

Information About Candidate Statements

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This voter guide includes information about U.S. Senate and statewide constitutional office candidates which begins on page 37 of this guide.

United States Senate candidates can buy space for their candidate statement in this voter guide. Some candidates, however, choose not to buy space for a statement.

U.S. Senate

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| Mario Nabliba | Republican | Douglas Howard Pierce | Democratic |
| Adrienne Nicole Edwards | Democratic | Tom Palzer | Republican |
| Kevin De León | Democratic | John Thompson Parker | Peace and Freedom |
| Roque “Rocky” De La Fuente | Republican | James P. Bradley | Republican |
| Donnie O. Turner | Democratic | Arun K. Bhumitra | Republican |
| Paul A. Taylor | Republican | Derrick Michael Reid | Libertarian |
| Patrick Little | Republican | Ling Ling Shi | No Party Preference |
| Jerry Joseph Laws | Republican | David Hildebrand | Democratic |
| Tim Gildersleeve | No Party Preference | Jason M. Hanania | No Party Preference |
| Michael Fahmy Girgis | No Party Preference | Alison Hartson | Democratic |
| Don J. Grundmann | No Party Preference | Pat Harris | Democratic |
| Rash Bihari Ghosh | No Party Preference | Dianne Feinstein | Democratic |
| John “Jack” Crew | Republican | Colleen Shea Fernald | No Party Preference |
| Erin Cruz | Republican | Lee Olson | No Party Preference |
| Herbert G. Peters | Democratic | Kevin Mottus | Republican |
| Gerald Plummer | Democratic | David Moore | No Party Preference |

California law includes voluntary spending limits for candidates running for state office (not federal office). Statewide constitutional office candidates for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Controller, Treasurer, Attorney General, Insurance Commissioner, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Board of Equalization who choose to keep their campaign expenses under specified dollar amounts may buy space for a candidate statement (up to 250 words) in this voter guide.

The voluntary spending limit for candidates for Governor in the June 5, 2018, Statewide Direct Primary Election is \$8,753,000.

The voluntary spending limit for candidates for Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Controller, Treasurer, Attorney General, Insurance Commissioner, and Superintendent of Public Instruction in the June 5, 2018, Statewide Direct Primary Election is \$5,835,000.

The voluntary spending limit for candidates for the Board of Equalization in the June 5, 2018, Statewide Direct Primary Election is \$1,459,000.

In the candidate lists on the next pages, an asterisk (*) designates a statewide constitutional office candidate who accepted California’s voluntary campaign spending limits and therefore has the option to buy space for a candidate statement in this voter guide. (Some eligible candidates choose not to buy space for a candidate statement.)

Statewide constitutional office candidate statements are on pages 46–83 of this voter guide.

The following list of candidates for statewide constitutional office is current through the end of the public display period required for this voter guide. For the final certified list of candidates, which was due after this guide was published, go to www.sos.ca.gov/elections/candidate-statements.

Governor

| | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| Gavin Newsom | Democratic | Josh Jones* | Green |
| Robert C. Newman, II* | Republican | J. Bribiesca* | Democratic |
| Delaine Eastin* | Democratic | Zoltan Istvan* | Libertarian |
| Klement Tinaj* | Democratic | Amanda Renteria* | Democratic |
| Jeffrey Edward Taylor* | No Party Preference | Travis Allen* | Republican |
| Peter Y. Liu* | Republican | Akinyemi Agbede* | Democratic |
| Gloria Estela La Riva* | Peace and Freedom | Desmond Silveira* | No Party Preference |
| Yvonne Girard* | Republican | Michael Shellenberger* | Democratic |
| Robert Davidson Griffis* | Democratic | Nickolas Wildstar* | Libertarian |
| Shubham Goel* | No Party Preference | Johnny Wattenburg* | No Party Preference |
| Thomas Jefferson Cares* | Democratic | Antonio Villaraigosa | Democratic |
| Christopher N. Carlson* | Green | Albert Caesar Mezetti* | No Party Preference |
| John Chiang | Democratic | Hakan “Hawk” Mikado | No Party Preference |
| John H. Cox* | Republican | | |

Lieutenant Governor

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|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Danny Thomas | No Party Preference | Cole Harris | Republican |
| Eleni Kounalakis* | Democratic | David Fennell* | Republican |
| Cameron Gharabiklou* | Democratic | Tim Ferreira* | Libertarian |
| Jeff Bleich* | Democratic | Lydia Ortega* | Republican |
| Ed Hernandez* | Democratic | Gayle McLaughlin* | No Party Preference |
| David R. Hernandez* | Republican | | |

Secretary of State

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|---------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Gail K. Lightfoot* | Libertarian | C.T. Weber* | Peace and Freedom |
| Alex Padilla* | Democratic | Michael Feinstein* | Green |
| Erik Rydberg* | Green | Mark P. Meuser* | Republican |
| Raul Rodriguez Jr.* | Republican | Ruben Major* | Democratic |

Controller

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| Betty T. Yee* | Democratic | Mary Lou Finley* | Peace and Freedom |
| Konstantinos Roditis* | Republican | | |

State Treasurer

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|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------|
| Jack M. Guerrero* | Republican | Vivek Viswanathan* | Democratic |
| Greg Conlon* | Republican | Fiona Ma* | Democratic |
| Kevin Akin* | Peace and Freedom | | |

Attorney General

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|-------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| Eric Early* | Republican | Xavier Becerra* | Democratic |
| Dave Jones* | Democratic | Steven C. Bailey* | Republican |

Insurance Commissioner

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|----------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Ricardo Lara* | Democratic | Nathalie Hrizi* | Peace and Freedom |
| Steve Poizner* | No Party Preference | Asif Mahmood* | Democratic |

Board of Equalization District 1

David Evans* Republican
Ted Gaines* Republican

Connie Conway* Republican
Tom Hallinan* Democratic

Board of Equalization District 2

Cathleen Galgiani* Democratic
Barry Chang* Democratic

Malia Cohen* Democratic
Mark Burns* Republican

Board of Equalization District 3

Cheryl C. Turner* Democratic
Doug Kriegel* Democratic
Nancy Pearlman* Democratic
Ben Pak* Democratic

Scott Svonkin* Democratic
Micheál “Me-Haul” O’Leary* No Party Preference
Tony Vazquez* Democratic
G. Rick Marshall* Republican

Board of Equalization District 4

David Dodson* Democratic
John F. Kelly* Republican
Ken Lopez-Maddox* Democratic
Joel Anderson* Republican

James Stieringer* Republican
Mike Schaefer* Democratic
Nader F. Shahatit* Republican

Superintendent of Public Instruction

Marshall Tuck* Nonpartisan
Tony K. Thurmond* Nonpartisan

Lily (Espinoza) Ploski* Nonpartisan
Steven Ireland* Nonpartisan