



A SAMPLING OF ELECTION FRAUD CASES FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY

The United States has a long and unfortunate history of election fraud. The Heritage Foundation is providing a list of election fraud cases from across the country, broken down by state, where individuals were either convicted of vote fraud, or where a judge overturned the results of an election. This is not an exhaustive list but simply a sampling that demonstrates the many different ways in which fraud is committed. Preventing, deterring, and prosecuting such fraud is essential to protecting the integrity of our voting process.



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Types of Cases

CRIMINAL CONVICTION: Any case that results in a defendant entering a plea of guilty or no contest, or being found guilty in court of election-related offenses.

CIVIL PENALTY: Any civil case resulting in fines or other penalties imposed for a violation of election laws.

DIVERSION PROGRAM: Any criminal case in which a judge directs a defendant into a pre-trial diversion program, or stays or defers adjudication with the understanding that the conviction will be cleared upon completion of the program.

JUDICIAL FINDING: A finding by a court of law that fraud occurred in an election, including judicial orders overturning election results or ordering a new election due to fraud.

OFFICIAL FINDING: A finding by a government body that fraud occurred in an election, including orders overturning election results or ordering a new election due to fraud.

Types of Voter Fraud

IMPERSONATION FRAUD AT THE POLLS: Voting in the name of other legitimate voters and voters who have died, moved away, or lost their right to vote because they are felons, but remain registered.

FALSE REGISTRATIONS: Voting under fraudulent voter registrations that either use a phony name and a real or fake address or claim residence in a particular jurisdiction where the registered voter does not actually live and is not entitled to vote.

DUPLICATE VOTING: Registering in multiple locations and voting in the same election in more than one jurisdiction or state.

FRAUDULENT USE OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS: Requesting absentee ballots and voting without the knowledge of the actual voter; or obtaining the absentee ballot from a voter and either filling it in directly and forging the voter's signature or illegally telling the voter who to vote for.

BUYING VOTES: Paying voters to cast either an in-person or absentee ballot for a particular candidate.

ILLEGAL "ASSISTANCE" AT THE POLLS: Forcing or intimidating voters—particularly the elderly, disabled, illiterate, and those for whom English is a second language—to vote for particular candidates while supposedly providing them with "assistance."

INELIGIBLE VOTING: Illegal registration and voting by individuals who are not U.S. citizens, are convicted felons, or are otherwise not eligible to vote.

ALTERING THE VOTE COUNT: Changing the actual vote count either in a precinct or at the central location where votes are counted.

BALLOT PETITION FRAUD: Forging the signatures of registered voters on the ballot petitions that must be filed with election officials in some states for a candidate or issue to be listed on the official ballot.

ALABAMA

Daniel W. Reynolds

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Daniel W. Reynolds pleaded guilty to three counts of absentee ballot fraud and was sentenced to two years' probation. Reynolds, the chief campaign volunteer for Commissioner Amos Newsome, participated in falsifying absentee ballots in the Dothan District 2 election between Newsome and his rival Lamesa Danzey in the summer of 2013.

SOURCES

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ALABAMA

Janice Lee Hart

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Janice Lee Hart pleaded guilty to eight misdemeanor counts of attempted absentee ballot fraud in connection with misconduct while working on the 2013 campaign for District 2 City Commissioner Amos Newsome. Prosecutors charged that Hart was not present when absentee ballots were signed even though she was listed as a witness on the ballots. In the election, Newsome defeated his challenger by only 14 votes and received 119 out of the 124 absentee ballots cast. A judge sentenced Hart to 12 months in the county jail for each count, which he suspended to two years of probation for each count.

SOURCES

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ALABAMA

Lesa Coleman

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

A Houston County jury found Lesa Coleman guilty of seven felony counts of absentee ballot fraud related to the 2013 election for a city commission seat. Coleman received a three year split sentence. She will serve 180 days in jail followed by three years of probation.

SOURCES

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ALABAMA

Olivia Lee Reynolds

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Olivia Lee Reynolds was convicted of 24 counts of voter fraud. While working on the 2013 campaign for her boyfriend, Dothan City Commissioner Amos Newsome, Reynolds filled out voters' ballots for them and told others for whom to vote. Her fraud had definite consequences: Commissioner Newsome won reelection by a mere 14 votes, losing the in-person vote by a wide margin but winning an incredible 96 percent of the absentee vote. Newsome himself faced pressure to resign as a consequence. Reynolds was sentenced to serve six months in a community corrections facility. She is appealing the conviction.

