



Check List for Accepting Ballot Arguments

**** Do Not file stamp the argument until all items below are checked off ****

- Is Title of Argument correct?**
"Argument In Favor of Measure ___;" "Argument Against Measure N;" "Rebuttal to Argument in Favor of Measure ___;" "Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure ___" (EC §9162,9315,9501)
- Word Count within limit?**
Primary Arguments=300 (EC §§9162, 9315, 9501); Rebuttals=250 (EC §9167, 9317, 9504) Remember, the title of the argument and required language from EC §9600 are not counted towards word count limit.
- Required form statement submitted with signatures?**
If not, do not accept (code states "all arguments filed shall be accompanied by..." and "shall" is mandatory in the code). (EC §9600)
- Accompanying signatures and dates**
EC §9600 states that both proponents and authors must sign if they are different. However, only the first five (5) signatures will be printed as per EC §§9164 and 9501.5. Make sure you know who is who (see below). Make sure there is only one "title" (if any) appearing underneath each signers name. This is county policy.
- Author Designated?**
Be sure the author is clearly designated. EC §§9167, 9317, and 9504 requires the Elections Official to send copies of the pro and con arguments to the authors so they may prepare a rebuttal argument. For Rebuttal Arguments, remember to check the primary argument and verify that the author is the same or has authorized someone else in writing (see form) to prepare/submit/sign rebuttal argument.
- Who is this argument being filed by?** (please circle appropriate choice below)
 - a.) The governing board of the district or member or members of the board authorized by the board.
 - b.) The individual voter, or *bona fide association of citizens, or combination of voters and associations who are the bona fide sponsors or proponents of the measure.
 - c.) Bona fide association of citizens.**
 - d.) Individual voters who are eligible to vote on the measure.
If the argument is being submitted on behalf of an organization (or bona fide association), the name of the organization and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principle officers must be included. (EC §§9164, 9501.5)
- Check each signature against the voter file.**
Also make sure you check that each "individual voter" lives within the boundaries of the district and is eligible to vote on the measure. If there is a proponent who is not registered in this county or within the district they cannot have their signature appear unless they are a "bona fide association" or organization.
- When all of the above items are checked:**
It is now ok to file stamp the argument as received for filing. Return to the proponent and make sure you obtain a fax number and e-mail address so you can send them the appropriate argument for preparing their rebuttal. If no fax or e-mail is available, then obtain an address to mail the argument.
- Remind proponent of due date for Rebuttal arguments and that the name and signature of the author of the primary argument also appear on their rebuttal argument.** Pursuant to EC 9167 (county), 9317 (district), and 9504 (school), we may only accept the rebuttal argument with different signers/preparers IF the original authors have provided permission (see form).
- Ask for an electronic file for the Sample Ballot & Official Voter Information Pamphlet.** The electronic file should be emailed to the Sample Ballot coordinator and cc'd to the filing officer.

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By MARK CHURCH, Chief Elections Officer
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Argument Against Measure N

The proponents of Measure N think you don't pay enough in taxes.

Despite these harsh economic times, they think they can squeeze even more money out of you.

They think they can spend the money you earn, better than you can. Is that true?

This past November, Proposition 30 was approved by the voters to "fund the schools."

Proposition 30 taxes have just started being collected, yet school officials are already seeking more money from you.

Shouldn't we see what funds are restored before seeking additional funding from property owners?

In 2005 the district voters passed a "temporary" tax, of \$100 per parcel, for 7 years.

In 2005 proponents stated the reason for the 2005 tax was to: "Improve student achievement and academic performance, to attract and retain highly qualified teachers, and to improve library services."

So, how well did they do with the money they took from us?

Education Data Partnership (www.Ed-Data.K12.ca.us) reports that:

"This district has not met all requirements for 2012 Adequate Yearly Progress as determined by the California Department of Education."

They got our money in 2005 to "Improve student achievement and academic performance," and they failed.

But, they imply this time it is going to be different. Do you believe that?

The 2012 district wide English/Language Arts proficiency is 44.4%.

The 2012 district wide Math proficiency is 54.8%.

And the 2012 graduation rate is 72.7%--meaning, 27.3% failed to graduate.

Does that look like "Improved student achievement and academic performance" to you?

Don't reward failure with additional financial bonuses.

Let them show the improvements first. Then they can ask for more funds.

School children deserve better. And we should demand better, by voting No on Measure N.

For more information: www.SVTaxpayers.org/la-honda-pescadero

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Ballot Measure Primary Argument Submission Form

A ballot argument shall not be accepted unless accompanied by this completed form, which shall contain the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the person(s) submitting it or, if submitted on behalf of a bona fide association of citizens/organization, the name of the association/organization and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers. If the measure is presented to voters pursuant to an initiative petition in a special district election, please contact the Elections Office for special instructions.

Word count limit for Primary Arguments = 300

Ballot Measure N for the _____ to be held on 5/7/13

Primary Argument in Favor of Primary Argument Against

This argument is submitted by: (check all that apply)

The Governing Body of the County of San Mateo, a School District, or a Special District
 If this argument is filed by the governing body of the County of San Mateo, a school district or a special district, fill in the name of the governing body on the line below and complete both sides of this form.

Governing Body: _____

Contact Person's Printed Name: _____ Contact Person's Signature: _____

Title: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Member(s) of the Governing Body of the County of San Mateo, a School District, or a Special District
 If this argument is filed by any member(s) of the governing body, fill in the information below and complete both sides of this form. By statute, members of school district governing boards need board authorization to file an argument.

Member(s) of the Governing Body: _____ Name of Governing Body: _____

Contact Person's Printed Name: _____ Contact Person's Signature: _____

Title: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Bona Fide Association of Citizens/Organization
 If this argument is filed by a bona fide association of citizens/organization, the signers of the argument must be affiliated with the association/organization, be authorized to sign the argument on its behalf, provide the printed name and signature of at least one principal officer of the organization, and complete both sides of this form.

Name of Association/Organization: Libertarian Party of San Mateo County CA

Principal Officer's Printed Name and Title: Harland Harrison, Chair Principal Officer's Signature: _____

Contact Person's Printed Name: _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Individual(s) eligible to vote on the measure
 Individual signers must be eligible to vote on the measure.

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Fax: _____ Email: _____

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	Name of Association/Organization: <u>Silicon Valley Taxpayers Association</u>	
	Principal Officer's Printed Name and Title: <u>Mark Hinkle: President</u>	Principal Officer's Signature: [Redacted]
	Contact Person's Printed Name: <u>Mark Hinkle</u>	Email: [Redacted]
	Phone: [Redacted]	Fax: [Redacted]
<input type="checkbox"/>	Individual(s) eligible to vote on the measure Individual signers must be eligible to vote on the measure.	
	Contact Person:	Phone:
	Mailing Address:	
	Fax:	Email:

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Libertarian Party of San Mateo County CA

To San Mateo County CA Elections Dept

I am Harland Harrison, Chair of the Libertarian Party of San Mateo County CA., (LPSM). I am writing to inform you that:

Harland Harrison may submit ballot arguments on behalf
(myself)

of the LPSM in the Measure O & Measure N elections

Officers of the LPSM may sign with their LPSM titles

The Executive Committee of the LPSM voted to oppose ^{these} ~~this~~ issue and to authorize the actions described above

I certify that the above is true, complete, and correct.



Harland Harrison
Chair, Libertarian Party of San Mateo County CA
650 591-5270

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