

# OFFICIAL GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

## SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

### NOVEMBER 2, 2010

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:** To vote, fill in the oval like this:  **Vote both sides of the card**  
 To vote for or against candidates for Chief Justice of California; Associate Justices of the Supreme Court; Presiding Justice, Court of Appeal; or Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, fill in the OVAL next to the word "Yes" or "No," respectively. To vote for any other candidate of your choice, fill in the oval next to the candidate's name. Do not vote for more than the number of candidates allowed. (i.e. Vote for no more than Two) To vote for a person whose name is not on the ballot, write the person's full name in the write-in space and fill in the oval next to it. To vote on a measure, fill in the oval next to the word "Yes" or "No". All distinguishing marks or erasures are forbidden and make the ballot void. If you tear, deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it to the Elections Official and get another.

STATE	TREASURER	UNITED STATES SENATE
<p><b>GOVERNOR</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DALE F. OGDEN</b> Business Consultant/Actuary Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JERRY BROWN</b> Attorney General of California Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHELENE NIGHTINGALE</b> Business Owner American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CARLOS ALVAREZ</b> Retail Worker Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LAURA WELLS</b> Financial Systems Consultant Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MEG WHITMAN</b> Businesswoman Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>TREASURER</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHARLES "KIT" CRITTENDEN</b> Retired Professor Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIMI WALTERS</b> Businesswoman Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BILL LOCKYER</b> California State Treasurer Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROBERT LAUTEN</b> American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DEBRA L. REIGER</b> Retired Technology Manager Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>EDWARD M. TEYSSIER</b> Business Owner/Attorney Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>UNITED STATES SENATOR</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GAIL K. LIGHTFOOT</b> Retired Nurse Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARSHA FEINLAND</b> Retired Teacher Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CARLY FIORINA</b> Business Executive Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>EDWARD C. NOONAN</b> Computer Store Owner American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DUANE ROBERTS</b> Community Volunteer Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BARBARA BOXER</b> United States Senator Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>
<p><b>LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JIM KING</b> Real Estate Broker American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAMELA J. BROWN</b> Economics Professor Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GAVIN NEWSOM</b> Mayor, City and County of San Francisco Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ABEL MALDONADO</b> Senator/Businessman/Farmer Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JAMES "JIMI" CASTILLO</b> Cultural Spiritual Advisor Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>C.T. WEBER</b> Retired Government Analyst Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>ATTORNEY GENERAL</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROBERT J. EVANS</b> Criminal Defense Lawyer Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PETER ALLEN</b> Environmental Energy Attorney Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KAMALA D. HARRIS</b> District Attorney, City and County of San Francisco Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TIMOTHY J. HANNAN</b> Attorney/Arbitrator/Mediator Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DIANE BEALL TEMPLIN</b> Attorney/RE Broker American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>STEVE COOLEY</b> District Attorney, County of Los Angeles Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>UNITED STATES CONGRESS</b></p> <p><b>UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE</b> <b>23rd District</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LOIS CAPP</b> U.S. Representative Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TOM WATSON</b> Hi-Tech Entrepreneur Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DARRELL M. STAFFORD</b> Retired Finance Director Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN V. HAGER</b> Attorney/Business Owner Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>
<p><b>SECRETARY OF STATE</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DEBRA BOWEN</b> Secretary of State Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MERTON D. SHORT</b> Aviator American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANN MENASCHE</b> Civil Rights Attorney Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DAMON DUNN</b> Small Business Owner Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHRISTINA TOBIN</b> Voting Rights Advocate Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARYLOU CABRAL</b> Community Volunteer Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>INSURANCE COMMISSIONER</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DAVE JONES</b> Member, California State Assembly Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIKE VILLINES</b> Businessman/State Assemblyman Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CLAY PEDERSEN</b> Retail Manager American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DINA JOSEPHINE PADILLA</b> Injured Worker Consultant Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RICHARD S. BRONSTEIN</b> Licensed Insurance Broker Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>WILLIAM BALDERSTON</b> Teacher/Union Organizer Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>STATE ASSEMBLY</b></p> <p><b>MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY</b> <b>33rd District</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAUL K. POLSON</b> Carpenter Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>K. H. "KATCHO" ACHADJIAN</b> County Supervisor/Businessman Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>HILDA ZACARIAS</b> Accountant/City Councilmember Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>
<p><b>CONTROLLER</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROSS D. FRANKEL</b> Accountant Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANDREW "ANDY" FAVOR</b> Certified Public Accountant Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TONY STRICKLAND</b> State Senator/Businessman Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KAREN MARTINEZ</b> Retired Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN CHIANG</b> Controller Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LAWRENCE G. BELIZ</b> Independent Businessman American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>MEMBER, STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION, 1st District</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BETTY T. YEE</b> Equalization Board Member Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KENNITA WATSON</b> Retired Quality Engineer Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SHERILL BORG</b> Community Development Officer Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEVIN R. SCOTT</b> Small Business Owner Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>JUDICIAL</b> <b>VOTE YES OR NO FOR EACH OFFICE</b></p> <p><b>FOR CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT</b> Shall Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, 3rd Appellate District, TANI G. CANTIL-SAKAUYE be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  <input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><b>FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT</b> Shall Associate Justice MING W. CHIN be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  <input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><b>FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT</b> Shall Associate Justice CARLOS R. MORENO be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  <input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><b>FOR PRESIDING JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 1</b> Shall Presiding Justice ROBERT M. MALLANO be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  <input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>

