

**CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS
GENERAL ELECTION
VENTURA COUNTY**

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Candidates for nonpartisan offices may submit for enclosure with the sample ballots a statement of qualifications as expressed by the candidate himself. The following statements were submitted by the candidates, who have proportionately paid for printing, handling and any translation requested by the candidate. All candidates had the opportunity to submit a statement which appears in the order the candidate's name will appear on the ballot, except for any candidates who elected not to submit a statement. A complete listing of candidates for each office appears upon the sample ballot.

ROBERT L. HAMM, County Clerk

CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF

NAME: ALFRED "AL" JALATY

AGE: 54

OCCUPATION: Chief of Police

QUALIFICATIONS AND EDUCATION:

- * Graduated, Rhodes H.S., Cleveland, Ohio; active in football and wrestling.
- * Has completed extensive courses and seminars relating to Police Sciences, Law Enforcement and Administration.

VETERAN: U. S. Navy, WW II.

FAMILY MAN: Married 32 years to the former Emma Adkins; 2 daughters, 2 sons, 5 grandchildren.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

- * Board of Directors, Boys Club and Chamber of Commerce, Port Hueneme.
- * Member, Rotary, Elks, Footprinters, VFW and Navy League.
- * Recipient, Boys Club of America awards.
- * 1967, Port Hueneme Citizen of the Year.
- * Recognized by Congress for initiating the Block Parent Program (in cooperation with parents and P.T.A.) now being used throughout Ventura County.

EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS:

- * 28 years law enforcement experience, including 12 years in Sheriff's Dept.
- * Proven administrator at top levels of law enforcement.
- * Numerous citations and awards as head of a police department.
- * Board of Directors, Ventura County Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement.
- * Executive Board, Ventura County Drug and Alcohol Abuse Control coalition.
- * Criminal Justice Planning Board.
- * International Association of Chiefs of Police.
- * California Peace Officers Association.
- * Chairman, Ventura County Police Chiefs and Sheriff's Association.

MY PROGRAM WILL BE:

- * Best utilization of manpower through "Team Police Concepts," bringing the officers closer to people.
- * Maximum support of and cooperation with local police.

s/ Alfred "Al" Jalaty

CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF

NAME: BERT SEYMOUR

AGE: 49

OCCUPATION: Undersheriff, Ventura County

QUALIFICATIONS AND EDUCATION:

28 years in Ventura County Sheriff's Department

Advancement through all ranks: deputy, sergeant, lieutenant, captain, chief deputy, undersheriff

Graduate Ventura High School & Ventura College

Criminal Justice Courses: USC, UCSB, CSULB

Graduate F.B.I. National Academy, Washington, DC

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

F.B.I. National Academy Associates

California Chapter, F.B.I.N.A.A.

International Association for Identification

California Peace Officers Association

Ventura Region Criminal Justice Planning Board

PERSONAL:

Born in Ventura, 1924. Married to Nancy, 1950

Three children, ages 13, 12, and 9

Veteran, World War II—U.S. Army Air Corps

Active in my church and community

STATEMENT:

I BELIEVE protection and safety of all people in Ventura County depend on quality law enforcement.

I BELIEVE crime prevention holds top priority for any police agency.

I BELIEVE that continuing education and training of department personnel produce an efficient force, and efficiency means economy.

I BELIEVE that integrity in law enforcement is imperative.

I BELIEVE the combination of experience, education, training in modern techniques, and dedication to the dignity of every individual uniquely qualifies me to intelligently perform the duties of Sheriff of Ventura County.

s/ Bert R. Seymour, Jr.

CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER OXNARD UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

NAME: JERRY E. STRAUGHAN

AGE: 41

OCCUPATION: Urban Consultant

QUALIFICATIONS AND EDUCATION:

STATEMENT:

For dollars expended the education received by our students is inadequate and is becoming more so with time. The expenditure for administrative costs continues to be excessive while other programs suffer.

Large numbers of students are dropping out and/or are being turned off to education. Programs to prevent these failures need greater support.

We must objectively review our priorities and unhesitantly make those decisions that will most efficiently focus our resources on our students.

EDUCATION:

B.A. Degree—UCLA, Political Science

All graduate course requirements for M.A. Degree completed with an emphasis in Public Administration.

PERSONAL:

Married, two children, 9 and 14.

