

NOTICE OF ELECTION

BOARD OF RETIREMENT ALAMEDA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

An election will be held from **NOVEMBER 13, 2024 through DECEMBER 18, 2024** to elect the **SECOND MEMBER** representing the General members on the ACERA Board of Retirement for the calendar years 2025 through 2027.

Any general member desiring to have his/her name included on the ballot as a candidate must obtain an election information packet containing the nomination papers from the Alameda County Employees' Retirement Association (ACERA) website, or by directly emailing ACERAElectionPacket@acera.org, or by calling the election coordinator at (510) 628-3077. The nomination period begins at 9:00 a.m. on September 3, 2024, and ends at 5:00 p.m. on September 30, 2024. **All required nomination papers must be filed and received by ACERA at the office address printed at the bottom of this notice no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 30, 2024, in order for a qualified member to be certified as a candidate. A US Postal postmark is NOT acceptable as proof of delivery or receipt by ACERA. For your convenience, there is a drop box located in ACERA's elevator lobby, on the 10th Floor. Any questions can be directed to the Election Designated Line printed at the bottom of this notice.**

The *Nomination Petition* must bear the full name of the potential candidate ("candidate") with his/her personal mailing address, and must be signed by at least 25 eligible members within the candidate's membership classification. *Example: A general member may sign the petition only for a general member candidate.* Upon receipt, ACERA shall verify the eligibility of the candidate and verify that the persons signing the petition are all ACERA members at the time the petition was signed, and are of the same membership classification as the candidate. A candidate may be disqualified from participating in the election on the following grounds:

1. Candidate is NOT an ACERA member.
2. Candidate does not obtain the signatures of at least 25 eligible members. A signature will be considered invalid and will not count toward the 25 signatures if;
 - Member signing the petition is NOT a member of ACERA at the time of signing the petition;
 - Member signing the petition is NOT of the same membership classification as the Nominated Candidate at the time of signing the petition; and
 - Name and signature of member/petitioner cannot be verified as an ACERA member.

To avoid technicalities that may lead to disqualification, candidates are encouraged to submit more than 25 signatures and to submit them early. Nomination petitions may be corrected and may be re-filed before the 5:00 p.m. deadline on September 30, 2024.

If there is more than one certified candidate for a position, an election will be held. Official ballots will be mailed on or about November 13, 2024, to each active and deferred general member at the last address of record at ACERA. Replacement for lost or damaged ballots may be obtained by contacting the MK Election Services at (209) 259-6740.

In accordance with Gov. Code § 31523, if only one candidate is certified for any designated seat, the Board of Supervisors shall order that no election be held and shall direct the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to cast a unanimous ballot in favor of such nominated member.

Ballots must be received by
MK Election Services
at P.O. Box 2214 Oakland, CA 94621
no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 18, 2024.

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