



# 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 \_\_\_;" "Rebuttal to Argument in Favor of Measure \_\_\_;" "Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure Q" (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.

### AUTHOR INFORMATION:

Name Susan

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**FILED** IN THE OFFICE OF THE  
CHIEF ELECTIONS OFFICER  
OF SAN MATEO COUNTY, CALIF.

FEB 26 2013

By MARK CHURCH Chief Elections Officer  
DEPUTY CLERK

**Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure O**  
**Election Date: May 7, 2013**

The two opponents don't even live in our community. They don't understand the needs of our schools or the value our outstanding schools contribute to our community. Don't let them scare you into voting against Portola Valley students.

The stakes are high—if Measure O doesn't pass, local funding that our schools have counted on for more than a decade will expire. Our schools will lose \$1 million every year, forcing deep cuts to reading, writing, math and science instruction.

As local residents, we know that our schools are a high priority for our community.

Here are the facts about Measure O:

- Our schools in Portola Valley are among the top in California and they provide a strong academic foundation for our students.
- Measure O is the only solution for our neighborhood schools—Proposition 30 does not provide adequate funding and does not address the needs facing our schools.
- A mandatory independent citizens' oversight committee will review expenditures to ensure that all funds directly support Portola Valley student achievement.
- Local control is essential. With state funding cuts threatening the quality of Portola Valley schools, Measure O provides locally-controlled funding the State can't take away.
- Good local schools protect property values for all of us. Measure O is an investment in our community and in our property values.

Realtors, business owners, local elected officials, parents, seniors, and community members who live and work in our community every day have come together to support Measure O.

Vote for Portola Valley students—Vote YES on Measure O.

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FEB 25 2013

MARK CHURCH, Chief Elections Officer

By

DEPUTY CLERK

250 words



# Ballot Measure Argument Rebuttal Submission Form

If both an argument in favor of and against a measure have been selected for publication in the voter information pamphlet, a rebuttal to the argument in favor of or the argument against the measure may be submitted as outlined in this form.

The author of the argument in favor of the measure may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument to the argument against the measure or may authorize in writing any other person or persons to prepare, submit, or sign the rebuttal argument. Likewise, the author of the argument against the measure may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument to the argument in favor of the measure or may authorize in writing any other person or persons to prepare, submit, or sign the rebuttal argument.

A rebuttal 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.

Word count limit for Rebuttal Arguments = 250

The rebuttal arguments shall be submitted to the elections official conducting the election no later than \_\_\_\_\_.

These rules apply to all rebuttal arguments unless a rebuttal argument is otherwise provided by law.

Ballot Measure \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ to be held on \_\_\_\_\_.

Rebuttal to Argument in Favor of Measure \_\_\_\_\_  Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure   0  

### Signed by Exact Same Individual(s) as Argument Already Selected for the Voter Information Pamphlet

If you are submitting a rebuttal argument and the individual(s) signing the rebuttal argument are the same as the individual(s) signing the original Ballot Measure Primary Argument Submission Form, check the following box and complete the back side of this form.

Rebuttal Argument Is Signed by Same Individual(s) as Argument Already Selected For the Voter Information Packet

### Submitted by Different Individual(s) as the Opposing Primary Argument

If the rebuttal argument is signed by anyone different than the signer(s) of the Ballot Measure Primary Argument Submission Form already submitted—including whether there is only one different individual or whether there are up to five new individuals—you must complete the section below, complete the back side of this form, and attach to this form the written authorization by the author that indicates: (i) your name(s); and (ii) the author's name, contact information, statement of authorization, and signature.

Contact Person: <i>Susan Strehlow</i>	Phone: [REDACTED]
Mail Address: [REDACTED]	
Fax: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]

Please complete the reverse side of this form.

**Rebuttal Argument Signers Form**

Each signer must designate in which capacity they are signing. Check the one box that applies.

No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument. If more than five signatures are submitted, the first five listed shall be printed.  
 Names and titles listed will be printed in the order that they are listed below.  
 If the signers are part of a bona fide association/organization, for each such signing individual(s), the title under the signer's name shall list the name of that bona fide association/organization and may include their position within that association/organization.  
 By signing below, the undersigned state that they have read the argument and believe it not to be false or misleading.

Governing Body of San Mateo County, a School District, or a Special District	Member of the Governing Body of San Mateo County, a School District, or a Special District	Bona Fide Association of Citizens/Organization	Individual
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1. Name: DANIEL J RUBIN Title: Former Portola Valley Ranch HOA President  
 Phone: [Redacted] Email: [Redacted]  
 Address: [Redacted]  
 Signature: [Redacted] Date: 2/22/2013

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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2. Name: (EDWARD C) TED DRISCOLL Title: Former Mayor of Portola Valley and Current Town Council Member  
 Phone: [Redacted] Email: [Redacted]  
 Address: [Redacted]  
 Signature: [Redacted] Date: 2/23/13

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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4. Name: Sue Crane Title: Longtime Resident of Portola Valley  
 Phone: [Redacted] Email: [Redacted]  
 Address: [Redacted]  
 Signature: [Redacted] Date: Feb 24, 2013

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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6. Name: Angela Schillace Title: Former PTO Treasurer and Parent  
 Phone: [Redacted] Email: [Redacted]  
 Address: [Redacted]  
 Signature: [Redacted] Date: 2/25/2013

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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3. Name: Julie Leipp Title: Parent and longtime Portola Valley resident  
 Phone: [Redacted] Email: [Redacted]  
 Address: [Redacted]  
 Signature: [Redacted] Date: 2/25/13

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Submit a second form (this side only) for alternate signers attached to this form and the argument.**

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Signers	<input type="checkbox"/> Registered	N/A	Signed	Dated
Bona Fide Association	<input type="checkbox"/> Verified	N/A	Signed	Dated

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1. Name: Dean Asboeno Title: Local Portola Valley Realtor

Phone: [REDACTED] Email: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

Signature: [REDACTED] Date: 2-24-13

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2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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4. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signers  Registered N/A Signed Dated

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## Authorization Form Change in Preparer, Submitter, or Signer of Rebuttal Arguments

PLEASE ONLY COMPLETE SECTIONS THAT ARE APPLICABLE

Authorization must be provided by the original author(s) of the primary argument(s) in favor of or against the specified measure, when a different person(s) will prepare, submit or sign the rebuttal argument. *California Elections Code §9167, §9317, §9504*

The undersigned author(s) hereby authorize(s) the following individual(s) (up to five) to sign prepare, or submit (whichever is applicable) the rebuttal argument to the primary argument in favor of/against Measure 0 for the election to be held on 5-7-13  
(date of election)

**I. NEW SIGNER(S):**

Name of Rebuttal Argument Signer: Daniel Rubin  
Name of Rebuttal Argument Signer: Ted Driscoll  
Name of Rebuttal Argument Signer: Julie Seipp  
Name of Rebuttal Argument Signer: Sue Crane  
Name of Rebuttal Argument Signer: Dean Asbornio


**II. NEW PREPARER(S):**

Name of Rebuttal Argument Preparer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Rebuttal Argument Preparer: \_\_\_\_\_

**III. NEW SUBMITTER(S):**

Name of Rebuttal Argument Submitter: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Rebuttal Argument Submitter: \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME(S) & SIGNATURE(S) OF PRIMARY ARGUMENT AUTHOR(S):**

	<u>2/25/13</u>
Printed Name and Signature of Author	Date
<u>Susan Strehlow</u>	<u>2/25/13</u>
Printed Name and Signature of Author	Date