

Candidate Filing Information
Required Filing Fees, In-Lieu Signatures, and Nomination Signatures
March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election

The table below sets forth the salary, the filing fee, and the amount of signatures in lieu of filing fees and their respective monetary value, as well as the required number of nomination signatures for the offices listed below. §§ 8062(a)(1), (2), 8103, 8106(a)¹

Office	Salary²	Filing Fee (% of salary)²	In-Lieu Signatures	Value of each Signature	Nomination Signatures
United States Senator (Partial/Unexpired Term ³)	\$174,000	\$3,480.00 (2%)	7,000	\$ 0.497143	65-100
United States Senator (Full Term)	\$174,000	\$3,480.00 (2%)	7,000	\$ 0.497143	65-100
Member of the House of Representatives	\$174,000	\$1,740.00 (1%)	2,000	\$ 0.87000	40-60
State Senator	\$122,694	\$1,226.94 (1%)	2,000	\$ 0.61347	40-60
Member of the State Assembly	\$122,694	\$1,226.94 (1%)	1,000	\$ 1.22694	40-60

¹All code references are to the California Elections Code unless otherwise stated.

²Salaries and filing fees for legislative candidates are based on salaries effective as of December 5, 2022.

³The special vacancy election is for the remainder of the unexpired term in the United States Senate, which ends on January 3, 2025.

Candidate Filing Information
Write-In Candidates for the Office of President

Presidential Primary Election

Statement/Endorsement of Write-In Candidacy

By February 13, 2024 (E-21), for the Presidential Primary Election, any person who believes their name may be used as a write-in candidate for the United States President shall file for endorsement of their write-in candidacy with the Secretary of State.

The Statement/Endorsement of Write-In Candidacy for the Presidential Primary Election 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, and
- The date of the election. §§ 6241, 6441, 6621, 6822, 6862, 8600

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

General Election

Declaration of Write-In Candidacy – Presidential Electors

By October 22, 2024 (E-14), for the General Election, any group of 54 individuals who desire to be write-in candidates for Presidential Electors pledged to a particular candidate for the United States President and Vice-President shall file a declaration of write-in candidacy with the Secretary of State.

The Declaration of Write-In Candidacy–Presidential Elector shall contain the following information:

- Presidential elector candidate’s name,
- Presidential elector candidate’s complete residence address,
- A declaration stating that the candidate is a write-in candidate for the office of presidential elector,
- The date of the election,
- The oath or affirmation as set forth in Section 3 of Article XX of the California Constitution, and
- The names of the candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States for which the group of presidential electors are pledged. §§ 8650-8653

Candidate Filing Information
Write-In Candidates for Voter-Nominated Offices
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Write-in candidates for voter-nominated offices may be nominated at the primary election by fulfilling the requirements of Part 3 of Division 8 of the Elections Code, commencing at Section 8600:

Statement of Write-In Candidacy

Between January 8, 2024 (E-57), and February 20, 2024 (E-14), file a Statement of Write-In Candidacy with the county elections official of the candidate’s county of residence. However, a candidate running for the office of U.S. Senator can deliver the Statement of Write-In Candidacy to the county elections official of the county in which the candidate resides and is a voter or another county. Additionally, a candidate running for the office of U.S. Representative in Congress, who does not reside in the district where seeking office, shall deliver the Statement of Write-In Candidacy to the county elections official in any county within the district where the candidate is seeking office. 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 date of the election,
- Candidate’s 10-year political party preference history. §§ 8600, 8601

Write- In Nomination Papers

Between January 8, 2024 (E-57), and February 20, 2024 (E-14), 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 voters in the district or political subdivision in which the write-in candidate is to be voted on. § 8603

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

United States Senator (Full Term/Partial Term ⁴)	65-100	§ 8062(a)(1)
Member of the House of Representatives, State Senator, and Member of the Assembly	40-60	§ 8062(a)(2)

Write-in candidates can only run in the primary election. In order to be nominated to appear on the general election ballot, the write-in candidate must receive the highest number of votes cast for the office or the second highest number of votes cast for the office at the primary election, unless there is a tie. §§ 8142, 8600(c), 8605, 8606

⁴ The special vacancy election is for the remainder of the unexpired term in the United States Senate, which ends on January 3, 2025.