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Summary of
Qualifications and Requirements for the Office of

UNITED STATES PRESIDENT

WRITE-IN CANDIDATE

**AMERICAN INDEPENDENT, DEMOCRATIC, GREEN, LIBERTARIAN,
PEACE AND FREEDOM, AND REPUBLICAN PARTIES**

June 5, 2012, Presidential Primary Election

I. QUALIFICATIONS

Every candidate shall be a natural-born citizen of the United States, at least 35 years of age, and a resident of the United States for at least 14 years. U.S. Const., art. II, § 1 cl. 5

II. REQUIREMENTS

ENDORSEMENT OF WRITE-IN CANDIDACY FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

1. The endorsement of write-in candidacy shall contain the following information:

- a. Candidate's name,
- b. Residence address,
- c. A declaration stating that the candidate is a write-in candidate,
- d. The name of the office for which the candidate is running,
- e. The party nomination which the candidate seeks, and
- f. The date of the election.

§ 8600¹

In addition, it is requested that you provide a telephone number to reach the presidential candidate and an address to which correspondence regarding the write-in candidacy may be addressed to expedite communications.

2. The Endorsement of Write-In Candidacy for Presidential Primary for the Presidential Primary Election must be filed with the Secretary of State by May 15, 2012 (E-21).

§§ 6241, 6441, 6621, 6822

¹ All code references are to the California Elections Code unless otherwise stated.

III. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Because of the requirements of the Federal Election Campaign Act, As Amended, a presidential candidate should contact the Federal Election Commission at 999 E Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20463, or call toll-free (800) 424-9530 for a copy of the Act, related regulations giving the filing requirements for reporting campaign contributions, and the forms on which to file.

B. No filing fee shall be required from any person in order to file nomination papers.

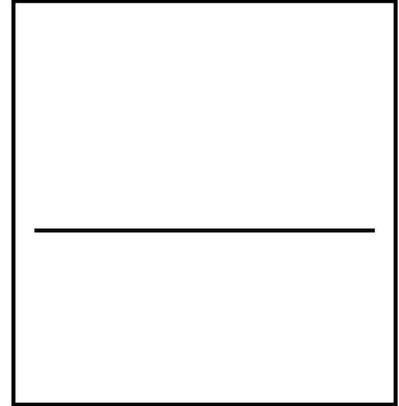
§§ 6146, 6406, 6502, 6702

IMPORTANT NOTICE

This information sheet of presidential candidate qualifications and requirements is for general information only and does not have the force and effect of law, regulation, or rule. In case of conflict, the law, regulation, or rule will apply. The candidate should obtain the most up-to-date information available because of possible changes in law.

**ENDORSEMENT OF WRITE-IN CANDIDACY
FOR PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY**

**(American Independent, Democratic, Green, Libertarian,
Peace and Freedom, and Republican)**



Office of the Secretary of State
ATTN: Candidates and Elections
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Sacramento, CA 95814

I, _____, believe that my name will be written in on the June 5, 2012, Presidential Primary Election ballot as a candidate for election to the office of President of the United States for the _____ Party. I hereby endorse such a write-in candidacy.

I therefore request that the Secretary of State notify each of the county elections officials to count all write-in votes cast for me.

Dated: _____

Signature

Print Name

Residence Address

City, State, Zip

(_____) _____
Telephone Number