



MADERA COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

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Running for Office

Information for candidates who are interested in running for office in Madera County.



Important Note: Appointments are required for all candidate filings.

Schedule online at: maderacandidatefiling.timetap.com

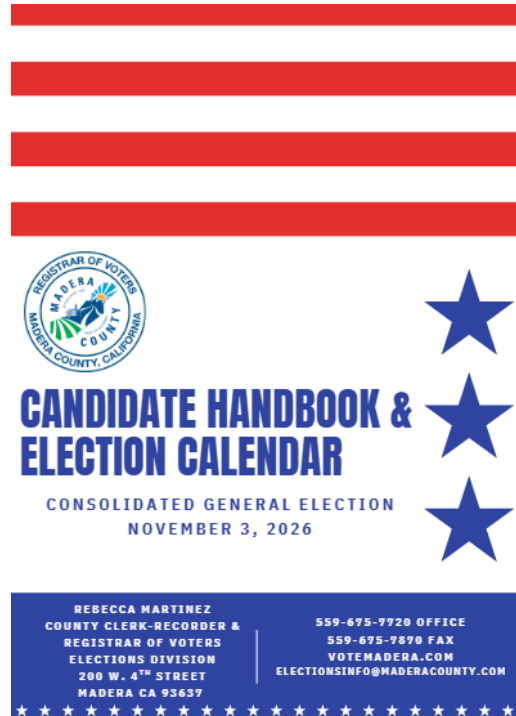
Step 1 - Research

Before the nomination period opens, research offices you may be interested in running for.

Visit votemadera.com to download a copy of the Candidate Handbook & Election Calendar or contact the Elections Division to learn about:

Important Information

- What offices are coming up for election
- Qualifications, fees, and filing requirements
- Filing dates and deadlines
- Nomination signature requirements, if applicable



⚠ IMPORTANT: Before accepting any contributions or spending any money on your campaign, contact the Madera County Elections Division to find out about campaign finance disclosure requirements or visit the California Fair Political Practices Commission online at www.fppc.ca.gov.

Step 2 - Petition In Lieu of Filing Fee (Optional)

A candidate may submit a petition containing signatures of registered voters in-lieu of paying the filing fee in order to run for office. The signatures submitted may cover all or a portion of the filing fee. Any registered voter may sign an in-lieu petition for any candidate for whom they are eligible to vote.

County of Madera
PETITION IN LIEU OF FILING FEE - For Use Only During the Signature in Lieu Filing Fee Period (Dec. 19, 2025 - Feb. 04, 2026)
Nonpartisan Office - For Use in Local Elections
June 2, 2026, Statewide Direct Primary Election (Elections Code §§ 100, 104, 8041, 8061, 8106, 8106.5; Code of Civil Procedure § 2015.5)

Official Filing Form Filed in: _____

For Elections Officials USE ONLY

By: _____ Date Issued: 7/12/2025

By: _____ Date Received: _____

By: _____

I, the undersigned signer for _____, **eCandFullNames** _____, for nomination to the _____
Name of Candidate
Office of _____ **eOfficeTitles** _____, to be voted for at the Statewide Direct Primary Election
to be held on June 2, 2026, hereby assert as follows:
I am a resident of _____ **eCountyNames** _____ County and am registered to vote at the address
shown on this paper. I am not a U.S. Sign a signer of any other nomination paper of any other candidate for the above-named office.
My residence is correctly set both after my signature hereby.

PRECINCT (to be entered by Elections Official)	NAME	RESIDENCE (As Registered - No P.O. BOX)	VERIFICATION (to be entered by Elections Official)
Print: 1 Signature:		Residence Address ONLY: City or Town:	
Print: 2 Signature:		Residence Address ONLY: City or Town:	
Print: 3 Signature:		Residence Address ONLY: City or Town:	
Print: 4 Signature:		Residence Address ONLY: City or Town:	
Print: 5 Signature:		Residence Address ONLY: City or Town:	
Print: 6 Signature:		Residence Address ONLY: City or Town:	
Print: 7 Signature:		Residence Address ONLY: City or Town:	
Print: 8 Signature:		Residence Address ONLY: City or Town:	

NOTE: Valid signatures on this form shall be applied toward nomination signature requirements pursuant to Elections Code section 8061, if submitted by February 4, 2026.