**TURN BALLOT OVER TO CONTINUE VOTING**

<p><b>FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 1</b> Shall Associate Justice <b>VICTORIA G. CHANEY</b> be elected to the office for the term provided by law?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p align="center"><b>SCHOOL</b></p> <p><b>SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TOM TORLAKSON</b> Teacher/California Legislator</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY ACEVES</b> Retired School Superintendent</p> <p><input type="text"/> Write-in</p> <p><b>SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>DISTRICT</b></p> <p><b>PORT SAN LUIS HARBOR DISTRICT</b></p> <p><b>COMMISSIONER</b> Vote for no more than Two</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>HARRY YASUMOTO</b> Real Estate Consultant</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRIAN "CRAIG" KREOWSKI</b> Incumbent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DREW BRANDY</b> Harbor Commissioner/Fisherman</p> <p><input type="text"/> Write-in</p> <p><input type="text"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>PROPOSITION 23</b> <b>SUSPENDS IMPLEMENTATION OF AIR POLLUTION CONTROL LAW (AB 32) REQUIRING MAJOR SOURCES OF EMISSIONS TO REPORT AND REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS THAT CAUSE GLOBAL WARMING, UNTIL UNEMPLOYMENT DROPS TO 5.5 PERCENT OR LESS FOR FULL YEAR. INITIATIVE STATUTE.</b> Fiscal Impact: Likely modest net increase in overall economic activity in the state from suspension of greenhouse gases regulatory activity, resulting in a potentially significant net increase in state and local revenues.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p><b>FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 1</b> Shall Associate Justice <b>JEFFREY W. JOHNSON</b> be elected to the office for the term provided by law?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p><b>GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER TRUSTEE AREA NO. 4</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PETER J. SYSAK</b> Retired Police Chief</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHARLOTTE ALEXANDER</b> Non-Profit Executive Director</p> <p><input type="text"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>MEASURES TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS</b></p> <p align="center"><b>STATE</b></p>	<p><b>PROPOSITION 24</b> <b>REPEALS RECENT LEGISLATION THAT WOULD ALLOW BUSINESSES TO LOWER THEIR TAX LIABILITY. INITIATIVE STATUTE.</b> Fiscal Impact: Increased state revenues of about \$1.3 billion each year by 2012-13 from higher taxes paid by some businesses. Smaller increases in 2010-11 and 2011-12.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p><b>FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 2</b> Shall Associate Justice <b>JUDITH M. ASHMANN</b> be elected to the office for the term provided by law?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p><b>GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2</b> Vote for no more than Two</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CATHY SPRINGFORD</b> Real Estate Agent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARK MILLIS</b> Retired Teacher</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>COLLEEN MARTIN</b> Incumbent</p> <p><input type="text"/> Write-in</p> <p><input type="text"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>PROPOSITION 19</b> <b>LEGALIZES MARIJUANA UNDER CALIFORNIA BUT NOT FEDERAL LAW. PERMITS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO REGULATE AND TAX COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION, DISTRIBUTION, AND SALE OF MARIJUANA. INITIATIVE STATUTE.</b> Allows people 21 years old or older to possess, cultivate, or transport marijuana for personal use. Fiscal Impact: Depending on federal, state, and local government actions, potential increased tax and fee revenues in the hundreds of millions of dollars annually and potential correctional savings of several tens of millions of dollars annually.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p><b>PROPOSITION 25</b> <b>CHANGES LEGISLATIVE VOTE REQUIREMENT TO PASS BUDGET AND BUDGET-RELATED LEGISLATION FROM TWO-THIRDS TO A SIMPLE MAJORITY. RETAINS TWO-THIRDS VOTE REQUIREMENT FOR TAXES. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.</b> Legislature permanently forfeits daily salary and expenses until budget bill passes. Fiscal Impact: In some years, the contents of the state budget could be changed due to the lower legislative vote requirement in this measure. The extent of changes would depend on the Legislature's future actions.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p><b>FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 3</b> Shall Associate Justice <b>WALTER CROSKY</b> be elected to the office for the term provided by law?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p><b>GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER TRUSTEE AREA NO. 3</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ADELINA "NINA" GRABIEL</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>VERN DAHL</b> Oceano C.S.D. Director</p> <p><input type="text"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>PROPOSITION 20</b> <b>REDISTRICTING OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.