#### Agenda for the June 11, 2020 Meeting of the Washington County Election Commission

- 1. Approve minutes from the previous meeting
- 2. City of Springdale Special Election
  - a. Approve Ballot
  - b. Vote Center Locations
  - c. COVID-19 Supplies needed
  - d. Meeting dates
    - i. July 15<sup>th</sup> @9:00 Poll Workers/ L&A Certification
    - ii. August 13 @ 9:00 Provisional Ballot Review
    - iii. August 21 @ 1:00 Provisional Ballot Hearing/ Certification/ Ballot Draw for General
- 3. Coordinator and County Clerk Meeting Review
- 4. Absentee Voting
  - a. SBEC Rules for Absentee Voting
  - b. Quantity to Order
  - c. Extra Printer

Estimated	1													
Absentee	10% Absentee		20% Absente		30% Absentee		40% Absentee		50% Absentee		60% Absentee		70% Absentee	
RV	132000		132000		132000		132000		132,000		132,000		132,000	
% Votes Cast	80		80		80		80		80		80		80	
Total Votes	105600		105600		105600		105600		105,600		105,600		105,600	
Early Vote	52,800	50%	52,800	50%	52,800	50%	42,240	40%	31,680	30%	21,120	20%	21,120	20%
Absentee	10,560	10%	21,120	20%	31,680	30%	42,240	40%	52,800	50%	63,360	60%	73,920	70%
Election Day	42,240	40%	31,680	30%	21,120	20%	21,120	20%	21,120	20%	21,120	20%	10,560	10%
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Absentee			\$2,112.00		\$3,168.00		\$4,224.00		\$5,280.00		\$6,336.00		\$7,392.00	
Ballots One	\$1,056.00		\$2,112	.00	\$3,16	8.00	\$4,22	24.00	\$5,28	30.00	\$6,33	36.00	\$7,35	92.00
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- 5. COVID-19 Cost
- 6. General Election Ballot Layout
- 7. Other Business

## WASHINGTON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION County Courthouse, Suite 140 280 North College Ave.

RE: Election Commissioner meeting held on May 21, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: Renée Oelschlaeger, Chairman Bill Ackerman, Member Max Deitchler, Member OTHERS PRESENT:
Jennifer Price, Executive Director
Tom Sissom, NWA Paper
Lisa Tolan, Assistant Director IT

Actions taken by the Commissioners during the May 21, 2020 public meeting:

> Approved and Signed the March 3, 2020 Preferential Primary Reimbursement Document

Renée called the meeting to order.

Jennifer presented the Commission with the reimbursement document for the March 3, 2020 Preferential Primary. The request was for \$154,754.72. This represented request for poll workers, training, truck rental, supplies, ballot cost, and advertisement cost. The only item that was not reimbursable was programming cost. The SBEC had originally stated that a portion of the licensing fee for PYO counties would be covered. However due to increased cost for the Primary, the SBEC was not able to reimburse PYO counties. The Commission asked Jennifer to pursue this for future primary elections.

The Commission discussed the CARES Act Grant Guidance and Questionnaire sent out by the SOS's office. The questionnaire asked the counties to prioritize items needed, provide early vote and Election Day sites, and information on absentee ballots from previous elections. Jennifer said that with Becky's help they had filled out the questionnaire to submit to the SOS.

Jennifer gave an update on the meeting that she had with the county clerks and coordinators from Benton, Crawford and Sebastian counties. The Commission also requested an update be sent to the NWA regional group of Election Commissioners. The discussion revolved around funding from the CARES Act and supplies needed for the General Election. The group requested a meeting with the Governor's, SBEC's and SOS's offices. The meeting was set for May 27<sup>th</sup>.

The Commission discussed the different supplies needed for the General Election related to COVID-19. The discussion focused on how to get the supplies needed, who would pay for the supplies, and how the CARES dollars would be spent. The Commission discussed the safety of the poll workers and voters. Also the need to educate the Voters on new procedures.

The Commission discussed absentee voting and the cost associated with an increase in absentee voting. The SOS's office ordered a 450 for the Election Commission to count absentee ballots. Max also asked if a second printer would be needed for printing the absentee ballots.

The Commission discussed Early Vote and Election Day voting polling locations and space needs. Jennifer prepared a list of polling locations that would need to be opened for the General Election.

With no other business the meeting was adjourned Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Price, Director of Elections.

#### Agenda Item #2A

Official Ballot Special Election August 11, 2020

#### **VOTER INSTRUCTIONS**

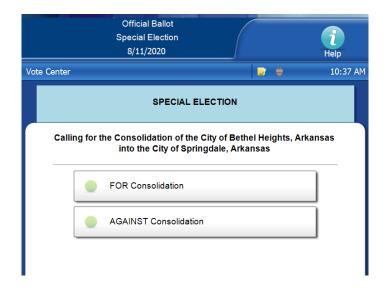
- 1. Vote on the measure by placing an appropriate mark (●) below the question either FOR or AGAINST.
- 2. Use a black ink pen to darken the oval completely (●).
  - a. If you darken more than one oval on a question, your vote for that measure will not count.
  - b. If you change your mind, make your final selection clear.
  - c. You may skip a question if you choose.
- 3. Place marked ballot in the "Ballot Only" envelope,
- 4. Place "Ballot Only" envelope and completed Voter Statement in return envelope.
- 5. For your ballot to be counted it must be returned by the appropriate deadline.

#### **SPECIAL ELECTION**

Calling for the Consolidation of the City of Bethel Heights, Arkansas into the City of Springdale, Arkansas

- FOR Consolidation
- AGAINST Consolidation

## Sample Ballot



# Sample Ballot

Deadlines for Coordinator: Consolidation Special Election ( Bethel Heights/ Springdale)				
Commissioner Meetings				
Election Name	Special Election			
Deadline to Register to Vote	Monday, July 13, 2020			
Election Date	Tuesday, August 11, 2020			
Early Voting Begins	Tuesday, August 04, 2020			
Ballot Information	Deadlines			
Polling Location	Elmdale/ Nazarene/ Oak Grove/ Rodeo			
Precincts	City of Springdale			
Have ballot ready to approve	Thursday, June 11, 2020			
Have BOD ready	Tuesday, June 16, 2020			
Have absentee ballot to County Clerk	Thursday, June 25, 2020			
Polling Place Information	Deadlines			
Sign Notice of Election	Deadines			
Post Notice of Election/ Document calling for Election	Monday, July 13, 2020			
County Judge selects vote centers				
Deadline to change Precincts	Monday, July 13, 2020			
Change Polling Place Deadline	Monday, July 13, 2020			
Election	Deadlines			
Tablet Certification				
Equipment Preparation Notice	Thursday, June 18, 2020			
Staff Logic & Accuracy	Tuesday, July 14, 2020			
Appoint Election Officials/ Sign Certification for County Clerk	Wednesday, July 15, 2020			
Post Poll Worker List, Notice of Election	Wednesday, July 15, 2020			
Complete Logic & Accuracy for Election	Tuesday, July 14, 2020			
Public Test	Tuesday, July 28, 2020			
Sign L& A Certification	Wednesday, July 15, 2020			
Deadline for Logic & Accuracy	Tuesday, July 28, 2020			
Notice of Election Publication: 1st	Thursday, July 16, 2020			
Appoint Election Officials City of Springdale/ County Judge	06/23 or 07/14			
Deliver early ballots to County Clerk	Wednesday, August 03, 2011			
First Day to canvass Absentee Ballots	Tuesday, August 04, 2020			
Notice of Election Publication	Thursday, August 06, 2020			
Training	Dates			
Supervisor Training	Monday, August 10, 2020			
Delivery Schedule	Dates			
Election Day	Monday, August 10, 2020			
Certification	Dates			
Provisional Ballot Hearing/ Certification	Friday, August 21, 2020			
Election Commission Meetings	Dates			
Have ballot ready to approve	Thursday, June 11, 2020			
Sign Notice of Election	11101000, 10110 11, 2020			
Appoint Election Officials/ Sign Certification for County Clerk/ L&A	Wednesday, July 15, 2020			
Election Date	Tuesday, August 11, 2020			
Provisional Ballot Review	Thursday, August 13, 2020			
Provisional Ballot Hearing/ Certification	Friday, August 21, 2020			

#### **SUMMARY OF MEETING HELD ON MAY 27, 2020**

#### Attending:

- Benton
- Carroll
- Crawford
- Sebastian
- Washington
- Governor's Office: Andres Rhodes, Legal Counsel
- ➤ SBEC: Daniel Shults, Director /Chris Madison, Legal Counsel/ Jon Davidson, Educational Services Manager
- SOS: Kurt Naumann, Administration & Government Relations

#### CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF AND ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) ACT

Kurt Naumann provided information from the SOS's office.

