

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### To the Registrar of Members' Interests

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# Statement of Member's qualifications relating to sections 44 and 45 of the Constitution 46<sup>th</sup> Parliament

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| Attestation unde  | er paragraph (5   | ) of the resolution | n adopted on  | 4 April 2019                             |     |
|   | ection, in accord | ance with Part XI\  |               | AEC) in respect of in nonwealth Electora |     |
| √ Yes   |                   |                     |               |  |     |
| □ No  |                   |                     |               |  |     |
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| If you have marked 'no' or wish to provide supplementary material to augment, explain or correct information provided to the AEC, please separately complete the form Supplementary material regarding Member's qualifications relating to sections 44 and 45 of the Constitution'. |                   |                     |               |  |     |
| Signed:   | -                 |                     |               | Date: 23 July 20                         | 019 |
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#### **Notes**

**FAMILY NAME** 

- 1. The requirement to make this statement is contained in a resolution adopted by the House of Representatives on 4 April 2019.
- 2. Forward the original, signed copy of all pages of this statement to the Registrar of Members' Interests, RG.39 Parliament House, Canberra ACT 2600.





| Re   | elating to your eligibility under Sec  | tion 44 of the Australian Constitution  |
|--|--|---|
| Please that Aus Act If you indeed for You cheep proven any | nase fill out this checklist.  aware that completing this checklist does not guarantee to you are eligible to be elected under section 44 of the stralian Constitution or under the Commonwealth Electoral to 1918.  Ou have any doubts about your eligibility, you should seek ependent legal advice.  Ou provide information in this checklist that you know is see or misleading, you may commit an offence against the minal Code with a maximum penalty of imprisonment for months, \$12,600 or both.  must answer every question in the checklist that has ck boxes by marking one, and only one, of the boxes vided. Your nomination will be rejected if you do not mark of the boxes, or if you mark more than one of the boxes. | Note: If you answer 'yes' in question 10 then you must provide at least one document in response to question 10a.  You should not include information in this checklist, or in any additional documents you provide, that is inappropriate in any way. If you do, the information may be redacted by the Electoral Commissioner and not published on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.  You may choose to redact information (for example, your own or another person's personal information) from additional documents before providing them. Redactions must be in accordance with any directions of the Electoral Commissioner. The candidate statement and declaration that you have made elsewhere in this nomination also relate to your eligibility to be elected. In that statement and declaration: |
| Plea<br>You<br>all y                                       | vided for any of these questions.  ase provide supporting documentation as appropriate.  may provide additional documents if you are unable to fit your responses in this checklist.  stions marked with an asterisk (*) are mandatory   | <ul> <li>(a) you have declared that you are qualified under the Constitution and the laws of the Commonwealth to be elected as a Senator or member of the House of Representatives; and</li> <li>(b) you have stated that you are an Australian citizen.</li> </ul>   |
| QUE:   | suchs marked with an asterisk (*) are mandatory  |   |
| 1.   | Do you know the place of birth of each of your parents a adoptive)?*   | nd grandparents (whether biological or YES NO   |
| 1a.  | Please provide any relevant details (for example, why you a parent or grandparent):  | do not know the place of birth of   |
|  | Other relevant details relating to your knowledge of your paren  | nts' and grandparents' places of birth  |

[Please provide particulars of, or documents related to, any details provided in response to question 1a. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]