</b> Removes elected representatives from process of establishing congressional districts and transfers that authority to recently-authorized 14-member redistricting commission comprised of Democrats, Republicans, and representatives of neither party. Fiscal Impact: No significant net change in state redistricting costs.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p><b>PROPOSITION 26</b> <b>REQUIRES THAT CERTAIN STATE AND LOCAL FEES BE APPROVED BY TWO-THIRDS VOTE. FEES INCLUDE THOSE THAT ADDRESS ADVERSE IMPACTS ON SOCIETY OR THE ENVIRONMENT CAUSED BY THE FEE-PAYER'S BUSINESS. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.</b> Fiscal Impact: Depending on decisions by governing bodies and voters, decreased state and local government revenues and spending (up to billions of dollars annually). Increased transportation spending and state General Fund costs (\$1 billion annually).</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p><b>FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 4</b> Shall Associate Justice <b>STEVEN SUZUKAWA</b> be elected to the office for the term provided by law?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p align="center"><b>COUNTY</b></p> <p><b>SHERIFF-CORONER</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOE CORTEZ</b> Retired Police Chief</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>IAN PARKINSON</b> Police Captain</p> <p><input type="text"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>PROPOSITION 21</b> <b>ESTABLISHES \$18 ANNUAL VEHICLE LICENSE SURCHARGE TO HELP FUND STATE PARKS AND WILDLIFE PROGRAMS. GRANTS SURCHARGED VEHICLES FREE ADMISSION TO ALL STATE PARKS. INITIATIVE STATUTE.</b> Exempts commercial vehicles, trailers and trailer coaches from the surcharge. Fiscal Impact: Annual increase to state revenues of \$500 million from surcharge on vehicle registrations. After offsetting some existing funding sources, these revenues would provide at least \$250 million more annually for state parks and wildlife conservation.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p><b>PROPOSITION 27</b> <b>ELIMINATES STATE COMMISSION ON REDISTRICTING. CONSOLIDATES AUTHORITY FOR REDISTRICTING WITH ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.</b> Eliminates 14-member redistricting commission. Consolidates authority for establishing state Assembly, Senate, and Board of Equalization districts with elected representatives who draw congressional districts. Fiscal Impact: Possible reduction of state redistricting costs of around \$1 million over the next year. Likely reduction of these costs of a few million dollars once every ten years beginning in 2020.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p><b>FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 5</b> Shall Associate Justice <b>ORVILLE "JACK" ARMSTRONG</b> be elected to the office for the term provided by law?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p align="center"><b>CITY</b></p> <p><b>CITY OF PISMO BEACH</b></p> <p><b>MAYOR</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RODGER GILLESPIE</b> Substitute Teacher</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SHELLY HIGGINBOTHAM</b> Mayor Pro Tem</p> <p><input type="text"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>PROPOSITION 22</b> <b>PROHIBITS THE STATE FROM BORROWING OR TAKING FUNDS USED FOR TRANSPORTATION, REDEVELOPMENT, OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROJECTS AND SERVICES. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.</b> Prohibits State, even during severe fiscal hardship, from delaying distribution of tax revenues for these purposes. Fiscal Impact: Decreased state General Fund spending and/or increased state revenues, probably in the range of \$1 billion to several billions of dollars annually. Comparable increases in funding for state and local transportation programs and local redevelopment.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	
<p><b>FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 6</b> Shall Associate Justice <b>PAUL H. COFFEE</b> be elected to the office for the term provided by law?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p><b>COUNCILMEMBER</b> Vote for no more than Two</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARY ANN REISS</b> Mayor</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS VARDAS</b> Incumbent</p> <p><input type="text"/> Write-in</p> <p><input type="text"/> Write-in</p>		
<p><b>FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 7</b> Shall Associate Justice <b>LAURIE D. ZELON</b> be elected to the office for the term provided by law?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p><b>FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 7</b> Shall Associate Justice <b>FRANK Y. JACKSON</b> be elected to the office for the term provided by law?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>		
<p><b>FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 8</b> Shall Associate Justice <b>ELIZABETH ANNETTE GRIMES</b> be elected to the office for the term provided by law?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES    <input type="radio"/> NO</p>			

# VOTER'S PAMPHLET INFORMATION SECTION

The Following Pages Contain  
Voter Information Applicable to your Ballot  
Which May Include Any/All of the Following Items:

- CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS
- BALLOT MEASURES
- ANALYSES
- ARGUMENTS, PRO & CON

This pamphlet section may not contain a statement for each candidate. A complete list of candidates appears on the Sample Ballot. Each candidate's statement in this pamphlet is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at the expense of the candidate unless otherwise determined by the governing body. Each candidate's statement is printed in uniform format **exactly as submitted by the candidate**

**ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED  
LAWS ARE THE OPINIONS OF THE AUTHORS**

## **JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT AND COURT OF APPEALS**

These justices are on the ballot for confirmation elections as required by law. The public votes Yes or No to retain each justice for these non-partisan judicial offices. The Judicial Council website contains information about the individual justices on the ballot for confirmation  
<http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courts/supreme/justices.htm>

or

<http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courts/courtsofappeal/2ndDistrict/justices.htm>

## **CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM**

Among all state legislative candidates appearing on the ballot in San Luis Obispo County, only the candidates listed below have pledged to abide by campaign spending limits as specified in the California Government Code. This is a result of Proposition 34 adopted by the voters at the November 2000 General Election, and of a new statute passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor in 2001.

Candidates agreeing to the campaign spending limits also have the opportunity to have a Statement of Qualifications printed in the local sample ballot booklet, at their own expense.

### 33<sup>RD</sup> ASSEMBLY DISTRICT CANDIDATES

K. H. "Katcho" Achadjian, Republican Party  
Paul K. Polson, Libertarian Party  
Hilda Zacarias, Democratic Party

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, 23<sup>rd</sup> CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT</b></p> <p><b>TOM WATSON</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 50</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Retired Naval Officer/High Tech Entrepreneur</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> We have a historic opportunity this year to return control of the Government to the People. Career politicians in Washington have been spending borrowed money at an alarming rate and passing controversial legislation that our children are going to have to pay for and that the People don't want. They are ignoring the will of their constituents.</p> <p>My candidacy is not about party; it's about policy. It is about whether or not we are going to bankrupt our country and our children, or leave them a country of opportunity like the generations before have bestowed upon us. We need to get back to the basics – back to what made this Nation great: individual liberty, free market entrepreneurial capitalism and limited government. I will fight to reduce spending across the board, keep taxes low, preserve our liberties and ensure our national defense remains strong.</p> <p>Bachelor of Science US Naval Academy; Master of Science Systems Management, USC; Master of Science Aeronautical Engineering, US Naval Postgraduate School; Graduate US Naval Test Pilot School, Graduate of TOPGUN</p> <p>Retired Naval Officer and flier. Served three operational carrier based tours in the F-14 Tomcat including Desert Shield. Also served two tours performing flight test in the F-14 and F/A-18 aircraft at Point Mugu.</p> <p>Joined a Goleta based high technology start-up in 2003. The company designs and manufactures next generation wireless components for cellular handsets, laptops, and advanced antennas.</p> <p><a href="http://www.watson4congress.com">www.watson4congress.com</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, 23<sup>rd</sup> CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT</b></p> <p><b>DARRELL M. STAFFORD</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 63</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Retired Finance Director</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> Accounting Degree from California State University, Fullerton, Certified Management Accountant (CMA), California Real Estate Broker, more than 30 years of self directed investing and a lifetime of financial successes. I've reported to Corporate Boards and Senior Management and know how to go nose-to-nose with powerful people and make my point.</p> <p>If elected, I will sign a "Contract for Congress" developed by the people of our district. The contract will spell out accountability, representation, transparency and have penalties for non-compliance. A promise made will be a promise kept.</p> <p>An independent Citizen's Oversight Committee (COC), consisting of people from all political parties will be formed to help take forth the voice of the people. There will be Representation.</p> <p>A communication network will be established using the internet, newspapers, television and radio to seek your input into your government.</p> <p>I will take to Congress what it so desperately needed, common sense and financial expertise and will fight to resolve the current financial crisis while working hard to head off the next one. Coming from Corporate America, I have the energy and endurance to fight for the reform needed to take us back to our conservative roots. I'm a reformist who understands that it's the problems, not the symptoms, which must be resolved. <a href="http://www.uipusa.com">www.uipusa.com</a></p> <p>I offer you a candidate who won't represent a political party, self interest or special interest groups but who will fight for you. One who will provide innovation, common sense, reform and financial leadership.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, 23<sup>rd</sup> CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT</b></p> <p><b>JOHN V. HAGER</b>  <b>Occupation:</b> Attorney/Business Owner</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> I have lived in Santa Barbara with my wife Julie, a hospice nurse, since 1994. Together we have guided our five children through local, public schools. I founded the Hager &amp; Dowling law firm in 1997 and its charitable foundation in 2006.</p> <p>I have spent over 30 years helping clients solve problems. I deal with disputes every day and resolve them by candid communication with clients, adversaries, and judges. I will bring this experience to Congress to fix the problems that Congress has either created or ignored.</p> <p>Both parties in Congress have: (1) passed laws to benefit those with money and power; (2) spent money we do not have; (3) pandered to voters to get themselves reelected. Party politicians focus on reelection instead of dealing with the budget, unemployment, our environment, tax system, immigration and the financial sector.</p> <p>I have run an independent campaign and accepted only small contributions (maximum \$250). Electing me will send a message of campaign reform—that big money doesn't always win.</p> <p>We need independent leadership from one who can think independently and not just follow party mantra. To learn more about me and what I will do, please visit: <a href="http://www.hagerforcongress.org">www.hagerforcongress.org</a>.</p> <p>Do you feel that you and our nation are better off today than we were 10 years ago? If not, I offer you a new choice. If you agree that both parties have done poorly by us and need a wake-up call – let me be your voice.</p>	

