



CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS

John Arntz, Director

March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election

Acknowledgements Related to:

- County Central Committee & County Council
- Nomination Petition
- Financial Disclosures

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Candidate's name and office sought: HOWARD EPSTEIN SF REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE

Candidate representative's name (if any):

Signature: [Redacted] Date: 10/3/2023

Please initial to acknowledge the following:

[Redacted] Campaign Finance:

- Local, state, and federal regulations require candidates and campaigns to disclose certain financial information, including campaign contributions and spending, and conflicts of interest.
- All campaign finance-related inquiries, including requirements and schedules, are to be directed to the San Francisco Ethics Commission or the California Fair Political Practices Commission.

[Redacted] Nomination Petition: September 29—December 6, 2023

- The Nomination Petition form is issued and must be returned during the nomination period above.
- A minimum of valid 20 signatures are required to be submitted prior to or at the time you file your Nomination documents.
- Signers must be registered in the party and district the candidate is running for office.

[Redacted] Petition Signatures and Form:

- Petitions are issued and must be returned as two-sided forms. A front page stapled to a back page will not be accepted.
- All petitions must be submitted in person by the candidate or the candidate's authorized representative. Faxed, emailed, or mailed petitions will not be accepted.
- All information, including the circulator's affidavit, must be completed by hand. Preprinted or typed information will invalidate signatures.
- Incomplete or inaccurate signer information should be crossed out, as it could affect a random sampling.
- Common reasons for invalidated signatures: missing home addresses; P.O. boxes or mailing addresses, rather than home addresses; signer is not a registered San Francisco voter.
- By law the review of nomination signatures is limited to viewing the documents only. Copies via any media device or distribution of copies containing voter signatures is not permitted. (CAEC §17100)



**San Francisco County
DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY**

Member of County Central Committee or County Council

March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election (Elections Code §§ 20, 200, 7225, 7227, 7420, 7422, 7670, 7672, 7750, 7770, 7772, 7901, 7914, 8001, 8020, 8040, 8064, 13107.3)

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Official Filing Form

By: MDR County Elections Official
Date Issued: 10/03/23

By: _____ County Elections Official
Date Received: _____

By: _____ County Elections Official

Candidate
Name, and
Office

I hereby declare myself a candidate for the nomination/election to the office of RCCC AD 19
to be voted for at the **Presidential Primary Election** to be held on **March 5, 2024**, and declare the following to be true:

My name is HOWARD EPSTEIN
First Middle/Initial (optional) Last

Ballot
Information
Name and ballot
designation to
appear on the
ballot

IMPORTANT NOTE: A ballot designation is optional. If one is requested, a completed **BALLOT DESIGNATION WORKSHEET** must be submitted. If no ballot designation is requested, write "NONE" and initial in the box. (Elections Code §§ 13107, 13107.3)

I request my name and ballot designation to appear on the ballot as follows:

HOWARD EPSTEIN
Print Your Name for Use on the Ballot

RETIRED BUSINESS OWNER
Print Ballot Designation Requested

Candidate initials box if NO ballot designation is preferred.

_____ I have a character-based name I would like to use instead of a phonetic transliteration. (You must complete Character-Based Name Form.)

IMPORTANT NOTE: The San Francisco Department of Elections will publish your name and proposed ballot designation. You may also have a mailing address, residential address, email and/or phone number published on the election official's website.

! Please check the appropriate box or boxes to indicate the information you wish to be used for publishing purposes.

Addresses,
Telephone,
Website and
Email

Publish → Mailing Address: _____ Apt. or Unit # _____
City/State/Zip Code: _____

Publish → Residence Address: _____ Apt. or Unit # _____
City/State/Zip Code: _____

Publish → Business Address: NONE Apt. or Unit # _____
City/State/Zip Code: _____

Publish → Telephone (Day) _____

Publish → Telephone (Even) _____

Publish → Website _____

Publish → Email _____

IMPORTANT: Reverse Side of Page Must Be Completed

I meet the statutory and constitutional qualifications for this office (including, but not limited to, citizenship and residency). I am at present an incumbent of the following public office (if any):

SF Republican County Central Committee

Qualifications

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I have not been convicted of a felony involving accepting or giving, or offering to give, any bribe, the embezzlement of public money, extortion or theft of public money, perjury, or conspiracy to commit any of those crimes.

