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July 12, 2010

County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #10244

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters and Proponent

FROM:


Katherine Montgomery
Initiative Program Manager

RE: Initiative: 1472, Related to Marriage

Pursuant to Elections Code section 336, we transmit herewith a copy of the Title and Summary prepared by the Attorney General on a proposed initiative measure entitled:

**ELIMINATES THE LAW ALLOWING MARRIED
COUPLES TO DIVORCE. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**

The proponent of the above-named measure is:

John Marcotte

info@rescuemarriage.org

**ELIMINATES THE LAW ALLOWING MARRIED
COUPLES TO DIVORCE. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**

CIRCULATING AND FILING SCHEDULE

1. Minimum number of signatures required: 694,354
California Constitution, Article II, Section 8(b)

2. Official Summary Date: Monday, 07/12/10

3. Petitions Sections:
 - a. First day Proponent can circulate Sections for
signatures (Elec. Code § 336)..... Monday, 07/12/10

 - b. Last day Proponent can circulate and file with the county.
All sections are to be filed at the same time within each
county. (Elec. Codes §§ 336, 9030(a))..... Thursday, 12/09/10

 - c. Last day for county to determine total number of
signatures affixed to petitions and to transmit total
to the Secretary of State (Elec. Code § 9030(b))..... Tuesday, 12/21/10

(If the Proponent files the petition with the county on a date prior to
12/09/10, the county has eight working days from the filing of the petition
to determine the total number of signatures affixed to the petition and to
transmit the total to the Secretary of State) (Elec. Code § 9030(b)).

 - d. Secretary of State determines whether the total number
of signatures filed with all county clerks/registrars of
voters meets the minimum number of required signatures
and notifies the counties..... Thursday, 12/30/10*

 - e. Last day for county to determine total number of qualified
voters who signed the petition, and to transmit certificate
with a blank copy of the petition to the Secretary of State
(Elec. Code § 9030(d)(e))..... Friday, 02/11/11

* Date varies based on the date of county receipt.

INITIATIVE #1472
Circulating and Filing Schedule continued:

(If the Secretary of State notifies the county to determine the number of qualified voters who signed the petition on a date other than 12/30/10, the last day is no later than the thirtieth working day after the county's receipt of notification). (Elec. Code § 9030(d)(e)).

- f. If the signature count is more than 763,790 or less than 659,637 then the Secretary of State certifies the petition as qualified or failed, and notifies the counties. If the signature count is between 659,637 and 763,790 inclusive, then the Secretary of State notifies the counties using the random sampling technique to determine the validity of **all** signatures (Elec. Code §§ 9030(f)(g), 9031(a)).....Monday, 02/21/11*
- g. Last day for county to determine actual number of all qualified voters who signed the petition, and to transmit certificate with a blank copy of the petition to the Secretary of State. (Elec. Code § 9031(b)(c)).....Tuesday, 04/05/11

(If the Secretary of State notifies the county to determine the number of qualified voters who have signed the petition on a date other than 02/21/11, the last day is no later than the thirtieth working day after the county's receipt of notification.) (Elec. Code § 9031(b)(c).)

- h. Secretary of State certifies whether the petition has been signed by the number of qualified voters required to declare the petition sufficient (Elec. Code §§ 9031(d), 9033)Saturday, 04/09/11*

*Date varies based on the date of county receipt.

IMPORTANT POINTS

- California law prohibits the use of signatures, names and addresses gathered on initiative petitions for any purpose other than to qualify the initiative measure for the ballot. This means that the petitions cannot be used to create or add to mailing lists or similar lists for any purpose, including fundraising or requests for support. Any such misuses constitutes a crime under California law. Elections Code section 18650; *Bilofsky v. Deukmejian* (1981) 124 Cal.App.3d 825, 177 Cal.Rptr. 621; 63 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 37 (1980).
- Please refer to Elections Code sections 100, 101, 104, 9001, 9008, 9009, 9021, and 9022 for appropriate format and type consideration in printing, typing and otherwise preparing your initiative petition for circulation and signatures. Please send a copy of the petition after you have it printed. This copy is not for our review or approval, but to supplement our file.
- Your attention is directed to the campaign disclosure requirements of the **Political Reform Act of 1974**, Government Code section 81000 et seq.
- When writing or calling state or county elections officials, provide the official title of the initiative which was prepared by the Attorney General. Use of this title will assist elections officials in referencing the proper file.
- When a petition is presented to the county elections official for filing by someone other than the proponent, the required authorization shall include the name or names of the persons filing the petition.
- When filing the petition with the county elections official, please provide a blank petition for elections official use.

EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
Attorney General

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Honorable Debra Bowen
Secretary of State of the State of California
State of California Elections
1500 11th Street, 5th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Attention: Ms. Katherine Montgomery
Associate Elections Analyst

Dear Secretary Bowen:

Pursuant to Elections Code, section 9004, you are hereby notified that on this day we sent our title and summary for the following proposed initiative to the proponent:

- 10-0019, "2012 California Marriage Protection Act"

A copy of that title and summary and text of the proposed initiative is enclosed. Please contact me if you have any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Krystal M. Paris in cursive.

KRYSTAL M. PARIS
Initiative Coordinator

For EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
Attorney General

Proponent:
John Marcotte
john@badmouth.net

July 12, 2010
Initiative 10-0019

The Attorney General of California has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

ELIMINATES THE LAW ALLOWING MARRIED COUPLES TO DIVORCE.

INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Changes the California Constitution to eliminate the ability of married couples to get divorced in California. Preserves the ability of married couples to seek an annulment. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local government: **Savings to the state of up to hundreds of millions of dollars annually for support of the court system due to the elimination of divorce proceedings. (10-0019.)**

VIA PERSONAL DELIVERY

The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr.
Attorney General
1300 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

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INITIATIVE COORDINATOR
ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

Attention: Krystal Paris, Initiative Coordinator

REQUEST FOR TITLE AND SUMMARY SECTION 9002

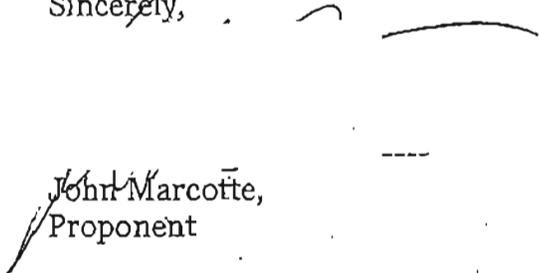
Pursuant to Article II, Section 10(d) of the California Constitution and Section 9002 of the Elections Code, I hereby request that a title and summary be prepared for the attached initiative titled "2012 California Marriage Protection Act" as provided by law. Included in this submission is the required affidavit signed by myself as proponent of this measure pursuant to section 9608 of the California Elections Code. My address as registered voter is provided and attached to this letter. Along with a check for \$200.

All inquiries or correspondence relative to this initiative should be directed to

John Marcotte
info@rescuemarriage.org

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,


John Marcotte,
Proponent

SECTION 1. Title. This act shall be known as the "2012 California Marriage Protection Act."

SECTION 2. Section 7.6 is added to Article I of the California Constitution, to read:
No party to any marriage shall be restored to the state of an unmarried person during the lifetime of the other party unless the marriage is void or voidable.