SOURCES

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ALABAMA

Venustiano Hernandez-Hernandez

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Venustiano Hernandez-Hernandez, an illegal immigrant, registered to vote under the name Severo Benavidez in 1984 and voted in the 1996 and 2008 general elections, the 2002 primary election, and special elections in 2003 and 2009. After being deported in 1974, he obtained a false birth certificate, which he used to collect Social Security disability benefits and register to vote. As part of a plea deal, Hernandez-Hernandez admitted to having committed all of the charged conduct, and pleaded guilty to social security fraud and theft of public money (the voter fraud charges were dropped in exchange for his plea to the other charges). Prosecutors surmised that Hernandez-Hernandez received approximately \$80,000 in disability payments between 2008 and 2012. As a result of his stolen identity, the real Severo Benevidez was denied Social Security payments. Hernandez-Hernandez was scheduled to be sentenced on December 17, 2012.

SOURCES

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ALABAMA

Karen Tipton Berry

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Ms. Berry pleaded guilty and received a two-year suspended sentence. The former Pike County Commissioner narrowly won--and then lost--her 2008 reelection bid when 10 absentee ballots were found to have been fraudulently cast in the election. Ms. Berry was charged with mailing an illegal absentee ballot.

SOURCES

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ALABAMA

Gay Nell Tinker

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Gay Nell Tinker, a former circuit clerk for Hale County, pleaded guilty to multiple counts of absentee ballot fraud after her scheme to orchestrate fraudulent absentee ballots for the benefit of multiple candidates was uncovered. She admitted to falsifying the ballots of five voters to benefit certain candidates, including her brother, Circuit Court Judge Marvin Wiggins, and her husband, Senator Bobby Singleton (D_Greensboro).

SOURCES

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ALABAMA

Valada Paige Banks and Rosie Lyles

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Valada Paige Banks and Rosie Lyles pleaded guilty to third-degree possession of a forged affidavit of an absentee ballot with intent to defraud. They both received 12-month suspended sentences and two years of probation and were ordered to pay court fees.

SOURCES

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ALABAMA

Connie Tyree, Frank “Pinto” Smith, Booker Cooke, Jr., Flephus Hardy, Garria Spencer, Althenia Spencer, Racing Commissioner Lester “Bop” Brown, and Spiver Gordon

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

The Birmingham Office of the U.S. Attorney and the Alabama Attorney General conducted an extensive joint investigation of absentee ballot fraud allegations in Greene County in the November 1994 election. By the end of the investigation, nine defendants pleaded guilty to voter fraud and two others were found guilty by a jury. The defendants included Greene County commissioners, officials, and employees; a racing commissioner; a member of the board of education; a Eutaw city councilman; and other community leaders. The conspiracy included using an assembly line to mass produce forged absentee ballots meant to swing elections in favor of preferred candidates.

SOURCES

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ALABAMA

Shasta Nicole Crayton

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Impersonation Fraud at the Polls

Crayton was convicted of impersonation fraud for illegally voting in her sister’s name during the 2002 election. She was caught when her sister tried to vote and the poll workers at the precinct found that her name had already been marked as having voted. Crayton pleaded guilty and received a two-year prison sentence, which was reduced to time already served plus two years’ probation.

SOURCES

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ALABAMA

Guntersville, Alabama

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: JUDICIAL FINDING

Election Overturned

The Supreme Court of Alabama overturned the mayoral election results for the City of Guntersville, Alabama after finding that absentee ballots cast without proper identification should have been excluded.

SOURCES

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ALABAMA

Nathaniel Gosha and Lizzie Mae Perry

DISPOSITION: 2002

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Nathaniel Gosha was convicted of 25 counts (nine felony counts of falsifying ballots and 16 counts of second-degree possession of a forged instrument) of voter fraud for offering to sell absentee votes in Russell County. Another Russell County resident, Lizzie Mae Perry, pleaded guilty to two felony counts of falsifying absentee ballots and two misdemeanor counts of disclosing votes. Gosha was sentenced to 180 days in jail, 4.5 years of probation, and \$2,600 in court fines. Perry was sentenced to 30 days in jail and 18 months' probation.

