Summary of Qualifications and Requirements for
INDEPENDENT NOMINATION
for the Offices of

STATE SENATOR

(20 Districts, Even-Numbered)
and

MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY

(80 Districts)

November 7, 2006 General Election

I. QUALIFICATIONS

Every candidate shall:

A. Be a U.S. citizen.   Cal. Const. Art. IV, §2(c) [1]

B. Be a registered voter and otherwise qualified to vote for that office at the time that nomination papers are issued to the person.   §201 [2]

C. Not have served two terms in the State Senate since November 6, 1990, if a candidate for State Senate; not have served three terms in the State Assembly since November 6, 1990, if a candidate for State Assembly.

Cal. Const. Art. IV, §2(a)

D. Disqualifications

A candidate is ineligible for nomination as an independent candidate if:

1. A nomination paper was filed on the candidate's behalf as a partisan candidate or a write-in candidate at the June 6, 2006 Primary Election for any office, and the candidate was defeated for the party nomination at the primary election.   §8301

2. At any time during the 13 months preceding the General Election, the candidate was

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1 Article IV, section 2(c), of the California Constitution requires one year residency in the legislative district and three years residency in California; however, it is the legal opinion of our office that these provisions violate the U.S. Constitution and are unenforceable.

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

registered as affiliated with any qualified political party. The last day a candidate may be affiliated with a qualified party is October 7, 2005 if desiring to run under the independent nomination procedures in the 2006 General Election.   §8550(f)

For purposes of Section 8550, the seven qualified political parties are: American Independent, Democratic, Green, Libertarian, Natural Law, Peace and Freedom, and Republican.

II. REQUIREMENTS

A. CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE FILINGS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Any individual who intends to be a candidate for an elective state office shall:

1. Statement of Intention
   File with the Secretary of State Political Reform Division a statement of intention to be a candidate for a specific state office (Form 501). This statement shall be signed under penalty of perjury and filed prior to the solicitation or receipt of any contribu-tion or loan.   Govt. Code §85200

2. Campaign Contribution Account
   Establish one campaign contribution account at an office of a financial institution located in California upon filing the statement of intention.

   a. All contributions or loans made to the candidate, to a person on behalf of the candidate, or to the candidate's controlled committee shall be deposited in the account.
   b. Any personal funds, which will be used to promote the election of the candidate, shall be deposited in the account prior to expenditure.
   c. All campaign expenditures shall be made from the account.
                                                                                      Govt. Code §§85200 & 85201

3. Exceptions

   a. Parts 1 and 2 (b) and (c), above, do not apply to a candidate's payment of a filing fee and statement of qualifications fee from his or her personal funds.
                                                                                   Govt. Code §§85200 & 85201(f)

   b. Part 2, above, does not apply if the candidate does not receive contributions and makes campaign expenditures from personal funds of less than $1,000 in a calen-dar year, excluding payment of the filing fee and statement of qualifications fee.
                                                                                      Govt. Code §85201(g)

   c. An individual who raises contributions from others for his or her campaign, but who raises or spends less than $1,000 in a calendar year shall establish a campaign contribution account, but is not required to file a committee statement of organization or other statement of bank account information.

Govt. Code §85201(h)

B. FILING FEE

Full Payment of Filing Fee
Pay a filing fee equal to 1% of the first year's salary. Currently, the filing fee for State
Senator and Member of the Assembly is $1,108.80. The filing fee must be paid at the
time the candidate obtains nomination forms from the county elections official.