- Has the State already received funds?
  - ❖ The State has received around \$5,000,000 from the CARES Act
- How does the State plan on using the funds? And Will the State purchase in bulk and then re-distribute to the Counties?
  - The State asked the Counties to fill out a survey on the needs that each County will have and the priority of the items that each county needs. The State plans on purchasing certain items in bulk for distribution.
- Will the Counties be reimbursed for supplies purchased?
  - ❖ Counties will be able to purchase supplies and seek reimbursement from the SOS's office. Counties will need to provide detailed documentation.

    Documentation will be for both a Federal and State Audit. This will include receipts for items related to COVID-19, staff time that resulted because of COVID-19 cost, and proof of increase in spending for absentee supplies due to COVID-19. The SOS will also have to consider the entire cost to the State and distribute reimbursement based on needs and "equity". The SOS cannot guarantee complete reimbursement for the Counties.
- What supplies does the State currently have?
  - ❖ The SOS is currently buying PPE items, sanitizers, and disinfectant. They will look at other items mentioned especially after the surveys come in from all the Counties.
  - The SOS is prioritizing PPE supplies and sanitizing supplies, then will looks at Plexiglas shields and stylus followed by ropes, tape and other social distancing aids.
- Would funding be available as a grant to each County?
  - ❖ The SOS is not looking at grants at this moment for the Counties. Reimbursement for absentee supplies will be based on the increase in absentee ballots from 2016 General Election.
- Timeframe to submit request?

- The SOS already has the funds to purchase items. The SOS will be in contact with Counties over the next couple of weeks after the surveys are returned to work out details.
- Question was asked if certain items could be purchased for August Elections, but CARES dollars can only be used for Federal Elections (General)
- Question was asked about items being prioritized that could be used for multiple elections such as Plexiglas shields and stylus.
- Asked SOS to share contact information from vendors that the SOS will use to purchase COVID-19 supplies.
- Priority of supplies
  - Stvlus
  - Plexiglas shields
  - Absentee supplies
  - Social distancing supplies
  - Face mask/ face shields

#### ABSENTEE VOTING

Andres Rhodes from the Governor's office answered many of these questions.

- Will the Governor make some type of announcement concerning absentee voting? And When?
  - The Governor is looking to make a decision sometime in August about "No Excuse" absentee voting.
- ➤ Distinction between Mail In Voting and "No Excuse" Absentee Voting
  - ❖ Comment that a distinction will need to be made so that voters know that they will not automatically receive a ballot, but that they will have to fill out an application.
  - ❖ The SOS will doing some messaging to educate voters.
  - Comment was made about voters filling out voter statements correctly to ensure that their ballot will count.
- Other Comments
  - Possibility of extending timeframe to canvass absentee ballots (Governor is looking at this)

#### POLLING PLACE PROCEDURES

- Social Distancing and Sanitation Guidelines
  - Question: Does the 6' mark off authority extend to outside the polling site?
    - Currently it is a state requirement (COVID-19), but there is no real authority outside the polling site. Limit the number of voters inside the polling site. Ask voters to wait in their vehicle to wait their turn or vote them quickly.
  - Question: Can Voters be required to wear a mask or what if the polling site host requires a mask?
    - May not be possible to require a voter to wear a mask, would infringe on their right to vote.

- Asked the State to provide helpful statements to give to CBEC and poll workers to provide to voters when questioned about mask.
- Voting must be accessible to all voters.
- The SOS believes it may be too cost prohibitive to provide mask to all voters at the polls.
- Polling Locations and Poll Workers
  - Encouraged to start contacting polling locations and poll workers to ask about willingness to be open and work in November
  - Emergency clause would allow closing of polling locations if necessary
  - ❖ Polling location closures may be covered in an Executive Order
  - Start preparing for worst case scenarios now
  - ❖ Have an alternative location in site for voters who may have issues?
  - Institute a number system like the DMV for voters waiting in line, to allow more social distancing
  - How many poll workers/ voters can be in the polling site?
  - ❖ Using school cafeterias or gyms as polling locations, would require coordination with Governor's office, Department of Education, and local school districts. Would solve ADA issues as well. Also would allow teachers to work as poll workers on Election Day if school is closed.
  - Contact civic groups to work as poll workers

Arkansas's fiscal year ends at the end of June. The SOS will finish some purchases by then and will have received the surveys back from all the Counties to get a complete picture of the needs of each county.

Attending Counties requested another meeting on June 17th at 10:00

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**Agency # 108.00** 

# RULES FOR ABSENTEE VOTING

(Effective \_\_\_\_\_)



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#### **Scope of Rule**

These rules will set forth procedures for the application for absentee ballots, the issuing of absentee ballots, the voting of absentee ballots, the return of absentee ballots, and the canvasing and counting of absentee ballots pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated § 7-4-401 et seq. These rules are in addition to and, not a substitute for, the laws of the State of Arkansas.

#### § 1301 Definitions

The following defined terms are applicable only as the terms are used in this rule and should not be applied as definitions for these terms appearing elsewhere:

- (a) <u>Absentee Ballot Clerk</u> An election official appointed by the county board of election commissioners to canvass and count absentee ballots.
- (b) Application A written document submitted for the purpose of obtaining an absentee ballot.
- (c) <u>Canvass</u> The process of opening and reviewing the materials provided with an absentee ballot in order to determine whether the ballot submitted in that envelope is eligible to be counted under state election law.
- (d) <u>Comparable</u> A determination that a name, address, date-of-birth, or signature appearing on two separate documents represent the same name, address, or date-of-birth, or the signature of the same individual.
- (e) <u>CBEC</u> An abbreviated form of the phrase "County Board of Election Commissioners."
- (f) <u>County Clerk</u> The person lawfully holding the office of County Clerk, a deputy who is appointed by the person lawfully holding the office of County Clerk, or another person authorized by the person lawfully holding the office of County Clerk to assist in fulfilling the duties of County Clerk.
- (g) <u>Election Cycle</u> An election and any runoff which is held to determine the outcome of that election.<sup>1</sup>
- (h) <u>Election Law</u> Arkansas statutes concerning elections conducted by county boards of election commissioners, the rules promulgated by the State Board of Election Commissioners, and Amendment 51 to the Arkansas Constitution.
- (i) <u>Service Member</u> A person who is a member of a uniform service of the United States, the Arkansas National Guard, or of the United States Merchant Marine.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-404(b)(2)(B)(ii).

- (j) <u>Sufficient Application</u> A determination that an application for an absentee ballot satisfies this rule and other applicable election law so that the applicant is entitled to receive an absentee ballot.
- (k) <u>Voting Address</u> The address of a qualified elector that describes the physical location identified as that person's voting residence under A.C.A. § 7-5-201.

#### § 1302 Form of an Absentee Ballot Application

#### (a) Applications Using the State Form

Any application submitted using the form proscribed by the Secretary of State under A.C.A. § 7-5-405 shall be processed pursuant to state election law to determine whether the application is sufficient.

#### (b) Applications Not Using the State Form – Generally

Any written application submitted to the county clerk which does not use the form proscribed by the Secretary of State or the Federal Postal Card Application must include the following in order to be accepted in lieu of the state form<sup>2</sup>:

- (1) The application must include the applicant's name, voting address, and date of birth.
- (2) The application must include a request that an absentee ballot be sent to the person submitting the application. If a sufficient application requests delivery of the ballot in a manner permitted under state election law, the county clerk shall deliver the ballot in the manner requested. If a sufficient application does not specify how the applicant would like to receive his or her ballot, a qualified applicant's ballot shall be sent to the voter's residential address recorded in the voter registration database.
- (3) The application must affirm that the applicant satisfies all legal requirements to obtain an absentee ballot. Any close questions regarding whether the applicant's statement is sufficient to satisfy this requirement shall be resolved in favor of satisfying the requirement.
- (4) The application must include the signature of the applicant.

A written application satisfying these requirements shall be processed pursuant to state election law to determine whether the application is sufficient. Unless the application also satisfies one of the following requirements governing third party ballot carriers, a sufficient application may only be provided to the voter in person or through the mail.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-404(a)(3)(B)(i).

#### (c) Applications Not Using the State Form – Designated Bearer

Any written application submitted to the county clerk which does not uses the form proscribed by the Secretary of State must include the following in order for the County Clerk to issue an absentee ballot to a designated bearer:

- (1) The application must satisfy the requirements of subsection (b) of this section;
- (2) The application must include the name of the person who the applicant desires to act as a designated bearer and a statement expressing the applicant's desire that their ballot be entrusted to the named individual:<sup>3</sup>
- (3) The application must bear the signature of the person who the applicant desires to act as a designated bearer.<sup>4</sup>

A written application satisfying these requirements shall be processed pursuant to state election law to determine whether the application is sufficient.