SOURCES

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ALABAMA

Melvin Lightning and Aaron Evans

DISPOSITION: 2000

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Melvin Lightning pleaded guilty to illegal absentee voting. Along with Evans, Lightning forged absentee ballot request forms in the name of other voters. Upon receiving the ballots, the pair took them to the named voters and obtained their signatures on the ballot envelope without telling the voters that they were signing an actual ballot. Lightning then completed and cast the ballots himself. He received a 12-month prison sentence, which was suspended in favor of 12 months' probation. His accomplice, Evans, was convicted in 1998 on seven counts of illegal absentee voting. He got a 10-year prison sentence, eight of which were suspended.

SOURCES

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ALABAMA

Sheriff David Sutherland, Denita Lee, Eugene Emerson, Idas “Spooky” Neal, Jr., Judge Ann Richardson, Jimmy Richardson, Mary Jo Ingram, Scotty Cole, William F. Bailey

DISPOSITION: 2000

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

An absentee-ballot buying operation was uncovered in Winston County, Alabama, that led to the conviction of the sheriff, circuit clerk, a district judge, and several candidates for county commission and the board of education. The conspirators set out to buy absentee ballots in the 2000 Republican primary with bribes of cash, beer, and liquor. Judge Richardson pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge of failing to report campaign expenditures; the others pleaded guilty to felony charges stemming from the operation. Bailey was sentenced to three years' probation, plus a \$1,000 fine and 250 hours of community service. Neal got three years' probation, a \$2,500 fine, and 250 hours' community service. Ingram was ordered to serve a year in prison and pay a \$1,000 fine. Emerson got two years' probation. Judge Richardson resigned, and received a suspended six-month prison sentence, one year probation, and a \$1,000 fine.

SOURCES

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ALABAMA

Brandon Dean

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: JUDICIAL FINDING

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Brandon Dean, who was elected mayor of Brighton, Alabama in 2016, was ordered to vacate the office after a judge determined that 46 fraudulent absentee votes had been cast for him in the 2016 election. Of these ballots, 21 were not signed by the voter, 22 had been sent to Dean's address instead of the voters' homes, 2 absentee ballots were submitted by voters who were actually present at city hall on Election Day, and one did not live in Brighton city limits. Deducting the fraudulent votes dropped Dean's vote total below the threshold needed to avoid a mandatory runoff, which the city of Brighton must now hold.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2jynArf

ALABAMA

Wetumpka City Council District 2

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

A judge overturned the preliminary election results and declared Lewis Washington as the winner in a contested Wetumpka City Council District 2 election. On election night, it appeared that Washington's opponent, Percy Gill, who was the incumbent, had won by three votes. Washington challenged the result, and following a trial in which live witnesses and forensics experts testified, the judge threw out eight absentee ballots that had cast for Gill either because the signatures had been forged or they had not been notarized or signed in front of the requisite number of witnesses, and declared Washington to be the winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2AkU5xv

bit.ly/2Agk7nS

ALASKA

Deborah Carroll

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Deborah Carroll pleaded guilty to one felony count of forging signatures on an initiative petition to re-establish a coastal zone management program. One of the initiative's sponsors noticed inconsistencies with the signatures Carroll had collected and reported the matter to the authorities. Carroll was sentenced to serve two years in jail followed by three years' probation.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2v8dcXu

ALASKA

Alvaro Jimenez-Aguilar

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Alvaro Jimenez-Aguilar, an illegal alien who overstayed his visitor's visa, was convicted of falsely claiming to be a U.S. citizen and filing a false Social Security application. He had assumed the identity of his deceased nephew by obtaining his birth certificate and other documents and applying for other documentation and benefits. He also registered to vote in Alaska under his nephew's name, despite being ineligible because he is not a U.S. citizen. Jimenez-Aguilar was sentenced to time served and one year of supervised release, and his case was transferred to Immigration and Customs Enforcement to be processed for deportation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sQgPDy

bit.ly/2sAMLtw

ALASKA

Rogelio Mejorada-Lopez

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Mejorada-Lopez, a Mexican citizen, completed several voter registration applications to register to vote in Alaska and voted in the 2000, 2002, and 2004 general elections. He was charged with three counts of voting by a non-citizen in violation of 18 U.S.C. 611 and was sentenced to probation for one year after pleading guilty.