Please Complete Affidavit of Circulator on Reverse Side

⚠ Important: "Sigs-In-Lieu" are not applicable for the 2026 November General Election. City Council filing fee is \$25.00 and nomination signatures are required.

Step 3 - Declaration of Intention (Judicial Offices Only)

A Declaration of Intention must be filed for all candidates for the office of Superior Court Judge. Nomination documents will NOT be issued to candidates for this office unless a Declaration of Intention has been filed.

A non-refundable filing fee must be paid by the candidate at the time the Declaration of Intention is filed.

OFFICIAL FILING FORM Rebecca Martinez REGISTRAR OF VOTERS By: _____ Date Issued: 7/2/26	Declaration of Intention To Become A Candidate For State Constitutional, Statewide, Legislative, or Judicial Offices (E.C. Sec. 8022, 8023) Contest ID: «ContestID» Candidate ID: «CandidateID»
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I, «**CandFullName**», hereby declare my Intention to become a candidate for nomination to the office of «**OfficeTitle**», at the «**ElectionDesc**» to be held on «**ElectionDate**».

Candidate Signature: _____

Mail or Business: _____

Filed in the office of the County Clerk-Recorder, County of Madera, this «**LegalDate**».

Except in the case of a judicial office filled in accordance with subdivision (d) of Section 16 of Article VI of the Constitution, every candidate for a judicial office, not more than 14 nor less than five days prior to the first day on which his or her nomination papers may be circulated and signed or may be presented for filing, shall file in the office of the elections official in which his or her nomination papers are required to be filed, a written and signed declaration of his or her intention to become a candidate for that office on a form to be supplied by the elections official. A candidate for a numerically designated judicial office shall state in his or her declaration for which office he or she intends to become a candidate.

No person may be a candidate nor have his or her name printed on any ballot as a candidate for judicial office unless he or she has filed the declaration of intention provided for in this section. If the incumbent of a judicial office fails to file a declaration of intention by the end of the period specified in subdivision (a), persons other than the incumbent may file declarations of intention no later than the first day for filing nomination papers.

No candidate for a judicial office shall be required to state his or her residential address on the declaration of intention. However, if the address is not stated on the declaration of intention, the address must be provided to the elections official for verification. (Elections Code 8023)

(Seal) **REBECCA MARTINEZ,**
County Clerk-Recorder

By _____ Deputy

NOTE: For judicial offices, the declaration of intention shall be filed in duplicate with the County Clerk/Registrar of Voters in which the candidate's nomination papers are required to be filed. For all other offices, the declaration of intention shall be filed with either the Secretary of State or the County Clerk/Registrar of Voters of the county in which the candidate is a resident. The declaration shall be filed not more than 14 nor less than 5 days prior to the first day on which nomination papers may be presented for filing; however, if the incumbent of a state constitutional, statewide, legislative or judicial office fails to file a declaration of intention by the end of such period, persons other than the incumbent may file declarations of intention no later than the first day for filing nomination papers. (Elections Code Sections 8022, 8023)

Step 4 - Pick up Nomination Documents

Schedule an appointment to visit the Elections Division during the nomination period to pick up nomination documents. For offices requiring a filing fee, the fee must be paid before nomination documents are issued. Filing fees are non-refundable.

Depending on your office, you may need to provide proof of qualifications to receive nomination documents.

Election staff will go over all of the paperwork required for filing and answer any questions you may have.

Suggested for all candidates - Pick up your nomination documents early in the nomination period to allow ample time to gather signatures and get ready to file.

 **COUNTY OF MADERA**
DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY
Nonpartisan Office – For Use in Local Elections
November 3, 2020, General Election (Elections Code §§ 20, 200, 8002.5, 8020, 8020.5, 8040, 8121, 13105)

For Elections Officials USE ONLY	Official Filing Form	Filed in:	
	By: <u> </u> Date Received: <u>Thursday, July 2, 2020</u>	By: <u> </u> Date Received: <u> </u>	By: <u> </u> Date Received: <u> </u>

Candidate Name and Office

1 I hereby declare myself a candidate for the nomination/designation to the office of _____
to be voted for at the General Election to be held on November 3, 2020, and declare the following to be true:
My name is _____ First _____ Middle/Initial (optional) _____ Last _____

Ballot Information

2 **IMPORTANT NOTE:** A ballot designation is optional. If one is requested, a completed **BALLOT DESIGNATION WORKSHEET** must be submitted. If no ballot designation is requested, write "NONE" and initial in the box. (Elections Code §§ 13107, 13107.3)
I request my name and ballot designation to appear on the ballot as follows:

Print Your Name for Use on the Ballot
Ballot Designations
Print Ballot Designation Requested

☐ I have a character-based name I would like to use instead of a translation. (You must complete Character-Based Name Form.)

