass of returns shall commence not later than the first Thursday following the election.
(E. C. § 15301)

NOV. 30 (Tu)

E + 28

COMPLETION OF OFFICIAL CANVASS

The official canvass must be completed within **28** days of the election.
(E. C. § 15372)

NOTE: On **November 29**, the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk is tentatively scheduled to certify the election results. On **November 30**, the Board of Supervisors is tentatively scheduled to declare the election results official.

Chapter 2

Ballot Measures

BALLOT MEASURES (continued)

EXAMPLES: How Ballot Measure Text will appear in the Official Sample Ballot Booklet:

➤ Measure E — Official Ballot Measure Text (75 words)

COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION		
E	To prepare College students for jobs and four-year colleges; repair buildings, classrooms, science labs; upgrade earthquake/fire safety; repair sidewalks, leaky roofs, drainage/water pipes; upgrade wiring/equipment for computer technology; enhance nursing/firefighter training; construct; acquire, and equip modern classrooms/buildings; improve campus security, shall issue the Community College District issue \$394,516,464 of bonds at legal rates, appoint a Citizens Oversight Committee and perform annual audits to ensure no money is used for administrators' salaries?	189 YES → <input type="radio"/>
		190 NO → <input type="radio"/>

➤ Measure S — Official Ballot Measure Text (75 words)

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION		
S	SCHOOL SAFETY AND REPAIR BOND MEASURE. Shall the Unified School District relieve overcrowding; repair, upgrade, construct, acquire equip neighborhood school/classrooms; install fire safety equipment, emergency lighting, energy efficient heating/cooling systems, fire doors, replace outdated plumbing/sewer and decayed drainage systems, leaking, rundown roofs/bathrooms; upgrade electrical wiring for technology; improve student safety conditions; and qualify for state funds by issuing \$165,000,000 of bonds at legal rates, requiring annual audits, citizen oversight, and no money for administrators' salaries?	216 YES → <input type="radio"/>
		217 NO → <input type="radio"/>

➤ Measure B — Official Ballot Measure Text (58 words)

LIBRARY DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION		
B	PER PARCEL TAX FOR ANY PLACE LIBRARY DISTRICT Shall the Any Place Library District be authorized to continue to levy a special per parcel tax annually for ten years to replace library funding lost due to the elimination of the Special Augmentation fund?	193 YES → <input type="radio"/>
		194 NO → <input type="radio"/>

LETTER DESIGNATIONS FOR MEASURES — The RR/CC, in accordance with Section 13116 of the Elections Code, will assign letter designations for each local measure on the ballot. Letter designations are assigned in alphabetical order commencing with local county measures, followed by city or district measures listed in alphabetical sequence. A local district may request a specific Letter Designation in writing by **83 days before election**. Alternate choice(s) should also be submitted, in case the requested designation has already been assigned to another jurisdiction. Specific letter designation requests are processed in the order they are received. The RR/CC will notify the jurisdiction by **E-78** if the requested designation is assigned or if another letter assignment has been made.

LITIGATION — Notify the RR/CC of any pending litigation involving ballot measures that might potentially cause any delay in meeting established deadlines or printing of Official Sample Ballot Booklets.

WITHDRAWAL AND/OR AMENDMENTS — The district should file a resolution with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk by **E-83**, to amend a measure or if an election is being cancelled because a measure has been withdrawn. (E. C. § 9605)

Chapter 3

Ballot Enclosures

BALLOT ENCLOSURES

TEXT AND TITLES — Ballot enclosures for arguments, rebuttals, etc. are printed in the voter information portion of the Official Sample Ballot booklet immediately behind candidate and measure contest pages. Copies of ballot enclosures to be printed in the Official Sample Ballot booklet should be submitted as attachments to the “Resolution Calling for an Election” or as a separate mailing. Submitted attachments should be clearly identified by appropriate ballot enclosure titles as shown on the limitations chart on **page 9**.

FORMAT AND STYLE — Please type enclosure text in upper and lower case letters. It is acceptable for some words or phrases to be **bold**, underlined, or CAPITALIZED. Hyphens/dashes are allowed. The beginning of each paragraph may also be highlighted as shown in example. Enclosures will be typed in the Official Sample Ballot booklet using DUTCH801 Rm BT font in 10 point size. However, enclosures may be submitted using any standard font.

