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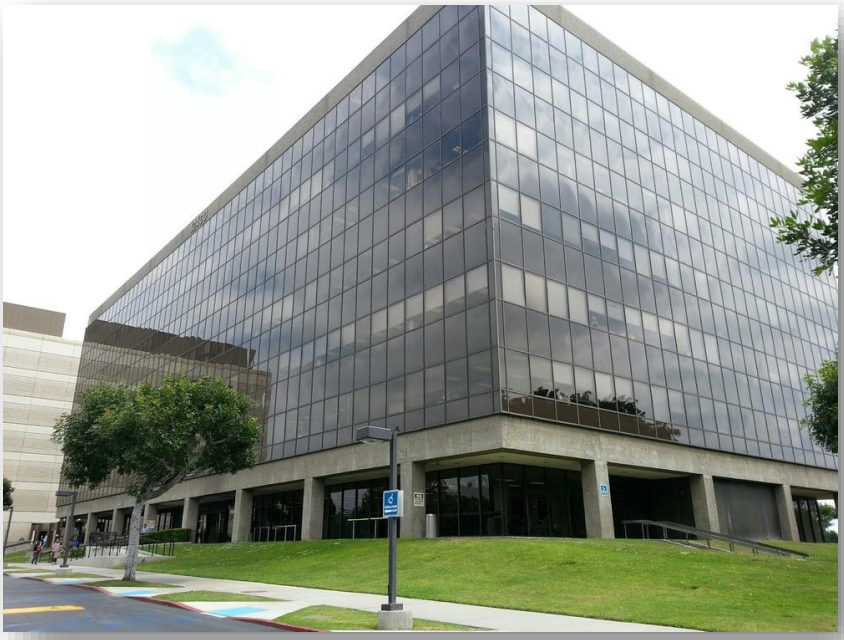
COUNTY INITIATIVE PROCEDURES 2020



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SECTION ONE

SAMPLE OF TIME FRAMES TO QUALIFY A COUNTY INITIATIVE

Following are key dates and events. These dates are approximate and can vary due to weekends and holidays.

Dates and events will depend on the **actual date** the proponent files the Notice of Intention, the completion of Title and Summary, and the number of days the proponent takes to circulate the petition. State statute mandates some deadlines; others are suggested time frames in order to provide the maximum amount of time to circulate petitions.

E-MINUS BEGINNING DATE	E-MINUS ENDING DATE	EVENT
E-447	E-344	County Elections Official receives Notice of Intention and a request that a Ballot Title and Summary be prepared.
E-447	E-344	County Elections Official delivers Notice of Intention and request for Ballot Title and Summary to County Counsel.
E-432	E-329	Within 15 days, County Counsel delivers Title and Summary to the County Elections Official who then delivers to Proponent. (E.C. § 9105(a))
E-431	E-328	Proponent shall, prior to circulation of the Petition, publish the Notice of Intention with Title and Summary and file Proof of Publication with the County Elections Official.
E-251	E-148	Proponent shall submit Petition with signatures within 180 days after Proponent receives Title and Summary from the County Elections Official or after termination of any action for a writ of mandate pursuant to § 9106 and, if applicable, after receipt of an Amended Title or Summary or both, whichever occurs later. (E.C. § 9110)
E-221	E-118	County Elections Official has 30 working days (excluding Saturday, Sunday and holidays) to examine and verify petitions. (E.C. § 9115 (a))
E-220	E-117	County Elections Official submits to the Board of Supervisors an item for the Board Agenda to certify result of the examination.
E-203	E-100	Board of Supervisors may call the election or adopt the ordinance without alteration.
E-88	E-88	Last day Board of Supervisors may consolidate a measure with a regularly scheduled election.
E-89	E-89	County Elections Official will publish the deadline for submitting Arguments.
E-81	E-81	Last date to submit Arguments.
E-81	E-81	Last day for County Counsel to submit Impartial Analysis.
E-80	E-71	Public examination of Arguments/Analysis.
E-71	E-71	Last day to submit Rebuttal Arguments.
E-70	E-61	Public examination of Rebuttals.
E-40	E-21*	Mail Official Sample Ballot Booklets.
0	0	Election Date.
+2	+28	Official Canvass.

LEGEND: E- = Election minus or plus days before or after an election date.
*** E-10 when the election is a presidential primary.**

SECTION TWO

COUNTY INITIATIVE PROCEDURES

County Ordinances may be enacted pursuant to Division 9, Chapter 2 of the California Elections Code, commencing with Section 9100.