SOURCES

United States v. Rogelio Mejorada-Lopez, No. 05-CR-074 (2005)

ARIZONA

David Milton Culberson

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

David Culberson pleaded guilty to attempted duplicate voting during the 2012 general election. He received a fine of \$4,575 and 117 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2gFc6zQ

bit.ly/2hsj73Q

ARIZONA

Adam Bruce Hallin

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Adam Hallin pleaded guilty to attempted duplicate voting during the 2012 general election. He received a fine of \$4,575 and was ordered to perform 180 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2hKCYu9

bit.ly/2hsj73Q

ARIZONA

John David Hamrick

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

John Hamrick pleaded guilty to attempted duplicate voting during the 2012 general election. The court fined him \$2,500 and associated court fees, ordered him to perform 100 hours of community service, and placed him on 6 months of unsupervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2hu5YaL

bit.ly/2hsj73Q

ARIZONA

Gerald Bernard Sack

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Gerald Sack pleaded guilty to attempted duplicate voting during the 2012 general election. The court fined him \$2,500 and associated court fees, ordered him to perform 100 hours of community service, and placed him on 12 months of supervised probation.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2hsj73Q

ARIZONA

Steven Jeffrey Streeter

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Steven Streeter pleaded guilty to attempted duplicate voting during the 2012 general election. He was fined \$5,000, ordered to complete 100 hours of community service, and was placed on two months of probation.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2hsj73Q

ARIZONA

Jay Sherill Thompson

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Jay Thompson pleaded guilty to attempted duplicate voting during the 2012 general election. The court fined him \$2,500 and ordered him to perform 100 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2gXj7rU

bit.ly/2hsj73Q

ARIZONA

Franklin West Turner

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Franklin Turner pleaded guilty to attempting to vote twice during the 2012 general election. He was fined \$9,183 and ordered to perform 200 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2hs5scO

bit.ly/2hsj73Q

ARIZONA

Regina Kay Beaupre

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Regina Beaupre pleaded guilty to voting twice in the same election, once in Arizona and once in Michigan. She was fined \$9,150 and given 12 months' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2glrxFG

bit.ly/2hsj73Q

ARIZONA

Jeffery Worth Hitchcock

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Jeffery Hitchcock pleaded guilty to attempted duplicate voting during the 2012 general election. A judge fined him \$2,500 and sentenced him to 100 hours of community service and one year of unsupervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2hKCggl

bit.ly/2hsj73Q

ARIZONA

Debi Gangaware Fender

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Debi Fender attempted to vote twice during the 2010 general election. She pleaded guilty and received a fine of \$2,500.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2hsj73Q

ARIZONA

Milton Fender

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Milton Fender pleaded guilty to attempting to vote twice in the 2010 general election. He received a fine of \$2,500 and was ordered to perform 100 hours of community service.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2hsj73Q

ARIZONA

Shanna Katz Kattari

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Shanna Katz Kattari was charged with false registration, perjury, and illegal voting. She ultimately pleaded guilty to one count of illegal voting, and a judge fined her \$4,575, ordered her to 67 hours of community service, and placed her on two months of unsupervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2gxQK2x

bit.ly/2hsj73Q

ARIZONA

Edward Thomas Nichols

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Edward Nichols attempted to vote twice during the 2012 general election. After pleading guilty, the court fined him \$4,633, ordered him to complete 100 hours of community service, and placed him on 18 months' unsupervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2glw5Mr

bit.ly/2hsj73Q

ARIZONA

Curtis Vernon Pyeatt

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Curtis Pyeatt pleaded guilty to attempted ineligible voting in 2012. He was fined \$2,500, ordered to complete 100 hours of community service, and placed on 364 days of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2hqfA8R

bit.ly/2hsj73Q

ARIZONA

Tom Lee West

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Tom West pleaded guilty to attempted ineligible voting during the 2012 general election. He paid \$4,575 in fines and completed 100 hours of community service.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2hsj73Q