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY 33<sup>rd</sup> District</b></p> <p><b>K. H. "KATCHO" ACHADJIAN</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 59</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> San Luis Obispo County Supervisor, Businessman</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> I'm a graduate of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. I know first hand how to achieve efficiency in government while being accountable and fiscally responsible.</p> <p>As County Supervisor, for 12 consecutive years I helped make the tough cuts needed to balance \$450 million budgets and helped build up \$80 million in reserves without raising taxes. I brought my expertise as a small business owner of 33 years to my government work to create new jobs and to keep good jobs from leaving the central coast. I lead by example and have opposed every effort to raise my pay on the Board.</p> <p>I will take these conservative values and experience to Sacramento and get our fiscal house in order. I will work to pass real reforms that tie the hands of big spending liberal politicians by imposing a strict cap on spending and will audit government bureaucracy to root out waste, fraud and abuse.</p> <p>Conservatives know they can count on me to protect Proposition 13, oppose job killing tax hikes and fight excessive regulations. I have received the endorsement of Congressman Kevin McCarthy, Californian Republican Taxpayers Association, California Association of Highway Patrolmen, Crime Victims United, and the Small Business Association. Join my fight to clean up Sacramento, stop deficit spending and get California back to work.</p> <p>Visit: <a href="http://Katchoforassembly.org">Katchoforassembly.org</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY 33<sup>rd</sup> District</b></p> <p><b>HILDA ZACARIAS</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 49</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Accountant, Businesswoman, Councilmember</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> I'm running for Assembly because Sacramento politicians refuse to make the tough but necessary decisions to balance our budget. As a professional accountant, auditor and former professor at Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo I know state government can manage our tax dollars better.</p> <p>I've dedicated my professional life to helping small businesses and local governments operate more effectively. I know government can live within its means, just as every family must, and use its limited resources more efficiently, just as every business must.</p> <p>Democrats and Republicans alike need to learn how to set aside the partisan bickering and polarization to do their jobs - balance the budget without excessive borrowing or punitive taxes on middle class Californians, make the bureaucracy more efficient, and get the economy moving again. I am proud to say that we have done just that on the Santa Maria City Council.</p> <p>A lifelong resident of the Central Coast, I attended Head Start, graduated from local public schools and Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo, and received a master's degree from Harvard University. I served as a School Board Trustee for five years. I want every young Californian to have this same opportunity to fulfill their potential with an excellent education, a good job, and a safe neighborhood to raise a family.</p> <p>In Sacramento, I will not enjoy making budget cuts, but I pledge to help restore civility in the Capitol and refocus the Legislature on balancing the books and rebuilding California in a way that upholds our shared values.</p> <p><a href="http://www.hildazacarias.com">www.hildazacarias.com</a></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA MIEMBRO DE LA ASAMBLEA ESTATAL Distrito 33</b></p> <p><b>K. H. "KATCHO" ACHADJIAN</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Edad: 59</b></span>  <b>Ocupación:</b> Supervisor del Condado de San Luis Obispo, Hombre de Negocios</p> <p><b>Educación y Competencia:</b> Me gradué de Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. Tengo conocimiento de primera mano sobre cómo lograr la eficiencia en el gobierno sin dejar de rendir cuentas y ser fiscalmente responsable.</p> <p>Como Supervisor del Condado, durante 12 años consecutivos he ayudado a realizar los difíciles recortes necesarios para equilibrar los presupuestos de \$450 millones y he ayudado a acumular \$80 millones en reservas sin aumentar los impuestos. Aporté mi experiencia como dueño de pequeña empresa de 33 años al trabajo de mi gobierno para crear nuevos empleos y evitar que los buenos empleos dejen la costa central. Lidero con el ejemplo y me he opuesto a todos los esfuerzos por aumentar mi paga en la Junta.