Argument and/or rebuttal enclosure text is printed in “block” paragraphs which means each paragraph will start on the left, and the right margins will be justified. A double space will appear between paragraphs, as shown in the example below.

EXAMPLE: How argument and/or rebuttal text will appear in the Official Sample Ballot booklet.

**ARGUMENT AND/OR REBUTTAL
FOR MEASURE K**

Our children need and deserve Measure K.

Measure K will continue to progress to repair, build and improve Any City neighborhood schools. Over 23 new schools and expansion projects are completed or under construction.

Measure K will create learning communities and improve technology to prepare student for jobs of the future.

Vote for Measure K for the Kids.

PATTY C. JONES
Mayor, Any City, USA

JOHN JAMES SMITH
Councilmember, Any City, USA

MARY SMITH-DOE
Businessperson, Any City, USA

FORM AND STYLE ONLY

BALLOT ENCLOSURES (continued)

BALLOT ENCLOSURE TITLES AND WORD LIMITATIONS CHART — To be used for submitting correct titles and word counts for ballot argument enclosures.

See **page 12** of this chapter for Word Counting Guidelines.

TITLE	WORD LIMITATION	WORDS BOLD, UNDERLINED AND/OR CAPITALIZED
FULL TEXT OF BALLOT MEASURE	NO LIMIT	N/A
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE	300	30
ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE	300	30
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE – RE SCHOOL DISTRICT REORGANIZATION	500*	30
REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE	250	25
REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE	250	25
MEASURE EXHIBIT(S)	NO LIMIT	N/A
STATEMENT IN COMPLIANCE - MEASURE	NO LIMIT	N/A

*Exception: Ballot arguments to reorganize a School or Community College Districts shall not exceed 500 words. (Ed. C. Sec. 35758)

ARGUMENT AND REBUTTAL FORM — To be used by authors for submitting “FOR” or “AGAINST” opinions.


Ballot argument text shall not exceed **300 words** in length.

Exception: Ballot arguments to reorganize a school or community college district shall not exceed **500 words**. See chart above.

No rebuttal shall exceed **250 words**.

Exception: Rebuttals for county, school and general district measures all need authorizations signed by the original authors of the argument. An original signer on an argument cannot authorize more than one signer on the rebuttal.

All authors for submitted ballot arguments must sign declaration on the reverse side of this form. See form example at top of **page 10**.



ARGUMENT AND REBUTTAL FORM

ELECTION DATE: _____ MEASURE I.D. (if any): _____

JURISDICTION: _____

(Please mark (x) in the appropriate box)

<input type="checkbox"/> Argument in Favor	<input type="checkbox"/> Argument Against
<input type="checkbox"/> Rebuttal to Argument Against	<input type="checkbox"/> Rebuttal to Argument in Favor

Statements will be printed in uniform type, style and spacing. Use block paragraphs and single space format. Text submitted indented or centered will be typeset in block paragraph form. **Entire 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. Words to be printed in **boldface type, underscored** and/or **CAPITALIZED** are to be clearly indicated. Any combinations of enhanced words are counted as one word. The number of words/acronyms that are in **boldface type, underscored** and/or **CAPITALIZED** shall not exceed 30 words per document. All statements should be checked by the authors for spelling and punctuation as the elections official is not permitted to edit any material contained therein.

ALL AUTHORS MUST SIGN ON THE REVERSE SIDE

Please type statements below in upper and lower case letters. Statement will be typeset in the Official Sample Ballot Booklet using DUTCH801 Rm BT font in 10 point size. However, statement can be submitted using any standard font.

BALLOT ENCLOSURES (continued)

DECLARATION BY AUTHOR(S) OF ARGUMENTS OR REBUTTALS — To be completed by proponents or opponents for ballot measures.

This form includes statement (to be signed by each proponent/author) declaring that the submitted argument and/or rebuttal is true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

Fill in the appropriate fields and provide information as indicated on the form.

No more than five author signatures shall appear on any argument and/or rebuttal.