NO

# **QUALIFICATION CHECKLIST**

Relating to your eligibility under Section 44 of the Australian Constitution

Do you have a parent or grandparent that you know was born in another country? This may be a biological or adoptive parent or grandparent.\*

|     | (If you do not kn   | ow any of you | r parents' or grand | parents' places of birth, p                                   | lease mark | the 'N/A' | box.) |
|-----|---|---------------|---------------------|---|------------|-----------|-------|
| 2a. | If 'yes', please  | provide the f | ollowing details, t | o the extent known:   |            |           |       |
|     | Relationship<br>to you (e.g.<br>mother or<br>adoptive father) | Maternal (    | Grandmother         | Relationship<br>to you (e.g.<br>mother or<br>adoptive father) |            |           |       |
|     | Place of Birth  | United Ki     | ngdom               | Place of Birth  |            |           |       |
|     | Date of Birth   | /             | /1893               | Date of Birth   | /          | /         |       |
|     | Relationship<br>to you (e.g.<br>mother or<br>adoptive father) |               |                     | Relationship<br>to you (e.g.<br>mother or<br>adoptive father) |            |           |       |
|     | Place of Birth  |               |                     | Place of Birth  |            |           |       |
|     | Date of Birth   | /             | /                   | Date of Birth   | /          | /         |       |
|     | Relationship<br>to you (e.g.<br>mother or<br>adoptive father) |               |                     | Relationship<br>to you (e.g.<br>mother or<br>adoptive father) |            |           |       |
|     | Place of Birth  |               |                     | Place of Birth  |            |           |       |
|     | Date of Birth   | /             | /                   | Date of Birth   | /          | /         |       |

[Please provide particulars of, or documents related to, any details provided in response to questions 2a and 2b. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

Other relevant details relating to your parents' and grandparents' places and dates of birth

2b. Please provide any other relevant details:





Relating to your eligibility under Section 44 of the Australian Constitution

| 3.  | Have you provided details in question 2a in relation to each parent and grandparent that you know was born in another country?*                          | YES       |
|-----|--|-----------|
|     | (If you do not know any of your parents' or grandparents' places of birth, please mark the 'N/A' box.)   | NO<br>N/A |
| 3a. | If 'no', please explain why you have not provided those details:   |           |
|     | Explanation of why you have not provided details relating to each parent and grandparent that you know was born in another country                       |           |
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| 4.  | Do you know which citizenships have been held by each of your parents and grandparents (whether biological or adoptive)?*                                | YES NO    |
| 4a. | Please provide any relevant details (for example, why you do not know the citizenships held at a particular time by a particular parent or grandparent): |           |
|     | Other relevant details relating to your knowledge of your parents' and grandparents' citizenships  |           |
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[Please provide particulars of, or documents related to, any details provided in response to question 4a. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]





NO N/A

### **QUALIFICATION CHECKLIST**

Relating to your eligibility under Section 44 of the Australian Constitution

Do you have a parent or grandparent that you know acquired citizenship of another country

| by descent,<br>grandparen                                 | by descent, naturalisation or other means? This may be a biological or adoptive parent or grandparent.* |   |  |  |
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| (If you do not  | t know any of your parents' or gran   | dparents' citizenship, please mark the 'N/A' box.)            |  |  |
| 5a. If 'yes', plea  | se provide the following details,   | to the extent known:  |  |  |
| Relationsh<br>to you (e<br>mother<br>adoptive fathe       | g. Maternal Grandmother or  | Relationship<br>to you (e.g.<br>mother or<br>adoptive father) |  |  |
| Country of foreign citizensh                              |   | Country of foreign citizenship                                |  |  |
| Period forei<br>citizenship he                            |   | Period foreign<br>citizenship held                            |  |  |
| Relationsh<br>to you (e.<br>mother<br>adoptive fathe      | ġ.<br>or  | Relationship<br>to you (e.g.<br>mother or<br>adoptive father) |  |  |
| Country of foreig<br>citizensh                            |   | Country of foreign citizenship                                |  |  |
| Period foreig<br>citizenship he                           | in<br>old   | Period foreign<br>citizenship held                            |  |  |
| Relationshi<br>to you (e.g<br>mother of<br>adoptive fathe | ġ.<br>or  | Relationship<br>to you (e.g.<br>mother or<br>adoptive father) |  |  |
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5b. Please provide any other relevant details:

Other relevant details relating to your parents' and grandparents' foreign citizenships