IMPORTANT NOTE: The Madera County Elections Division will publish your name and proposed ballot designation. You may also have a mailing address, residential address, email and/or phone number published on the election official's website.

ONLY CHECK ONE BOX. Please check the appropriate box to indicate which address you wish to be used for publishing purposes.

Addresses, Telephone, Internet Website and Email	3 Publish ☐ → Mailing Address	Apt. or Unit #
	Publish ☐ → City/State/Zip Code	
	Publish ☐ → Residence Address (Required)	Apt. or Unit #
	Publish ☐ → City/State/Zip Code	
	Publish ☐ → Business Address	Apt. or Unit #
	Publish ☐ → City/State/Zip Code	
	Publish ☐ → Telephone (Business)	
Publish ☐ → Telephone (Evening)		
Publish ☐ → Internet Website		
Publish ☐ → Email		

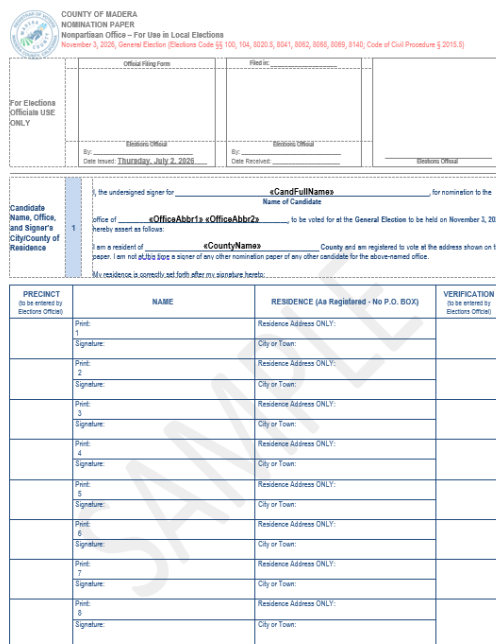
IMPORTANT: Reverse Side of Page Must Be Completed

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Step 5 - Prepare Forms for Filing

Nomination Paper

Some offices require a minimum number of signatures of registered voters within the jurisdiction of the office you are running for. It is recommended that you obtain more than the “required” number of signatures - not all signatures will qualify.



COUNTY OF MADERA
NOMINATION PAPER
Nonpartisan Office - For Use in Local Elections
November 3, 2020, General Election (Elections Code §§ 150, 154, 8020.5, 8041, 8062, 8066, 8069, 8140; Code of Civil Procedure § 2015.8)

Official Filing Form

Filed in: _____

For Elections Officials USE ONLY

By: _____ Date Received: Thursday, July 2, 2020

By: _____ Date Received: _____

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Candidate Name, Office, and Signer's City/County of Residence

I, the undersigned signer for _____, for nomination to the _____ office of _____ to be voted for at the General Election to be held on November 3, 2020, hereby assert as follows:

I am a resident of _____ County and am registered to vote at the address shown on this paper. I am not submitting a signer of any other nomination paper of any other candidate for the above-named office.

My residence is correctly set forth after my signature herein.

PRECINCT (to be entered by Election Office)	NAME	RESIDENCE (As Registered - No P.O. BOX)	VERIFICATION (to be entered by Election Office)
1	Print: _____ Signature: _____	Residence Address ONLY: City or Town: _____	
2	Print: _____ Signature: _____	Residence Address ONLY: City or Town: _____	
3	Print: _____ Signature: _____	Residence Address ONLY: City or Town: _____	
4	Print: _____ Signature: _____	Residence Address ONLY: City or Town: _____	
5	Print: _____ Signature: _____	Residence Address ONLY: City or Town: _____	
6	Print: _____ Signature: _____	Residence Address ONLY: City or Town: _____	
7	Print: _____ Signature: _____	Residence Address ONLY: City or Town: _____	
8	Print: _____ Signature: _____	Residence Address ONLY: City or Town: _____	

