

Candidate Filing Information
Required Filing Fees, In-Lieu Signatures, and Nomination Signatures
June 2, 2026, Statewide Direct Primary Election

The table below sets forth the salary, the filing fee, 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, 8103, 8106(a), 8162(b)¹

Office	Salary²	Filing Fee (% of salary)²	In-Lieu Signatures	Value of each Signature	Nomination Signatures
Governor	\$245,929	\$4,918.58 (2%)	6,000	\$ 0.819763333	65-100
Lieutenant Governor	\$184,447	\$3,688.94 (2%)	6,000	\$ 0.614823333	65-100
Secretary of State	\$184,447	\$3,688.94 (2%)	6,000	\$ 0.614823333	65-100
Controller	\$196,743	\$3,934.86 (2%)	6,000	\$ 0.65581	65-100
Treasurer	\$196,743	\$3,934.86 (2%)	6,000	\$ 0.65581	65-100
Attorney General	\$213,617	\$4,272.34 (2%)	6,000	\$ 0.712056667	65-100
Insurance Commissioner	\$196,743	\$3,934.86 (2%)	6,000	\$ 0.65581	65-100
Superintendent of Public Instruction	\$213,617	\$4,272.34 (2%)	6,000	\$ 0.712056667	65-100
Member, State Board of Equalization (All Districts)	\$184,447	\$1,844.47 (1%)	4,743	\$ 0.388882564	40-60
Member of the House of Representatives	\$174,000	\$1,740.00 (1%)	1,714	\$ 1.015169195	40-60
Member of the State Senate	\$134,694	\$1,346.94 (1%)	1,714	\$ 0.785845974	40-60
Member of the Assembly	\$134,694	\$1,346.94 (1%)	857	\$ 1.571691949	40-60
Supreme Court (Associate Justice) ³	\$--	\$-- (2%)	--	\$ --	None
Courts of Appeal ³	\$--	\$-- (1%)	--	\$ --	None

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

²Salaries and filing fees for federal, state constitutional, and legislative candidates are based on salaries effective as of December 1, 2025.

³Fees and In-Lieu Signatures information for Supreme Court and Courts of Appeal justices will be determined in 2026.

Candidate Filing Information
Write-In Candidates for Voter-Nominated Offices
June 2, 2026, Statewide Direct Primary Election Only

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 April 6, 2026 (E-57), and May 19, 2026 (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. 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 and from whom it was received. 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 April 6, 2026 (E-57), and May 19, 2026 (E-14), circulate write-in 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:

Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Controller, Treasurer, Attorney General, and Insurance Commissioner:	65-100	§ 8062(a)(1)
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Member of the State Board of Equalization, Member of the House of Representatives, State Senate, and Member of the Assembly:	40-60	§ 8062(a)(2)
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Write-in candidates for a voter-nominated office 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 this office or the second highest number of votes cast for this office at the primary election, unless there is a tie. §§ 8142, 8600(c), 8605, 8606

Candidate Filing Information

Write-In Candidates for Nonpartisan Office

June 2, 2026, Statewide Direct Primary Election and November 3, 2026, General Election

General Information

Any candidate who at the primary election receives votes on a majority of all the ballots cast for candidates for that office shall be elected to that office. Where a candidate has been elected to a nonpartisan office at the primary election, that office shall not appear on the ballot at the ensuing general election. § 8140

If no candidate has been elected to a nonpartisan office pursuant to Section 8140, then the candidates receiving the two highest numbers of votes cast for nomination to the office shall be candidates at the ensuing general election. § 8141

In the case of a tie vote, nonpartisan candidates receiving the same number of votes shall be candidates at the ensuing general election if they qualify pursuant to Section 8141 whether or not there are more candidates at the general election than prescribed. In no case shall the tie be determined by lot. § 8142(a)

Write-in candidates for a nonpartisan office may be nominated at the primary election or elected at the general 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 April 6, 2026 (E-57), and May 19, 2026 (E-14), for the primary election, and September 7, 2026 (E-57), and October 20, 2026 (E-14), for the general election, file a Statement of Write-In Candidacy with the county elections official of the candidate's county of residence. 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.

§§ 8600, 8601

Write-In Nomination Papers

For the **primary election**, between April 6, 2026 (E-57), and May 19, 2026 (E-14), circulate write-in 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

For the **general election**, between September 7, 2026 (E-57), and October 20, 2026 (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

The required numbers of signers to a write-in candidate's nomination paper for State Superintendent of Public Instruction is as follows: not less than 65 nor more than 100. § 8062(a)(1)

Candidate Filing Information
Independent Candidates for Nonpartisan and Voter-Nominated Offices
November 3, 2026, General Election

A candidate for a nonpartisan office or a voter-nominated office, for which no candidate has been nominated at the primary election, may be nominated subsequent to or in lieu of a primary election pursuant to the independent nomination provisions of Part 2 of Division 8 of the Elections Code beginning at Section 8300. § 8300