</p> <p>Llevaré estos valores y experiencia conservadores a Sacramento y pondré en orden nuestra casa fiscal. Trabajaré para aprobar reformas reales que atarán de manos a aquellos políticos liberales que hacen grandes gastos mediante la imposición de un estricto límite sobre los gastos y auditaré la burocracia gubernamental para eliminar el malgasto, el fraude y el abuso.</p> <p>Los conservadores saben que pueden contar conmigo para proteger la Propuesta 13, oponerme a los aumentos de impuestos que eliminan empleos y luchar contra las regulaciones excesivas. He recibido el apoyo del Congresista Kevin McCarthy, la Asociación de Contribuyentes Republicanos de California, la Asociación de Policías de Carretera de California, Víctimas de Crímenes Unidos y la Asociación de Pequeños Negocios. Únase a mi lucha para limpiar Sacramento, detener los gastos deficitarios y poner a California nuevamente a trabajar.</p> <p>Visite: <a href="http://Katchoforassembly.org">Katchoforassembly.org</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA MIEMBRO DE LA ASAMBLEA ESTATAL Distrito 33</b></p> <p><b>HILDA ZACARIAS</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Edad: 49</b></span>  <b>Ocupación:</b> Contadora, Mujer de Negocios, Concejal</p> <p><b>Educación y Competencia:</b> Me estoy postulando para la Asamblea porque los políticos de Sacramento se rehúsan a tomar las decisiones duras pero necesarias para equilibrar nuestro presupuesto. Como contadora profesional, auditora y ex profesora de Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo sé que el gobierno estatal puede administrar mejor nuestros dólares de impuestos.</p> <p>He dedicado mi vida profesional a ayudar a pequeños negocios y a los gobiernos locales a funcionar de manera más efectiva. Sé que el gobierno puede vivir dentro de sus posibilidades, tal como cada familia debe hacerlo y utilizar sus recursos limitados de manera más eficiente, tal como debe hacerlo todo negocio.</p> <p>Los demócratas y los republicanos por igual deben aprender a dejar de lado las peleas y las polarizaciones partisanas para hacer sus trabajos – equilibrar el presupuesto sin préstamos excesivos ni impuestos excesivamente gravosos sobre los californianos de clase media, hacer más eficiente la burocracia y poner nuevamente en movimiento la economía. Me enorgullece decir que hemos hecho justamente eso en el Concejo Municipal de Santa Maria.</p> <p>Residente de toda la vida de la Costa Central, asistí a Head Start, me gradué de escuelas públicas locales y de Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo y obtuve un título de maestría desde la Universidad de Harvard. Serví como Síndico de la Junta Escolar durante cinco años. Quiero que todo Californiano joven tenga esta misma oportunidad de explotar su potencial con una excelente educación, un buen empleo y un vecindario seguro para criar a una familia.</p> <p>En Sacramento, no disfrutaré de hacer recortes presupuestarios, pero prometo ayudar a restaurar la cortesía en el Capitolio y trasladar la atención de la Legislatura a equilibrar los libros y reconstruir a California de manera que mantenga nuestros valores compartidos.</p> <p><a href="http://www.hildazacarias.com">www.hildazacarias.com</a></p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2 Lucia Mar Unified School District</b></p> <p><b>CATHY SPRINGFORD</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 57</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Real Estate Agent, Attorney</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> For the last two years, I served on the Superintendent's Budget Review Committee, analyzing and studying the District's budget and providing input to the Superintendent on budget issues. I served on the School Site Councils, PTO and Booster's Club boards (mostly serving as President) for three of our schools. My children have been in the school District for six years, have attended two middle schools and are both entering high school. Through all of this experience, I developed a broad perspective of the District. I was a business and real estate trial attorney for 30 years with a special interest in financial matters. I was also a mediator and arbitrator. Through my experience in finance, law, real estate, and in our schools, I developed an extensive knowledge and big-picture perspective of the District and have the qualifications needed to effectively serve as Trustee. I will use this experience and knowledge to be a student-focused Trustee, helping the District steer through these challenging economic times and other issues that arise. I am an objective, solution-oriented parent and want to assure a quality public education for all of our children. I ask for your vote.