The principal procedures in qualifying a County Initiative are as follows:

FILING OF NOTICE OF INTENTION
(E. C. §§ 9103, 9104 and 9105)

Before circulating a County Initiative, proponents must file with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk the following documents:

1. The Notice of Intention to circulate a petition containing the printed name, signature, and business or residence address of at least one but no more than five proponents. A written statement, **not to exceed 500 words**, stating the reasons for the Initiative may also be included (optional). Refer to **EXHIBIT A** (Word Counting Guidelines).

2. Written text of the Initiative.

3. A request that the Ballot Title and Summary be prepared.

NOTE: There is no established fee in Los Angeles County for submitting a Notice of Intention to circulate a County Initiative.

BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY
(E. C. §§ 9105 and 9106)

A) The Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk shall upon receipt of a Notice of Intention, immediately transmit a copy to County Counsel. **Within 15 days** after the request for Ballot Title and Summary is filed, County Counsel shall prepare and transmit to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk the Ballot Title and Summary, which **shall not exceed 500 words** and consist of a true and impartial statement of the proposed measure's purpose. The Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk in turn shall provide a copy of it to the proponent.

B) The proponent or any elector of the County may file a writ of mandate requiring that the Ballot Title or Summary prepared by County Counsel be amended. A peremptory writ of mandate shall be issued upon proof that the Ballot Title and Summary is false, misleading, or inconsistent with the specified requirements of the law.

SECTION TWO (continued)

PROPONENT TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT STATEMENT OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT (E. C. §§ 9608, 9609, 9610, and 18650)

No one shall knowingly or willfully permit the list of signatures on an initiative petition to be used for any purpose other than qualification of the proposed measure for the ballot, except as provided in Section 6253.5 of the Government Code. Violation of this section is a misdemeanor. A proponent of an initiative measure shall execute and submit, along with the request for a Title and Summary for the proposed measure, a signed statement. **(EXHIBIT B)**

The certification required by Elections Code § 9608(a) shall be kept on file by the agency authorized to prepare the Title and Summary for the proposed initiative measure for not less than eight months after the certification of the results of the election for which the Petition qualified for, or if the measure, for any reason, is not submitted to the voters, eight months after the deadline for submission of the Petition to the County Elections Official.

Failure to comply with this section shall not invalidate any signatures on a state or local initiative petition.

OFFICIAL TOP FUNDERS SHEET (E.C. §§ 101 AND 107)

For any initiative petition for which the circulation is paid for by a committee formed pursuant to Government Code 82013, an Official Top Funders disclosure shall be included on the petition **(EXHIBIT C)** or in a separate document presented to a prospective signer of the petition **(EXHIBIT D(1),(2))**.

County elections officials are not required to verify the accuracy of the information or to reapprove the petition upon any updates the committee makes.

CIRCULATION AND PUBLICATION OF PETITION (E.C. §§ 9101, 9103, 9105, 9108 and 9110)

A) The proponent must publish the Notice of Intention and the Title and Summary of the initiative at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the County. The proponent shall also file Proof of Publication with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's office.

B) After publication of the Notice of Intention and Title and Summary, the petition may be circulated. **(EXHIBIT C/D)** Each petition section (page) must comply with the requirements of Sections 100, 104, 9020 and 9105 of the Elections Code and contain a copy of the Notice of Intention, Title and Summary, and Full Text of Initiative.

C) Petition signatures **shall be filed within 180 calendar days** from the date of receipt of the Title and Summary, or after termination of any action for a writ of mandate and, if applicable, after receipt of an Amended Title or Summary.

SECTION TWO (continued)

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACTION DURING CIRCULATION (E. C. § 9111)

During the circulation of the petition or before taking any action to either submit the initiative to the voters or enact the ordinance, the Board of Supervisors may refer the initiative to any county agency for review and a report on its effect on specific issues including those relating to the use of land and housing impact to the effected community as well as fiscal impact. This report shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors **no later than 30 calendar days** after certification of the petition's sufficiency by the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.

FILING OF PETITION (E.C. § 9113)

A) All sections (pages) of the petition shall be filed at one time and may not be amended or supplemented.

B) The Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk shall determine the total number of signatures affixed to the petition. If the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk determines that the number of signatures thereon equals or is in excess of the number of signatures required, the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk shall examine the petition to determine the number of qualified signers. If the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk determines that the number of signatures does not meet the minimum number of signatures required, no further action shall be taken.

EXAMINATION OF SIGNATURES (E.C. §§ 9114 and 9115)

A) **Within 30 working days** from the date of filing, the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk shall verify the signatures thereon either from a 100% check or a random sampling. If the petition contains more than 500 signatures, the random sampling technique may be used to verify 3% of the signatures.

