Secretary of State Bowen Announces Results
Of Randomized Alphabet Drawing for Candidate
Order on Senate District 1 Special Election Ballots

SACRAMENTO – Secretary of State Debra Bowen’s office today held a randomized alphabet
drawing to determine the order in which candidates’ names will appear on the November 2
special primary election ballot and, if necessary, the January 4, 2011, special general election
ballot in the 1st Senate District.

The Senate District 1 special election is being held to fill the vacancy left by the passing of
Senator Dave Cox.

The results of today’s drawing are as follows:


In accordance with Elections Code section 13111, the names of candidates on the ballot are
arranged based on the randomized alphabet. This alphabet applies throughout the entire last
name of the candidate. If the names of two or more candidates begin with the same letter, their
ballot listing order is determined by applying the randomized alphabet to the next letter(s) of
their names. If last names of multiple candidates are the same, the randomized alphabet also
applies to first names.

Today’s randomized alphabet drawing was held in the Elections Division within the Secretary of
State’s office in compliance with Elections Code section 13112. Staff members pulled the letters
in a lottery-style drawing, with witnesses from the public present.

A separate randomized alphabet drawing was held on August 12 for the November Statewide
General Election. The results are available on the Secretary of State’s website at

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