

PETITION INSTRUCTIONS

Getting people to sign our petition is relatively easy once they realize we're just asking for a new investigation of 9/11. It's important to know that the Board of Elections will review most if not all of our petitions and may seek to invalidate forms which are improperly filled out. Therefore, we need to do it right. We should use a blue pen so that its clear the petition isn't photocopied. Here is the advisable way to proceed.

Ask if the person is a NYC registered voter. If yes, proceed. If they don't live here, move on to the next person.

Here are 2 basic scripts:

"Hello. Are you a NYC registered voter? (If yes...) We're collecting petition signatures for a very important ballot initiative to create a new, independent investigation of 9/11. This is a way to help the 9/11 families who don't accept the official investigation as well as first responders who are in need of services and benefits. Would you help us with this important effort by signing?"

"Please sign our petition to get a serious investigation of 9/11 on the November ballot".

Most people will say yes without needing further details. If people ask questions, you can show them the paragraph in bold right under the boxes on the form which describes the intent of the Initiative. If people want to read through it, give them a petition to read or a flyer with the web site.

Once a person agrees to sign our petition, it's best that you write in their name, address, and county, then ask them to sign. The also must put their signatures on the bottom of the 2nd and 3rd page. As they're signing the first page tell them "I'll also need your signatures at the bottom of page 2 and 3. It's required by the city charter". These forms have 3 boxes allowing for 3 different people to sign.

When you get 3 signatures, then fill in the dates on the left of the page, and the county on the right side. Here is the county information:

<u>Borough</u>	<u>County</u>
Manhattan	New York
Brooklyn	Kings
Queens*	Queens
Bronx	Bronx
Staten Island	Richmond

*For Queens it's permissible to put neighborhood names like Woodside, Forest Hills, etc.

Then fill in the Witness information at the bottom with your name, address, signature, and county at the bottom.

Note: Occasionally there will be mistakes and you'll have to cross out a box. The required procedure is to draw diagonal lines from the 2 corners, then put your initials on each corner.

Submit your signed forms to Les Jamieson (718-492-2192 or 917-658-0132) or mail them to **NYC 9/11 Ballot Initiative, 1173A Second Avenue, Suite 155, New York, NY 10065.**