**NATIONAL JAPANESE AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAGUE**

# CANDIDATE APPLICATION FORM FOR NATIONAL JACL OFFICE

**NOTE:** Completed*Candidate Application Forms*for National JACL Office must be returned **postmarked *or* time stamped** before ***11:59PM Hawaiian Time on May 11, 2024*. Electronic submissions are strongly encouraged.**

**Send to:** convention@jacl.org

**Alternate:** National Nominations Committee

Japanese American Citizens League

1612 K St NW, Suite 1400

Washington, DC 20006

**Candidate for the Office of:** (check one)

□ National President

□ National Vice President for General Operations

□ National Vice President for Public Affairs

□ National Vice President for Planning and Development

□ National Vice President for One Thousand Club, Membership and Services □ National Secretary**/**Treasurer

□ National Youth/Student Council Chairperson

□ National Youth**/**Student Council Representative

**Candidate Contact Information** (Please Type or Print Clearly)

**Name**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Address**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Email**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Chapter**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**District Council**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Candidate Background and Personal Information**

**Please respond to the following and attach to this form.** (Portions or all of the following information may be released by the Nominations Committee in the form of Press Releases, Voter Guides, etc. to assist Voting Delegates in their decision to elect the best qualified Candidate for

National Office)

1. **Non-JACL Background:**
   1. Provide a current resume.

i. Include relevant community service, honors, military service record, and any other information that may be of interest.

* 1. Describe relevant experiences including any personal and professional qualifications which qualify you for the national JACL office you seek.

1. **JACL Background**:
   1. Present and past responsibilities held at the Chapter, District and National levels.
   2. Include offices held, specific projects and other contributions to the JACL.
2. **Questions** (Please limit each of your responses to **150 words or less**for each question. *These questions may be asked at the Candidates’ Forum*):
   1. Please state your definition of leadership and your perception of the role of the JACL National Board.
   2. How would you implement [JACL’s Strategic Plan](https://jacl.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/JACL-Strategic-Plan-2017-18.docx) in your elected office?
   3. Articulate the current ideological differences between youth and older members and how you would address them.
   4. What is your vision for JACL? Where do you see JACL going in the next few years?
   5. How would you assist in or actively participate in raising funds for JACL?
   6. How would you develop and/or improve relations with the following groups including, but not limited to, youth groups, corporate sponsors, and NCAPA organizations?

## Official Candidate’s Statement and prescribed format: (This will be released to the *Pacific Citizen* as your *Official Candidate’s Statement Press Release*. The Nominations Committee reserves the right to review the content of the Candidate’s Statement for compliance as set forth in the *Nominations and Election Guidelines*.)

* 1. Double spaced
  2. 300 words or less (header or title not included in word count)
  3. First person format
  4. Please include your occupation and educational background
  5. Please state your thoughts on one challenging issue that JACL must address

1. Please submit one (1) portrait color or black and white headshot.

**Candidate’s Acknowledgment:**

This will acknowledge my candidacy for National JACL office. I pledge that, if elected, I shall participate actively and conscientiously in all matters required of this position.I realize that among the duties I shall be called upon to perform will include some of the following:

1. Attend all meetings required by the position on the National Board.
2. Oversee specific National JACL Committees, giving guidance and support to assist each committee to fulfill its responsibilities.
3. Provide active leadership and support to JACL’s fundraising and development efforts.
4. Serve as a guest speaker at JACL functions at the Chapter, District and National levels.
5. Serve as a representative and as a speaker on behalf of the National JACL Board at civic functions.
6. Serve as an installing officer for JACL Chapters.
7. Serve in an active advisory capacity to Chapters and District Councils to encourage and strengthen the entire organization with particular emphasis and responsibility within my own District.
8. Strive to improve the JACL through suggestions, innovation and methods to make the organization progressive and take responsibility in carrying out its goals.

(**Note: Some travel costs for JACL activities, such as meals, may be the responsibility of the individual)**

**Candidate’s Code of Conduct Pledge:**

I shall conduct my campaign and shall insist that my supporters conduct themselves with honesty and integrity, discussing the issues and presenting my record and policies with sincerity and candor. I shall condemn the use of any unfounded accusations against opposing candidates or any campaign material that falsifies, misrepresents or distorts the facts or creates doubts as to the motivations of any candidate. I shall promptly and publicly repudiate the support of any individual or group that resorts, on behalf of my candidacy or in opposition to that of my opponent(s), to methods that violate the spirit of these principles.

I shall use discretion and good judgment to control campaign expenses so that excessive expenditures will not be a deterrent to the candidacy of any person for national office.

With a full understanding of the demands and responsibilities, which will be placed upon me as a

National JACL Officer, and in agreement with, and support of the principles of fair campaigning, I sign this nomination.

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**□ *BY CHECKING THIS BOX, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I PLAN TO BE PRESENT AT THE ELECTION YEAR NATIONAL JACL CONVENTION***

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**ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION FOR CANDIDATES FILING LATE**

***Candidates who file after the deadline date are considered late filers* and must also complete the following page(s) of this form in compliance with Article VIII, Section 1 (c) of the *JACL Bylaws* and Article I, Section F, G, and H of the *Nominations and Election Guidelines*.**

**Candidate’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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## Candidate for the Office of: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**NATIONAL YOUTH/STUDENT COUNCIL ONLY**

**Late filing for *National Student/Youth Council* positions require completion of the *Candidate Application Form for National Office*, official signature of their Council Chairperson, Representative or proxy holder and review of their application form by the National Nominations Committee.**

**NY/SC Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**In compliance with the cited documents, late filers must receive endorsement from** “… *each candidate’s duly elected Chapter President or credentialed Chapter Delegate and of four (4) credentialed JACL chapters that are present at the National Council*.” **The Chapter Presidents or the Delegates from the different Chapters must sign as indicated below. Late filers must have their *Candidate Application Form for National JACL Office* reviewed and approved by the National Nominations Committee. Signatories on this endorsement page may be subject to further review by the Credentials Committee.**

**NATIONAL OFFICE CANDIDATE ONLY**

**Chapter President/Delegate Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_        (Please Type or Print Clearly)**

**Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

## JACL Chapter Endorsements:

## 1. Chapter President/Delegate Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ District Council: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Chapter President/Delegate Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ District Council: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Chapter President/Delegate Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ District Council: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

## 4. Chapter President/Delegate Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ District Council: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that the above signatures are true and meet the criteria as stated in the *JACL Constitution and Bylaws*.**

## Candidate’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_