## NOTICE OF ELECTION

## **BOARD OF RETIREMENT**

ALAMEDA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

An election will be held from <a href="NOVEMBER">NOVEMBER 7, 2016 through DECEMBER 14, 2016</a> to elect the THIRD MEMBER representing the General members,

SEVENTH MEMBER and ALTERNATE SEVENTH MEMBER representing the Safety members,

EIGHTH MEMBER and ALTERNATE EIGHTH MEMBER representing the Retired members on the ACERA Board of Retirement for the calendar years 2017 through 2019.

Any General, Safety or Retired member desiring to have his/her name included on the ballot as a candidate may obtain the *Election Information Packet* containing the nomination papers from the Alameda County Employees' Retirement Association (ACERA) office at 475 – 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1000, Oakland CA, 94612 starting from 9:00 a.m. on August 15, 2016 until 5:00 p.m. on September 12, 2016. Interested members may also call the telephone number noted below to request a copy through the mail or through the County's QIC Code system. All required nomination papers must be filed and received by ACERA at the office address noted below not later than 5:00 p.m. on September 12, 2016 in order for a qualified member to be certified as a candidate. US Postal postmark is NOT acceptable as proof of delivery or receipt by ACERA.

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 twenty-five (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.
  - Name and signature of member/petitioner cannot be verified as an ACERA member.

To avoid technicalities which 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 12, 2016.

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 7, 2016 to each Active, Deferred and Retired member to the last address of record at ACERA. Replacement for lost or damaged ballots may be obtained by contacting the Registrar of Voters (ROV) at (510) 272-6973.

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 the <u>REGISTRAR OF VOTERS</u> at their office at Room G-1, 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, CA 94612 no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 14, 2016.

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Main Line: (510) 628-3000
Toll Free Line: (800) 838-1932
Election Designated Line: (510) 628-3149

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