## Mail-out Ballots Should Be Removed From the Count

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**ail-in** ballots are a misnomer and they should be disallowed. These ballots were really "mail-out" ballots. There is no "chain of custody" with such ballots and in most instances were sent out by the local Supervisor of Elections without State Legislature approval.

**e** have a system of election rules in every State and County to guarantee that registered voters have the opportunity to vote. Voting at a precinct on election day involves precinct workers confirming that the voter is on the voter roll and in my State of Florida, that identification is presented.

ail-out ballots provide no such guarantee. Nor were they even necessary. Every State allows absentee ballots. Any voter can request an absentee ballot and vote. While not as secure as in-person voting, it does require both a request and a signature. Once the ballot is received by election officials the voter roll is edited to show that the voter has voted. No double voting. Mail-out ballots provided no such assurances. Unrequested ballots that are just mailed out are ripe for non-compliance of our voting laws.

he only way that mail-out ballots should be allowed would be for the local election officials to make public the names and addresses of every mail-out ballot sent out. This could be done on a spreadsheet file. This will give us:

- A count of the number of ballots mailed out.
- The number of ballots mailed to an address.
- The number ballots mailed to an individual.

We should also be able to get a list of those who have voted, so we can compare the two.

**nless** we can audit the mail-out ballots then they should be disallowed. It should not be the fault of our Republic that some States went around the in place absentee voting laws in such a premeditated fashion. This is what third world authoritarian governments do. If we are really a nation of laws then the mail-out ballots need to be removed from the count.

he fear of venturing out to a polling station on election day was unwarranted and just used as an excuse when all the concerned voter needed to do was to request an absentee ballot. This was how the elections are stolen and we still have time to rectify this giant fraud.