   1. If the statistical sampling shows that the number of valid signatures is within 95 to 110 percent of the number of signatures of qualified voters needed to declare the petition sufficient, the County Elections Official shall, within 60 days from the date of the filing of the petition, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, examine and verify each signature filed.

B) The Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk shall certify as to the sufficiency or insufficiency of the petition.
   1. If the petition is insufficient, no action is taken.
   2. If the petition is sufficient, the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk certifies the results to the Board of Supervisors at the next regular meeting of the Board.

NOTE: Supplemental petitions are not permitted.

SECTION TWO (continued)

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACTION IF THE PETITION IS SUFFICIENT (E.C. §§ 1405, 9107, 9111, 9118 and 9118.5)

If the petition is signed by voters **not less in number than 10%** of the entire vote cast within the County for all candidates for Governor at the last Gubernatorial Election preceding the publication of the Notice of Intention, the Board of Supervisors shall either:

a. Adopt the ordinance, without alteration, at the regular meeting at which the certification is presented or within 10 days after it is presented.
b. Submit the ordinance, without alteration, to the voters.
c. Order an impact report at the regular meeting at which the certification is presented. The Board of Supervisors shall, after receiving the report, either adopt the ordinance within 10 days or order an election pursuant to letter b above.

When legally possible, the election **may be consolidated with the next statewide election occurring not less than 88 days** after the date of the order of election. If the governing body calls a **special election**, the election shall be **held not less than 88 days nor more than 103 days** after the order of the election.

Note: The proponent of an initiative may withdraw the initiative at any time before the 88th day before the election, whether or not the petition has already been found sufficient by the elections official.

The vote for Governor in 2018 in Los Angeles County was: 2,941,101
10% = 294,110

FILING OF ARGUMENTS (E.C. §§ 9120, 9162 and 9167)

Arguments in Favor or Against **shall not exceed 300 words**. Rebuttals in Favor or Against **shall not exceed 250 words.** Refer to **EXHIBIT A** (Word Counting Guidelines). The Board of Supervisors or any member or members thereof, or any individual voter who is eligible to vote on the measure, or bona fide association of citizens, or any combination of such voters and association may file a written Argument For or Against the measure. **(See EXHIBITS E, F, G)**

OFFICIAL SAMPLE BALLOT BOOKLET MAILING (E.C. §§ 9119 and 9160)

Arguments For and Against the measure and the Impartial Analysis prepared by County Counsel **shall be mailed with the Official Sample Ballot Booklet**. **The Board not less than 88 days before the election** may direct the County Auditor to prepare a fiscal impact of the measure for inclusion in the Official Sample Ballot Booklet. A printed copy of the ordinance shall be made available to any voter upon request.

CONTACT

For more information, please contact Election Coordination Unit at (562) 462-2912 or by email at ecu@rrcc.lacounty.gov.

EXHIBIT A

WORD COUNTING GUIDELINES

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(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 ballot enclosures. The guidelines do **not** apply to ballot designations for candidates. If the text exceeds the specified 200 or 400 word limit, the author will be asked to delete words or change text until the statement 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. **PROPER NOUNS,** such as geographical names, and names of persons or things, as one (1) word.
   EXAMPLE: Gus Enwright = 1 word
   “City of Los Angeles” = 1 word
   “Dalai Lama” = 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…** are counted as one (1) word.
   EXAMPLE: July 21, 1983 18 June, 1987 3/18 7/21/89

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. **TELEPHONE/FAX NUMBERS** are counted as one (1) word.
   EXAMPLE: 1-800-815-2666 1-562-462-2317

10. **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

EXHIBIT B

PROPONENT STATEMENT OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I, _____, acknowledge that it is a misdemeanor under State Law (Section 18650 of the California Elections Code) to knowingly or willfully allow the signatures on an initiative petition to be used for any purpose other than qualification of the proposed measure for the ballot.

I certify that I will not knowingly or willfully allow the signatures for this initiative to be used for any purpose other than qualification of the measure for the ballot.

_____
(Signature of Proponent/Official/Circulator)

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20___

EXHIBIT C

"SAMPLE INCLUDING OFFICIAL TOP FUNDERS"

INITIATIVE MEASURE TO BE SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO THE VOTERS

The County Counsel has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

(Insert Ballot title and Summary)

The Ballot Title and Summary prepared by the County Counsel shall appear upon each section of the petition, above the text of the proposed measure and across the top of each page on the petition on which signatures are to appear, in roman boldface type not smaller than 11 point. §9105(c)

Notice of Intention to Circulate Petition

Notice is hereby given by the persons whose names appear hereon of their intention to circulate the petition within the County of Los Angeles for the purpose of **(insert purpose of measure).** A statement of the reasons of the proposed action as contemplated in the petition is as follows:

A 500 word statement outlining the reasons for the proposed petition may be printed here. The statement is optional. The notice shall contain the printed name, signature, and business or residence address of at least one, but not more than five, proponents. §9104. To print on the petition, format the signature as "Name, Address, City, State, Zip". Each section of the petition shall bear a copy of the Notice of Intention. §9108. So, if it is on the front side, it may be omitted on the back. The law does not specify the type size for the Notice of Intention, but it should not be less than 8-point.

