

# **NEW CALIFORNIA STATE**

## **CHARTER FOR COUNCIL OF COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES**

### NEW STATE MOVEMENT FOR **NEW** CALIFORNIA COUNCIL OF COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES CHARTER

As Amended September 30, 2017

#### I PURPOSE

The Council of County Representatives (CCR) is the highest organization within the **New California State** (Movement). It is made up of representatives from each of the Qualified Counties. Its main purpose is to guide the vision and implementation of all aspects of efforts to support the creation of **the NEW CALIFORNIA STATE** composed of California Counties based on the representative votes of the participating counties.

#### II. MEMBERSHIP

Counties are Eligible to join the Movement if:

- a) they have formed a committee within their county (County Committee) for the purpose of joining with other like-minded counties to separate from California to form a new state within the United States of America, **OR**
- b) their citizens voted affirmatively to divide California in their county's advisory measure of 1992, or through petition to the CCR to join the Movement.

Counties become Participating Members in the CCR upon Acceptance of this Charter by their County Committee.

Each Participating County shall have a voting Representative on the CCR. They may also name up to two (2) Alternates who may attend all meetings, but otherwise are not entitled to vote or participate in the meeting as a county representative. One may act as the Representative when the Representative is not present. This is to ensure full representation at CCR meetings as much as practical.

Each County Committee shall select its Representative and Alternates at a time, place and process of their own choosing. The Representative and the Alternates serve at the pleasure of the County Committee.

County Committees shall formally notify the CCR or the Provisional CCR of the selectees within thirty (30) days of their selection.

### III. MEETINGS AND QUORUM

The CCR shall meet regularly on a schedule of its choosing. The CCR Chairman is authorized to call a Special Meeting as necessary with a minimum seven (7) day notice to all Representatives.

Notice of meetings shall be given to all Representatives and Alternates. Meetings of the CCR may be held by means of telephone conference or other communications equipment by which all persons participating in the meeting can hear and speak to each other. Two-

thirds (2/3) of the Representatives of the CCR shall constitute a quorum. A three-fourths (3/4) vote of the CCR Representatives present at a meeting at which a quorum exists shall be needed to pass an act of the CCR.

IV. AUTHORITY In discharging its role, the CCR is empowered to initiate and carry out all activities necessary to create a **the NEW CALIFORNIA** STATE. The CCR shall be authorized to raise funds for Reasonable Expenses. (Reasonable Expenses are those nominal expenses required for a basic organization to function such as those needed to conduct a meeting or informational materials for the general public.)

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The CCR shall follow the current issue of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, for actions of the CCR and in all matters not covered by this Charter, and any subsequent Bylaws. The CCR and the **NEW CALIFORNIA** STATE Movement are currently a group of citizens exercising their First Amendment Rights of Free Speech, Freedom of Association, Freedom of Assembly, and Freedom to Petition their Government. At any point in the future, the CCR has the authority to change this association of citizens to a Legal Entity or to create a sister Legal Entity.

V. KEY RESPONSIBILITIES The CCR shall undertake the following responsibilities, which are set forth as a guide. The CCR is authorized to carry out these activities and other important actions related to the

CCR's purpose from time to time. To fulfill its purposes, the CCR shall:

1. Act on matters that arise to the extent permitted by applicable law and regulations, and the Bylaws.
2. Maintain public record of minutes.
3. Create and dissolve subcommittees as needed.
4. Keep all members of the Movement informed through their County Committees on a regular basis.

These members shall be interested supporters in every Qualified County.

The Committee shall not have the power or authority to change the membership of, or fill vacancies in the CCR, except to add additional Qualified Counties.

VI. TERMS OF OFFICE The term of office for Representatives from the County Committees shall be one (1) year.

VII. OFFICERS AND TERMS OF OFFICE The officers of the CCR shall be a Chairman, Vice-chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Public Information Officer who shall each serve a one (1) year term. The Chairman and Vice Chairman shall be selected from among the county representatives. The Chairman shall maintain continuation of the work of the CCR, but shall not serve as a spokesperson for the Movement. The Vice-Chairman shall assist the Chairman as requested and will preside over meetings of the CCR in the absence

of the Chairman. The Vice Chairman shall not serve as a spokesperson for the Movement. The Secretary shall maintain all non-financial records and respond promptly to all requests from the County Committees for records. The Treasurer shall maintain all financial records and provide reports as required. The Public Information Officer shall be responsible for dissemination of all information to the Representatives to communicate with their respective county members and to the General Public. The CCR may create other positions as needed.

VIII. BYLAWS The CCR is authorized to create By-laws under which it will operate within the confines of this charter. Amendments to the By-laws must be approved by three-fourths (3/4) of the County Representatives.

IX. Amendments to this Charter must be submitted to the County Committees for Acceptance. Upon acceptance by three-fourths (3/4) of the Qualified Counties, the Charter shall be officially amended.

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The CCR may create other positions as needed.

Please sign that this page has been read and understood.

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Signature of Chairperson

**Notice of Charter Amendment Ratification Decision  
Official Statement**

Please complete all information below then submit all pages to the CCR secretary at: [secretary@newstateccr.org](mailto:secretary@newstateccr.org) as an attachment (print document, fill out, scan, save as a PDF, then attach to an email), or send through U.S. Mail to the **address at the bottom of this form.**

\_\_\_\_\_ (county) made a decision regarding the above amendment(s) proposed on **July 15, 2017** to the **CCR Charter dated January 16, 2017**, at a meeting at \_\_\_\_\_ (address) attended by \_\_\_\_\_ (number of people) on \_\_\_\_\_ (date). After discussion and all questions were answered, the vote was called resulting in \_\_\_ yea \_\_\_ no: thus rendering \_\_\_ acceptance \_\_\_ rejection of the **amendment to Article VII**. A decision one way or the other is required.

**Note: If the amendment(s) is/are rejected, please provide an explanation in the space below on this document.**

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Committee Chairperson Signature

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Committee Chairperson Legible Printed Name

**This form will become the official record of county ratification of amendment(s).**

**NOTE: This document must be received within 60 days of the date the amendment was sent out (Sept. 15, 2017) or it will be interpreted as rejection of the amendment to the charter.** This form may also be printed, completed, and then sent to: **Secretary—New State CCR, 10556 Combie Road #6624, Auburn, CA 95602.**