#### (d) Applications Not Using the State Form – Authorized Agent

Any written application submitted to the county clerk which does not use the form proscribed by the Secretary of State must include the following in order for the County Clerk to issue an absentee ballot to an authorized agent:

- (1) The application must satisfy the requirements of sub-section (b) of this section;
- (2) The application must include the name of the person who the applicant desires to act as an authorized agent and a statement expressing the applicant's desire that their ballot be entrusted to the named individual;
- (3) The application must include an affidavit from the administrative head of a hospital, a long-term care facility licensed by the state, or a residential care facility licensed by the state which provides that the applicant is a patient and is, therefore, unable to vote at his or her polling site on election day.<sup>5</sup>
- (4) The application must bear the signature of the person who the applicant desires to act as an authorized agent.<sup>6</sup>

A written application satisfying these requirements shall be processed pursuant to state election law to determine whether the application is sufficient. The requirements of this subsection may be satisfied by a single document or multiple documents provided to the County Clerk.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> A.C.A. 7-5-403(a)(4)(B).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See, A.C.A. 7-5-409(a)(1)(B).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> A.C.A. 7-5-403(b)(4)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See, A.C.A. 7-5-409(a)(1)(B).

#### (e) Applications Not Using the State Form – Administrators

Any written application submitted to the county clerk which does not uses the form proscribed by the Secretary of State must include the following in order for the County Clerk to issue an absentee ballot to an Administrator:

- (1) The application must satisfy the requirements of subsection (b) of this section;
- (2) The application must include the name of the administrator of the facility at which the voter is a resident by name and include a statement that the applicant desires his or her ballot be entrusted to the administrator;<sup>7</sup>
- (3) The application must provide or have previously provided an affidavit signed and dated by the administrator which satisfies the requirements of A.C.A. 7-5-403(c)(4).
- (4) The application must bear the signature of the person who the applicant desires to act as an administrator.<sup>8</sup>

A written application satisfying these requirements shall be processed pursuant to state election law to determine whether the application is sufficient.

#### (f) Applications Using the Federal Postal Card Application

Any application submitted using the federal postal card application under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act shall be processed pursuant to this rule and applicable state and federal law to determine whether the application is sufficient.<sup>9</sup>

#### § 1303 Processing an Absentee Ballot Application

#### (a) Comparisons

When processing an absentee ballot application, the County Clerk shall verify that the name, voting address, date-of-birth, and signature are comparable to that applicant's name, voting address, date-of-birth, and signature on file in the voter registration database. Comparisons shall be made pursuant to the following rules:<sup>10</sup>

(1) The applicant's name is comparable if it is sufficiently similar so that any discrepancies such as abbreviations, nicknames, or a change in a name are not so dissimilar that the county clerk is unable to determine that the two documents reflect different forms of a name belonging to the same individual. To be comparable, two names must have at least one component of the names being compared in common.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> A.C.A. 7-5-403(d)(1)(B).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> See, A.C.A. §§7-5-404(a)(1)(A); 7-5-409(a)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 52 U.S.C. 20301(b)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-404(a).

- (2) The applicant's voting address is comparable if it is sufficiently similar so that any discrepancies such as abbreviations, variations in form, or other minor incongruities are not so dissimilar that election officials are unable to determine that the two documents reflect the same physical address.
- (3) The applicant's date-of-birth is comparable if the same month, date, and year are described in both documents. When comparing dates-of-birth where one or both dates are expressed using only numerals, the dates are comparable if one document expressed the date in a month/day/year form and the other document expressed the same date in the day/month/year form.
- (4) The applicant's signature is comparable unless the signature on the absentee ballot application is sufficiently dissimilar to the signature in the voter registration records so that the reviewing county clerk is left with an abiding conviction that the signatures being compared are written by two different people.

If a county clerk seeks to reject an absentee ballot application on the basis of dissimilar signatures, then the county clerk shall document in writing the reason the signature was found to not be comparable. The following, non-exhaustive, categories may be considered in the clerk's analysis:

- (A) Spacing (Overall Spacing and Internal Spacing of Words and Letters);
- (B) Type or Style of Writing;
- (C) Speed of Writing;
- (E) Size and Proportions of Words and Letters;
- (F) Spelling;
- (G) Slant of Writing;
- (H) Curves, Loops, and Cross-Points;
- (I) Presence or Absence of Pen Lifts; and
- (J) Beginning and Ending Strokes.

#### (b) Applications Received Prior to the Delivery of the Ballots

In the event that an absentee ballot application is received prior to the time that ballots for the election for which the absentee ballot is being sought are delivered to the County Clerk, the absentee ballot application must be secured so that only the County Clerk may access the original documents.

The County Clerk may not determine the sufficiency of these applications until 60 days before the date of the election.

Sufficient absentee ballot applications which cause a voter to be entitled to receive an absentee ballot for more than one election cycle must also be secured in a manner that ensures they can only the County Clerk may access the original documents.

#### (c) Marking the Time and Date an Application is Received

The county clerk shall mark the absentee ballot application with the time and date when it is received by the county clerk.

#### § 1304 Rejection of an Absentee Ballot Application

If a County Clerk determines that an absentee ballot is insufficient to permit the County Clerk from sending the applicant an absentee ballot, the clerk shall reject the absentee ballot application, electronically record the rejection in the permanent system maintained by the County Clerk, and promptly notify the applicant of the rejection.<sup>11</sup>

#### (a) Notice to Applicant

Written notice shall be sent by first class mail to the applicant using the address where the voter is registered to vote which explains why the application was rejected and informs the voter how they can submit a second application.<sup>12</sup> If the insufficient application was not filed using the Absentee Ballot Application Form proscribed by the Secretary of State, the notice shall include a copy of the proscribed from.

In addition, the County Clerk shall attempt to notify the voter of the rejection through the most efficient alternative means available including, without limitation, any telephone or email address provided on the application or on file with the county clerk. If the ballot was delivered by a designated bearer, authorized agent, or administrator, the County Clerk shall attempt to contact this individual through the most efficient means available if they are unable to reach the applicant.

#### (b) Referral to the County Board of Election Commissioners<sup>13</sup>

The issue of whether an absentee ballot application is sufficient shall be referred to the CBEC if the county clerk is unable to make contact with an applicant whose ballot was rejected and the application was rejected for one of the following reasons:

- (1) The county clerk rejected the absentee ballot application on the basis that the person whose name is listed on the absentee ballot application is not lawfully registered to vote at the address provided in the application; or<sup>14</sup>
- (2) That the applicant's signature is not comparable to the signature in the voter registration database. 15

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> A.C.A. §§ 7-5-404(a)(2); 7-5-409(a)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-404(a)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-409(a)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-409(a)(1)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-409(a)(1)(B).

#### (c) <u>Timeframe for Review by the County Board of Election Commissioners</u>

- (1) If the application is submitted by a voter requesting a ballot be carried by hand or be sent to an address in the United States and the ballot is rejected more than 30 days prior to the date of the election, the county clerk shall notify the chair of the CBEC and provide the relevant documentation no less than 10 days of the date the application is rejected.
- (2) If the application is submitted by a voter requesting a ballot be sent to an address outside the United States or the ballot is rejected less than 30 days prior to the date of the election, the county clerk shall notify the chair of the CBEC and provide the relevant documentation within 5 business days of the date the application is rejected.
- (3) The chair of the CBEC shall call a meeting to determine the sufficiency of any absentee ballot application rejected by the county clerk when the clerk was unable to contact the applicant:
  - (i) No less than 20 days before the election for any rejected absentee ballot application for which the commission chair has been notified up to the time the CBEC meets to consider absentee ballot application sufficiency; or
  - (ii) As soon as reasonably possible for any additional rejected absentee ballot applications for which the commission chair has been notified.

#### (d) Process for Review by the County Board of Election Commissioners

- (1) When an absentee ballot is rejected based on grounds which are reviewable by the CBEC, the county clerk shall provide the CBEC access to the voter registration records, or a copy of those records, necessary for the CBEC to determine whether the applicant is a qualified elector residing at the stated address.
- (2) When reviewing an absentee ballot application rejected due to the comparability of the voter's signature, the county clerk shall provide the CBEC with access to the voter registration records for the voter in question which contain the voter's signature or a copy of those records.
- (3) The CBEC shall consider all information available to it and determine whether the application is sufficient to satisfy the requirement that formed the basis of the application's rejection. The county clerk shall issue the absentee ballot if the CBEC determines that the absentee ballot is sufficient in its review and there are no other legal requirements that would prevent the county clerk from issuing the ballot.