<p>LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK</p>	<p>ELECTION PLANNING SECTION (562) 462-2317</p>																														
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SELECTION OF ARGUMENT — If more than one argument “FOR” or more than one argument “AGAINST” any district measure is submitted within the time prescribed, the election official conducting the election shall select one of the arguments in favor and one of the arguments against the measure for printing and distribution to the voters. In selecting the arguments, the election official conducting the election shall give preference and priority, in the order named, to the arguments of the following:

- a) The Governing Board of the District or Member(s) of the Board authorized by the board.
- b) The individual voter, or bona fide associations of citizens, or combination of voters and associations, who are the bona fide sponsors or proponents of the ballot measure.
- c) Bona fide associations of citizens.
- d) Individual voters who are eligible to vote on the measure. (E. C. § 9503)

BALLOT ENCLOSURES (continued)

AUTHORIZATION FOR ANOTHER PERSON TO SIGN REBUTTAL ARGUMENT FORM — The authors of an argument in favor of or against a ballot measure may prepare and submit rebuttal arguments, or may authorize, in writing, another person to sign the rebuttal.

Fill in the appropriate fields and provide information as indicated on the form. Form must include the printed name and signature of author of ballot argument and the person authorized to sign as rebuttal author.

Attach completed authorization form to Declaration By Author(s) of Arguments or Rebuttals submitted with Rebuttal argument text. Refer to form examples on **pages 10 and 11**.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

ELECTION PLANNING SECTION

**AUTHORIZATION FOR ANOTHER PERSON TO SIGN
REBUTTAL ARGUMENT**
(Elections Code Sections 9167, 9317 & 9504)

I, _____ authorize the person listed below to
(Print name of AUTHOR of the Argument)

sign the rebuttal to the argument in favor against Measure _____
(Check one) (Letter)

for the _____ election to be
(Jurisdiction)

held on _____
(Date)

Any Author of the Argument may be replaced with another author to sign the Rebuttal.

(Print name of Rebuttal Author)

(Signature of Rebuttal Author)

(Title to appear on Rebuttal)

Signature of Argument Author: _____ Date: _____

Attach this form to the "Declaration by Authors Form" submitted with the Rebuttal Argument.

AVAILABLE FORMS — Copies of forms for submitting ballot measure arguments and rebuttals, referenced in this chapter, may be obtained by calling the Election Planning Section at (562) 462-2317 or accessing the RR/CC website at www.lavote.net/voter/Election_Calendar.cfm.

WITHDRAWAL OF ARGUMENTS — Ballot arguments “FOR or AGAINST” any measure may be withdrawn by proponents at any time prior to and including the final date fixed for filing arguments.

PUBLIC EXAMINATION — The public examination period allows for reviewing of submitted arguments and rebuttal arguments in the **ten calendar day period** immediately following the filing deadline for such documents. During this period, any person may file a writ of mandate or an injunction to require any or all of the material to be amended or deleted. The writ of mandate or injunction request shall be filed no later than the end of the ten (10) calendar day public examination period.

ORIGINAL FORMS/SIGNATURES — Faxed copies of arguments and/or rebuttals may be sent to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk. However, forms with original signatures **must** be received by the RR/CC within 48 hours of the fax transmission.

RESTRICTIONS — Notify the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk prior to resolution adoption if the district plans to include maps and/or graphics to ensure that there are no space limitation problems or to find out if the district request will require special arrangements and possibly result in additional costs.

LITIGATION — Notify the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of any pending litigation involving ballot enclosures. This includes action taken by the court if amendments or deletions are required on any ballot enclosures. This could potentially cause a delay in meeting established deadlines and/or printing of the Official Sample Ballot booklets.

WORD COUNTING GUIDELINES

(Elections Code Chapter 1 General Provisions, Section 9)

The following guidelines are used by the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's Office for counting words on candidate statements, ballot measure text, arguments, rebuttals and other types of enclosures. The guidelines do **not** apply to ballot designations for candidate contests. If the text exceeds the specified word limit, the author will be asked to delete words or change text until the enclosure conforms with requirements.