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2 Lucia Mar Unified School District</b></p> <p><b>MARK MILLIS</b>  <b>Occupation:</b> Retired Teacher</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> As a parent, grandparent, and former teacher, I am running for the Lucia Mar School Board because I am concerned about the threats facing the education of our children.</p> <p>Even as we face leaner budgetary times, it is important that cuts to jobs and programs take place as far away from the classroom as possible. Ensuring that students receive the best possible education is our first priority.</p> <p>I served the community for over 18 years as both Mayor of Arroyo Grande and as a City Council Member. This experience in public office makes me uniquely qualified to reduce waste and help the District operate more efficiently. Conferences, gadgets, and other luxuries must all be eliminated before the District initiates layoffs, increases class sizes and cuts programs.</p> <p>For 33 years, I taught at Arroyo Grande High School. I understand the District and the community and can help bring about a better working relationship between the Board of Education and school employees.</p> <p>I am a proven leader with integrity, experience, and the people's trust.</p> <p>I listen. I care. My telephone number is 478-2134.</p> <p>I would appreciate your vote.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2 Lucia Mar Unified School District</b></p> <p><b>COLLEEN MARTIN</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 50</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Incumbent</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> As a current member and President of the Lucia Mar Board of Education, I am excited about what Lucia Mar has accomplished and our new vision and goals for the future. I always place the concerns of the students and our community first. I want to continue implementing 21<sup>st</sup> century skills including communication, collaboration, technology, and vocational skills for all. Our students are facing unprecedented demands in the changing world of work. Lucia Mar, in collaboration with families and the community, is transitioning to respond to these changing demands.</p> <p>As a College and Career Center Specialist at SLO High School, I understand how schools function and interact with students daily. I will continue to work for: safe schools accessible to all, a responsive Board of Education that ensures the District stays financially solvent, school calendar and curriculum that ensure student success, graduation contract with a variety of pathways to graduation, and ongoing support of athletics, honors programs, and extracurricular education.</p> <p>I am honest, respectful and will try my best. I've been involved with the schools for two decades. I promise to listen, do my homework, and represent the district faithfully.</p> <p>I welcome your concerns. colleentitusmartin@sbcglobal.net 489-2764</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA MIEMBRO DE LA JUNTA DE GOBIERNO, ÁREA DE SÍNDICO NO. 2 Distrito Escolar Unificado de Lucia Mar</b></p> <p><b>MARK MILLIS</b>  <b>Ocupación:</b> Maestro Jubilado</p> <p><b>Educación y Competencia:</b> Como padre, abuelo y ex maestro, me estoy postulando para la Junta Escolar de Lucia Mar porque me preocupan las amenazas que enfrenta la educación de nuestros hijos.</p> <p>Incluso cuando nos enfrentamos a épocas de presupuestos reducidos, es importante que los recortes de empleos y programas ocurran tan lejos del aula como fuera posible. Asegurarnos de que nuestros estudiantes reciban la mejor educación posible es nuestra principal prioridad.</p> <p>Serví a la comunidad durante más de 18 años como Alcalde de Arroyo Grande y como Miembro del Concejo Municipal. Esta experiencia en cargos públicos me otorga una experiencia única para reducir el malgasto y ayudar al Distrito a operar de manera más eficiente. Las conferencias, los artilugios y otros lujos deben ser eliminados antes de que el Distrito comience a hacer despidos, aumente los tamaños de las clases y recorte programas.</p> <p>Durante 33 años, enseñé en la Escuela Secundaria Arroyo Grande. Comprendo el Distrito y la comunidad y puedo ayudar a crear una mejor relación de trabajo entre la Junta de Educación y los empleados de la escuela.</p> <p>Soy un líder comprobado con integridad, experiencia y la confianza de la gente.</p> <p>Escucho. Me preocupo. Mi número de teléfono es 478-2134.</p> <p>Agradecería su voto.</p>



