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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum # 16046

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters

FROM: /s/ Rachelle Delucchi
Elections Counsel

RE: Military and Overseas Voters: Return Envelope

Please find the attached updated language for the Military or Overseas Voter Return Envelope. (Elections Code sections 3101(e) and 3118.) The language can be formatted to fit envelope templates. The update includes information on "postmark plus 3" as well as the new penalty of perjury statement outlined in [CCROV #15100](#).

Please feel free to contact me at rachelle.delucch@sos.ca.gov if you have any questions. Thank you.

Military or Overseas Voter Return Envelope

Official Vote-By-Mail Ballot – To Be Opened ONLY BY Election Canvassing Board

Return ballot **by fax** to your county: **no later than 8 p.m. on Election Day.**
Return ballot **by mail** to your county: **postmarked no later than Election Day** (to be counted, it must also be received by your county no later than 3 days after Election Day).
WARNING: Your ballot will not be counted unless you sign below in your own handwriting and your signature compares with the signature on your voter registration card.

I declare as follows:

- I understand that a material misstatement of fact in completing the ballot may be grounds for a conviction of perjury under the laws of the State of California or the U.S.
- I am a member of the active or reserve components of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard; a Merchant Marine; a member of the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; a member of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Corps of the United States; or a member on activated status of the National Guard or state militia; or an eligible spouse or dependent of such person; or an eligible U.S. citizen living outside of the territorial limits of the U.S. or the District of Columbia; and
- I am a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years of age or older on Election Day, and I am eligible to vote in the California jurisdiction in which I am voting with the enclosed/attached voted ballot; and
- I am not currently imprisoned or on parole for the conviction of a felony; and
- I have not been found by a court to be mentally incompetent, or if so, my voting rights have been reinstated; and
- I am not registering, requesting a ballot, or voting in any other jurisdiction in the U.S., except the California jurisdiction cited in this enclosed/attached ballot; and
- I am the person whose name appears on this envelope.

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

YOU MUST SIGN BELOW OR YOUR BALLOT CANNOT BE COUNTED

X _____

Your signature as registered to vote (Power of Attorney NOT ACCEPTABLE)

Print your name Date of signing

Residence address as registered in _____ (insert) _____ County – NOT Mailing Address

AUTHORIZED AGENT

I am unable to return my ballot and hereby authorize:

Name of person returning ballot

Relationship (Circle one): spouse, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, or household member.