1. **PUNCTUATION MARKS** are not counted. Symbols such as "&" (and), and "#"
(number/pound) are not considered punctuation and each symbol is counted as one (1)
word.
2. **THE WORDS** "I", "a", "the", "and", "an" are counted as individual words.
3. **GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES** such as countries, states, counties, cities, towns, or jurisdictions
are counted as one (1) word.
EXAMPLE: "City of Los Angeles" = 1 word
"City and County of San Francisco" = 1 word
4. **ABBREVIATIONS** such as acronyms or abbreviations for a word, phrase, or expression
are counted as one (1) word.
EXAMPLE: UCLA, PTA, USMC, LAPD, U.S.M.C.
5. **HYPHENATED WORDS** that appear in any generally available standard reference
dictionary published in the U.S. at any time within the last 10 calendar years immediately
preceding the election are counted as one (1) word.
EXAMPLE: Attorney-at-law
6. **DATES...** consisting of a combination of digits are counted as one (1) word.
EXAMPLE: 3/18 7/21/89

DATES... consisting of a combination of words and digits are counted as two (2) words.
EXAMPLE: July 21, 1983 18 June, 1987
7. **NUMERIC COMBINATIONS** are counted as one (1) word.
EXAMPLE: 1973 13 1/2 1971-73 5% 8/3/73 #14
8. **MONETARY AMOUNTS** consisting of a combination of digits are counted as one (1) word.
EXAMPLE: \$1,000.00

MONETARY AMOUNTS consisting of a combination of words and digits are counted as
two (2) words.
EXAMPLE: \$4 million
9. **NAMES OF PERSONS AND THINGS** are counted as individual words.
EXAMPLE: Gus Enwright (2 words)
L. A. Basketball Team (3 words)
10. **TELEPHONE/FAX NUMBERS** are counted as one (1) word.
EXAMPLE: 1-800-815-2666 1-562-462-2317
11. **INTERNET WEB SITES/E-MAIL ADDRESSES** are counted as one (1) word.
EXAMPLE: <http://www.co.la.ca.us> www.lavote.net <http://www.lacounty.info>

Chapter 4

Campaign Statement Filing Requirements

CAMPAIGN STATEMENT FILING REQUIREMENTS

CAMPAIGN STATEMENT FILING REQUIREMENTS — California's Political Reform Act was adopted by Voter Initiative in 1974 and has been periodically amended by legislation and initiatives. The Act requires that Campaign Disclosure Reports provide the public with the identity of contributors and the amounts they give and the amount and purpose of expenditures made by Officeholders, Candidates, and Committees.

Proponents and all committees primarily formed to support or oppose a Ballot Measure in any election must comply with the Campaign Statement Filing Requirements if the committee receives contributions or makes independent expenditures that total \$1,000 or more. Monetary penalties may be assessed for failure to file required statements.

Contact the Campaign Finance Disclosure Section at (562) 462-2339, if you have questions relating to filing requirements or need Campaign Statement Forms.

Chapter 5

**Election Night Semi-Final
Official Results And Certification**

**ELECTION NIGHT
SEMI-FINAL OFFICIAL RESULTS AND CERTIFICATION**

All semi-final results will be released from the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's office at:

**Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk
12400 Imperial Highway
Norwalk, California 90650**

Semi-final election results will also be continuously updated and displayed on the Department's website (www.lavote.net) throughout Election Night and during the Official Canvass process.

Vote By Mail ballot semi-final results will be available by approximately 8:30 p.m. Precinct semi-final results will be available as ballots are processed. Bulletins are updated and results released approximately **every 30 minutes** until the last **Semi-Final Official Results** are tallied on Election Night.

Copies of results by precinct will be available at the **RR/CC, Election Information Section Counter, 2nd Floor, Room 2013** after 10:00 a.m. on the Thursday following the election.

CERTIFICATION OF OFFICIAL RESULTS — On **November 29, 2010**, the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk is tentatively scheduled to certify the election results. On **November 30, 2010**, the Board of Supervisors is tentatively scheduled to declare the election results official.

Certificates will be mailed to the district unless other arrangements are made by the district. Please contact the Election Coordination Section at (562) 462-2632 to make arrangements for the pick up, faxing and/or mailing of your certification.

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