If nominated/selected, I will accept the nomination/election and not withdraw.

X

[Redacted Signature]

Signature of Candidate

Oath of Office

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I, Howard Epstein, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.

X

[Redacted Signature]

Signature of Candidate

Notary Public or Other Officer

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A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

State of California
County of _____

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this _____ day of _____, 20____, by _____, proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) who appeared before me.

(Notary Public Seal)

Signature of Notary Public (or other officer) _____

Examined and certified by me this _____ day of _____, 20____.
County Elections Official _____

Certificate as to Candidate's Political Party Affiliation (Elections Code § 8001)

State of California }
County of SAN FRANCISCO } ss.

I hereby certify that (1) at the time of presentation of this declaration and continuously for not less than three months immediately prior thereto, or for as long as he or she has been eligible to vote in the state, the above-named candidate is shown by his or her affidavit of registration, executed on _____, to be affiliated with the political party the nomination of which he or she seeks, and (2) the candidate has not been registered as affiliated with any other political party within 12 months immediately prior to the filing of this declaration.

Prior Registration:	
Party Preference	Timeframe
_____	_____
_____	_____

Dated on this _____ day of _____, 2023.

County Elections Official _____

County Seal



California Secretary of State
BALLOT DESIGNATION WORKSHEET

March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election (Elections Code §§ 13107, 13107.3, 13107.5; California Code of Regulations § 20711)

This entire form **must be completed**, or it will not be accepted and you will **not** be entitled to a ballot designation. **DO NOT LEAVE ANY RESPONSE SPACES BLANK.** If information requested is not applicable, please write "N/A" in the space provided, otherwise the information **MUST** be provided. **UPON FILING, THIS WORKSHEET WILL BE A PUBLIC DOCUMENT.**

Candidate Information 1

Candidate Name: HOWARD EPSTEIN ADIG Gender (optional, for translation use only): MALE

Office: REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE Email: [REDACTED]

Home Address: [REDACTED]

Mailing Address: [REDACTED]

Business Address: [REDACTED]

Phone Number(s) Business: [REDACTED] Home/Mobile: [REDACTED] Fax: [REDACTED]

Attorney Information 2

Attorney Name (or other person authorized to act on your behalf): [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone Number(s) Business: [REDACTED] Mobile: [REDACTED] Fax: [REDACTED]

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You may select as your ballot designation one of the following designations:

- (a) Your current principal profession(s), vocation(s), or occupation(s) [maximum total of three words, separated by a slash ("/)].
- (b) The full title of the public office you currently occupy and to which you were elected.
- (c) "Appointed [full title of public office]" if you currently serve by appointment in an elective public office and are seeking election to the same office or to some other office.
- (d) "Incumbent" if you were elected (or, if you are a Superior Court Judge, you are a candidate for the same office that you hold) to your current public office and seek election to the same office.
- (e) "Appointed Incumbent" if you were appointed to your current elective public office and seek election to the same office.

Proposed Ballot Designation(s) 3

Proposed Ballot Designation(s): RETIRED BUSINESS OWNER

Alternate Ballot Designation(s) 1: SMALL BUSINESS OWNER

Alternate Ballot Designation(s) 2: SAGOP VICE CHAIR

In the spaces provided on the next page(s):

- (a) Describe why you believe you are entitled to use the proposed ballot designation.
- (b) If your proposed ballot designation contains one or more slashes ("/) separating words in your ballot designation for separate principal profession(s), vocation(s), or occupation(s) (collectively known as "PVOs"), complete a justification section for each separate PVO.
- (c) Attach any documents or exhibits that you believe support your proposed ballot designation. **(Note: It is not necessary to provide copies of Certificates of Election if you are currently a seated member for a voter-nominated office).**
- (d) If using the title of an elective office, attach a copy of your certificate of election or appointment.
- (e) Any supporting documents will not be returned to you. **Do not submit originals.**

It is your responsibility to justify your proposed ballot designation and to provide all requested details.

