

**Replacement Candidate for Governor Checklist**  
**September 14, 2021, California Gubernatorial Recall Election**

A number of documents must be filed at the local county elections office and also at the Secretary of State's office, in order to qualify as a replacement candidate for the gubernatorial election. Below is an overview of the required documents for replacement candidates running for office of Governor.

**Replacement candidates for governor must file the following with the:**

*Local county elections office, by 5:00 p.m., July 16, 2021*

- Filing fee payable to the Secretary of State and/or signatures in lieu of filing fee
- Declaration of Candidacy (includes the Oath of Office and Political Party Preference History for Voter-Nominated Offices)
- Nomination Petitions (in the county of the signer)
- Ballot Designation Worksheet
- Code of Fair Campaign Practices Statement (voluntary)

**\*~~Replacement candidates for governor must file the following with the:~~**

~~*Elections Division of the Secretary of State's office in Sacramento, by 5:00 p.m., July 16, 2021*~~

- ~~Two (2) hard copies of every income tax return filed with the Internal Revenue Service in the five (5) most recent taxable years (one copy without redactions and the other copy with specified redactions)~~

~~**NOTE:** The five most recent taxable years include 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020~~

- ~~Signed Income Tax Return Disclosure Consent and Acknowledgement Form~~

**Replacement candidates for governor may submit a candidate statements for the official State Voter Information Guide:**

Replacement candidates running for office of Governor who have agreed to voluntary expenditure limits may purchase a 250-word candidate statement in the official State Voter Information Guide.

The following information must be filed with *the Elections Division of the Secretary of State in Sacramento, by 5:00 p.m., July 16, 2021*, in order for the statement to be published in the official State Voter Information Guide:

- Candidate Statement (typewritten and double-spaced)
- Candidate Contact Information Form

- Signed Candidate Statement and Checklist Form
- Check or money order payable to the Secretary of State

**Replacement candidates for governor must file the following with the:**

***Political Reform Division of the Secretary of State in Sacramento***

The following campaign finance forms

- Form 410** – Statement of Organization Recipient Committee (File within 10 days of receiving \$2,000 in contributions. Include a \$50 payment made payable to the Secretary of State.)
- Form 460** – Recipient Committee Campaign Statement (File a semi-annual statement on August 2, 2021, for any committee active during the period January 1, 2021, through June 30, 2021. File pre-election statements on August 5, 2021 (E-40) for activity through July 31, 2021 (E-45); and September 2, 2021 (E-12) for activity through August 28, 2021 (E-17). File the next semi-annual statement on January 31, 2021, for activity through December 31, 2021, and continue to file semi-annual statements until the committee is terminated.)
- Form 470** – Officeholder and Candidate Campaign Statement (Required only for officeholders and candidates who do not have a controlled committee, do not anticipate receiving contributions totaling \$2,000 or more during the calendar year, and do not anticipate spending \$2,000 or more during the calendar year. File on or before the filing deadline for the first campaign statement required for the calendar year, which is typically July 31, 2021.)
- Form 501** – Candidate Intention Statement (includes voluntary expenditure limit designation. File before you solicit or receive any contributions or before you make expenditures from personal funds on behalf of your candidacy.)

Committees formed to support or oppose the recall and candidates seeking to replace the Governor must comply with campaign finance requirements. The Fair Political Practices Commission is responsible for providing advice about campaign finance issues. They have prepared a fact sheet specific to recall elections that expands on this information.

See: <https://www.fppc.ca.gov/media/factsheets.html>. For more information, please contact the FPPC or visit <https://fppc.ca.gov/>.

\*Updated as of July 23, 2021: Based on a recent court proceeding, Elections Code section 8902 was determined not to apply to recall elections.