

Active or Deferred Member Beneficiary Designation

This form is used to designate your beneficiary(ies) for any retirement benefits payable in the event of your death. If you are married, have a California State registered domestic partner or have a minor child(ren), your spouse/registered domestic partner/minor child(ren) will be entitled to any and all death benefits payable under Government Code §31781.1, regardless of who you designate as beneficiary.

Part I. Member Information

Member Name	Birth Date			
Social Security Number	Phone Number	Email Address		
Street Address/PO Box	City	State	Zip Code	
Marital Status:	Single	Married/RDP	Divorced/Separated	Widowed

Part II. Primary Beneficiary Designation

You may name one person or any number of persons as your primary or alternate beneficiary(ies). A Primary Beneficiary is the person(s) who will receive a benefit from MCERA upon your death. If this form does not provide enough space, you may attach additional sheets. Please sign, date, and write your social security number on any additional sheets. Benefit percentages for all primary beneficiaries must add up to 100%, using whole numbers only (e.g., 33%, not 33.3%).

Primary Beneficiary Name	Relationship	Percent of Benefit	
Street Address/PO Box	City	State	Zip Code
Birth Date	Social Security Number/Tax Id	Phone Number	
Primary Beneficiary Name	Relationship	Percent of Benefit	
Street Address/PO Box	City	State	Zip Code
Birth Date	Social Security Number/Tax Id	Phone Number	
Primary Beneficiary Name	Relationship	Percent of Benefit	
Street Address/PO Box	City	State	Zip Code
Birth Date	Social Security Number/Tax Id	Phone Number	

Member Name:

Social Security Number:

Part III. Alternate Beneficiary Designation

An Alternate Beneficiary is the person(s) who will receive a benefit from MCERA if you have no living primary beneficiaries on the date of your death. If this form does not provide enough space, you may attach additional sheets. Please sign, date, and write your social security number on any additional sheets. Benefit percentages for all alternate beneficiaries must add up to 100%, using whole numbers only (e.g., 33%, not 33.3%).

Alternate Beneficiary Name	Relationship	Percent of Benefit
----------------------------	--------------	--------------------

Street Address/PO Box	City	State	Zip Code
-----------------------	------	-------	----------

Birth Date	Social Security Number/Tax Id	Phone Number
------------	-------------------------------	--------------

Alternate Beneficiary Name	Relationship	Percent of Benefit
----------------------------	--------------	--------------------

Street Address/PO Box	City	State	Zip Code
-----------------------	------	-------	----------

Birth Date	Social Security Number/Tax Id	Phone Number
------------	-------------------------------	--------------

Part IV. Member Acknowledgment

I hereby confirm the beneficiary designation(s) listed in Parts II and III. This Beneficiary Designation Form revokes any previous designation I have filed.

Print Member Name

Member Signature

Date

Part V. Spousal or Registered Domestic Partner Acknowledgment

Either Section A or Section B below **MUST** be completed and signed, or the form will be rejected and returned to you.

SECTION A: Signature of Member's Spouse or Registered Domestic Partner

I am the spouse or state of California registered domestic partner of the MCERA member who is submitting this designation of beneficiaries. I understand that the sole purpose of this section is to notify the current spouse or state registered domestic partner of the selection of benefits or change of beneficiary made by a member. It is not intended to be a "consent," "waiver," or "transmutation agreement" regarding the transfer of community property interest/assets of the signing spouse or registered domestic partner.

Print Spouse/Registered Domestic Partner Name

Spouse/Registered Domestic Partner Signature

Date

Member Name:

Social Security Number:

SECTION B: Declaration of Reason for Absence of Spouse/Registered Domestic Partner Signature

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of California that (please select one of the following:

I am not married.

My current spouse/registered domestic partner has no identifiable community property interest in any benefits earned through my employment.

I do not know and have taken reasonable steps to determine the whereabouts of my current spouse/registered domestic partner.

My current spouse/registered domestic partner has been advised of my election and has refused to sign the written acknowledgment.

My current spouse/registered domestic partner is incapable of executing the written acknowledgment because of an incapacitating mental or physical condition.

My current spouse/registered domestic partner and I have executed a marriage settlement agreement pursuant to Part 5 (commencing with Section 1500) of Division 4 of the California Family Code which makes the community property law inapplicable to the marriage.

Print Member Name

Member Signature

Date