Controller

- As the state’s chief fiscal officer, serves as the state’s accountant and bookkeeper of all public funds.
- Administers the state payroll system and unclaimed property laws and conducts audits and reviews of state operations.
- Serves on the Board of Equalization, the Board of Control, and other boards and commissions.
November 8, 2022, General Election
Statewide Office Candidate Contact Information Form

The following form shall be used for statewide office candidate statements submitted to the Secretary of State's office for inclusion in the state Voter Information Guide for the General Election. This form must be submitted to the Elections Division of the Secretary of State's office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 20, 2022.

- A maximum of 250 words may be used. Word count standards shall be pursuant to Elections Code section 9.
- The statement may not make reference to any other candidate.
- The statement must be limited to a recitation of the candidate's own personal background and qualifications.
- All statements should be typewritten, double-spaced, and in standard paragraph style. Do not use bullets, tables, lists, or other material requiring indentation.
- Words that are underlined, in italics, or in bold, will be typeset in italics. Statements that are entirely in upper-case letters will be typeset in italics.
- Please refer to the section in this packet entitled "Candidate Statement Guidelines" for a complete list of requirements.

Candidate's Name: Lanhee J. Chen
Political Party Preference: Republican

The following optional information will appear with your candidate statement (this information is not included in the 250 word count):
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*Please list your political party preference as it is reflected on your current affidavit of registration. If you are not registered with a qualified political party, your political party preference will be indicated in the Voter Information Guide as "No Qualified Party Preference."
Lanhee J. Chen
Candidate Statement - November 7, 2022 Election
State Controller

The State Controller should be California’s independent fiscal watchdog, who makes sure our money is spent wisely.

But time and again, the Sacramento insiders have failed us. We are wasting billions every year.

For example, at the start of the pandemic, California handed out over $20 billion in fraudulent unemployment benefits. That amount could have paid every Californian’s state gas taxes for over two years, or for the salaries of 236,000 new teachers!

I’m running for Controller to fight for taxpayers. I have a specific plan to deliver transparency and demand accountability for every dollar our state spends.

I’ve been endorsed by over a dozen newspapers across California, including the Los Angeles Times, which called me “the best choice for this position” because I am “a sharp thinker with experience analyzing large financial systems and because the controller should be as independent from the party in power as possible.”

SUBJECT TO COURT ORDERED CHANGES
I'm not a career politician, but have started a business, advised policymakers, and taught at Stanford University. I served presidents from both parties, working to save Social Security and make healthcare more affordable. I grew up in Southern California as the son of immigrants, attended my local public high school, and went on to earn four degrees from Harvard, including my Ph.D. My wife, kids and I now live in the Bay Area.

Sacramento can't keep wasting so much of our hard-earned money. We need to spend smarter. I'll make sure we do.
The following form shall be used for candidate statements submitted to the Secretary of State’s office for inclusion in the state Voter Information Guide for the **Statewide Direct Primary Election**. This form must be submitted to the Elections Division of the Secretary of State’s office no later than 5:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, February 16, 2022**.

- A maximum of 250 words may be used. Word count standards shall be pursuant to [Elections Code section 9](#).
- The statement may not make reference to any other candidate.
- The statement shall be limited to a recitation of the candidate’s own personal background and qualifications.
- All statements should be typewritten, double-spaced, and in standard paragraph style. Do not use bullets, tables, lists, or other material requiring indentation.
- Words that are underlined, in italics, in bold, or in all upper-case letters will be typeset in italics.
- Please refer to the section in this packet entitled “Candidate Statement Guidelines” for a complete list of requirements.

**Candidate’s Name:** Malia Cohen

**Political Party Preference**: Democratic

The following optional information will appear with your candidate statement *(this information is not included in the 250 word count)*:

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**Instagram:**

**Other:**

*Please list your political party preference as it is reflected on your current affidavit of registration. If you are not registered with a qualified political party, your political party preference will be indicated in the Voter Information Guide as “No Qualified Party Preference.”*
California should be a place where everyone can find a good job and affordable housing. Your next State Controller will oversee essential spending to solve challenges like homelessness and the rising cost of living—we need someone with both the experience and values to do the job.

I’ve dedicated my career to public service, focused on making our tax dollars work for all of us.

As Chair of the State Board of Equalization, I serve as a watchdog over $80 billion in state finances, work to provide tax relief for Californians reeling from the pandemic, and hold corporations accountable for paying their fair share. I’ve cut wasteful spending and launched a Property Tax Modernization Initiative to ensure that the state administers property taxes more efficiently and fairly. On the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, I led efforts to divest the city’s pension fund from fossil fuels, oversaw the adoption of an $11 billion budget, and fought to increase the minimum wage.

Our campaign is supported by leaders and working people throughout California, from State Controller Betty Yee and the California Democratic Party to Nurses, Teachers, Firefighters and the Planned Parenthood Action Fund.

When elected, I’ll be among the state’s first working moms to serve as CFO, an important experience as California faces child care shortages among working parents. As Controller, I will ensure our tax dollars address the homelessness crisis, protect our environment, and provide access to healthcare and reproductive freedom. Let’s build a California where everyone thrives.

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