

VoterIQ Fellows Neutrality Charter

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VoterIQ exists to give voters accurate, nonpartisan information about their own ballots. The Fellows program extends that work. Holding the Fellow title means agreeing to every rule on this page. Read it before you sign the application form.

1. **Official sources only.** Every fact a Fellow contributes must come from an official government source: a Secretary of State office, a county clerk or county election office, or another .gov publication. News articles, campaign websites, advocacy groups, Wikipedia, and social media are not acceptable sources for contributed data, even when they are correct.
2. **Structured fields only.** Data Fellows submit facts in structured form: candidate name, office, district, party as listed on the official filing, filing date, and a source link. We do not write descriptions of candidates. If a field asks for something the source does not state, leave it blank.
3. **No characterizations.** Fellows do not use adjectives about candidates, parties, or ballot issues in any VoterIQ work. Not "extreme," not "moderate," not "promising," not anything. Party affiliation appears only as a neutral label taken from the official filing.
4. **Alphabetical order.** Wherever candidates in the same race are listed, they appear in alphabetical order by last name. Never ordered by party, polling, or preference.
5. **Equal treatment.** Whatever we publish for one candidate in a race, we publish for every candidate in that race, or for none of them.
6. **Conflict of interest.** If you or an immediate family member works or volunteers for a campaign, a party organization, or a political action committee, disclose it when you sign this charter and again if it changes. Disclosure does not disqualify you. It routes you away from data work touching that race or contest.
7. **The title stays out of politics.** Fellows do not use the VoterIQ Fellow title in partisan contexts: not in campaign volunteering, not in endorsements, not in political posts. What you do as a private individual is your business. The title does not come with you.
8. **Posting rules.** Outreach Fellows post only prepared kit content or content approved in advance. Kit content always carries a source line and never names candidates, takes positions on issues, or uses partisan color theming.
9. **Offboarding and consequences.** A Fellow who violates this charter is removed from the program immediately, and their contributions are reviewed and removed if they cannot be re-verified against official sources. Removal forfeits the Fellow title, all program recognition, and verification of volunteer hours, including hours already served. Anyone who uses the Fellow title or the VoterIQ name after removal, or in a partisan context, will be publicly corrected, and VoterIQ reserves the right to pursue any available remedy for misuse of its name. This is not personal. The entire product is trust.

Agreement is recorded by the charter checkbox on the application form. Questions: imaan@siiea.ai