Insert text of measure in type not smaller than 8 point and, it must be clearly separated from the ballot title and summary above. §9105(c) if printed once on the back side, text must follow the Ballot Title and Summary.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Print in 11-point type, prior to the portion for voters' signature. §101

OFFICIAL TOP FUNDERS. Valid only for [Month, Year1] [10-point type (§ 107(b)(1)]
Petition circulation paid for by [name of the committee as it appears on the most recent Statement of Organization filed pursuant to Government Code section 84501]
Committee major funding from:
[Largest contributor]
[Second largest contributor]
[Third largest contributor]

[OPTIONAL] Endorsed by:
[First endorser]
[Second endorser]
[Third endorser]

Latest info: [link to Secretary of State Top Funders website or committee website]

THIS PETITION MAY BE CIRCULATED BY A PAID SIGNATURE GATHERER OR A VOLUNTEER, YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO ASK.
THE USE OF YOUR SIGNATURE FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE OTHER THAN QUALIFICATION OF THIS MEASURE FOR THE BALLOT IS A MISDEMEANOR.
COMPLAINTS ABOUT THIS MISUSE OF YOUR SIGNATURE MAY BE MADE TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE

	NAME	RESIDENCE	
1	Print Your Name …….. Your Signature as Registered to Vote ……	Residence Address ONLY …….. City or Town ……	
2	Print Your Name …….. Your Signature as Registered to Vote ……	Residence Address ONLY …….. City or Town ……	
3	Print Your Name …….. Your Signature as Registered to Vote ……	Residence Address ONLY …….. City or Town ……	

1' §100

Each petition Section shall have attached to it an affidavit to be completed by the circulator, §104, 9109. This declaration below may be omitted on front side if signature spaces are provided on both sides. The circulator's declaration must follow the last signature block.

(1) The month and year must start at least seven days after the date the top contributors as defined in Government Code Section 84501(c) were last confirmed

Sample

EXHIBIT C (continued)

DECLARATION OF PERSON CIRCULATING SECTION OF INITIATIVE PETITION
(MUST BE IN CIRCULATOR'S OWN HANDWRITING)

I _____ Declare:
(print name)

1. I am 18 years of age or older.
2. My residence address is _____ in _____ County, California, and I am a registered voter in (insert electoral jurisdiction);
3. I personally circulated the attached petition for signing.
4. I witnessed each of the appended signatures being written on the petition and to my best information and belief, each signature is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be; and
5. The appended signatures were obtained between the dates of _____ and _____ inclusive.
(Starting date) (Ending date)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on _____ at _____ , California.
(Date) (City)

_____
(Signature)

It is recommended that you leave a 1" margin at the top, and a ½" margin on the left, right and bottom. The full text of the proposed measure must also appear on the petition. You may want to print the text on the back side; however, the Ballot Title and Summary must appear above the text of the proposed measure. §9105(c)

EXHIBIT D(1)

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Sample

1' §100

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3. I personally circulated the attached petition for signing.
4. I witnessed each of the appended signatures being written on the petition and to my best information and belief, each signature is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be; and
5. The appended signatures were obtained between the dates of _____ (Starting date) and _____ (Ending date) inclusive.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on _____ (Date) at _____ (City), California.

_____
(Signature)

It is recommended that you leave a 1" margin at the top, and a ½" margin on the left, right and bottom. The full text of the proposed measure must also appear on the petition. You may want to print the text on the back side; however, the Ballot Title and Summary must appear above the text of the proposed measure. §9105(c)

EXHIBIT D(2)

"SAMPLE OFFICIAL TOP FUNDERS DISCLOSURE SHEET"

OFFICIAL TOP FUNDERS. Valid only for [Month, Year][1]

[16-point font § 107(a)(2)]

[TITLE OF INITIATIVE OR REFERENDUM AS IT APPEARS ON THE PETITION]

[14-point font § 107(a)(1)]

Petition circulation paid for by [14-point font § 107(a)(1)]

[Name of the committee as it appears on the most recent Statement of Organization filed pursuant to Gov. Code §84501]

Committee major funding from:

[Largest contributor]
[Second largest contributor]
[Third largest contributor]

[OPTIONAL] Endorsed by:

[First endorser]
[Second endorser]
[Third endorser]

Latest Official Top Funders: [link to Secretary of State Top Funders website or committee website]

1 The month and year must start at least seven days after the date the top contributors as defined in Government Code section 84501 were last confirmed.

