



DEBRA BOWEN

CALIFORNIA SECRETARY OF STATE

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Debra Bowen to be Sworn in for Second Term as California's Secretary of State

WHAT: Secretary of State Debra Bowen, the sixth woman in California history to be elected to statewide constitutional office, will be sworn in to her second term as California's 30th Secretary of State. Attorney General Kamala Harris, the seventh woman elected to statewide constitutional office, will have been sworn in Monday and will administer the oath to Bowen. To view the inauguration live online, go to www.sos.ca.gov and click on the link titled "View Debra Bowen's Inauguration."

As California's chief elections officer, Bowen has worked to boost the security and accuracy of California's elections, enhance government transparency and increase accountability of private-sector election contractors. Bowen also oversees the State Archives, various business programs, notary public commissioning, filings for campaign finance and lobbying activity, the Safe at Home confidential address program for victims of certain crimes, the Domestic Partners Registry, and more.

The California women who have been elected to statewide constitutional office are:

- Ivy Baker Priest, Treasurer (served 1967-1975)
- March Fong Eu, Secretary of State (served 1975-1994)
- Kathleen Brown, Treasurer (served 1991-1995)
- Kathleen Connell, Controller (served 1995-2003)
- Delaine Eastin, Superintendent of Public Instruction (served 1995-2003)
- Debra Bowen, Secretary of State (served 2007-present)
- Kamala Harris, Attorney General (2011)

WHEN: Tuesday, January 4, 2011
10:00 a.m.

WHERE: Secretary of State's Office
Auditorium
1500 11th Street
Sacramento

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