JUNE 5, 2018 CONSOLIDATED PRIMARY ELECTION SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR THE OFFICE OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

QUALIFICATIONS / REQUIREMENTS	DESCRIPTION
Office Specific Qualifications	A person is ineligible to be a judge of a court of record unless for 10 years immediately preceding selection, the person has been a member of the State Bar or served as a judge of a court of record in this State. (Cal. Const. art. VI, § 15)
Documentation Establishing Eligibility	Candidates for Superior Court Judge must provide documentation establishing their eligibility as set forth in Section 15 of Article VI of the California Constitution. Candidates must submit documentation, including, but not necessarily limited to, certificates, declarations under penalty of perjury, diplomas, or official correspondence, sufficient to establish, in the determination of the official with whom the declaration or statement is filed, that the person meets each qualification established for service in that office. (E.C. § 13.5) NOTE: The filing fee is non-refundable; therefore, candidates should be certain to obtain proper eligibility documentation.
Filing Fee	\$2,000.42 (1% of the annual salary)
Declaration of Intent	Candidates for Superior Court are required to file a Declaration of Intention to become a candidate. The Declaration of Intention must be filed during the period of January 29 through February 7. The non-refundable filing fee must be paid at the time of filing the Declaration of Intention.
Petition In-Lieu of Filing Fee	The law provides an alternative to paying the filing fee in money. Upon receipt of the minimum number of In-Lieu signatures required, or a sufficient combination of such signatures and pro rata filing fee, the Registrar of Voters will accept the Declaration of Intent provisionally, subject to checking the validity of the signatures submitted.
Number of In-Lieu Signatures Required	Signatures required: 6,002 Value per Signature: \$0.33
Petition In-Lieu Signers	Any registered voter may sign an in-lieu-filing-fee petition for any candidate for whom he or she is eligible to vote.
Petition Circulators	As of January 1, 2014, the only requirement for circulators is that the circulator must be 18 years of age or older.

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Filing the In-Lieu Petitions	In-Lieu petitions must be filed with the Registrar of Voters by close of business on February 7, 2018. In-Lieu petitions must be filed with the county in which they were circulated.
Filing Fee Deficiencies	The county elections official shall notify the candidate of any deficiency. The candidate shall then, at the time of obtaining nomination documents, pay a pro rata portion of the filing fee to cover the deficiency.
In-Lieu / Nomination Papers	Signatures gathered on the In-Lieu Petitions can be applied to the Nomination Signature requirement. Twenty Nomination Signatures are required.
Important Dates	December 14, 2017 – February 7, 2018 Petition In-Lieu of Filing Fee Period January 29, 2018 – February 7, 2018 Declaration of Intention Period February 12, 2018 – March 9, 2018 Nomination Period