ARIZONA

Sheriff Michael David Hays

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Former candidate for Mohave County Sheriff Michael David Hays pleaded guilty to a charge of voter fraud for claiming on a voter registration form to be a resident of the county when he actually was not. Hays used a campaign worker's address in Mohave County when he filled out paperwork to run for sheriff.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ezZMf0

ARIZONA

Peter Canova and Gina Thai Canova

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Peter Canova and Gina Thai Canova of Scottsdale were charged with 15 counts of voter fraud, including voter registration fraud and illegal voting. Both voted more than once in a single election. Peter Canova pleaded guilty and was sentenced to probation, a \$9,200 fine, and 200 hours of community service. Gina Thai Canova received 300 hours of community service and a \$13,800 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e2je88

ARIZONA

Rodney Paul Jones

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Rodney Paul Jones was charged with double voting in Arizona and Colorado in the 2008 general election, fraudulent registration, and presenting a false instrument. He pleaded guilty and was fined \$4,600 and ordered to perform 50 hours of community service and a month's probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e2je88

bit.ly/2fEvSum

ARIZONA

John Marotta

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Marotta pleaded guilty to attempted illegal voting for casting ballots in both Arizona and Colorado in the same election. His offense was reduced to a misdemeanor after he paid a \$4,600 fine and completed 50 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fhYFR5

bit.ly/2enQipz

ARIZONA

James and Karen Marshall

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

The Marshalls, residents of Green Valley, Arizona, admitted that they voted by mail in Kansas during the 2008 election--after they had become residents of Arizona. The couple also cast votes in Arizona during the same election. The pair pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor and were sentenced to a year of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2edSOvq

bit.ly/2fhYFR5

ARKANSAS

David Pruitt

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

David Pruitt, an Alderman serving on the Beebe City Council, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor for voting twice in Arkansas's 2016 primary election. An investigation found that he voted on February 26th, 2016, and then again on March 1st, 2016. He was fined \$750 and ordered to pay \$170 in court costs and fees. The Beebe City Attorney has indicated Pruitt may be ineligible to serve on the City Council due to his guilty plea.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uVov6a

ARKANSAS

Hudson Hallum, Kent Hallum, Phillip Wayne Carter, and Sam Malone

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Democratic Rep. Hudson Hallum, his father Kent Hallum, and two campaign workers, Phillip Wayne Carter and Sam Malone, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit election fraud. The lawmaker's campaign bribed absentee voters and destroyed ballots in the Arkansas District 54 primary, runoff, and general elections in 2011. Hudson Hallam was sentenced to one year of home detention, three years' probation, and was ordered to pay a \$20,000 fine and complete 100 hours of community service. Kent Hallum received probation and nine months' home confinement. Sam Malone received three years' probation (7.2 months of which was home confinement), and 100 hours of community service. Carter received three years' probation (five months of which was monitored home confinement) 100 hours of community service, and a \$2,500 fine.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2fEPO0c

ARKANSAS

Larry Gray

DISPOSITION: 2002

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Larry Gray was charged with illegally casting more than 25 absentee ballots in other people's names during the 2002 primary, but the sum total of his election fraud may have been much higher. The former sanitation director for the city applied for hundreds of ballots, successfully submitting 98 in the Democratic primary. According to the U.S. Attorney's Office, Gray was likely not the only one running this type of scheme. After pleading guilty, Gray received two years' probation.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2fif6x4

bit.ly/2eVcN62

CALIFORNIA

Alexander Bronson

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Alexander Bronson, former Trustee for Manteca Unified School District, California, pleaded guilty to charges of voter fraud. He listed a false address in order to qualify for candidacy in the November 2014 Manteca Unified School District Board of Education election. He resigned from office and is awaiting sentencing.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sTwoLN

bit.ly/2tv8js6

CALIFORNIA

Jose Fragozo

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Jose Fragozo, a trustee on the Escondido Union School District Board, pleaded guilty to a felony charge that he voted in the 2014 general election while registered at an address where he did not live. Investigators determined that while he owned the property at that address, he actually lived at a nearby second home. The two properties lie in different board electoral zones, and California law requires elected officials to reside in the districts they represent. Fragozo claimed the false address as his residence shortly before announcing his candidacy for the board seat in that electoral zone. The remaining charges were dismissed pursuant to a plea agreement, in which Fragozo agreed to resign and not to seek electoral office for three years. The judge sentenced Fragozo to three years of probation, a single day in jail, 15 days of community service, and the payment of a fine and restitution which could total over \$28,500.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2f1s9DJ

