



**California Special
Districts Association**

Districts Stronger Together

CALIFORNIA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

2016 BOARD ELECTIONS

MAIL BALLOT INFORMATION

Dear Member:

A mail ballot has been enclosed for your district's use in voting to elect a representative to the CSDA Board of Directors in your Network for Seat B.

Each of CSDA's six (6) networks has three seats on the Board. Each of the candidates is either a board member or management-level employee of a member district located in your network. Each Regular Member (district) in good standing shall be entitled to vote for one (1) director to represent its network.

We have enclosed the candidate information for each candidate who submitted one. Please vote for only one candidate to represent your network in Seat B and be sure to sign, date and fill in your member district information. If any part of the ballot is not complete, the ballot will not be valid and will not be counted.

Please utilize the enclosed return envelope to return the completed ballot. Ballots must be received at the CSDA office at 1112 I Street, Suite 200, Sacramento, CA 95814 by **5:00pm on Friday, August 5, 2016**.

If you do not use the enclosed envelope, please mail in your ballot to:

California Special Districts Association

Attn: 2016 Board Elections

1112 I Street, Suite 200

Sacramento, CA 95814

Please contact Charlotte Lowe toll-free at 877.924.CSDA or charlottel@cdda.net with any questions.

Re-Elect CSDA President Bill Nelson To CSDA Board of Directors

PROVEN EXPERIENCE LEADING SPECIAL DISTRICTS

I am committed to building on CSDA's present foundation of educational programs and legislative advocacy. My enthusiasm, commitment and comprehensive knowledge of special districts bring years of experience to the CSDA Board. It would be an honor to continue serving special districts in the Southern Network.



- ✓ EXPERIENCED LEADER
 - ✓ COMMITTED TO SPECIAL DISTRICTS
 - ✓ FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE
 - ✓ DEDICATED

CSDA EXPERIENCE

- ❖ CSDA President 2016
- ❖ Served on the Board for five years
- ❖ Chair of Fiscal Committee 2014
- ❖ Membership Committee 2013-16

DISTRICT EXPERIENCE

- ❖ Appointed to Board of Trustees Orange County Cemetery District in 2003
- ❖ Chair of the Board 2006, 2010 & 2014. Currently Vice Chair
- ❖ Chair of Finance Committee 2004 to present

OTHER LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

- ❖ Board of Directors - California Association of Public Cemeteries 2008 to 2016
- ❖ Board of Directors - Institute for Local Government - 2016 to present
- ❖ Board of Directors - California Association of Realtors - 2004-2012
- ❖ Board of Trustees Orange County Mosquito & Vector Control - 2016 to present

❖ COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT-

- ❖ Orange County Grand Jury 2002-2003
- ❖ Board of Directors - Orange County Grand Jurors Association 2005 to 2011
- ❖ City of Villa Park Investment Advisory Committee- 2008 to 2014 - Chair last two years
- ❖ Villa Park Community Services Foundation - Treasurer - 2010 to 2014
- ❖ Villa Park City Council Member - 2014 to present

BUSINESS EXPERIENCE

- ❖ Financial Executive for 25 years with Atlantic Richfield Company (ARCO) & Southern Calif. Gas Co.

EDUCATION

- ❖ MBA Finance University of Southern California
- ❖ BA Economics California State University Dominguez Hills



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2016 CSDA BOARD CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET

The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: Bill Nelson

District/Company: Orange County Cemetery District

Title: Trustee & Vice Chair of the Board

Elected/Appointed/Staff: Appointed

Length of Service with District: 13 Years

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

CSDA 2016 President. Chair of Fiscal Committee - 2014, Served on the Board for five years, Served on all of CSDA Committees, attended at least 10 CSDA Legislative Days and Annual Conferences, Received Special District Leadership Foundation Recognition in Special District Governance.

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

Board of Directors - California Association of Public Cemeteries 2008 to 2016

Board of Directors - Institute For Local Government - 2016 to present

Board of Directors - California Association of Realtors - 2004 to 2012

- ~~Chaired various Committees~~

3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):

City Council Member - City of Villa Park - 2014 to present

Trustee - Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District - 2016 to present

4. List civic organization involvement:

Orange County Grand Jury 2002-2003

Board of Directors - Orange County Grand Jurors Association 2005-2011

City of Villa Park Investment Advisory Committee - 2008 to 2014 - Chair last two years

Villa Park Community Services Foundation - Treasurer - 2010 to 2014

****Candidate Statement** – Although it is not required, each candidate is requested to submit a candidate statement of no more than 300 words in length. **Any statements received in the CSDA office after June 2, 2016 will not be included with the ballot.**

I am seeking election to a seat on the Board of Directors of the California Special Districts Association.

