



RSA CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENT APPLICATION

CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENT APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Fill in all information on the application and questionnaire completely.
- 2. Feel free to use a separate sheet of paper if necessary when answering the questionnaire.
- 3. Include a copy of your resumé and any other additional information that you would like the committee to consider during its deliberations.
- 4. You may be required to participate in a pre-endorsement interview.
- 5. Return completed documents to:

Riverside Sheriffs' Association
21810 Cactus Ave.
Riverside, CA 92518
Attn: RSA Political Action Committee

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RSA Political Action Committee





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Dear Candidate:

Thank you for contacting Riverside Sheriffs' Association regarding an endorsement for your campaign. RSA is honored to support candidates who demonstrate their dedication to public safety services and to the law enforcement professionals who provide vital patrol, custody and special assignment services to protect lives and property in Riverside County.

The following is a summary of how RSA reviews and approves requests for political endorsements.

- Requests for endorsement must be submitted, in writing, to the RSA office. Requests must include the office sought, the election date, party affiliation (for partisan primary elections), contact information, including telephone and mailing address, and any additional information.
- Candidates for countywide and statewide offices must submit a completed copy of the RSA candidate questionnaire in order to be considered for an endorsement. Your campaign will be notified in writing if any deadlines apply for the return of the completed questionnaire.
- Each candidate requesting support will be considered by the RSA Political Action Committee. This process usually involves a review of your questionnaire and professional history, and your participation in an interview before the committee if invited you will be contacted by the RSA Political Action Committee to arrange a date and time for the interview.
- Once the RSA Political Action Committee has completed its evaluation, a recommendation is submitted to the RSA Board of Directors for consideration and approval.
- All efforts will be made to notify candidates of a decision as soon as possible following action by the Board of Directors. Such notifications are made in writing, on official RSA letterhead and signed by the RSA president.
- RSA reserves the right to withdraw its endorsement at any time and/or to modify this procedure for any reason and without prior notice.
- The use of RSA's name without express written permission is strictly prohibited
- Only the RSA Board of Directors is authorized to issue a political endorsement on behalf of the organization. Individual officers, directors and staff members are not authorized to endorse on behalf of RSA.

Thank you for your request.

The RSA Political Action Committee



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Riverside Sheriffs' Association Political Action Committee Candidate Background Information Form

(Please attach additional pages if more space needed)

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Candidate Name: _____

Party Affiliation: _____ Office Sought: _____

Filing Dates for this office: Opens ____/____/____ Closes ____/____/____

Election Cycle: Primary General Run-off Special Election

Preferred Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____ Website: _____

Occupation: _____

Education completed/Degrees received: _____

Have you ever sought or held elected or appointed office? If yes, please describe.

Have you ever been a victim of crime? Yes ___ or No ___

If yes, explain briefly: _____

Have you ever been convicted of any crime? Yes ___ or No ___

If yes, explain briefly: _____

How long have you lived in Riverside County ? _____

Personal Information



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Please use additional sheets to complete the following pages as needed.

GENERAL CAMPAIGN BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. Please list all other Peace Officer Association or Labor Endorsements that you have received for this election cycle:

2. Prior to this election cycle have you received endorsements from any Peace Officer Association or other Labor Organization? If so please give organization's name, office sought and year.

3. List the current and anticipated major financial contributors to your campaign and please provide an estimate of your cash-on-hand:

4. Have you ever been investigated by the FPPC: If so, what was the outcome:

5. Is there anything else we should know about you and/or your campaign? If yes, please describe briefly:

Campaign Background



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6. Name of Campaign Consultant or other staff that will play an important part:

7. Name all Campaign consultants you have used in the past:

8. Briefly describe your campaign strategy:

9. Will you utilize personal funds? If yes, how much?

10. Who are your currently declared opponents?

11. Please include your FPPC's Statement of Economic Interest Form 700 with your completed application.



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LABOR ISSUES

1. What is your position on Public Employee Labor Organizations raising political action money (PAC)? Do you think Public Employee Labor Organizations should be treated different than other organizations or corporations with respect to political activities and political spending?