#### § 1305 Determining Whether an Absentee Ballot Qualifies as a Military or Overseas Ballot

This section establishes standards by which the County Clerk and the CBEC shall determine whether an absentee ballot falls into a specific category established in law:

#### (a) Active Duty Military, Merchant Mariners, and their Spouses or Dependents

An absentee ballot shall be canvassed as the ballot of a person who is absent from his or her residence due to active duty service as a member of a uniform service of the United States on active duty, the spouse of a uniform service member on active duty, or the dependent of a uniform service member on active duty if:

- (1) The voter's absentee ballot application indicates that the voter is a service member on active duty who is absent from the voter's residence because of this service;
- (2) The voter's absentee ballot application indicates that the voter is a spouse or dependent of a service member on active duty who is absent from the voter's residence because of this service;
- (3) The voter's ballot was clearly processed by an Army Post Office (APO), Air Post Office (APO), or Fleet Post Office (FPO); or
- (4) County election officials possess additional information which definitively establishes the voter's status as an active duty service member or the spouse or dependent of an active duty service member.

#### (b) United States Citizens outside the Territorial Limits of the United States

An absentee ballot shall be canvassed as the ballot of a person who is a United States Citizen residing or temporarily outside the territorial limits or the United States and the District of Columbia if:

- (1) The voter's absentee ballot application indicates that the voter is a United States citizen residing or temporarily outside the territorial limits or the United States and the District of Columbia;
- (2) The voter's ballot was not otherwise determined to have been cast by a voter described in subsection (a) of this section and was clearly processed by a Diplomatic Post Office (DPO); or
- (3) County election officials possess additional information which definitively establishes the voter's status as a United States Citizen residing or temporarily outside the territorial limits or the United States and the District of Columbia.

#### § 1306 Sending Absentee Ballots

- (a) Absentee Ballots shall be sent pursuant to the requirements of A.C.A. § 7-5-401 et seq.
- (b) (1) Except as provided below, the voter statement provided by the county clerk when issuing an absentee ballot shall be in the form established by this rule and marked as "Attachment A." The county clerk shall include an identifying label for the ballot that is being sent to the voter which describes of the unique combination of issues and races contained on the enclosed ballot. This identifying label can be on the voter statement included with the absentee ballot or on the outside of the return ballot envelope.
  - (2) A county may modify the voter statement marked as "Attachment A" to accommodate local procedures so long as the changes do not materially alter the form and the county receives prior written approval from the SBEC.
  - (3) A county may use forms which it acquired for use in the 2020 General Election prior to the promulgation of this rule so long as those forms are consistent with current statutory law. Voter statements used after January 1, 2021 must conform to the requirements of this rule.
  - (4) When sending an absentee ballot to a voter known to be an active duty service member, the spouse or dependent of an active duty service member, or a citizen who is outside the territory of the United States, the voter statement established by this rule shall be modified by adding the following elements to the form marked as "Attachment A:"
    - (A) The phrase "UOCAVA VOTER" shall be added to the top of the form; and
    - (B) The following instruction shall be added to the form in numerical order: "4. If applicable, my Special Runoff Ballot in its secrecy envelope. (Applies in some elections to citizens outside the US)"
- (c) (1) Except as provided below, the instructions for voting and returning an absentee ballot which are provided by the county clerk when issuing an absentee ballot shall be in the form established by this rule and marked as "Attachment B."
  - (2) A county may modify the instructions marked as "Attachment B" to accommodate local procedures so long as the changes do not materially alter the instructions and the county receives prior written approval from the SBEC.
  - (3) A county may modify the instructions marked as "Attachment B" to provides the voter information specific to the local county clerk's office or the election process without approval of the SBEC. This information includes addresses, phone numbers, websites, email addresses, times, and dates of scheduled processing of absentee or provisional ballots, or other similar information specific to that locality or election.

(4) A county may use instructions which it acquired for use in the 2020 General Election prior to the promulgation of this rule so long as those forms are consistent with current statutory law. Instructions used after January 1, 2021 must conform to the requirements of this rule.

#### § 1307 Receiving Absentee Ballots

Absentee Ballots shall be received pursuant to the requirements of A.C.A. § 7-5-401 et seq.

#### § 1308 Clerk's Delivery of Ballots to the CBEC

#### (a) Pre-Election Day Canvassing of Ballots

If the CBEC has elected to process, open, and canvass the documents contained in the outer envelope of absentee ballots prior to election day, the County Clerk shall provide to the CBEC all absentee ballots received at the close of business on the day prior to scheduled canvassing.

The County Clerk shall also provide the absentee ballot applications for each absentee ballot being provided to the CBEC sorted alphabetically or by precinct.

#### (b) Election Day Counting of Ballots

The County Clerk shall provide to the CBEC all absentee ballots which have been received up to one hour prior to the published time to begin the canvassing of absentee ballots on election day.

The County Clerk shall also provide the absentee ballot applications for each absentee ballot being provided to the CBEC sorted alphabetically or by precinct.

#### (c) Additional Materials Which Must Be Provided

- (1) The report required under A.C.A. § 7-5-416(a)(3)(C). This report should be current as of one hour prior to the time the CBEC has scheduled the canvassing of absentee ballots on election day.
- (2) A list of all absentee voters who are flagged as first-time voters who registered by mail and who have not satisfied the identification requirement for these voters at the time the absentee ballot application was processed. Ballots falling into this category shall be flagged or segregated so they can be identified by the absentee ballot clerks.
- (3) For every absentee ballot returned by an Authorized Agent, the county clerk shall provide a copy of the affidavit from the administrator of the hospital or nursing home attached to that voter's absentee ballot application.<sup>16</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-403(b)(4)(B).

- (4) For every absentee ballot returned by an Administrator, the county clerk shall provide a copy of the affidavit from the administrator of the residential or long-term care facility attached to that voter's absentee ballot application.<sup>17</sup>
- (5) In a runoff election, the county clerk shall provide the following for any qualified elector who is eligible to vote in the runoff election and who submitted a special runoff ballot in the election necessitating the runoff:
  - (A) The absentee ballot application submitted for the election necessitating the runoff; and
  - (B) The mailing envelope for the absentee vote submitted for the election necessitating the runoff which shall include the special runoff ballot placed inside its secrecy envelope and the voter statement submitted with the ballot. 18

#### (d) Procedures for Ballots Received after the Election Day Canvassing

The County Clerk shall provide to the CBEC all absentee ballots which are received by the county clerk's office after the delivery of absentee ballots to the CBEC on election day as soon as practical or at the time they are requested by the CBEC.

The County Clerk shall also provide the absentee ballot applications for each absentee ballot being provided to the CBEC sorted alphabetically or by precinct.

#### (e) Untimely Absentee Ballots

The county clerk shall not provide to the CBEC any absentee ballot which is received after the applicable deadline for casting absentee ballots has passed. <sup>19</sup> In the event the county clerk is unclear regarding the timeliness of an absentee ballot in the clerk's possession, the ballot shall be provided to the CBEC along with a complete explanation regarding why the ballot's timeliness is in question. The CBEC shall consider all available facts and determine whether state election law permits the absentee ballot to be canvassed.

#### § 1309 Canvassing Absentee Ballots

Absentee ballots shall be canvassed pursuant to the procedures established in A.C.A. § 7-5-416. This section only provides additional procedures for the implementation and clarification of existing statutory law.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-403(d)(5).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> See, A.C.A. §7-5-416(f).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> See, A.C.A. §7-5-416(a)(3)(C)(iv).

#### (a) General Comparisons

When canvassing an absentee ballot, the absentee ballot clerks shall verify<sup>20</sup> that the name, voting address, date-of-birth, and signature are comparable to that applicant's name, voting address, dateof-birth, and signature on the absentee ballot application. Comparisons shall be made pursuant to the following rules:

- (1) The voter's name is comparable if it is sufficiently similar so that any discrepancies such as abbreviations, nicknames, or a change in a name are not so dissimilar that election officials are unable to determine that the two documents reflect different forms of a name belonging to the same individual. To be comparable, two names must have at least one component of the names being compared in common. In the event the voter's statement has no name printed in Box 1 but does have a name printed on another location on the document, the absentee ballot clerks shall compare the name, regardless of where it appears, to the name printed on the absentee ballots application.
- (2) The voter's address is comparable if it is sufficiently similar so that any discrepancies such as abbreviations, variations in form, or other minor incongruities are not so dissimilar that election officials are unable to determine that the two documents reflect the same physical address.
- (3) The voter's date-of-birth is comparable if the same month, date, and year are described in both documents. When comparing dates-of-birth where one or both dates are expressed using only numerals, the dates are comparable if one document expressed the date in a month/day/year form and the other document expressed the same date in the day/month/year form.
- (4) The voter's signature is comparable unless the signature on the voter's statement is sufficiently dissimilar to the signature on the absentee ballot application so that the reviewing official is left with an abiding conviction that the signatures being compared are written by two different people.