<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF-CORONER</b></p> <p><b>JOE CORTEZ</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 56</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Veteran/Former Police Chief</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> The Sheriff's Department is at a crossroads. We can stay the course of weak leadership, poor morale and ineffective budgeting, or we can move toward safer communities and the best quality of life. I offer a new direction to build the strong department our county deserves.</p> <p>Accountability, respect for the public trust, and commitment to collaboration are hallmarks of my 36 years in law enforcement. I've championed fiscal restraint as police chief for 15 years having returned over \$1 million to general fund coffers. The high standards I set gained law enforcement accreditation for Pismo Beach, one of five California cities so-designated.</p> <p>Reaching the top of my profession has given me a lifetime of experience and knowledge best suited for the office of Sheriff. I'll use my leadership abilities to replace controversy with stability and my budget skills to maximize services without drowning us in debt.</p> <p>I am a 36 year veteran in law enforcement with 15 years as a police chief. I'm a military veteran, hold a Bachelors degree in Criminal Justice, and a graduate of the FBI National Academy. As your sheriff I stand ready to lead on Day One.</p> <p>I respectfully ask for your vote.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF-CORONER</b></p> <p><b>IAN PARKINSON</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 46</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Police Captain</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> I'm Ian Parkinson. I've been training to be Sheriff my entire adult life.</p> <p>I joined the Morro Bay Police Department in 1984, transferred to the San Luis Obispo Police Department in 1988 and was promoted to Captain in 2005.</p> <p>I conduct day-to-day operations, establish policy and procedures, prepare the budget and supervise the patrol division.</p> <p>I have served as a patrol officer, a major crime investigator, training officer, traffic officer, lead defensive tactics instructor, SWAT team commander and narcotics investigator. I use advanced technology to prevent crime and capture those responsible for it, and I embrace community policing.</p> <p>I believe it is time for positive change in County law enforcement.</p> <p>I will bring a new attitude and approach to the Sheriff's Department – one in which collaboration is as valued as crime fighting.</p> <p>I am endorsed by many of the city police chiefs and law enforcement executives in the County.</p> <p>As Sheriff, I will create a department that is transparent and accountable to the citizens of our County.</p> <p>I will lead an agency you can trust filled with employees who are proud to be members of the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Department.</p> <p>Please, vote for Ian Parkinson for Sheriff on November 2nd.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA ALGUACIL-JUEZ DE PRIMERA INSTANCIA</b></p> <p><b>IAN PARKINSON</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Edad: 46</b></span>  <b>Ocupación:</b> Capitán de Policía</p> <p><b>Educación y Competencia:</b> Soy Ian Parkinson. Me he estado capacitando para ser Alguacil toda mi vida adulta.</p> <p>Me uní al Departamento de Policía de Morro Bay en 1984, fui transferido al Departamento de Policía de San Luis Obispo en 1988 y fui ascendido a Capitán en 2005.</p> <p>Llevo a cabo las operaciones diarias, establezco políticas y procedimientos, preparo el presupuesto y superviso la división de patrullas.</p> <p>He servido como oficial de patrulla, investigador de crímenes importantes, oficial de capacitación, oficial de tránsito, instructor líder de tácticas de defensa, comandante del equipo SWAT e investigador de narcóticos. Utilizo tecnología de avanzada para prevenir el crimen y capturar a los responsables y estoy a favor de la vigilancia comunitaria.</p> <p>Creo que es el momento de un cambio positivo en el orden público del Condado.</p> <p>Aportaré una nueva actitud y enfoque al Departamento del Alguacil – uno en el que la colaboración sea tan valorada como la lucha contra el crimen.</p> <p>Tengo el apoyo de muchos de los jefes de policía de la ciudad y ejecutivos del orden público del Condado.</p> <p>Como Alguacil, crearé un departamento que sea transparente y responsable ante los ciudadanos de nuestro Condado.</p> <p>Lideraré una agencia en la que usted pueda confiar y que esté repleta de empleados que sean orgullosos miembros del Departamento del Alguacil del Condado de San Luis Obispo.</p> <p>Por favor, vote por Ian Parkinson para Alguacil el 2 de noviembre.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR</b> City of Pismo Beach</p> <p><b>RODGER GILLESPIE</b> <b>Occupation:</b> Substitute Teacher</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> I graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Siena College, a four-year Catholic Liberal Arts school located in Up-State New York. I am a former U.S. Naval Officer and served for eight years on active duty during the Vietnam War. Following my Navy tour, I joined Mobil Oil Corporation in New York City as a public relations executive and was later transferred to the company's Los Angeles Regional Office. I was a founding partner in the Public Relations firm of Fisher &amp; Gillespie in Encino, California, which represented more than 30 businesses and organizations such as The Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce Project L.A. Beautiful and the Recycling and Anti-litter program of the California State Solid Waste Management Board. My wife and I moved to Pismo Beach in 2001. We have three children and one grandchild. I have been a substitute teacher in the Lucia Mar Unified School District since moving to the Central Coast. I have also written and published two novels -- "Danny Wolff's Winter Adventure" and "Corrupt to the Core" -- both of which are available on Amazon. As Mayor, my highest priority will be to resolve the downtown summer traffic mess.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR</b> City of Pismo Beach</p> <p><b>SHELLY HIGGINBOTHAM</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 53</b></span> <b>Occupation:</b> Mayor Pro Tem, City of Pismo Beach</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> For the past 6 years, I have had the pleasure of serving as a City Council member, the last 4 years as the Mayor Pro Tem. As a member of the Pismo Beach Community for over 26 years I am deeply committed to serving the residents and contributing as public servant.</p> <p>As the City continues to grow we will face many challenges in maintaining our fiscal integrity, implementing State mandates, employing more policies toward energy efficient and "green" technologies, and addressing needs of an aging infrastructure. As Mayor, I will utilize a well researched and balanced approach when tackling these issues.</p> <p>I received both my Bachelors and Masters Degrees from Cal Poly. I owned and managed a small business, and served as the Board President for a Non-Profit Organization. Both allowed me to experience the challenges associated with financial management. My education paired with past professional and City Council experience will assist me in continuing to serve the residents and businesses in Pismo Beach.</p> <p>I respectfully ask for your vote on November 2.</p>