



2026 CAC GENERAL ELECTION PRODUCER DISCLOSURE OF AFFILIATIONS

I declare that I am engaged, within this state, in the business of producing or causing to be produced avocados for market through a legal entity (individual ownership, partnership, corporation, or other) which is not also involved in the handling of avocados, and that my **grove** is located in California Avocado Commission District Number 2 (Refer to enclosed **Grove District Zip Code List**)

I **own** the following number of planted avocado acres in California 240 and derive a portion of my gross avocado industry income from producing or causing to be produced avocados. I also have a financial interest in groves located in District(s) _____.

I **manage** the following number of planted avocado acres in California _____ and derive a portion of my gross avocado industry income from producing or causing to be produced avocados. I also have a financial interest in groves located in District(s) _____.

I **pack** my fruit with the following handlers: _____; _____; _____; _____.

In addition, I am also involved in the avocado industry in the following capacities (*check all that apply*):

- ___ Handler – Owner/Partner
- ___ Handler – Officer/Director
- ___ Handler – Employee
- ___ Holder of a personal financial interest in the production of avocados outside of the United States.
- ___ Holder of a personal financial interest in a handling operation that imports fruit from outside of the United States.

Please briefly describe that financial interest and specify the location of the out-of-country operation.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is a complete, true and correct explanation of each of my affiliations with the avocado industry. I understand that this form may be made available upon request, or reproduced and included with election information mailed to eligible voters.

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2026 CAC GENERAL ELECTION PRODUCER CANDIDATE STATEMENT

(Please Print or Type All Information)

NAME: Maureen Lamb Cottingham

GROVE CITY/CITIES: Camarillo

CAC BOARD SEAT PREFERRED: ☒ MEMBER ☐ ALTERNATE ☐ NO PREFERENCE

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS:

This form will be included with the ballots to inform growers about your qualifications. Please limit your statement to the space provided.

My name is Maureen Lamb Cottingham, I am a sixth-generation member of the Lamb Family, a farming family in Camarillo, Ventura County. I attended Cal Poly State University, San Luis Obispo, where I earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Agri-Business. I joined my families' business after working a

Sonoma wine trade/marketing organization for almost two decades. I am proud to be continuing our family's farming tradition both in avocados and citrus. I am very interested in continuing to serve on the Commission's Board of Directors, currently I am serving on the Executive Committee as Treasurer.

Over the last several years, the Board has done a lot of good work in right-sizing the budget, streamlining staffing and evolving the marketing strategy particularly with retail partners. With my past

experience, I believe I am uniquely qualified to serve as a director where I am able to bring feedback, opportunities or concerns from fellow District 2 growers to the board as well as play in shaping and giving input on future strategies for the marketing of the California Avocado. I believe it is increasingly important

to come to the table on behalf of the industry, as we growers see rising costs year after year as well as increasing production internationally. My family and I are strong advocates for the PRC and applaud

the committee for the great work they have been doing recently. I look forward to the opportunity to continue to serve the California Avocado growers.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is a complete, true and correct explanation of my qualifications. I understand that this form shall be reproduced and included with election information mailed to eligible voters.

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