



# County of Santa Clara Office of the Registrar of Voters

## BALLOT MEASURE REBUTTAL ARGUMENT FORM

<p>This <b>Ballot Measure Rebuttal Argument Form</b> must be submitted <b>for all ballot measure REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS</b>, with required signatures and author information. The County of Santa Clara Office of the Registrar of Voters allows electronic submission of documents if the scanned copy is clear and readable. You may email your completed form and attach the Rebuttal argument in Microsoft Word version to <a href="mailto:candidateservices@rov.sccgov.org">candidateservices@rov.sccgov.org</a>. Any errors submitted on the form or Rebuttal argument will be printed in the County Voter Information Guide and/or ballot exactly as submitted. A proof will be sent to the rebuttal filer for confirmation that it matches the argument as submitted—no other corrections will be accepted.</p> <p>The author of a primary argument may sign the rebuttal argument or may authorize in writing any other person to author/sign the rebuttal argument. A signed Consent Form is required to authorize a person to author/sign the rebuttal argument who was not an author of the primary argument – Please Refer to Section 4, page 5.</p> <p>Because anyone listed as an author should have the opportunity to review the rebuttal argument, the full text of the rebuttal argument should be attached to all Consent Forms.</p>	Office Use Only
	Time/Date Stamp

Date of Election: \_\_\_\_\_

Jurisdiction: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Argument due date (E-84): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Examination Period (E-83 to E-74): \_\_\_\_\_

Rebuttal Argument due date (E-77): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Examination Period (E-76 to E-67): \_\_\_\_\_

### SECTION 1: ARGUMENT INFORMATION

Measure Letter \_\_\_\_\_ (if available) – letters will be assigned after 5:00 p.m. on E-88)

#### Select the Type of Argument you are Filing

Rebuttal to the Argument in Favor / Opponent

Rebuttal to the Argument Against / Proponent

## SECTION 2: AUTHOR INFORMATION

Declaration Related to Proponent/Opponent Rebuttal Arguments  
(Elections Code §§ 9161, 9164, 9167, 9170, 9501, 9501.5, 9504, 9600)

**Please Select the Correct Line**

- I am an Author of the Proponent Rebuttal Argument (noted above) for Measure \_\_\_ being submitted. I support this measure.  
 I am an Author of the Opponent Rebuttal Argument (noted above) for Measure \_\_\_ being submitted. I oppose this measure.

## SECTION 3: ARGUMENT TEXT

### SUBMITTER SECTION

If there is a question or issue with a submission, the County of Santa Clara Office of the Registrar of Voters will contact the submitter. The submitter is the person who delivers the rebuttal argument and supporting materials to the County of Santa Clara Office of the Registrar of Voters.

I am the **SUBMITTER** of the rebuttal argument.

My contact information for receiving the opposing author's rebuttal argument is:

**Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR REBUTTAL ARGUMENT TO THIS FORM  
AND FILL OUT THE APPROPRIATE SIGNER FORMS FOR EACH FILER OR SIGNER ON PAGES 3 AND 4**

The text of your rebuttal argument will be printed exactly as submitted. Type your rebuttal argument with the desired formatting. Ensure that your rebuttal argument meets the legal word limit of 250 words. You may request that specific text is printed in bold, italic, or bold italic font type.

The County of Santa Clara Office of the Registrar of Voters uses standard typefaces, font sizes, headers, and bullets in all measure related documents.

**PLEASE REFER TO PAGE 6 - SECTION 5: APPENDIX A - FOR MEASURES FORMATTING GUIDELINES  
(FORMATTED INTO A STANDARD 2-COLUMN PER PAGE TEMPLATE)**

For any rebuttal argument submitted on behalf of an organization or bona fide association of citizens, the "Rebuttal Argument Signer Form" must be completed by a principal officer of the organization or bona fide association of citizens and the organization must submit one of the following:

- its articles of incorporation, articles of association, partnership documents, bylaws, or similar documents;
- letterhead containing the name of the organization and its principal officers; **OR**
- if the organization or association is a primarily formed committee established to support or oppose the measure, its statement of organization (FPPC Form 410) filed pursuant to Government Code § 84101.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If the rebuttal argument is handwritten or a revision is unclear, the County of Santa Clara Office of the Registrar of Voters staff will interpret the handwritten information to the best of their abilities. That interpretation is final.

# REBUTTAL ARGUMENT SIGNER FORM FOR FILER / SIGNER ONLY

The undersigned author of the attached rebuttal argument hereby states that such rebuttal argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief. **You may use as many copies of the FILER / SIGNER ONLY FORM as needed to cover every FILER / SIGNER.**

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## FILER SECTION

I am the **FILER** of the rebuttal argument:  Yes /  No

I am **ALSO** a **SIGNER** of the rebuttal argument:  Yes /  No

My contact information for receiving a proof and to confirm that it matches the argument as submitted—no other corrections will be accepted.

**Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I am a:**

Registered Voter in District /  Governing Board Member /  Principal Officer of the Organization Submitting the Argument

**My GENDER is:**

Masculine /  Feminine /  Androgynous or Non-binary /  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

My **SIGNING ORDER** on the rebuttal argument text to be published is:  1 /  2 /  3 /  4 /  5 (*please check one*)

My name as a **SIGNER** (signature to be printed with the rebuttal argument) is:

(do not include degrees or titles; print or type signature in upper- and lower-case)

**TITLE OF SIGNER** (to be printed with the rebuttal argument) is:

(limited to one title only; do not include descriptors; print or type title in upper- and lower-case)

**INDIVIDUALS** (where you are registered to vote)

Residential Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

(personal contact information: street address, phone and email will be redacted prior to posting online)

**GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS AND PRINCIPAL OFFICERS**

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

(do not include personal contact information as business information is not redacted prior to posting online)

**SIGNATURE**



Under penalty of perjury, I attest the above information meets the required criteria for an individual or for an organization or bona fide association of citizens for purposes of submitting an argument:

(signatures will be redacted prior to posting online)

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## SIGNER SECTION

I am a **SIGNER ONLY** of the rebuttal argument:  Yes /  No

My **GENDER** is:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(do not include degrees or titles; print or type signature in upper- and lower-case)

My **TITLE** as a signer (to be printed with the rebuttal argument) is:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(limited to one title only; do not include descriptors; print or type title in upper- and lower-case)

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Under penalty of perjury, I attest the above information meets the required criteria for an individual or for an organization or bona fide association of citizens for purposes of submitting an argument:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(signatures will be redacted prior to posting online)

**SECTION 4: REQUIRED CONSENT FORM FOR NEW AUTHORS**

The author of a primary argument may sign the rebuttal argument or may authorize in writing any other person to author/sign the rebuttal argument. A signed consent form is required to authorize a person to author/sign the rebuttal argument who was not an author of the primary argument.

Pursuant to Elections Code section 9504 any of the primary argument authors can authorize a new signer (or signers) for the rebuttal argument.

Under penalty of perjury, I attest and verify that I have read the complete text of the ballot measure rebuttal argument above and authorize that my name or the name of my organization or bona fide association of citizens, which I am an authorized representative of, may be printed, exactly as it appears in the text of the rebuttal argument in the County Voter Information Guide.

As an author of the primary argument in  Support /  Opposition to Measure \_\_\_\_\_ (assigned letter), I authorize \_\_\_\_\_ (new rebuttal argument signer) to sign the rebuttal argument.

Full Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization or Bona Fide Association of Citizens \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable)

**SIGNATURE**  \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

MEASURES FORMATTING GUIDELINES - (FORMATTED INTO A STANDARD 2-COLUMN PER PAGE TEMPLATE)

## NAMES AND TITLES

- Names (“signatures”) will be printed in the County Voter Information Guide (CVIG) exactly as submitted in the designated "Print Signature Name as it is to appear in the pamphlet" location on the appropriate form. Educational degrees may not be submitted on the same line as the signature name.
- Signatures and titles should be submitted with grammatically correct upper- and lower-case letters—for example, for most names this means an upper-case letter at the beginning of each word of the name. If submitted otherwise (for example, in all upper-case or all lower-case letters), the signatures and titles will be re-formatted with grammatically correct upper- and lower-case letters.
- If not already included, appropriate punctuation will be added after initials, generational suffixes, and abbreviations.
- Titles will be printed as submitted, including typographical and spelling errors.
- Titles are limited to one title. Educational degrees or titles may not be submitted on the same line as the signature name. If the title is submitted with the name, it will be formatted correctly below the signature. If a title is already placed below the signature in the title field, the additional degree or title next to the name will not be printed at all.
- Dates, signatures, and titles submitted as centered or right justified will be reformatted as left justified.
- If all of the signatures for an argument do not fit into the same column, all the signatures along with the paragraph immediately preceding the signatures will be wrapped to the next column.

## TEXT

- Measure and argument text will be printed in a single-spaced, fully justified format, in a 10-point font size with all typographical and spelling errors as submitted.
- Typefaces vary depending upon language. For English, Spanish, and Tagalog, Arial Narrow is used. For Chinese, MingLiu is used. For Vietnamese, Arial Unicode MS is used. NOTE: The Vietnamese typeface is visually larger than other typefaces, so 10.5-point and 9.5-point sizes are used instead of 11-point and 10-point to make the text visually comparable to all other languages.
- Language-appropriate spacing will be implemented for punctuation. One space follows all punctuations for English, Spanish, Tagalog, and Vietnamese. For Chinese, no spaces are placed after punctuation.
- No spaces will be placed before or after hyphens or em-dashes.
- Multiple spaces between words will be reduced to one space.
- Appropriate hyphenation may be added in order to split words between lines as needed for spacing.
- Indention is not used for paragraphs, bullets, numbered lists, or outlines.
- Headings are printed in ALL CAPS, **bold**, centered, in 11-point font size with upper and lower borders. Headings are standardized per the Elections Code: **MEASURE ' \_\_ ' ; COUNTY COUNSEL'S/CITY ATTORNEY'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE ' \_\_ ' ; TAX RATE STATEMENT ; ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE ' \_\_ ' ; REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE ' \_\_ ' ; ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE ' \_\_ ' ; REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE ' \_\_ ' .**
- Should only one argument, or no arguments, be filed, a notice that **NO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF/AGAINST MEASURE ' \_\_ ' WAS SUBMITTED** (whichever is appropriate) will be printed.
- Documents that do not fit into one column are wrapped to the next column with a "Continued" heading.
- Existing paragraphs, bullets, or numbered lists are indented in 0.25" increments.
  - All bullets are displayed as solid black circles (•). Other bullets or symbols used as bullets—smiley faces, diamonds, stars, asterisks, dashes, etc.—will be replaced with a solid black circle.