If your proposed ballot designation includes the word "volunteer," indicate the title of your volunteer position and the name of the entity for which you volunteer along with a brief description of the type of volunteer work you do and the approximate amount of time involved. You may only use the ballot designation "community volunteer" if you volunteer for a 501(c)(3) charitable, educational, or religious organization, a governmental agency or an educational institution. You may not use "community volunteer" together with another designation.



California Secretary of State
BALLOT DESIGNATION WORKSHEET

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If your proposed ballot designation contains one or more slashes ("/") separating multiple principal profession(s), vocation(s), or occupation(s) (collectively known as "PVOs"), complete a justification section for each separate PVO.

Justification for use of Proposed Ballot Designation(s)
If you are proposing alternate ballot designations, please provide justification for use of those on Page 3.

Justification for use of 1st PVO:

Current or most recent job title: Vice President / 1/2 owner Start/End Dates: 11-15-96 / 11-30-01

Employer Name or Business: A&E ACQUISITION CORP dba Michaels Renting

Person who can verify this information:

Name: James Allegretti Phone Number(s): 415-751-0697 Email: J.MALLEGRETTI@A&E.COM

Justification for use of 2nd PVO:

Same as Above

Current or most recent job title: Vice President / 1/2 owner Start/End Dates: 11-15-96 / 11-30-01

Employer Name or Business: M

Person who can verify this information:

Name: _____ Phone Number(s): _____ Email: _____

Justification for use of 3rd PVO:

Current or most recent job title: Vice Chair Communications Start/End Dates: 2016 - Present

Employer Name or Business: S.F. Republican Party

Person who can verify this information:

Name: John Daniels Phone Number(s): 415-305-7200 Email: L.H.M.A.Q.S.F.GOP.ORG

Before signing below, answer/initial the following questions. Does your proposed ballot designation:

- | | | |
|--|---|------|
| 1) Use only a portion of the title of your current elected office? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Init |
| 2) Non-judicial candidates: Use only the word "Incumbent" for an elective office to which you were appointed? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Init |
| 3) Use more than three total words for your principal professions, vocations, or occupations? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Init |
| 4) Suggest an evaluation of you, such as outstanding, leading, expert, virtuous, or eminent? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Init |
| 5) Refer to a status (Veteran, Activist, Founder, Scholar), rather than a profession, vocation, or occupations? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Init |
| 6) Abbreviate the word "retired"? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Init |
| 7) Place the word "retired" after the words it modifies? Example: Accountant, retired | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Init |
| 8) Use a word or prefix (except "retired") such as "former" or "ex-" to refer to a former profession, vocation, or occupation? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Init |
| 9) Use the word "retired" along with a current profession, vocation, or occupation? Example: Retired Firefighter/Teacher | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Init |
| 10) Use the name of a political party or political body? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Init |
| 11) Refer to a racial, religious, or ethnic group? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Init |
| 12) Refer to any activity prohibited by law? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Init |

If the answer to any of these questions is "yes," your proposed ballot designation is likely to be rejected.

X

Candidate's Signature

11/6/2023
Date Signed: Month/Day/Year

For your reference, attached are Elections Code sections 13107, 13107.3, and 13107.5, and California Code of Regulations (CCR), title 2, section 20711. You also may wish to consult CCR, title 2, sections, 20712-20719 (found at www.sos.ca.gov).



San Francisco County
CHINESE NAME FORM
 (SFMEC §401)

Candidate
 Name and
 Office

1

Candidate Name: Howard Epstein

Office: Republican Central Committee AD19

Chinese
 Name

2

The names of candidates appear on the official ballot in traditional Chinese characters as well as in English. The Department of Elections can provide this transliteration or translation for candidates for local office, or the candidate may provide documentation of established use of a name in Chinese. The California Secretary of State provides Chinese transliterations for candidates running for state and federal offices.

Check one box below and attach supporting documents if applicable:

- I request that the Department of Elections, working with a qualified Chinese-language translator, provide a Chinese transliteration or translation of my name for all materials where it is legally required.
- I am providing documentation of established use of a particular Chinese transliteration or translation of my name for the Department to review. I understand that the Department's decision whether to accept a proposed transliteration or translation is final.

Dated this 6 day of November, 2023 X


 Signature of Candidate

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