§§8103 & 8105

Signatures In Lieu Of Filing Fee
Candidates may elect to submit a minimum of 3,000 valid signatures for State Senator
and a minimum of 1,500 valid signatures for Member of the Assembly on petitions in lieu
of filing fee by July 27, 2006.   §8106

1. Between April 28 and July 27, 2006, the petitions for in-lieu signatures may be
    obtained from the county elections official and circulated. Sections of petitions in
    lieu of filing fee shall be filed with the county elections official of the county in
    which the signers reside.   §8106

2. The candidate may submit signatures to cover all or any prorated portion of the filing
    fee.   §8106(b)(3)

3. Any registered voter may sign an in-lieu-of-filing-fee petition for any candidate for
    whom he or she is eligible to vote.   §8106(b)(1)

4. Each circulator of an in-lieu-of-filing-fee petition shall be a registered voter of the
    district in which the candidate is running. The circulator shall serve within the county
    in which he or she resides.   §8106 (b)(4)

5. Within 10 days after receipt of the petition, the county elections official shall notify
    the candidate of any deficiency. The candidate shall then, prior to the close of the
    nomination period (August 11, 2006), either submit a supplemental petition or pay a
    pro rata portion of the filing fee to cover the deficiency.   §8106 (b)(3)

6. Signatures in lieu of the filing fee may be counted toward the nomination sponsor
    signature requirements.   §§8106(d) & 8405

D. NOMINATION DOCUMENTS

1. Between June 12 and August 11, 2006, obtain nomination documents from the county
    elections official. Nomination documents include a set of nomination papers for
    collecting signatures and a declaration of candidacy that must be executed by the
    candidate.   §§333 & 8403

    a. Upon request of a candidate, the county elections official shall provide the
        candidate with nomination documents. The county elections official shall not

require a candidate to sign, file or sign and file a declaration of candidacy as a
condition of receiving nomination papers.   §8020(d)

b. Between June 12 and August 11, 2006, circulate nomination papers for signatures
and leave them for examination with the county elections official of the county in
which the signers reside.   §8403

2. Nomination Signatures

Signatures in lieu of the filing fee may be counted toward the nomination sponsor
signature requirements.   §§8106(d) & 8405

a. The nomination papers must be signed by at least 3% of the registered voters as of
the last registration report prior to the preceding general election. See
Attachments for the required number of signatures for each legislative district.
                                                                                                      §8400

b. Signers must be registered voters in the district in which the candidate is running.
                                                                                            §§100 & 8068

c. Any registered voter who is a candidate may obtain signatures to and sign his or
her own nomination papers.   §106(a)

d. The candidate may appoint persons to circulate the nomination papers.
Circulators shall be voters registered in California and shall serve only in their
district or political subdivision.   §8451

e. By August 11, 2006, the nomination paper shall be delivered to the county
elections official of the county in which the signer resides and is a voter.
                                                                                            §§8063 & 8403

3. Declaration Of Candidacy

Failure to properly file the declaration of candidacy will prevent the candidate's name
from appearing on the ballot.

a. The declaration of candidacy shall be obtained from, and delivered to, the county
elections official of the county in which the candidate resides and is a voter.

b. The county elections official shall require all candidates filing a declaration of
candidacy to execute the declaration in his or her office unless the candidate, in a
written statement signed and dated by the candidate, designates a third party to
obtain the declaration form from the county elections official and to deliver it to
the candidate. The written statement shall state that the candidate is aware that
the declaration of candidacy must be properly executed and delivered not later
than August 11, 2006 to the office of the county elections official from whom it

was received. Any person may return the completed declaration of candidacy.
§8028

    c. Between June 12 and August 11, 2006, file with the county elections official a declaration of candidacy which states the following:

1) The candidate's complete residence address;
2) That the candidate is a voter in the precinct in which he or she resides;
3) The name of the office sought;
4) That he or she will not withdraw as a candidate before the election;
5) That if elected, he or she will qualify for the office;
6) That at no time since October 7, 2005 has the candidate been registered in California as affiliated with a qualified political party (American Independent, Democratic, Green, Libertarian, Natural Law, Peace and Freedom, or Republican). §8550

E. STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS

Each candidate must file a Statement of Economic Interests with the county elections official disclosing investments, interests in real property, and any income received during the immediately preceding 12 months pursuant to the requirements of the Political Reform Act of 1974, As Amended. Govt. Code §87201

This statement is to be filed between June 12 and August 11, 2006. It is not required if the candidate has filed such a statement within the past sixty days for the same jurisdiction.