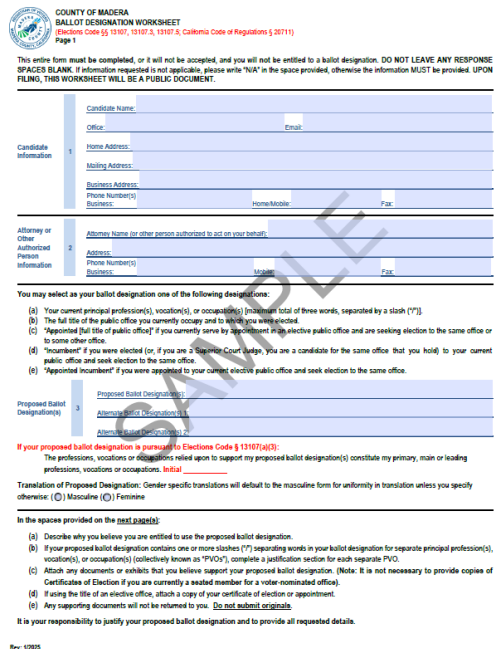
Please Complete Affidavit of Circulator on Reverse Side

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Ballot Designation

To have a ballot designation (such as an occupation or elected office title) printed under your name on the ballot, a Ballot Designation Worksheet must be submitted with documentation that substantiates your proposed designation. This designation is limited to 3 words.

Carefully review the guidelines to ensure your requested designation is acceptable.



COUNTY OF MADERA
BALLOT DESIGNATION WORKSHEET
Elections Code §§ 15107, 15107.3, 15107.8; California Code of Regulations § 20711
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This entire form must be completed, or it will not be accepted, and you will not be entitled to a ballot designation. DO NOT LEAVE ANY RESPONSE SPACES BLANK. If information requested is not applicable, please write "N/A" in the space provided, otherwise the information MUST be provided. UPON FILING, THIS WORKSHEET WILL BE A PUBLIC DOCUMENT.

Candidate Information

1

Candidate Name: _____ Email: _____

Office: _____

Home Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Business Address: _____

Phone Number(s): _____ Home/Mobile: _____ Fax: _____

Attorney or Other Authorized Person Information

2

Attorney Name (or other person authorized to act on your behalf): _____

Address: _____

Phone Number(s): _____ Mobile: _____ Fax: _____

Business: _____

You may select as your ballot designation one of the following designations:

(a) Your current principal profession(s), vocation(s), or occupation(s) (maximum total of three words, separated by a slash ("/"))

(b) The full title of the public office you currently occupy and to which you were elected

(c) "Appointed [full title of public office]" if you currently serve by appointment in an elective public office and are seeking election to the same office or to some other office.

(d) "Incumbent" if you were elected (or, if you are a Superior Court judge, you are a candidate for the same office that you hold) to your current public office and seek election to the same office.

(e) "Appointed Incumbent" if you were appointed to your current elective public office and seek election to the same office.

Proposed Ballot Designation(s)

3

Proposed Ballot Designation(s): _____

Alternate Ballot Designation(s): _____

Alternate Ballot Designation(s): _____

If your proposed ballot designation is pursuant to Elections Code § 15107(a)(3):

The professions, vocations or occupations relied upon to support my proposed ballot designation(s) constitute my primary, main or leading professions, vocations or occupations. Initial: _____

Translation of Proposed Designation: Gender specific translations will default to the masculine form for uniformity in translation unless you specify otherwise. (♂) Masculine (♀) Feminine

In the spaces provided on the next page:

(a) Describe why you believe you are entitled to use the proposed ballot designation.

(b) If your proposed ballot designation contains one or more slashes ("/") separating words in your ballot designation for separate principal profession(s), vocation(s), or occupation(s) (collectively known as "PVO's"), complete a justification section for each separate PVO.

(c) Attach any documents or exhibits that you believe support your proposed ballot designation. (Note: It is not necessary to provide copies of Certificates of Election if you are currently a seated member for a voter-nominated office).

(d) If using the title of an elective office, attach a copy of your certificate of election or appointment.

(e) Any supporting documents will not be returned to you. Do not submit originals.

It is your responsibility to justify your proposed ballot designation and to provide all requested details.

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Confidential Voter Status

Pursuant to Assembly Bill (AB) 1392 (2025) and Elections Code 2166.9, the residence address, telephone number, and email address of an elected official or candidate are confidential.

Candidates and elected officials may OPT-IN or OPT-OUT to the confidential voter status.