Relating to your eligibility under Section 44 of the Australian Constitution

| 6.  | Have you provided details in question 5a in relation to each parent and grandparent that you know acquired citizenship of another country by descent, naturalisation or other means?* | YES       |
|-----|---|-----------|
|     | (If you do not know any of your parents' or grandparents' citizenship, please mark the 'N/A' box.)  | NO<br>N/A |
| 6a. | If 'no', please explain why you have not provided those details:  |           |
|     | Explanation of why you have not provided details relating to each parent and grandparent that you know acquired citizenship of another country  |           |
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| 7.  | Do you know which citizenships have been held by each of your current and former spouses and similar partners?*   | ■ YES     |
|     | (If you do not have a current or former spouse or similar partner, please mark the 'N/A' box.)  | NVA NVA   |
| 7a. | Please provide any relevant details (for example, why you do not know the particular citizenships held at a particular time by a current or former spouse or similar partner):        |           |
|     | Other relevant details relating to your knowledge of the citizenships of your current and former spouses and similar partners   |           |
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[Please provide particulars of, or documents related to, any details provided in response to question 7a. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

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Relating to your eligibility under Section 44 of the Australian Constitution

| 8. | Do you have a current or former spouse or similar partner who you know is or was a citizen of another country?*   | YES<br>NO<br>N/A |
|----|---|------------------|
|    | (If you do not have a current or former spouse or similar partner, or you do not know the citizenship of any of your current or former spouses or similar partners, please mark the 'N/A' box.) | NO<br>N/A        |

8a. If 'yes', please provide the following details, to the extent known:

Relationship to you (e.g. wife or former de facto partner)

Country of foreign citizenship

Was foreign citizenship held at the time of marriage (if applicable)?

Relationship to you (e.g. wife or former de facto partner)

Country of foreign citizenship

Was foreign citizenship held at the time of marriage (if applicable)?

8b. Please provide any other relevant details (for example, whether you acquired foreign citizenship because of a spouse's foreign citizenship):

Other relevant details relating to your current or former spouse's or similar partner's foreign citizenship

My spouse's parents were Filipino citizens. As such, my spouse may have obtained Filipino citizenship by descent. However, Filipino citizenship is not automatically conferred through marriage and I have never taken any steps to acquire Filipino citizenship.

[Please provide particulars of, or documents related to, any details provided in response to questions 8a and 8b. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]





Relating to your eligibility under Section 44 of the Australian Constitution

| 9.   | Have you provided details in question 8a in relation to each current or former spouse or similar partner that you know is or was a citizen of another country?*  | YES          |
|------|--|--------------|
|      | (If you do not have a current or former spouse or similar partner, or you do not know the citizenship of any of your current or former spouses or similar partners, please mark the 'N/A' box.)  | N/A          |
| 9a.  | If 'no', please explain why you have not provided those details:   |              |
|      | Explanation of why you have not provided details relating to each current or former spouse or similar partner that you know is or was a citizen of another country   |              |
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| 10.  | Have you ever been a subject or citizen of any country other than Australia?*  | Flyco        |
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| 10a. | If 'yes', please provide the following details, to the extent known:   |              |
|      | Country of foreign<br>citizenship  |              |
|      | Manner in which foreign<br>citizenship was lost<br>(if applicable)   |              |
|      | Date of losing foreign citizenship (if applicable)   |              |
| 4    | If you contend that you have renounced or lost your foreign citizenship, you must provide at least one document that you are satisfied supports your contention. (The document may be an official document, or if you have no official document, a statutory declaration.) This will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.] |              |
| 10b. | Please provide any other relevant details (for example, how you lost your foreign citizenship, or why the response to question 10 is unknown):   |              |
|      | Other relevant details relating to the loss of your foreign citizenship  |              |

[in addition to the requirement to provide at least one document mentioned under question 10a, please provide particulars of, or documents related to, any other details provided in response to questions 10a and 10b. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