EXHIBIT E (FRONT)

ARGUMENT AND REBUTTAL FORM

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

JURISDICTION: _____

(Please mark (x) in the appropriate box)

☐ Argument in Favor ☐ Rebuttal to Argument Against	☐ Argument Against ☐ 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. 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. **NOTE**: Rebuttal arguments are not direct arguments. For example, a rebuttal to a direct argument in favor of a measure is NOT a direct argument against a measure. Please also note that rebuttal arguments are allowed only when both a direct argument for AND against a measure are filed.

ALL AUTHORS MUST SIGN ON THE REVERSE SIDE

Please attach typed statement to this form. Statements should be typed in upper and lower case letters. Statement will be typeset in the Official Sample Ballot Booklet using TIMES NEW ROMAN font in 11 point size. However, statements can be submitted using any standard font.

EXHIBIT E (BACK)

LOS ANGELES COUNTY
REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

ELECTION PLANNING SECTION
(562) 462-2317

DECLARATION BY AUTHOR(S) OF ARGUMENTS OR REBUTTALS
(Elections Code Section 9600)

All arguments concerning measures filed pursuant to Division 9 of the Elections Code shall be accompanied by the following declaration to be signed by each author of the argument/rebuttal. Names and titles listed will be printed in the Voter Information portion of the Official Sample Ballot Booklet in the order provided below.

The undersigned author(s) of the:

☐ Argument in Favor	☐ Rebuttal to Argument Against
☐ Argument Against	☐ Rebuttal to Argument in Favor

of ballot measure _____ at the _____
(name and/or letter) (title of election)

election for the _____ to be held on

_____hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the
(date)

best of his/her/their knowledge and belief.

1.	Printed Name	Signature
	Title to Appear on Argument	Date
2.	Printed Name	Signature
	Title to Appear on Argument	Date
3.	Printed Name	Signature
	Title to Appear on Argument	Date
4.	Printed Name	Signature
	Title to Appear on Argument	Date
5.	Printed Name	Signature
	Title to Appear on Argument	Date

IMPORTANT FILING INFORMATION: I, _____ am the designated filer of the above titled argument/rebuttal. Please notify me of any questions pertaining to this filing. Below is my contact information.

Mailing Address: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Contact Numbers: _____ _____ _____
Daytime Evening Fax

OFFICE USE ONLY

Time Stamp

Word Counts

NUMBER OF WORDS:	
PROJECT CODE NUMBER:	
ELECTION DEPUTY:	

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EXHIBIT F

BALLOT ARGUMENT AND REBUTTAL GENERAL INFORMATION

1. A ballot argument for any county, general district or school district measure shall not exceed 300 words in length.

   Exceptions: Ballot arguments to reorganize a school or community college district shall not exceed 500 words. (Ed. Code § 35758)

2. No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument.

3. The authors of an argument in favor or against a measure may prepare and submit rebuttal arguments, or may authorize in writing any other person or persons to prepare, submit, or sign the rebuttal. No rebuttal shall exceed 250 words. Authorization forms are available by calling (562) 462-2317.

4. All arguments and rebuttals concerning measures shall be accompanied by a statement, to be signed by each proponent and by each author, if different, declaring that the argument or rebuttal is true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

5. Whenever any ballot arguments for or against any measure are submitted, such arguments may be withdrawn by their proponents at any time prior to and including the final date fixed for filing arguments.

6. A public examination period is allowed for the review of arguments and rebuttal arguments. The inspection time is the ten-day calendar period immediately following the filing deadline for such documents. During this period, any person may seek 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.

7. 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. Signers of rebuttals for city measures will be determined by the City Clerk.

8. Original signatures of faxed arguments or rebuttals must be received by this office within 48 hours.

EXHIBIT G

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

ELECTION PLANNING SECTION

AUTHORIZATION FOR ANOTHER PERSON TO SIGN REBUTTAL ARGUMENT

(Elections Code Section 9167, 9317 and 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
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held on _____.
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Any Author of the Argument may be replaced with another author to sign the Rebuttal.

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(**Print** name of Rebuttal Author)

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(**Signature** of Rebuttal Author)

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(**Title** to appear on Rebuttal)

Signature of Argument Author: _____ Date: _____

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

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