If the reviewing official reject an absentee ballot application on the basis of dissimilar signatures, then the official shall document in writing the reason the signature was found to not be comparable. The following, non-exhaustive, categories may be considered in the clerk's analysis:

- (A) Spacing (Overall Spacing and Internal Spacing of Words and Letters);
- (B) Type or Style of Writing;
- (C) Speed of Writing;
- (E) Size and Proportions of Words and Letters;
- (F) Spelling:
- (G) Slant of Writing;
- (H) Curves, Loops, and Cross-Points;
- (I) Presence or Absence of Pen Lifts; and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-416(b)(1)(F).

(J) Beginning and Ending Strokes.

#### (b) Reviewing Procedures

- (1) When canvassing absentee ballots, the absentee ballot clerk shall reject any ballot which falls into one of the following categories:
  - (A) The ballot has no voter statement;<sup>21</sup>
  - (B) The ballot's voter statement omitted the voter's printed name;
  - (C) The ballot's voter statement omitted a voting address;
  - (D) The ballot's voter statement omitted the voter's date-of-birth;
  - (E) The ballot's voter statement omitted the voter's signature; or
  - (F) The ballot was returned by an authorized bearer, agent, or administrator, but no third party is designated in Box 4 of the voter's statement.<sup>22</sup>
- (2) When canvassing absentee ballots, the absentee ballot clerk shall refer to the CBEC for final determination of sufficiency any ballot which has not already been rejected under (b)(1) of this section and at least one absentee ballot clerk concludes is described below:
  - (A) The voter's printed name is not comparable to the name on the voter's application;
  - (B) The voter's address is not comparable to the address on the voter's application;
  - (C) The voter's date-of-birth is not comparable to the date-of-birth on the voter's application; or
  - (D) The voter's signature is not comparable to the signature on the voter's application;<sup>23</sup>
- (3) When canvassing absentee ballots, the absentee ballot clerk shall make provisional any ballot which has not already been rejected under (b)(1) of this section and is described below:
  - (A) The ballot was returned by an authorized bearer, agent, or administrator, but the name and address written on the outside of the absentee ballot envelope does not compare with the information stated in Box 4 of the voter's statement;<sup>24</sup>
  - (B) The ballot did not include a copy of an identification card or document satisfying the requirements of Amendment 51 and the voter casting the ballot was not exempt from doing so;<sup>25</sup>
  - (C) The ballot was cast by a voter flagged as a first-time voter who registered by mail and failed to provide a document which satisfies the identification requirements applying to this voter:<sup>26</sup> or
  - (D) The ballot is challenged by a certified poll watcher.<sup>27</sup>
- (4) In the even an absentee ballot must be referred to the CBEC for one reason and made provisional for a separate reason, the CBEC shall first resolve the issue requiring the ballot to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-416(b)(1)(H).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-416(b)(1)(J).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-416(b)(1)(F)(ii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-416(b)(1)(G).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Ark. Const. Amend. 51, §11(b)(3).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-416(b)(1)(F)(iii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-312.

be referred to the CBEC. If ballot is not rejected by the CBEC, the ballot must then be made provisional.

#### (c) Omissions of a Required Signature

In the event a voter statement has no signature in Box 6 but has a signature in Box 5, the absentee ballot clerks shall compare the signature in Box 5 to the allow the absentee ballot to be canvassed.

#### § 1310 Counting of Absentee Ballots

Absentee ballots shall be counted pursuant to the requirements of A.C.A. § 7-5-401 et. seq.

Except as necessary to discover or reorder the absentee ballot materials, <sup>28</sup> no person shall open an absentee ballot secrecy envelope until every absentee ballot provided to the CBEC on the date of the election has been canvassed and all voter secrecy envelopes have been separated from their corresponding voter statements and adequately reordered so that it is not possible to determine which voter statement was associated with a particular ballot secrecy envelope. <sup>29</sup>

#### § 1311 Conversion of an Absentee Ballot to a Provisional Ballot

- (a) In the event an absentee ballot is designated as provisional, the absentee ballot shall be placed inside an envelope which bears the word "Provisional." The official processing the ballot shall write on the face of the envelope the reason it has been designated provisional and the name or initials of the officials who processed the ballot. It is permissible but not necessary to utilize the provisional ballot envelope form required under SBEC Rule §905.
- (b) If the absentee ballot is challenged by a Poll Watcher<sup>31</sup> the absentee ballot clerks must:
  - (1) Require the poll watcher to complete the "challenge ballot form"<sup>32</sup> that is printed on the envelope or provided on a separate sheet of paper and enclosed with the envelope; or
  - (2) Record the name of the poll watcher, record the entity the poll watcher represents, require the poll watcher to document the reason the challenge was made, and require the poll watcher to sign the provisional ballot envelope.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-416(b)(1)(C)-(D).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> A.C.A. §7-5-416(b)(1)(L)-(N).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> A.C.A. § 7-5-416(b)(1)(G).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> SBEC Rule §900(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> See, SBEC Rule §903.

#### Attachment A: ABSENTEE VOTER STATEMENT

## THIS VOTER STATEMENT MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED IN THE MAILING ENVELOPE OR THE ABSENTEE BALLOT WILL NOT BE COUNTED

I have included the following items in the return envelope:

- 1. My completed Absentee Voter Statement (this piece of paper);
- 2. A copy of an identifying card or document (as detailed below and in the enclosed instructions) if applicable:
  - a. <u>For first-time voters who registered by mail</u>: If I am a newly registered voter of this county and this is the first time I am voting in this county, I am enclosing a copy of a current and valid photo identification card or a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows your name and address; or
  - b. For all other voters\*: If I am not a first time voter and have not signed the statement in Box 4, I am enclosing a copy of a document or identification card issued by the United States, the State of Arkansas, or an accredited postsecondary education institution in Arkansas that shows my name and photo and is not expired or has expired no more than four years before the date of the election. \*(See "Instructions for Absentee Voting" for exceptions to this rule.)
- 8. My Ballot Only Envelope containing My marked ballot.

Box 1: VOTER'S PRINTED NAME	Box 4: Complete this Box if Your Ballot is Delivered by Any Third Party Other Than a Mail Service:		
MUST COMPLETE FOR YOUR BALLOT TO BE COUNTED!	Printed Name of Designated Bearer, Agent, or Administrator		
Box 2: VOTER'S RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS			
I CERTIFY THIS IS THE PHYSICAL ADDRESS (IN THE <b>S</b> TATE OF <b>A</b> RKANSAS) AT WHICH I RESIDE.	Signature of Designated Bearer, Agent, or Administrator		
Street Address			
	Address of Designated Bearer, Agent, or Administrator		
Street Address	Box 5: Optional Verification of Voter Registration		
	I,, hereby		
City State Zip Code  Must Complete For Your Ballot to Be Counted!	affirm, under penalty of perjury, that I am registered to vote in the State of Arkansas and that I am the person who is		
Box 3: VOTER'S DATE OF BIRTH	registered using the information entered in Box 1, 2, and 3.		
Month Day Year	Signature of Absentee Voter		
Month Day Year  Must Complete For Your Ballot to be Counted!	AVAILABLE TO VOTERS WHO CANNOT PROVIDE PHOTO ID		
Box 6: REQUIRED ABSENTEE VOTER STATE	MENT		
-	HE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY. IF I		
HAVE PROVIDED FALSE INFORMATION, I MAY BE SU OR IMPRISONMENT FOR UP TO TEN (10) YEARS, OR	BJECT TO A FINE OF UP TO TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000) BOTH, UNDER FEDERAL OR STATE LAWS.		
	You Must Sign Here AND Return this Form With Your Ballot for Your Vote to be Counted!		
Signature of Absentee Voter Date Sig	rned		

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#### Attachment B:

#### **Instructions for Absentee Voting**

#### Follow these Steps to Complete and Return your Absentee Ballot:

#### STEP 1: Complete the Absentee Voter Statement

- Print your name in Box 1.
- Enter the Address of your Voting Residence in Box 2. This must be a Physical Address at which
  you are registered to vote.<sup>1</sup>
- 3. Enter your Date-of-Birth in Box 3.
- 4. If you ask another person to carry your absentee ballot back to the County Clerk for you, you must complete Box 4. <u>Failure to do so will cause your ballot to be rejected!</u> If you return your ballot by mail or hand deliver it to the County Clerk yourself, leave Box 4 blank.
  - Print the name of the person who you want to return your ballot in Box 4.
  - · Write this person's address in Box 4.
  - Ensure the person returning your ballot signs in Box 4.
  - The person returning your ballot must provide THEIR Photo ID to the County Clerk and sign a log in at the Clerk's Office before they can cast your ballot.
- 5. If you cannot provide a copy of your photo ID, you may sign the statement in Box 5.
  - This Optional Affirmation will allow you to have your ballot counted if you cannot provide a copy of your Photo ID.
  - If you are a First Time Voter Who Registered by Mail, signing the statement will not cause your ballot to be counted, you must complete Step 2.
- 6. Sign and date the Absentee Voter Statement in Box 6. The failure to sign this statement will cause your ballot to be rejected!

