



Application for Election Observer Panel

Name:		Badge Number:
Email:		
Contact number:	Occupation/Interest:	
Your organization (if applicable): _____		
Have you observed Department of Elections activities in the past?		
Are there any specific election activities that you are interested in observing?		
Do you have any questions prior to beginning observation that we may research or respond to?		

Observer Rights and Responsibilities

Please initial to acknowledge the following:

Observers May:

- Observe pre-Election Day activities (training, equipment testing, selection of ballot measure letters)
- Observe operations at the polls
- Make notes and watch election procedures
- View vote-by-mail and provisional ballot processing
- Ask questions of **supervisors** as long as they do not interfere with the conduct of the verification process

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Observers May Not:

- Interfere with the process of verifying signatures. The elections official is entitled to determine what constitutes interference.
- Physically handle any verification-related material without the express permission of the elections official.
- Move or rearrange tables, chairs or booths.
- Directly challenge a signature.
- Display any campaign material or wear campaign badges, buttons or apparel.
- Wear the uniform of a peace officer, a private guard or security personnel.
- Use cell phones, two-way radios, computers or other devices while observing the process (Continued)
- Prevent other observers from observing materials or a process.
- Enter secure areas without the express permission of the elections official.
- Delay or interrupt scheduled operations and processes.

Rights and Responsibilities for Observers are pursuant to California Secretary of State County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #14125 dated May 9, 2014.

Applicant signature: _____ Date: _____