

Candidate Checklist

June 7, 2022, Statewide Direct Primary Election

A number of documents must be filed at the local county elections office, and for some offices also at the Secretary of State's office, in order to qualify as a candidate for the statewide ballot.

Office of Governor

Candidates running for Governor must file the following with the:

Local county elections office, by 5:00 p.m., March 11, 2022:

- 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)

Elections Division of the Secretary of State's office in Sacramento, by 5:00 p.m., March 11, 2022:

- Two (2) hardcopies 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 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021

- Signed Income Tax Return Disclosure Consent and Acknowledgement Form

Elections Division of the Secretary of State in Sacramento, by 5:00 p.m., February 16, 2022:

Additionally, candidates running for 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 timely received 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

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Political Reform Division of the Secretary of State in Sacramento

The following campaign finance forms

- Form 410 – Statement of Organization Recipient Committee
- Form 460 – Recipient Committee Campaign Statement
- Form 470 – Officeholder and Candidate Campaign Statement
- Form 501 – Candidate Intention Statement (includes voluntary expenditure limit designation)

Candidates for Governor should also visit the website of the Fair Political Practices Commission at www.fppc.ca.gov for the most recent copy of the Information Manual on Campaign Disclosure Provisions of the Political Reform Act, which gives the filing requirements for reporting campaign contributions, etc.