III. <u>GENERAL INFORMATION</u>

A. Each of the forms mentioned above is available free of charge from the county elections official.

B. The Senate has a membership of 40 Senators elected for four-year terms, 20 to begin every two years. The Assembly has a membership of 80 members elected for two-year terms. In 2006, candidates will be elected in each of the even-numbered Senate districts as well as in each Assembly district. The terms of office for both Senate and Assembly begin on December 4, 2006.

C. Because of the requirements of the Political Reform Act, As Amended, a candidate should 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.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

This Information Sheet of Qualifications and Requirements is for general information only and does not have the force and effect of law, regulation or rule. In case of conflict, the law, regulation or rule will apply. The candidate should obtain the most up-to-date information available because of possible changes in law or procedure since the publication of this information.

Independent Candidates for State Senate
Number of Signatures Required to Place
Candidate on November 7, 2006 General Election Ballot

Senate Districts	Oct. 2005 Voter Reg.	Required Signatures*
2	458,567	13,758
4	492,527	14,776
6	386,006	11,581
8	431,738	12,953
10	356,826	10,705
12	342,402	10,273
14	440,048	13,202
16	246,628	7,399
18	402,001	12,061
20	252,574	7,578
22	203,805	6,115
24	277,467	8,325
26	338,481	10,155
28	417,561	12,527
30	285,851	8,576
32	289,402	8,683
34	276,342	8,291
36	479,570	14,388
38	428,446	12,854
40	314,146	9,425

*Independent candidates for State Senate need registered voter signatures equaling 3% of the previous general election's registration total in the district.

State Assembly -- Number of Signatures Required to Place Candidate
on November 7, 2006 General Election Ballot

Assembly District	Oct. 2005 Voter Reg.	Required Signatures*	Assembly District	Oct. 2005 Voter Reg.	Required Signatures*
1	248,128	7,444	41	235,114	7,054
2	230,327	6,910	42	253,091	7,593
3	244,628	7,339	43	181,376	5,442
4	272,075	8,163	44	210,868	6,327
5	242,132	7,264	45	121,168	3,636
6	236,874	7,107	46	83,315	2,500
7	206,700	6,201	47	204,868	6,147
8	201,539	6,047	48	119,778	3,594
9	175,859	5,276	49	138,008	4,141
10	239,642	7,190	50	113,581	3,408
11	197,032	5,911	51	156,322	4,690
12	208,599	6,258	52	116,210	3,487
13	245,371	7,362	53	241,939	7,259
14	241,773	7,254	54	218,696	6,561
15	272,857	8,186	55	160,491	4,815
16	200,734	6,023	56	165,958	4,979
17	181,788	5,454	57	151,345	4,541
18	188,779	5,664	58	163,921	4,918
19	217,485	6,525	59	236,477	7,095
20	180,982	5,430	60	223,475	6,705
21	236,070	7,083	61	142,130	4,264
22	182,612	5,479	62	142,359	4,271
23	145,983	4,380	63	221,215	6,637
24	216,091	6,483	64	224,940	6,749
25	234,854	7,046	65	227,974	6,840
26	198,859	5,966	66	212,056	6,362
27	238,248	7,148	67	251,085	7,533
28	151,805	4,555	68	204,665	6,140
29	205,706	6,172	69	113,441	3,404
30	126,276	3,789	70	271,024	8,131
31	133,101	3,994	71	246,470	7,395
32	227,087	6,813	72	205,966	6,179
33	223,768	6,714	73	222,522	6,676
34	162,922	4,888	74	222,510	6,676
35	208,539	6,257	75	239,028	7,171
36	197,477	5,925	76	230,509	6,916
37	234,194	7,026	77	217,923	6,538
38	235,747	7,073	78	212,560	6,377
39	108,464	3,254	79	142,365	4,271
40	165,251	4,958	80	178,381	5,352

*Independent candidates for Assembly need registered voter signatures equaling 3% of the previous general election's registration total in the district.