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Relating to your eligibility under Section 44 of the Australian Constitution

|      | Are you now a subject or citizen of any country other than Australia?*   | NO AES |
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| 11a  | . If 'yes', please provide the following details, to the extent known:   |        |
|      | Country of foreign citizenship   |        |
|      | Date of acquiring foreign citizenship / /  |        |
|      | Country of foreign citizenship   |        |
|      | Date of acquiring foreign citizenship / /  |        |
| 11b. | Please provide any other relevant details (for example, why you are prevented from renouncing your foreign citizenship, or why the response to question 11 is unknown):  |        |
|      | Other relevant details relating to possible disqualification by reason of section 44(i) of the Australian Constitution   |        |
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|      | [Please provide particulars of, and documents related to, any details provided in your response to questions 11a and 11b. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.] |        |
| 12.  | Are you under sentence or subject to be sentenced, for an offence for which you have been convicted, which is punishable by imprisonment for one year or longer?*  | YES    |
|      | NOTE: A person convicted of an offence with a maximum penalty of imprisonment for one year or longer may be disqualified even if the sentence imposed on the person for the offence is less than the maximum penalty.    | E-1 NO |
| 12a. | If 'yes', please provide any relevant details:  Relevant details relating to possible disqualification by reason of section 44(ii) of the Australian Constitution  |        |

[Please provide particulars of, and documents related to, any details provided in your response to question 12a. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

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Relating to your eligibility under Section 44 of the Australian Constitution

| 13,  | Are you an undischarged dankrupt or insolvent?*   | YES<br>NO     |
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| 13a  | . if 'yes', please provide any relevant details: Relevant details relating to possible disqualification by reason of section 44(iii) of the Australian Constitution   |               |
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|      | [Please provide particulars of, and documents related to, any details provided in your response to question 13a. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.] |               |
| 14.  | Do you hold an office of profit under the Crown, other than an office expressly exempt from section 44(iv) of the Australian Constitution?*   | YES           |
|      | (Offices of profit under the Crown include, for example, many public sector jobs in Australia.)   | UNKNOWN<br>NO |
| 14a. | Please provide any relevant details, to the extent known (for example, the relevant body in which you hold the office of profit and your role, or why the response to question 14 is unknown):                  |               |
|      | Relevant details relating to possible disqualification by reason of section 44(iv) of the Australian Constitution   |               |

[Please provide particulars of, and documents related to, any details provided in your response to question 14a. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]





# **QUALIFICATION CHECKLIST**

Relating to your eligibility under Section 44 of the Australian Constitution

| 15.  | Do you have a direct or indirect financial interest in any contract or other agreement with the Commonwealth public service?*  | YES     |
|------|--|---------|
|      | Do not count an interest that is expressly excluded from section 44(v) of the Australian Constitution, such as a shareholding in a company that has 25 or more other shareholders.   | UNKNOWN |
|      | NOTE: Section 44(v) may disqualify you even if you are not a party to the relevant contract or agreement. A disqualifying financial interest may arise, for example, from an agreement between the Commonwealth public service and a trustee of a family trust of which you are a beneficiary. |         |
| 15a. | Please provide any relevant details, to the extent known (for example, your direct or indirect financial interests, or why the response to question 15 is unknown):  |         |
|      | Relevant details relating to possible disqualification by reason of section 44(v) of the Australian Constitution   |         |
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|      | [Please provide particulars of, and documents related to, any details provided in your response to question 15a. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]  |         |
| 16.  | Please provide any additional details relating to your qualification under the Australian Constitution or the <i>Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918</i> ;   |         |
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|      | [Please provide particulars of, and documents related to, any details provided in your response to question 16. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]   |         |
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|      | l confirm the information in the checklist provided above, and any additional information provided in support of my statements, to be true and correct, to the best of my knowledge.   |         |
| 5    | Signature of candidate Date  |         |
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