I have served on the Board of Directors of the Chino Valley Independent Fire District for ten years, elected in 2006. I am very proud to state that the Fire District is the **first** fire district to receive the District of Distinction Accreditation from the Special Districts Leadership Foundation (SDLF). We have been a District of Distinction since 2008. We also hold a District of Transparency Certificate of Excellence. I have completed the SDLF Recognition of Special District Governance.

I serve on the CSDA Legislative and the Fiscal Committees. I have previously served on the CSDA Education and Membership committees.

I am a retired Fire Chief with 33 years of Fire Service experience. I have been involved in city, county, JPAs and special districts in various capacities. I am currently on the Board of Directors of the Fire Districts Association of California and also serve on the Conference Committee. I am a Past President of the Chino Rotary Club and the current Chairman of the Chino Rotary Foundation.

I understand, and I am committed to legislative advocacy for special districts. Special Districts provide one of the most effective, efficient, and accountable forms of local service. It is vital that we continue to work together to influence and monitor policy decisions affecting California special districts.

My commitment and extensive experience, education in public service and as a special district board member & policy-maker, provides me with the ability to effectively serve as a CSDA Board Member representing all California Special Districts. I look forward to your support!

If you would like to speak with me, I can be reached at (909) 816-8396 or at jdemonaco@chofire.org

John DeMonaco



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2016 CSDA BOARD CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET

The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: John DeMonaco

District/Company: Chino Valley Independent Fire District

Title: Director

Elected/Appointed/Staff: Elected

Length of Service with District: 10 Years

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

I am on the Legislative and Fiscal Committees.

I have also served on the Education and Membership Committees.

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

I am on the Board of Directors for the Fire Districts Association of California.

3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):

N/A

4. List civic organization involvement:

I am a member and past president of the Rotary Club of Chino.

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MY FELLOW CSDA MEMBER:

As Chairman of East Valley Water District I take great pride in the opportunity to serve my community. Prior to joining the Governing Board, I was an active public participant, and felt honored when elected in 2014. I firmly believe in the importance of transparent government and public service. With these foundational principles, I look forward to representing this region in a professional manner, as the Southern Network, Seat B, Board of Directors representative for CSDA.

I have had the opportunity to work with a number of organizations through CSDA and believe that we all benefit from interacting and sharing experiences. I am a proud lifetime member of the CSDA Leadership Foundation and have participated in a number of trainings opportunities.

At East Valley Water District, we have made a commitment to good governance and accountability. This is clearly demonstrated through the numerous awards we have received from the Government Finance Officers Association, CAPIO, CalPERS, and even CSDA. But I am proud to be a part of EVWD for more than the awards, they are an organization that delivers. As a performance based agency, we continue to achieve the impossible. Whether it is constructing a headquarters facility ahead of an already tight schedule, implementing budget based rates to provide customers with rate stability during the drought emergency, or developing a succession plan to prepare for the change in our workforce; we set our sights high to enhance the quality of life of this community.

As a CSDA Director, I will bring that passion for good governance and public service. Thank you for your consideration and for allowing me the opportunity to share my experience and perspective. I look forward to serving as a representative on the CSDA Board of Directors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ronald Coats". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Ronald Coats
EVWD Chairman



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The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: Ronald L. Coats

District/Company: East Valley Water District

Title: Chairman of the Board

Elected/Appointed/Staff: Elected

Length of Service with District: 2 Years

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

I am proud to be a lifetime member of the CSDA Leadership Foundation. Additionally, I have completed numerous CSDA webinars, including the CIDAC series on local agency finances and investments. Additionally, I have attended annual CSDA conferences.

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

I am currently affiliated with ACWA, WaterReuse, and AWWA. I have attended every ACWA conference since my election.

3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):

I am a member of the Association of San Bernardino County Special District's, serve on both the Citizen's Oversight Committee for the San Bernardino Community College District (3 years) and the Citizens Oversight Committee for the San Bernardino Unified School District (7 years).

4. List civic organization involvement:

Arrowhead United Way Planning and Allocations and Community Cabinet (15 years), as a member and ambassador of the San Bernardino Chamber of Commerce (17 years), Toastmasters International (10 years), American Legion (34 years), and California Sheriff's Association (27 years).

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CSDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2016 ELECTION

OFFICIAL BALLOT



**SOUTHERN
NETWORK**

SEAT B
term ends 2019

Please vote for only one.

Bill Nelson*
Orange County Cemetery District

John DeMonaco
Chino Valley Independent Fire District

Ronald Coats
East Valley Water District

All fields must be completed for ballot to be counted.

** Incumbent running for re-election*

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

MEMBER DISTRICT:

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