## STEP 2: ID Requirements for First Time Voters Who Registered by Mail (If you have voted in this county before or did not register by mail, skip this step.)

- First time voters who have registered to vote by mail have a unique ID requirement that only applies to them.
- If you are in this category, you must enclose a copy of a current and valid photo identification card or a utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows your name and address in the absentee ballot mailing envelope.
- 3. If you are required to complete Step 2, skip Step 3, it does not apply to you.

#### STEP 3: ID Requirements for All Other Voters

- Voters who do not fall into the category addressed in Step 2 and who do not fall into an exception addressed below must Provide a copy of a Photo ID that satisfies the following requirements:
  - a. The ID must be issued by the United States Government, the State of Arkansas, or of a Post-Secondary Educational Institution in the State of Arkansas, or the County Clerk.<sup>2</sup>
  - b. The ID must include your name and your photo.
  - c. You may use an ID that has <u>no expiration date</u> at all **OR** you may use an ID that has an expiration date so long as it is current or has not been expired for more than four years.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If you are a US Citizen living outside the United States, you must provide the physical address to your residence in the United States. If you no longer maintain a US residence, you must provide the address of the last residence you maintained when you did reside in the United States.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> You may use the free photo ID marked "For Voting Purposes Only" that can be provided by the County Clerk.

- EXCEPTION 1: If you are currently in a residential or long-term care facility (an example would be a nursing home) then you may obtain a signed statement from the administrator of your facility that will satisfy your ID requirement.
  - This statement must attest that you are a resident of the facility.
- 3. EXCEPTION 2: If you are an active duty member of a uniformed service, the Arkansas National Guard, a merchant mariner (or a Spouse/Dependent of an active duty service member, Guard Member or Mariner) who is absent due to this service you are not required to complete Step 3.

#### STEP 4: VOTE

- Mark your ballot using a blue or black ink pen.
  - You may only select one option per race or issue on the ballot.
  - IF YOU VOTE MORE THAN ONCE IN A SINGLE RACE OR ISSUE YOUR VOTE WILL NOT COUNT IN THAT RACE. If you change your mind, make your final selection clear.
  - You may skip a race or ballot issue if you choose.
- Place your marked ballot in the inner ballot secrecy envelope.
- 3. Place your sealed ballot secrecy envelope in the outer mailing envelope.

#### STEP 5: Return Your Ballot to the County Clerk

- 1. TO RETURN YOUR BALLOT BY MAIL GENERALLY:
  - Mail your Ballot.
  - b. DEADLINE: Your ballot must physically arrive at the County Clerk's Office no later than 7:30pm on the date of the election.
- TO RETURN YOUR BALLOT BY MAIL (Civilian outside the United States):
  - a. Mail your Ballot.
  - b. DEADLINE (if you applied MORE than 30 days prior to the election): Your ballot must physically arrive at the County Clerk's Office no less than ten days after the election
  - c. DEADLINE (if you applied LESS THAN 30 days prior to the election): Your ballot must physically arrive at the County Clerk's Office no later than 7:30pm on the date of the election.
- TO RETURN YOUR BALLOT BY MAIL (Active Duty Armed Services Personnel and their dependents):
  - a. Mail your Ballot.
  - b. DEADLINE: Your ballot must physically arrive at the County Clerk's Office no less than ten days after the election.
- 4. TO RETURN YOUR BALLOT BY A THIRD PARTY:
  - a. Ensure the person whose information and signature are recorded in Box 4 returns your ballot directly to the Clerk's Office to be Cast.
  - b. DEADLINE: 7:30pm on election day.
- 5. TO RETURN YOUR BALLOT PERSONALLY:
  - a. You may personally return your completed and sealed ballot to the County Clerk's Office.
  - b. DEADLINE: Close of Business on the day before the election.

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE:	HOURS OF THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE:		
Street Address	PHONE NUMBER:		
Street Address	Date of the Election:		
City, AR ZIP Code			
(Cannot include the Clerk's Name)			

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#### **Director Comments to SBEC**

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(b) Applications Received Prior to the Delivery of the Ballots

In the event that an absentee ballot application is received prior to the time that ballots for the election for which the absentee ballot is being sought are delivered to the County Clerk, the absentee ballot application must be secured so that only the County Clerk may access the original documents.

The County Clerk may not determine the sufficiency of these applications until 60 days before the date of the election.

Sufficient absentee ballot applications which cause a voter to be entitled to receive an absentee ballot for more than one election cycle must also be secured in a manner that ensures they can only the County Clerk may access the original documents.

Because of an influx of absentee ballot applications due to COVID-19, 60 days is not enough time to process the large number of absentee ballot applications that the County Clerk's office will receive. Allowing more time to determine the sufficiency will only benefit the voter, by allowing the Clerk's office time to follow up on applications that are incomplete or need further clarification. If this is a law change, then it should be addressed or part of the Governor's Executive order.

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#### (A) Notice to Applicant

In addition, the County Clerk shall attempt to notify the voter of the rejection through the most efficient alternative means available including, without limitation, any telephone or email address provided on the application or on file with the county clerk. If the ballot was delivered by a designated bearer, authorized agent, or administrator, the County Clerk shall attempt to contact this individual through the most efficient means available if they are unable to reach the applicant

Currently the State's form does not have a place for telephone and email address, could that be updated? Washington County has updated their form to include both telephone and email address, and it has proved beneficial in contacting voters.

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- (b) Referral to the County Board of Election Commissioners
- (c) Timeframe for Review by the County Board of Election Commissioners
- (d) Process for Review by the County Board of Election Commissioners

#### 7-5-409. Materials furnished to qualified voters.

(a) (1) (A) The county clerk must satisfy himself or herself that the applicant for an absentee ballot is a qualified registered elector in the ward, precinct, or township in which he or she claims to be a resident or that the applicant does not require prior registration under § 7-5-406.

- **(B)** The county clerk shall verify that the application has been properly signed by the applicant and, if necessary, the designated bearer, administrator, or authorized agent. If the application is not properly signed, the application shall be rejected by the county clerk.
- **(C)** The county clerk shall notify the applicant of the reason for the rejection.
- **(2)** If the county clerk is unable to contact the applicant to cure the deficiency, the county clerk shall forward the application with the reason for the rejection to the county board of election commissioners. The county board of election commissioners shall determine whether the applicant is a qualified elector.

The CBEC has to rely on information to determine if an applicant is a qualified elector. Is this a necessary step? This would require a change to the law. Is this just a double check for the voter, to have two different entities review the application, similar to a Provisional Ballot review? To my knowledge Washington County has not had to review an applications.

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(a) Pre-Election Day Canvassing of Ballots

Would request additional time to canvas ballots if "No Excuse" absentee voting is allowed. Currently the time frame is 1 week before Election Day, suggested change would be 15 days before Election Day for a General and Primary. This would require a law change or executive order.

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(c) Omissions of a Required Signature

In the event a voter statement has no signature in Box 6 but has a signature in Box 5, the absentee ballot clerks shall compare the signature in Box 5 to the allow the absentee ballot to be canvassed.

This clarification is needed.

Submitted by

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#### Voter Statement 2020: UOCAVA Voters

#### THIS VOTER STATEMENT MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED IN THE MAILING ENVELOPE OR THE ABSENTEE BALLOT WILL NOT BE COUNTED

I have enclosed in the return envelope the following:

- 1. My completed Voter Statement (this piece of paper);
- 2. If I am an overseas citizen, a copy of photo identification\*
  - (a) Arkansas driver's license;
  - (b) Arkansas photo identification card;
  - (c) Arkansas concealed handgun carry license;
  - (d) An employee badge or ID document issued by the State of Arkansas, the federal government, or a postsecondary educational institution located in Arkansas;
  - (e) A United States passport;
  - (f) A student ID card issued by a postsecondary educational institution located in Arkansas;
  - (g) A United States Military or Veterans Affairs ID identification document;
  - (h) A public assistance identification card containing a photo of the person to whom the card was issued;
  - (i) A voter identification card as provided under Act 633 of 2017 and rules propounded by the Secretary of State
- 3. The Ballot Only Envelope # 1 containing my marked ballot; and
- 4. If applicable, the special runoff ballot only envelope # 2 containing my marked special runoff ballot.

#### **First Time Voters Only**

First-time voters who registered to vote by mail and did not provide identification when they registered also have a statutory requirement to provide identification.

If you are a first-time voter who registered to vote by mail and did not provide identification when registering, please include one of the following:

A copy of a current and valid photo identification OR a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows name and address.

