

Common California Elections Code Violations

Voter Registration Violations

- Registering yourself or another knowing that you or that person is not entitled to register – Elections Code section 18100(a)
- Registering a non-existent person (including the deceased, animals, inanimate objects) – Elections Code section 18100(b)
- Registering a fictitious person or someone not requesting registration – Elections Code section 18101
- Negligence in promptly transferring a voter's affidavit to an elections official – Elections Code section 18103
- Altering the party affiliation of a voter's affidavit – Elections Code section 18106
- Misrepresenting on a voter registration card as having assisted a citizen to register – Elections Code section 18108.1
- Knowingly misusing voter registration information obtained from the county Registrar or Secretary of State or acquiring voter information without complying with Elections Code section 2188 – Elections Code section 18109

Petition Initiative and Circulator Violations

- As a petition circulator, intentionally misrepresenting the contents, purport or effect of that petition to a prospective signer – Elections Code section 18600
- Obscuring the Attorney General's summary of the measure from a prospective signer – Elections Code section 18602
- Exchanging money or valuable consideration for petition signatures – Elections Code section 18603
- Circulating a petition, knowing it contains false, forged or fictitious names – Elections Code section 18611
- Signing a petition more than once or signing knowing that you are not qualified to sign it – Elections Code section 18612
- Subscribing fictitious names or the name of another to a petition – Elections Code section 18613
- Threatening a petition circulator with assault or battery or inflicting damage on a circulator's property or that of the circulator's relative – Elections Code section 18630

- Making a false affidavit concerning a petition or the petition signatures – Elections Code section 18660

Election Day and Voting Violations

- Electioneering within 100 feet of a polling place on Election Day – Elections Code section 18370
- Electioneering during vote-by-mail voting – Elections Code section 18371
- Receiving money, a gift, loan or any other valuable consideration for voting – Elections Code section 18521
- Using or threatening to use any force, violence, or tactic of coercion or intimidation to compel another to vote or refrain from voting – Elections Code section 18540
- Fraudulently voting in an election in which one is not entitled – Elections Code section 18560(a)

Nomination and Election Campaign Violations

- Filing a false nomination or declaration of candidacy – Elections Code section 18203
- Using the seal of a county or local government agency in campaign literature – Elections Code section 18304
- Voting or attempting to vote more than once in an election – Elections Code section 18560(b)
- Fraudulently applying for, voting or attempting to vote an absentee ballot – Elections Code section 18578