



Elections Office of the Registrar of Voters

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Randomized Alphabet Drawing Board of Retirement Election – December 6, 2016

In order to determine the placement of candidate names on the ballot, the Elections Office conducted a drawing of the letters of the alphabet on September 20, 2016. The method used for conducting the drawing is described in California Elections Code 13112 (a).

As a result of this drawing, listed below is the official order of letters:

Table with 4 columns and 7 rows listing randomized letters: 1. W, 2. U, 3. X, 4. O, 5. M, 6. Y, 7. T, 8. V, 9. Q, 10. K, 11. I, 12. E, 13. F, 14. S, 15. H, 16. P, 17. B, 18. N, 19. G, 20. L, 21. C, 22. Z, 23. A, 24. R, 25. D, 26. J.

Please note that this alphabet is to be applied throughout the candidate’s entire last name, so if more than one candidate’s surname begins with the same letter, the second letter of the surname determines who goes first, according to where the second letter of the name appears in the random alphabet. For example, if two candidates with the surname of Campbell and Carlson are running for the same office, their order on the ballot will depend on the order in which the letters “M” and “R” were drawn in the randomized alphabet drawing.

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