

## ***Electoral Act 2017***

### **Approval of the form for candidates to make a claim to be included in a group for a Legislative Council election**

1. Pursuant to section 86(1) and section 4 of the *Electoral Act 2017* the Electoral Commissioner is to approve the form for two or more candidates nominated for a periodic Council election to make a claim:
  - a. to have their names included in a group in the ballot papers to be used in that election, and
  - b. to have their names included in that group in the order specified in that claim.
2. I approve the forms as set out in Annexures 1 and 2 for the above purpose.

John Schmidt

**Electoral Commissioner**

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February 2023

**ANNEXURE 1**

**SE.203 Legislative Council – Request to form a group**

# Legislative Council – request to form a group

NSW State election current as at November 2022

Part 7 Divisions 3 and 4 of the *Electoral Act 2017*

This form **must** be accompanied by the following:

- A completed **Nomination of candidate by 25 electors form SE.201 or Registered political party candidate nomination form SE.202 for each candidate**
- Nomination deposit – Legislative Council: \$500 per candidate capped at \$5,000 for a group of 10 or more.

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**Please print within the boxes using block letters.**

**Part A- Request for group voting square (above the line voting)**

**Note:** A request for a group voting square may only be made where there are at least 15 candidates in the group. We the candidates listed in Part B, request a group voting square for the group on the ballot papers.

**Please tick one box only**      Yes  No

**Registered political parties requesting a composite group name**

**Note:** This section must be completed where two (2) or more registered political parties form a composite group to appear on the ballot paper (e.g., Labor/Country Labor or Liberal/The Nationals). This section is not applicable for groups nominated by 25 electors or by one registered political party.


We, the registered officers/deputy registered officers of the following registered political parties, request that the following composite name be printed adjacent to the group voting square on the ballot paper in respect to the group listed in **‘Part B – group details’** on this form.

Note: The composite name may only be formed using the registered name or registered abbreviated name of the parties as listed in the Register of Parties.

**COMPOSITE NAME OF GROUP**

NAME OF REGISTERED POLITICAL PARTY

NAME OF REGISTERED/DEPUTY REGISTERED OFFICER




/ /

SIGNATURE OF REGISTERED/DEPUTY REGISTERED OFFICER      DATE

NAME OF REGISTERED POLITICAL PARTY

NAME OF REGISTERED/DEPUTY REGISTERED OFFICER



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SIGNATURE OF REGISTERED/DEPUTY REGISTERED OFFICER      DATE

Part B – Group detail

**Note 1:** The signature of the candidate must appear opposite each candidate's name to signify their consent to the inclusion of their name in the group and to the order in which the candidates names are included in the group. In the case of a candidate nominated by a registered political party the registered officer/deputy registered officer of that party **cannot** sign on behalf of the candidate.

**Note 2:** Where a nomination form from a candidate within a group is rejected by the Electoral Commissioner, the group order will be adjusted with every candidate listed below the rejected candidate moving up one position within the group.

We the undersigned candidates request to form a group to appear on the ballot paper and to have our names included in that group in the order specified below.

Group order	Surname	Given name	Signature of candidate	Date
1.*				/ /
2.				/ /
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7.				/ /
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16.				/ /
17.				/ /
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21.				/ /

\*Lead candidate of the group.

**Note:** The candidate in position '1' is the lead candidate. Under the *Electoral Funding Act 2018* the lead candidate may have responsibility for making disclosures of the political donations and electoral expenditure disclosures of the group, and for operating the campaign account of the group. All candidates, including all group members, may be personally responsible for making their candidate disclosures.

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**ELECTION MANAGER OR NSW Electoral Commission HEAD OFFICE (AS APPLICABLE) TO COMPLETE**

Date received         Time received   :    am  pm  
DAY MONTH YEAR HOUR MINUTE

Nomination deposit paid  Yes  No Method of payment  Cash  Bank cheque

ELECTION MANAGER NAME

ELECTION MANAGER SIGNATURE



## Part C – Nomination deposit return

DEPOSIT RECEIPT NO. (NSW ELECTORAL COMMISSION USE ONLY)

### Refund deposit

The nomination deposit will only be returned after the election in limited circumstances (please refer to the **Handbook for parties, groups, candidates and scrutineers SE.200** website for the rules on return of nomination deposits).

Tick one of the boxes below.

If entitled, the deposit is to be returned to:

- in the case of a candidate nominated by a registered political party – the registered political party
- in the case of a candidate nominated by 25 electors – the candidate or person authorised by the candidate
- in the case of a group of candidates for the Legislative Council election (where the group is not comprised wholly of candidates nominated by the same registered political party) – to a person authorised by all the members of the group to receive the deposit\*
- in the case of a composite Legislative Council group – one of the registered political parties\*

\*In the case of a Legislative Council group please complete the nomination deposit return form attached to the **Request to form a group form SE.203**.

### 1. Details of person to receive nomination deposit return

Strike out whichever is inapplicable.

Name of Registered Party / Name of Group / Candidate

PARTY / GROUP / CANDIDATE

CONTACT NAME

POSTAL ADDRESS

SUBURB

STATE

POSTCODE

PHONE NUMBER

EMAIL ADDRESS FOR REMITTANCE ADVICE

AMOUNT OF NOMINATION DEPOSIT

### 2. Details of bank account

If following the election you are entitled to a return, your nomination fee will be returned to this bank account.

BANK NAME

BRANCH NAME

BANK ACCOUNT NAME

BSB NUMBER

BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER

SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE

DATE

**ANNEXURE 2**

**SE.203A Legislative Council – Request to form a group**

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NAME OF REGISTERED POLITICAL PARTY

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NAME OF REGISTERED/DEPUTY REGISTERED OFFICER	SIGNATURE OF REGISTERED/DEPUTY REGISTERED OFFICER	DATE

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HOUR MINUTE

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ELECTION MANAGER SIGNATURE