CALIFORNIA

Maria C. Del Toro

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

In 2014, Maria C. Del Toro received \$1,900 to collect signatures for a recall election effort against Salinas City Elementary School District Trustee, Janet Barnes. The recall ultimately failed, but during a random audit, the election department found significant discrepancies in the signatures submitted by Del Toro. She confessed to forging the signatures and pleaded guilty. She was sentenced to 40 days in jail, three years' probation, and had to repay the \$1,900.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eVepwG

CALIFORNIA

Donald Dewsnap

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Donald Dewsnap, a housing development activist in San Francisco, registered to vote using a false address. As part of a plea bargain, he pleaded no contest to two misdemeanor counts of false voter registration. He is awaiting sentencing but is expected to be sentenced to perform 100 hours of community service and three years probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2t9DXt6

bit.ly/2t9yTVZ

CALIFORNIA

Mark Evans

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Mark Evans voted by absentee ballot in the November 2014 election. He then cast a second absentee ballot, this time in the name of his deceased father-in-law. Following an investigation by the District Attorney's office and the County Clerk and Recorder's Office, the 62-year-old Ventura County resident was charged with misdemeanor voter fraud. He pleaded no contest and received three years' probation and was ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fddq98

CALIFORNIA

Richard Alarcon

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Richard Alarcon, a Los Angeles City Councilman, was convicted of three charges of voter fraud following a jury trial. He lied about where he lived in order to run for office and vote in a different jurisdiction than the place where he actually lived. He was sentenced to 120 days in jail, 600 hours of community service, and five years' probation. He is also banned from running for public office.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sRKOrl

lat.ms/1qAOBXr

lat.ms/10na62g

CALIFORNIA

Flora Montes de Oca

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Flora Montes de Oca, the wife of Los Angeles City Councilman Richard Alarcon, was convicted of voter fraud after she lied about her residence so that she could vote in the district her husband represented. She was sentenced to five years' probation and 400 hours of community service and is barred from holding public office.

SOURCES

lat.ms/10na62g

lat.ms/1qAOBXr

CALIFORNIA

Kathleen Knox

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

In 2014, former auditor-controller candidate Kathleen Knox, who during the campaign pledged to “fight waste and fraud,” pleaded no contest to three counts of voter fraud. As a candidate for auditor-controller, Knox put down a false address as her place of residence. She was fined and sentenced to three years of probation.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2tsSTEk

CALIFORNIA

Roderick Wright

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

State Sen. Roderick Wright (D_Inglewood) was convicted of eight felony counts of perjury and voter fraud. He deliberately misled voters as to his residency in order to run for office in a neighboring district. Wright was sentenced to 90 days' imprisonment, 1,500 hours of community service, and three years' probation. He has also been permanently barred from holding elected office.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fdeB8E

bit.ly/2eAnvMk

CALIFORNIA

Vernon, CA

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: JUDICIAL FINDING

Election Overturned

A City Council election (originally decided by four votes) in Vernon, California is overturned when it is determined that five people who voted for the winner were not residents of the city, and two others had not properly mailed in their ballots. A new winner was subsequently named.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eAkX0E

CALIFORNIA

Ricardo Lopez-Munguia

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Ricardo Lopez-Munguia, a Mexican who was deported decades ago for drug trafficking, pleaded guilty to living illegally in Escondido under a false identity and fraudulently voting in the 2008 U.S. presidential election.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1rpOK

CALIFORNIA

Angel Perales and David Silva

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Officials in the small town of Cudahy took part in a widespread corruption scheme that included accepting cash bribes, abusing drugs at City Hall, and throwing out absentee ballots that favored election challengers. After a lengthy FBI investigation of the 2007 and 2009 elections, the former head of code enforcement, Angel Perales, admitted to tampering with mail-in ballots in city elections by opening them and then resealing and submitting votes for incumbent candidates while discarding votes for challengers. He and Mayor David Silva pleaded guilty to bribery and extortion charges, although Perales' plea agreement included his admission of election fraud. Silva was sentenced to one year in federal prison. Perales was sentenced to five years' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eAmnlk

bit.ly/2eogLU5

CALIFORNIA

James Conway

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

James Conway was convicted on six charges stemming from his illegal registration to vote: three counts of perjury, two of falsely filing a declaration of candidacy, and one for false registration. Conway was sentenced to time served, given probation, and was ordered to pay restitution.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fdfGgl

