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Early voting thru Saturday, Oct. 4th!

Dear Friend,

Having a well-functioning Clerk's office is critical for me to do my job. I am in there almost every day and **KNOW** how it is run - efficiently, professionally and courteously.

It's an extremely important office, responsible for all record keeping in civil and criminal matters, preparing appellate records, recording and maintaining sales of property, mortgages and all vital records. The Clerk is responsible for the minute clerks in every courtroom that document the proceedings, the witnesses called and the evidence introduced - and then responsible for safeguarding the evidence. The clerk issues marriage licenses, takes passport applications and provides copies of your long-lost birth certificate.

Since Thereasa Robichaux was elected, the office has moved from the dark ages into the electronic future. We can now view all records online, file electronically, receive instant notifications and check our dockets from anywhere. Jodie Burton, as chief deputy, has led the way on these innovations.

The Clerk of Court **does not have anything to do with election security**. The fact that her opponent is putting this in his **negative, bullshit** ads shows that **he doesn't have a clue** as to what the job entails! **Lives are not "at stake"**, our Clerk's office transmits documents to the Sheriff's office for service expeditiously. Don't fall for the lies and scare tactics, and please don't vote for someone who wouldn't even be able to find the bathroom in the Clerk's office!

Jodie Burton has been doing this job for longer than I have been practicing law -over 40 years! Vote for experience and competence by voting for Jodie Burton.

Sincerely,

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