\*A member, and his or her spouse or dependent(s), of the Arkansas National Guard while in state active duty or service and merchant marine and uniformed services, who are absent from the county on election day because of active duty or service, does **Not** have to provide the identification required in #2.

BOX 1: Optional Verification of Identity Affirmation: If you are unable to provide a copy of your photo

By signing below, I verify the following:

- I have marked and mailed my ballot(s) before the polls close on Election Day.
- I have included a copy of an approved photo ID or document

identification: see item # 2 on list above. Sign Here.						
I,, certify under penalty who is registered.	y of perjury that I am registered to vote, and that I am the person					
Sign Here Signature of Voter	Signature of Voter					
PLEASE FILL OUT THE INFORMATION BELO	OW COMPLETELY FOR YOUR BALLOT TO COUNT.					
BOX 2: PRINTED NAME OF VOTER	<b>BOX 6: DESIGNATED BEARER</b> If you use a Designated Bearer to obtain or deliver your Absentee Ballot be sure to include that information here. Your Absentee Ballot may not be counted if you use a Bearer and fail to include that information.					
BOX 3: VOTER'S DATE OF BIRTH	Printed Name of Designated Bearer					
Required for Ballot to Count						
BOX 4: LAST VALID WASHINGTON	Signature of Designated Bearer					

	information.
BOX 3: VOTER'S DATE OF BIRTH	Printed Name of Designated Bearer
Required for Ballot to Count	
BOX 4: LAST VALID WASHINGTON COUNTY, AR ADDRESS OF VOTER	Signature of Designated Bearer
Street Address	Street Address of Designated Bearer
Citv. State. Zip Required for Ballot to Count	City, State, and Zip of Designated Bearer

**BOX 5:** THE INFORMATION I HAVE PROVIDED IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY. IF I HAVE PROVIDED FALSE INFORMATION, I MAY BE SUBJECT TO A FINE OF UP TO TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000) OR IMPRISONMENT FOR ID TO TEN (10) VEADS OD DOTH HNDED FEDERAL OD STATE LAWS

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Required Signature	•	FAILURE TO SIGN WILL CAUSE
		YOUR BALLOT TO BE REJECTED.
	Signature of Voter	

#### Voter Statement 2020

#### THIS VOTER STATEMENT MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED IN THE MAILING ENVELOPE OR THE ABSENTEE BALLOT WILL NOT BE COUNTED

I have enclosed in the return envelope the following:

- 1. My completed Voter Statement (this piece of paper);
- 2. A copy of photo identification\*
  - (a) Arkansas driver's license;
  - (b) Arkansas photo identification card;
  - (c) Arkansas concealed handgun carry license;
  - (d) An employee badge or ID document issued by the State of Arkansas, the federal government, or a postsecondary educational institution located
  - (e) A United States passport;
  - (f) A student ID card issued by a postsecondary educational institution located in Arkansas:
  - (g) A United States Military or Veterans Affairs ID identification document;
  - (h) A public assistance identification card containing a photo of the person to whom the card was issued;
  - (i) A voter identification card as provided under Act 633 of 2017 and rules propounded by the Secretary of State
- The Ballot Only Envelope containing my marked ballot
- \*A person who resides in a long-term care or residential care facility licensed by the state may instead provide documentation from

the administrator of the facility attesting that the person is a resident of the facility. Contact the County Clerk for a standardized form.

By signing below, I verify the following:

- I have marked and mailed my ballot(s) before the polls close on Election Day.
- I have included a copy of an approved photo ID or document

BOX 1: Optional Verification of Identity Affirmation: If you are unable to provide a copy of your photo identification: see item # 2 on list above. Sign Here.					
I, who is registered.	_, certify under penalty of perjury that I am registered to vote, and that I am the person				
Sign Here	Signature of Voter				
PLEASE FILL OUT THE	INFORMATION BELOW COMPLETELY FOR YOUR BALLOT TO COUNT.				

Sign Here Signature of Voter						
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BOX 3: VOTER'S DATE OF BIRTH  Required for Ballot to Count	Printed Name of Designated Bearer					
BOX 4: VOTER'S ADDRESS: My last valid address in Washington County, Arkansas and I reside at the address listed on my application.	Signature of Designated Bearer					
Street Address	Street Address of Designated Bearer					
City, State, Zip Required for Ballot to Count	City, State, and Zip of Designated Bearer					

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Required Signature	,	YOUR BALLOT TO BE REJECTED.
,	Signature of Voter	

**First Time Voters Only** 

First-time voters who registered to vote by mail and did not provide

identification when they registered

also have a statutory requirement to

If you are a first-time voter who

registered to vote by mail and did

A copy of a current and valid photo

current utility bill, bank statement,

government check, paycheck, or

other government document that

identification OR a copy of a

shows name and address.

not provide identification when registering, please include one of

provide identification.

the following:

#### CHECK LIST FOR ABSENTEE VOTING

1.	COMPLETE VOTER STATEMENT	*First Time Voters Only
	☐ Printed Name in Box 2	If you are a first-time voter who
	☐ Printed Date of Birth in Box 3	registered to vote by mail and did
	☐ Printed last valid address in Washington Co	unty, AR in not provide identification when registering, please include one of
	Box 4	the following:
	☐ Signed in Box 5	A copy of a current and valid photo
	☐ Included copy of Approved Photo ID: See	# 2 on Voter identification OR a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement,
	Statement	government check, paycheck, or
	☐ If unable to provide a copy of Approved Ph	oto ID Sign other government document that shows name and address.
	Box 1 *This does not apply to First Time	Voters
2.	VOTE	Failure to provide ID may result in your Absentee Ballot not counting.
	☐ Follow voting instructions on Ballot	
	☐ Place your marked ballot in the inner ballot	secrecy envelope
	☐ Place your sealed ballot secrecy envelope in	•
		a une outer manning en verepe
3.	RETURN YOUR BALLOT TO THE COUNTY O	CLERK BY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING
	METHODS:	
	☐ By Mail: Ballot must physically arrive at the on Election Day	ne County Clerk's office no later than 7:30 p.m
	☐ Return by a Third Party (Designated Bearer	): Ensure the person whose information is
	recorded in Box 6 returns ballot directly to	the County Clerk's Office
	☐ Return Personally: Return ballot to the Cou	nty Clerk's office by close of business on the
	day before the Election	
	SPECIAL NOTES FOR	SPECIAL NOTES FOR ACTIVE
	CIVILIANS OVERSEAS	DUTY ARMED SERVICES AND
	DEADLINE TO RETURN YOUR	THEIR DEPENDENTS
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### **BALLOT BY MAIL:**

- If you applied more than 30 days prior to the Election your ballot must physically arrive at the County Clerk's office no less than 10 days after the Election
- If you applied less than 30 days prior to the Election, your ballot must physically arrive at the County Clerk's office no later than 7:30 p.m. on Election Day

**ID:** Active duty members or Spouses/ Dependents of a uniformed service, the Arkansas National Guard, a merchant mariner who are absent due to service you are not required to return a copy of your photo ID

**DEADLINE TO RETURN YOUR BALLOT**: Your ballot must physically arrive at the County Clerk's office no less than 10 days after the Election

#### WASHINGTON COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

280 North College, Suite 300 Phone: 479-444-1711

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# Washington County, Arkansas Purchase Proposal Quote Submitted by Election Systems & Software 6/9/2020

Purchase Solution Includes:					
Quantity	Item Description	Price			
	Ballot On Demand Hardware and Software				
2	Compact Printer with Firmware and Five (5) Year Hardware Warranty				
X	Shipping and Handling				
	Total Purchase Solution	\$2,950.00			

#### **Initial Election Set-Up Fee per Election Event:**

#### Black and White Ballot Set-Up:

\$450.00 per election set-up + \$1.00 per unique PDF for first Computer, \$75.00 for each additional Computer Set-up

#### Color Ballot Set-Up:

\$550.00 per election set-up + \$1.00 per unique PDF for first Computer, \$75.00 for each additional Computer Set-up

#### Rework of set up due to customer changes after initial set up is complete: \$175.00 per

change event for first Computer Set-Up \$75.00 for each additional Computer Set-Up

\$350.00 fee for L&A Test Deck Creation

On-Site Set-Up: \$1,700.00 per person, per day

#### Footnotes:

- 1. This quote is an estimate and is subject to final review and approval by both ES&S and the Customer.
- 2. Rates valid for 60 days and thereafter may change.
- 3. Any applicable (City & State) sales taxes have not been included in pricing and are the responsibility of the customer.
- 4. The quantity of service days reflects a reasonable estimate for implementation and selected ongoing election services. Quanitites may change depending on specific Customer needs.
- 5. Customer is responsible for purchasing blank ballot stock and consumables.

