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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**

March 3, 2020, 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**

STATEMENT/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.

§ 8600<sup>1</sup>

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

2. The attached Statement/Endorsement of Write-In Candidacy for Presidential Primary for the Presidential Primary Election must be filed at any county elections office or in the Elections Division of the Secretary of State at 1500 11<sup>th</sup> Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Sacramento, California, 95814, by February 11, 2020 (E-21).

§§ 6241, 6441, 6621, 6822, 6862

**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 1050 First

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<sup>1</sup> All code section references are to the California Elections Code unless otherwise stated.

Street, NE, 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 as a Presidential Write-In candidate. §§ 6146, 6406, 6502, 6702, 6850.7
- C. The term of office for United States President is four years, beginning January 20, 2021. U.S. Const., art. II, § 1; 20<sup>th</sup> Amend., § 1

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

This information sheet of candidate qualifications and procedures 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.



California Secretary of State  
STATEMENT/ENDORSEMENT

WRITE-IN CANDIDACY – President of the United States

March 3, 2020, Presidential Primary Election (Elections Code §§ 6241, 6441, 6621, 6822, 8600)

For County  
Elections and  
Secretary of  
State Official  
USE ONLY

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Official Filing Form

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County Elections Official

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Issued: \_\_\_\_\_

Filed in County of \_\_\_\_\_

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County Elections Official

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

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Secretary of State Official

Candidate  
Name and  
Party Name

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, believe that my name will be written in on the  
Name of Candidate

March 3, 2020, 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.

Address,  
Telephone  
Number, and  
Signature

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Residence Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt or Unit #: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

X

Signature of Candidate

Signature of Candidate

X

Printed Name of Candidate

Printed Name of Candidate