2. Do you support the so-called 'pension system reform' for public employees which changes the current "defined benefit plan" to a privatized "defined contribution system?" What ideas do you have to change public employee pension plans such as Cal PERS?

3. Do you support the Peace Officer Bill of Rights (circle) Yes or No? Are there any changes that you would recommend or support?

4. Do you support "Binding Arbitration" for public safety officers, and if so, what issues do you believe should be covered?



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5. Do you support or oppose civilian police review boards and/or police auditors?

6. Do you support collective bargaining rights? What is your position on collective bargaining for Peace Officers considering they cannot strike?

7. What are the most critical issues and/or challenges facing Riverside County Law Enforcement in the next 10 years?

8. How will you keep the lines of communication open with the Riverside Sheriffs' Association?

9. Pension compensation and negotiated health care for public employee retirees have been under attack for several years. What is your position on pension compensation and health care for public safety professionals, and what can you do to protect the negotiated provisions in place to provide secure retirements for RSA members?



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10. Would you Support a California "Paycheck Protection" Initiative which would stop unions from using dues for political contributions?

11. What taxpayer funded programs do you feel should be cut to help solve California's budget issues? Please list which programs and prioritize from first to last to cut:

12. Do you support laying off peace officers?

13. Do you support the act of imposing a contract on a peace officer association?

14. When dealing with recognized employee organizations, do you view its members' leadership as your equal when dealing with labor issues?



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15. When considering budget reductions in public safety departments, would you favor layoffs at the bottom or “Golden Handshakes” at the top? Why?

16. Do you believe public employee organizations should be engaged in political campaigns including financial contributions?



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PUBLIC SAFETY / POLICY ISSUES

1. What do you feel are the three most important issues facing Law Enforcement today?

2. What is your position on privatization of public safety (court, detention, custodial, correction, police officer)?

3. Last year AB 109 implemented realignment of the CDCR which moved inmates from state prison facilities to local cities/counties jails for supervision and custody. What is your position on the Governor's/Legislature's early release of convicted non-violent inmate offenders? What is your position on the closing of State Juvenile and/or Adult Correctional Facilities? Would you support funding for local governments to help with the cost of taking care of these inmates?

4. Would you actively oppose all forms of privatization of city, county and state custody operations?



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Public Safety/Policy Issues

5. Would you publicly support the continuation of Riverside Sheriff's Dept. contract law enforcement services for public agencies in your district city, if applicable?

6. Would you support laws to prohibit the abuse of law enforcement personnel in jails and enhance punishment for prisoners who abuse those individuals?

7. Would you actively support legislation to provide state funding to bring staffing to a safe level at all Riverside County Sheriff's correctional facilities and patrol services.

8. Would you support state legislative proposals to prevent false and malicious complaints against law enforcement personnel?

9. Would you support state legislative proposals to provide additional local funding for security enhancements, especially in Superior Court facilities?



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Public Safety/Policy Issues

10. Do you support the extradition of suspects in capital cases from foreign counties such as Mexico?

11. What do you view as the 3-5 most important issues facing law enforcement? And what, if any, specific solutions can you offer?

12. Please rank the following budget areas in order of priority for you:

___ Agriculture/Water ___ Environment ___ Public Safety
___ Education ___ Health Care ___ Transportation
___ Energy ___ Housing

13. AB 109 "Realignment" has moved state prisoners to the county jails. Do you think that shifting correctional responsibilities from the state to the counties is a good or bad idea and why?

14. What is your position on the Three Strikes Law? Would you support a "One strike and you are out law" for those convicted of a violent sexual assault crime?



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Your oral interview will be video-taped and may be posted on the Riverside Sheriffs' Association website for viewing by our members. The use of RSA's name without express written permission is strictly prohibited. Please sign and date the questionnaire and return to the Riverside Sheriffs' Association at 21810 Cactus Ave., Riverside, CA 92518.

Thank you for your participation in our endorsement process.

Print your name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Campaign Committee Name: _____

Campaign ID Number: _____