CALIFORNIA

Nativo Lopez

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Immigrant-Rights activist Nativo Lopez pleaded guilty to one count of voter registration fraud when it was discovered that he registered to vote in Los Angeles while living in Santa Ana. Lopez had been investigated for voter fraud before. In 1996 his organization registered new citizens to vote in an election that ultimately unseated Republican Rep. Bob Dornan from the 46th District. A House Oversight Committee report later concluded that 748 improper ballots had been cast, 624 of them from non-citizen immigrants. Despite the improperly cast votes, the result of that election was not changed. Lopez was sentenced to three years of probation and 400 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2feH52i

CALIFORNIA

Ken Mariette

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Ken Mariette, former manager of the Mountain Gate Community Services District, pleaded no contest to felony charges of voting and registration fraud. Mariette used his girlfriend's address to register to vote in Mountain Gate in 2004. He then worked for the district before becoming its manager. Mariette was sentenced to 36 months' conditional release and was ordered to serve 30 days in an adult work program.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sOaq9a

CALIFORNIA

Eloise Garcia-Mohsin

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Former Palm Springs candidate Eloise Garcia-Mohsin was charged with two counts of voter fraud, three counts of perjury, and four counts of falsely filing election documents after lying about her residence so she could run for office. She pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor violation of the state's election code, was sentenced to 180 hours of community service, and disqualified from seeking or holding public office during a three-year period of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uVgqhl

bit.ly/2tNcO37

CALIFORNIA

Molly Morales

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Molly Morales received two mail-in ballots, one addressed to her and the other addressed to “Molly LaPointe.” Morales filled out and submitted both ballots in the fall 2009 St. Helena school board election. She pleaded guilty to a single misdemeanor count of voter fraud. Morales was sentenced to three years’ probation, 150 hours of community service, a \$1,100 fine, and was ordered to pay \$4,080 in restitution to Napa County.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eAmKmc

CALIFORNIA

Leonis and Domenica Malburg

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Former mayor of Vernon, Leonis Malburg, and his wife, Domenica, were convicted of fraudulent voting and voter registration fraud. Malburg, who had been mayor for 50 years prior to his resignation, and his wife did not live in Vernon and were thus ineligible to vote or to be candidates in that municipality. Leonis was barred from elected office, placed on five years’ probation, ordered to pay \$183,800 in fines and penalty assessments, and more than \$395,000 restitution to the city for salary, benefits, and travel. Domenica received three years’ probation and was ordered to pay \$36,000 in fines and penalties.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fdglif

CALIFORNIA

Mark Jacoby

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Owner of Young Political Majors, Mark Jacoby, pleaded guilty to voter fraud after he registered to vote at a childhood address where he no longer lived and at another address in the same voter precinct. He was sentenced to three years' probation after pleading guilty to a misdemeanor and was ordered to complete 30 days of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eAp1xV

CALIFORNIA

Don Cornell Williams

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Don Cornell Williams pleaded guilty to felony voter fraud charges. While working as a signature gatherer in Orange County, Williams registered an illegal immigrant and two teenagers who were too young to vote. Williams was sentenced to 61 days' in jail and three years' probation.

SOURCES

lat.ms/2eVtb6G

CALIFORNIA

Christopher Kavanagh

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Christopher Kavanagh pleaded no contest to registering to vote in Berkeley when he lived in Oakland. He was sentenced to six months in jail, five years' probation, and was ordered to pay a \$10,835 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eVfBAe