Lifetime resident of Ventura County

Home owner

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Proficient in:

- the use of systems analysis of the urbanization process
- budgetary analysis
- cost-benefit analysis

2. In business in Oxnard, 14 years

3. Ventura County Parks Advisory Commission Member

4. Teacher, Urban Studies—evening division—Moorpark College

s/ Jerry E. Straughan

CANDIDATE FOR COMMISSIONER

OXNARD HARBOR DISTRICT

NAME: CECIL L. SCHNELLE

OCCUPATION: Oxnard Harbor District Commissioner
Retired Principal, Adult Education

QUALIFICATIONS AND EDUCATION:

EDUCATION: University of Southern California, Bachelors Degree in Education, Masters Degree in Public Administration.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Currently a Commissioner of the Oxnard Harbor District
- Retired Principal of Adult Education and Director of Summer Day Schools, Oxnard Union High School District
- 30 years Experience in Education and Administration
- Former Business Executive
- Served Two Terms (Eight Years) on Oxnard City Council
- Currently a Trustee of the New Conejo Valley Unified Schools
- Extensive experience in personnel management, budgets, public relations and general administration

ACCOMPLISHMENTS DURING MY TERM OF OFFICE:

- Reduced the District tax rate by two cents.
- Constantly and aggressively pursued programs to make District financially self-supporting and place District on a zero tax rate. We are a self-sustaining Port; there are no taxes for operations.
- Execution of major lease agreements with Southern California Edison, Southern California Gas, Northrop Ventura and other companies and firms, providing District with favorable revenue source.
- Supported harbor programs that will provide a larger tax base and jobs for people in the District and Ventura County.
- Principal concern and motivation as Commissioner has been to serve the best interests of all the people of the District.
- Full concern and consideration for environmental impact in all actions of the Board.

s/ Cecil L. Schnelle

CANDIDATE FOR COMMISSIONER OXNARD HARBOR DISTRICT

NAME: RAYMOND E. FOSSE

AGE: 64

OCCUPATION: Licensed Master Mariner

QUALIFICATIONS AND EDUCATION:

Forty-seven years experience in the Maritime Industry both shore-side and at sea; beginning in 1925 as an Ordinary Seaman and working through the ranks to command of Unlimited Ocean Liners. 1936-1942 served as Harborman, City of Seattle Harbor Department. During WW II served as Officer in various grades for Army Transport Service in Pacific, Atlantic, and Mediterranean-Middle East theaters. In Korean war was in command of Military Transports transporting Military cargoes and troops. Later commanded vessels of Military Sealift Command to Alaska and Aleutians. Served in command of MSC vessels engaged in DEW Line operations in Arctic waters. In 1958-59 commanded a supply vessel at the Pacific Proving Grounds for Atomic Energy Commission. In 1960-61 served on Missile tracking vessels out of Port Hueneme. In 1961 accepted a position as Harbor Pilot at Port Hueneme and occupied that position until retirement in December 1972. Presently operating a Marine Consultant Office in Port Hueneme.

Much of the above time was spent in cargo operations, loading, transporting and discharging same.

Having made the area my permanent home I would offer my experience and knowledge of Maritime affairs to the people of Oxnard Harbor District.

s/ Raymond E. Fosse

CANDIDATE FOR COMMISSIONER OXNARD HARBOR DISTRICT

NAME: JOSEPH GALLEGOS

AGE: 45

OCCUPATION: Attorney at Law

QUALIFICATIONS AND EDUCATION:

Born in Bayfield, Colorado; at age of two became California resident; married, father of four, ages 21, 19, 11 and 9.

Elected first Boy Governor of California YMCA in 1948. Presently coordinator for the Boy Scouts of America, Camarillo chapter.

Degrees: Associate in Arts, 1951, Stockton College; Bachelor of Arts, 1953, University of the Pacific; Bachelor of Laws and Juris Doctor, 1961, University of California.

Admitted to practice before the following courts: State Supreme Court of California, United States District Court, Northern District of California; and the United States District Court of Appeals, 1963; United States District Court, Central District, 1973; eligible to be admitted to U.S. Supreme Court.

1953 through 1957 was legislative representative in Sacramento specializing in maritime affairs. Secretary-Treasurer of International Longshoremen and Warehousemen's Union in 1954. Legislative representative Washington, D.C., 1962, 1964, on maritime matters. Served on negotiating committees sitting in Stockton considering port problems. Member of Local Negotiating Committee for the Pacific Coast Contract.

Member: State Bar of California and Ventura County Bar Association. Private practice in San Francisco 1963-1972 specializing for two years in maritime law with Redland & Pinney. Opened law offices in the City of Oxnard, 1971.

s/ Joseph Gallegos