California Secretary of State
OPT-OUT/REQUEST CONFIDENTIAL STATUS – CANDIDATE/WRITE-IN CANDIDATE
(Elections Code § 2166.9)

Assembly Bill (AB) 1392 (Ch. 500, Stats. of 2025) added Elections Code section 2166.9, which makes the residence address, telephone number, and email address listed on the affidavit of voter registration for an elected official or candidate confidential.

Elections Code section 2166.9 is reproduced below and attached.

A candidate who does not wish to have 'confidential voter status' may opt out when filing their Declaration of Candidacy provided by a county elections official. (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (j).)

Upon receipt of the request, the county elections official shall remove the confidential designation from the individual's voter registration record within five business days. (Paragraph (2)(C) of subdivision (j).)

Candidate/ Write-In Candidate Name, Office, and Opt-Out Confidential Status	☐	Name of Candidate/Write-In Candidate
	☐	do not wish to have my residence address, telephone number, and email address made confidential.*
	☐	I am a candidate/write-in candidate for the office of _____
	☐	*I understand that opting out of confidentiality my name will appear on any list, roster, or index produced by the county elections official (Elections Code section 2166.9(c)(1)). I will appear on the roster when voting in person.
	☒	
		Candidate/Write-In Candidate's Signature
		Date Signed: Month/Day/Year

Candidate/ Write-In Candidate Name, Office, and Re- request Confidential Status	☐	Name of Candidate/Write-In Candidate
	☐	re-request that my residence address, telephone number, and email address be made confidential.*
	☐	I am a candidate/write-in candidate for the office of _____
	☐	*I understand that by making my voter registration record confidential, my name will not appear on any list, roster, or index produced by the county elections official (Elections Code section 2166.9(c)(1)). By opting into confidentiality, I will not appear on the roster when voting in person and may need to vote using a provisional ballot.
	☒	
		Candidate/Write-In Candidate's Signature
		Date Signed: Month/Day/Year

(TO BE ENTERED BY ELECTIONS OFFICIAL)

Voter ID: _____

Comp. By: _____

IMPORTANT: If you opt-in, you will not appear in the voter database at vote centers for in-person voting. You will be advised to vote by mail or to vote a Conditional Voter Registration Ballot which will remove your confidential status.

Candidate Statement

Candidates have the option of submitting a statement to be published in the County Voter Information Guide. A deposit for publication costs must be paid when the statement is filed.

Guidelines on content and format are provided with the nomination documents. To ensure your statement will be accepted, focus on your statement on your qualifications and experiences rather than on your opponent(s) or political views.

This form must be submitted electronically to candidate-statements@maderacounty.com prior to your follow up appointment.

Form 700

Most offices require filing a Statement of Economic Interests (FPPC Form 700). Specific requirements will depend on the Conflict of Interest Code for the office you are running for.

CANDIDATE FOR:

NAME: AGE: (OPTIONAL)

OCCUPATION:

CANDIDATE STATEMENT

EMAIL:

WEBSITE:

TELEPHONE:

WORD COUNT: VERIFIED BY DEPUTY:

I hereby request that the statement above be printed in the Voter Information Pamphlet portion of the County Voter Information Guide. I understand the cost of said statement is an estimate and agree to pay for any additional cost associated with its printing and distribution. I further understand that this statement shall be printed as submitted. I declare under penalty of perjury that the information contained herein is true and correct.

E-mail completed Candidate Statement to: candidate-statements@maderacounty.com Initial

[Submit via Email](#)

2025-2026 Statement of Economic Interests



Form 700

A Public Document

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- Video Tutorials
- Reference Pamphlet
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- Gift and Travel Fact Sheet for State and Local Officials

California Fair Political Practices Commission
1102 O Street, Suite 3050 • Sacramento, CA 95811
Email Advice: advice@fppc.ca.gov
Toll-free advice line: 1 (866) ASK.FPPC • 1 (866) 275-3772
Telephone: (916) 322-5660 • Website: www.fppc.ca.gov

December 2025

Step 6 - File Completed Paperwork

Candidates must make a follow up appointment when they are ready to file their completed paperwork. All documents (both mandatory and optional) and the Candidate Statement deposit must be filed together at the same time. The exception to this rule is the nomination petition, which can be filed early as signatures are gathered.



CANDIDATE RECEIPT																																																								
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Candidate's Signature:	Date:																																																							

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