

Write-in Candidates - 2006

Candidates may be nominated at the primary election or elected to any office at the general election by fulfilling the requirements of Part 3 of Division 8 of the Elections Code, commencing at Section 8600:

1. Statement of Write-in Candidacy

Between April 10 and May 23, 2006 for the primary election, and September 11 and October 24, 2006 for the general election, file a Statement of Write-In Candidacy. The Statement of Write-In Candidacy shall contain the following information:

- candidate's name;
- candidate's complete residence address;
- a declaration stating that the candidate is a write-in candidate;
- the name of the office for which the candidate is running;
- the party nomination which the candidate seeks, if running in a primary election (a candidate need not be registered with the party whose nomination he/she is seeking); and
- the date of the election. § 8600

2. Nomination Papers

For the **primary election**, between April 10 and May 23, 2006, circulate nomination papers for signatures within the jurisdiction and leave them for examination with the county elections official of the county in which the signers reside. § 8601

Signers must be of the political party whose nomination the write-in candidate is seeking in the primary.

For the **general election**, between September 11 and October 24, 2006, circulate nomination papers for signatures within the jurisdiction and leave them for examination with the county elections official of the county in which the signers reside. § 8601

There is no party affiliation requirement for signers of write-in nomination petitions in the general election.

The required numbers of signers to a write-in candidate's nomination paper for the respective offices are as follows:

- Statewide constitutional officers and Insurance Commissioner: Not fewer than 65 nor more than 100.
- United States Senator: Not fewer than 65 nor more than 100.
- Member of the State Board of Equalization, Member of House of Representatives, state legislative office: Not fewer than 40 nor more than 60.

In order to be nominated to any partisan office at the primary election, the write-in candidate must receive more votes than any other candidate running for that party's nomination, and must also receive votes equal to at least 1% of all votes cast for that office at the last preceding general election at which the office was filled.

The minimum number of votes required to obtain the write-in nomination, as specified by § 8605(a), is set forth below.

Office	Total Votes November 2002	Write-in Votes Required For Nomination
Partisan:		
Governor	7,476,311	74,764
Lieutenant Governor	7,411,160	74,112
Secretary of State	7,257,886	72,579
Controller	7,258,758	72,588
Treasurer	7,193,469	71,935
Attorney General	7,241,717	72,418
Insurance Commissioner	7,200,429	72,005
United States Senator*	10,623,614	106,237
Board of Equalization		
First District	1,988,224	19,883
Second District	1,803,972	18,040
Third District	1,729,782	17,298
Fourth District	1,359,115	13,592
Nonpartisan:		
Superintendent of Public Instruction	6,058,051	60,581

*Nomination requirement based on vote cast November 2000

UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

District	Total Votes November 2004	Write-in Votes Required for Nomination	District	Total Votes November 2004	Write-in Votes Required for Nomination
1	282,971	2,830	28	162,510	1,626
2	272,429	2,725	29	206,832	2,069
3	287,073	2,871	30	304,147	3,042
4	339,369	3,394	31	111,411	1,115
5	193,387	1,934	32	140,146	1,402
6	311,667	3,117	33	188,314	1,884
7	219,277	2,193	34	110,457	1,105
8	270,064	2,701	35	156,407	1,565
9	255,039	2,551	36	244,044	2,441
10	278,099	2,781	37	159,318	1,594
11	267,169	2,672	38	116,851	1,169
12	252,599	2,526	39	164,964	1,650
13	201,921	2,020	40	217,301	2,174
14	261,888	2,619	41	218,937	2,190
15	214,338	2,144	42	246,025	2,461
16	182,281	1,823	43	130,834	1,309
17	223,225	2,233	44	225,123	2,252
18	153,705	1,538	45	230,490	2,305
19	235,264	2,353	46	276,690	2,767
20	114,236	1,143	47	108,783	1,088
21	192,315	1,924	48	290,872	2,909
22	209,384	2,094	49	226,466	2,265
23	244,297	2,443	50	289,328	2,894
24	284,378	2,844	51	180,879	1,809
25	225,970	2,260	52	271,438	2,715
26	251,207	2,513	53	221,436	2,215
27	201,198	2,012			

STATE SENATOR

District	Total Votes November 2002	Write-in Votes Required for Nomination
2	247,044	2,471
4	255,134	2,552
6	172,733	1,728
8	230,420	2,305
10	154,300	1,543
12	152,861	1,529
14	175,369	1,754
16	99,250	993
18	153,878	1,539
20	88,902	890
22	68,202	683
24	11,092	111
26	123,814	1,239
28	184,813	1,849
30	120,060	1,201
32	89,862	899
34	102,510	1,026
36	218,394	2,184
38	200,578	2,006
40	117,854	1,179

MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY

District	Total Votes November 2004	Write-in Votes Required for Nomination	District	Total Votes November 2004	Write-in Votes Required for Nomination
1	195,561	1,956	41	178,823	1,789
2	178,294	1,783	42	190,091	1,901
3	188,294	1,883	43	122,954	1,230
4	210,113	2,102	44	161,834	1,619
5	174,129	1,742	45	81,751	818
6	204,867	2,049	46	52,407	525
7	168,216	1,683	47	146,710	1,468
8	161,013	1,611	48	76,622	767
9	116,712	1,168	49	94,365	944
10	160,949	1,610	50	75,918	760
11	143,512	1,436	51	106,450	1,065
12	144,363	1,444	52	59,923	600
13	181,743	1,818	53	188,631	1,887
14	182,347	1,824	54	168,232	1,683
15	204,788	2,048	55	110,394	1,104
16	143,195	1,432	56	111,853	1,119
17	110,592	1,106	57	106,354	1,064
18	127,270	1,273	58	115,072	1,151
19	160,255	1,603	59	170,693	1,707
20	127,838	1,279	60	158,303	1,584
21	190,120	1,902	61	91,401	915
22	130,307	1,304	62	79,617	797
23	93,217	933	63	143,699	1,437
24	158,493	1,585	64	157,726	1,578
25	163,342	1,634	65	152,130	1,522
26	125,305	1,254	66	148,758	1,488
27	188,486	1,885	67	168,773	1,688
28	106,843	1,069	68	129,059	1,291
29	152,693	1,527	69	62,797	628
30	78,037	781	70	184,701	1,848
31	86,234	863	71	174,698	1,747
32	164,640	1,647	72	136,814	1,369
33	177,461	1,775	73	159,101	1,592
34	116,968	1,170	74	172,900	1,729
35	173,528	1,736	75	181,750	1,818
36	134,960	1,350	76	172,839	1,729
37	182,096	1,821	77	164,748	1,648
38	174,581	1,746	78	156,743	1,568
39	72,953	730	79	92,176	922
40	119,744	1,198	80	114,074	1,141