#### Agenda Item #5

Polling Place Cost						
Item	Cost per	Number Needed				
			All Sites: 44	First Priority: 19	Second Priority: 24	Third Priority: 34
Plexiglas Shield	\$54.95	3 Per Site	\$7,253	\$3,132	\$3,956	\$5,605
Free Standing Hand Sanitizer	\$88.00	1 Per Site	\$3,872	\$1,672	\$2,112	\$2,992
Hand Sanitizer	\$23.00	2 Per Site	\$2,024	\$874	\$1,104	\$1,564
Stylus	\$0.05	100,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Total			\$18,149	\$10,678	\$12,172	\$15,161
Absentee Ballot Cost						
Item	Cost	Number Needed	10% Absentee	20% Absentee	30% Absentee	40% Absentee
Ballot Stock	\$0.10	12,000 every 10% X 2	\$2,400	\$4,800	\$7,200	\$9,600
Toner Cartridge	\$104.00	3/4/5/8	\$312	\$416	\$520	\$832
Image Drum	\$96.00	2/2/2/3	\$192	\$192	\$192	\$288
Extra Printer						
			\$2,904	\$5,408	\$7,912	\$10,720
County Clerk Absentee Cost						
Postage	\$0.50					
Envelopes						
Items Needed						
ExpressVote Ballot Stock	\$0.09	65,000	\$5,850			

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MODEL		DESCRIPTION	SIZE	WEIGHT	PRICE EACH		ADD TO	
ı	NO.	DESCRIPTION	(H x W x D)	WEIGHI	1	2+	CART	
	H-2398	Dispenser Stand With Drip Tray	57 x 16 x 16"	10 lbs.	\$93	\$88	<u>Unavailable</u> <u>Until July</u>	

No preorders accepted.

Additional Info

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#### MOUNTING HARDWARE:

- Not included
- H-1950 Dispenser includes tape to mount dispenser to stand.

#### MODEL NUMBER:

• GOJO®: 2424-DS

Unit Weight: 14 lbs.

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#### **General Election Nonpartisan Judicial General Runoff Election** and Prairie Grove Annual School Election November 3, 2020

- 1. Vote for a candidate by darkening the oval (●) beside the candidate's name. Vote on amendments, acts and measures by placing an appropriate mark (●) below the question either FOR or AGAINST.
- Use a black ink pen to darken the oval completely (●).
   a. If you darken more than one oval on a race, amendment, act, or measure, your vote for that race, amendment, act, or measure will not count.
  - b. If you change your mind, make your final selection clear.
- c. You may skip a question if you choose.

  3. Place marked ballot in the "Ballot Only" envelope,

  4. Place "Ballot Only" envelope and completed Voter Statement in return envelope.

  5. For you ballot to be counted it must be returned by the appropriate deadline.

PRECINCT	STATE	PRAIRIE GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT #2: SCHOOL MILLAGE		
Farmington-S 221.023	STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 85			
FEDERAL	Vote for One	42.9 SCHOOL TAX		
U.S. PRESIDENT and U.S. VICE PRESIDENT Vote for One	Brian Hester     Republican Party	The total tax rate proposed below includes the uniform rate of tax (the "Statewide Uniform Rate") to be collected on all taxable property in the		
	State Representative  David Whitaker  Democratic Party	State and remitted to the State Treasurer pursuant to Amendment No. 74 to the Arkansas Constitution		
Donald J. Trump U.S. President Michael R. Pence	COUNTY	be used solely for maintenance and operation of schools in the State. As		
U.S. Vice President Republican Party	JUSTICE OF THE PEACE DISTRICT 7 Vote for One	provided in Amendment No. 74, the Statewide Uniform Rate replaces a portion of the existing rate of tax levie by this School District and available for		
Candidate  U.S. President Running Mate U.S. Vice President Democratic Party	Justice of the Peace     Sam Duncan     Republican Party	maintenance and operation of scho in this School District. The total proposed school tax levy of 42.9 m includes 25.0 mills specifically vote general maintenance and operation		
Jo Jorgensen	<ul> <li>Janelle Bradford Smiley Democratic Party</li> </ul>	and 17.9 mills voted for debt service previously voted as a continuing levy		
U.S. President Spike Cohen U.S. Vice President Libertarian Party	NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL GENERAL ELECTION RUNOFF	pledged for the retirement of existing bonded indebtedness. The surplus revenues produced each year by det service millage may be used by the District for other school purposes.		
<b>U.S. SENATE</b> Vote for One	STATE DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT 2 DIVISION 4 Vote for One	The total proposed school tax levy of 42.9 mills represents the same rate presently being collected.		
Senator Tom Cotton Republican Party	Mark N. Scalise     Nonpartisan	○ FOR		
Oan Whitfield Independent	Terra Stephenson     Nonpartisan	O AGAINST		
Ricky Dale Harrington Jr. Libertarian Party	PRAIRIE GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT #23			
U.S. CONGRESS DISTRICT 3 Vote for One	SCHOOL BOARD			
Celeste Williams Democratic Party	SCHOOL BOARD POSITION 2 Vote for One			
Michael J. Kalagias     Libertarian Party	Candidate One Nonpartisan			
Congessman Steve Womack Republican Party	Candidate Two Nonpartisan			
STATE	SCHOOL BOARD POSITION 5			
STATE SENATE DISTRICT 2 Vote for One	Vote for One  Candidate One			
Ryan Craig Democratic Party	Nonpartisan Candidate Two Nonpartisan			
Senator Jim Hendren Republican Party	Nonpartisan			

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## OFFICIAL BALLOT GENERAL ELECTION & NON PARTISAN JUDICIAL GENERAL ELECTION RUNOFF November 6, 2018

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER:

- 1. Vote for a candidate by darkening the oval ( ) beside the candidate's name. Vote on amendments, acts, and measures by placing an appropriate mark ( ) below the amendment (act or measure) either FOR or AGAINST.
- 2. Use a black ink pen to darken the oval completely (●). If you darken more than one oval on a race, amendment, act, or measure, your vote for that race, amendment, act, or measure will not count.
- 3. If you make a mistake on your ballot, do not attempt to cross out any mark made in error. Return the ballot to an election official to receive a replacement ballot. You may replace up to two ballots in an election

PRECINCT		STATE			
	220 Farmington-1	COMMISSIONER OF STATE LANDS  Vote for One			
	FEDERAL	Larry Williams     Democratic Party			
	U.S. CONGRESS DISTRICT 3 Vote for One	Tommy Land     Republican Party			
0	Josh Mahony Democratic Party	T.J. Campbell Libertarian Party			
0	Congressman Stove Wemsek	STATE SENATE DISTRICT 4  Vote for One			
0	Michael J Kalagias Libertarian Party	Rep. Greg Leding Democratic Party			
0	•	Dawn Clemence     Republican Party			
	STATE	COUNTY			
	GOVERNOR Vote for One	COUNTY JUDGE  Vote for One			
0	Governor Asa Hutchinson Republican Party	County Judge Joseph K. Wood Republican Party			
0	lared K. Handerson	Jim House Democratic Party			
0	Mark West Libertarian Party	COUNTY ASSESSOR  Vote for One			
	LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR  Vote for One	Assessor Russell Hill     Republican Party			
0	Anthony Bland Democratic Party	William Chesser     Democratic Party			
0	Lt. Governor Tim Griffin Republican Party	CIRCUIT CLERK  Vote for One			
0	Frank Gilbert Libertarian Party	Circuit Clerk Kyle Sylvester Republican Party			
	ATTORNEY GENERAL  Vote for One	Adrienne Kvello     Democratic Party			
0	Attorney General Leslie Rutledge Republican Party	COUNTY CLERK Vote for One			
0	Mike Lee Democratic Party	County Clerk Becky Lewallen Republican Party			
0	Kerry Hicks Libertarian Party	<ul> <li>Emily Sledge</li> <li>Democratic Party</li> </ul>			
	SECRETARY OF STATE  Vote for One	COUNTY TREASURER  Vote for One			
0	John Thurston Commissioner of State Lands Republican Party	County Treasurer Bobby Hill     Republican Party			
0	Susan Inman Democratic Party	Zane Chenault Democratic Party			
0	Christopher Olson Libertarian Party	JUSTICE OF THE PEACE DISTRICT 10  Vote for One			
	STATE TREASURER  Vote for One	Andrea Jenkins     Democratic Party			
0	Ashley Ewald Libertarian Party	Justice of the Peace Robert E. Dennis Republican Party			
0	Treasurer of State Dennis Milligan Republican Party	NON PARTISAN JUDICIAL GENERAL			
	AUDITOR OF STATE  Vote for One	ELECTION RUNOFF			
0	David E. Dinwiddie Libertarian Party	STATE SUPREME COURT ASSOCIATE JUSTICE POSITION 3  Vote for One			
0	Auditor Andrea Lea Republican Party	State Supreme Court Justice Courtney Goodson Non Partisan David Sterling Non Partisan			