

October 2023 Newsletter

COIFFE News Items

- Volunteers with COIFFE are being credentialed to use EagleAI software, as well as listening to the EagleAI national team's weekly Zoom calls. Our primary goal is to learn the program and then deploy it to commence a new level of analysis of Colorado's voter rolls in the coming months.
- During October, COIFFE volunteers have been busy being election judges and volunteering to be poll watchers.
- Several COIFFE volunteers are being introduced to United Sovereign Americans (<u>unite4freedom.com</u>). We continue to work on discovering apparent violations of Colorado election rules and laws that may have occurred in our voter rolls. We will work towards preparing a 2022 General Election validity Scorecard for Colorado with our highly skilled technology team.
- We continue to grow our task forces throughout the state. Please provide volunteer names to add to existing county task forces or to establish a new county. Let's start 2024 off well!

Election Integrity News Around the US*

- Honest Election Project (HEP) is disappointed by the recent federal court decision to strike down common-sense voter ID requirements adopted by Texas to protect mail-invoting. States have the responsibility to secure their elections. Photo ID laws are among the most basic and most popular safeguards: According to recent HEP Action polling almost 90% of Americans want every voter to show a photo ID when they vote. This is yet another example of certain groups' strategies to gum up the courts with countless lawsuits based on fringe legal theories, bankrolled by millions of dollars of dark money, targeted at activist judges eager to legislate from the bench. It is our hope that this ruling be reversed on appeal.
- In August voters in Arizona (AZ) and Virginia (VA) sent pre-litigation notice letters that call on the AZ Secretary of State (SOS), Adrian Fontes, and VA Commissioner of Elections, Susan Beals, to take immediate and specific actions to correct their voter registration records in accordance with federal law. The letters give AZ and VA 90 days to correct these apparent violations before facing a potential federal lawsuit. Currently, 14 counties in AZ and 101 counties and independent cities in VA appear to be in

violation of Section 8 of the National Voter Registration Act (NVRA) which requires states to maintain accurate and up-to-date voter rolls for federal elections. The law is clear: all states must ensure that they are taking the appropriate steps to properly maintain voter lists. Bloated voter rolls are unacceptable.

Did You Know? *

• Public Interest Legal Foundation (PILF) filed a suit on 12-16-2021 against the Secretary of State (SOS) of Colorado, Jena Griswold, for some of the same maintenance violations that were just mentioned regarding AZ & VA. As background, in June 2021, PILF requested information under a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request using the National Voter Registration Act (NVRA) public disclosure provision. PILF asked for: (1) the list concerning registered voters identified as deceased or potentially deceased and (2) reports and/or statewide-voter-registration-system-generated lists showing all registrants removed from the list of eligible voters for reason of death for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021. In August 2021 the SOS partially granted PILF's request, but the SOS did not provide birth days or birth months. PILF notified SOS that it believed she was in violation of the NVRA's public disclosure provision voter list maintenance records. Eventually PILF filed the above-mentioned suit on December 16, 2021. In September 2023, the SOS was attempting to have the case dismissed, but the judge denied her motion. As of this writing, the suit continues.

Upcoming Plans

- The COIFFE Voter Roll Task Force will continue to add volunteers and make progress in Voter Roll data analysis.
- Our COIFFE directors will start the review of the Colorado Statutes and Rules that our volunteer attorney will be providing us with. We plan to have a report by the end of 2023.

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