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Butte Calaveras Colusa
Contra Costa Del Norte
El Dorado Fresno Glenn
Humboldt Imperial Inyo
Kern Kings Lake Lassen
Los Angeles Madera Marin
Mariposa Mendocino
Modoc Mono Monterey
Napa Nevada Orange*

Elections Calendar

*Placer Plumas Riverside
Sacramento San Benito
San Bernardino San Diego
San Francisco San Joaquin
San Luis Obispo San Mateo
Santa Barbara Santa Clara
Santa Cruz Shasta Sierra
Siskiyou Solano Sonoma
Stanislaus Sutter Tehama
Trinity Tulare Tuolumne
Ventura Yolo Yuba*

2012

Secretary of State Debra Bowen

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Unless another time is specified in this calendar, 5:00 p.m. is the deadline for a candidate to complete an action on behalf of his or her candidacy.

In this calendar, any reference to “County Elections Official” or “Clerk” means “Registrar of Voters” or “County Clerk” (when the County Clerk is the ex-officio Registrar of Voters).

Elections Code section 16 requires that the county elections official provide a copy of Government Code section 84305 to each candidate or his or her agent at the time of filing the Declaration of Candidacy. Government Code section 84305:

- (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), no candidate or committee shall send a mass mailing unless the name, street address, and city of the candidate or committee are shown on the outside of each piece of mail in the mass mailing and on at least one of the inserts included within each piece of mail of the mailing in no less than 6-point type which shall be in a color or print which contrasts with the background so as to be easily legible. A post office box may be stated in lieu of a street address if the organization's address is a matter of public record with the Secretary of State.
- (b) If the sender of the mass mailing is a single candidate or committee, the name, street address, and city of the candidate or committee need only be shown on the outside of each piece of mail.
- (c) If the sender of a mass mailing is a controlled committee, the name of the person controlling the committee shall be included in addition to the information required by subdivision (a).