CALIFORNIA

Mickensey Oliveria

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Mickensey Oliveria pleaded no contest to ballot petition fraud. Oliveria was charged with providing a false affidavit for a referendum or recall petition or the signatures appended thereto.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sLHVgJ

bit.ly/2sSa2Wl

Superior Court of California, Case #1090738

CALIFORNIA

Jason Holly, Jessica Sundell, and Donahue Farrow

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Jason Holly and Jessica Sundell pleaded guilty in 2006 to a felony charge of fraudulent completion of an affidavit of registration, and were sentenced to three years' probation. It was discovered that more than 100 people who thought they were signing petitions to cure breast cancer and punish child molesters were actually registering as Republicans in an elaborate vote-flipping scheme. Donahue Farrow pleaded guilty in 2008 for his involvement in this scheme. He was sentenced to 46 days in jail and three years' probation. Five others have also pleaded guilty over their involvement in this scheme.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2umLODT
bit.ly/2uVa5CV

CALIFORNIA

Roger Treskunoff

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations, Ballot Petition Fraud

A former Hayward County school board candidate pleaded guilty to registering fictitious voters and falsifying ballot initiatives, both felonies. Treskunoff was initially charged with over 40 felonies. He was sentenced to one year in prison, followed by five years' probation.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2fdgCSI

CALIFORNIA

Trina Stevenson

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Trina Stevenson pleaded guilty to voter registration fraud. Stevenson was required to pay a fine and serve probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sSa2WI

bit.ly/2sRLr3R

Superior Court of California, Case #1088984

CALIFORNIA

Edward Barquet and Michelle Corral

DISPOSITION: 2002

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Working as GOP voter registration employees during the 2000 general election, Edward Barquet and his girlfriend, Michelle Corral, sought to capitalize on a \$4 bounty for each Republican voter successfully registered. The pair submitted multiple fraudulent registrations, which included false information and forged signatures. Following their guilty pleas, a judge sentenced each of them to serve four months in jail and pay a \$220 fine, followed by five years' probation.

SOURCES

lat.ms/2fituVL

CALIFORNIA

Compton, CA

DISPOSITION: 2001

OUTCOME: JUDICIAL FINDING

Election Overturned

A 2001 election in Compton turned into a multi-year legal drama as candidates for city council and mayor traded accusations of fraud. In the election, incumbent Mayor Omar Bradley lost to challenger Eric Perrodin by 281 votes, and Leslie Irving (a Perrodin ally) defeated Melanie Andrews for an open city council seat. Bradley sued, alleging fraud, including allegations that Irving illegally registered non-citizens. Superior Court Judge Judith Chirlin overturned the election, returning Bradley to power based on the fact that the city clerk had improperly placed Perrodin's name at the top of the ballot rather than select the order randomly. Chirlin also found that Irving had indeed helped non-citizens to register and vote in the election, and removed Irving from office and replaced her with Andrews. On appeal, Chirlin's ruling was partially overturned. The appellate court acknowledged that Perrodin had benefited from a "primacy effect," but this was insufficient to overturn the election. The appellate court upheld the removal of Irving from office, but held that Judge Chirlin should have ordered a new election rather than simply replace her with Andrews.

SOURCES

lat.ms/2ffcCkG

lat.ms/2fdAKUi

lat.ms/2e3289Y

CALIFORNIA

Sam Fant

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Sam Fant, a former Manteca Unified School District Trustee, pleaded no contest to a felony voter registration fraud charge. During the 2014 election, Fant provided false addresses to two Manteca school board candidates, Ashley Drain and Alexander Bronson, so they could run despite not meeting residency requirements. Both candidates won, but were ultimately forced to resign and were criminally convicted on election fraud charges. Fant, meanwhile, was sentenced to serve 120 days in county jail and was given five years of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2jMlz9B

bit.ly/2hSSo5w

CALIFORNIA

Richard Howard

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Richard Howard offered homeless people cash and cigarettes in exchange for forging signatures on official petitions using the names and addresses of actual registered voters, in order to qualify several ballot measures. Howard and several others were arrested during an undercover operation. He pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge and was sentenced to 60 days in jail and 3 years of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2Mmxxpe

CALIFORNIA

Ashley Drain Hampton

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Ashley Drain Hampton falsified her address in order to appear on the ballot for the Manteca Unified school board elections in 2014. Hampton won her race, but resigned several months after charges were filed. In April 2017, a jury found Hampton guilty of charges that included not only multiple counts of election fraud, but also charges of perjury and defrauding the government in an effort to get more public assistance money than she was entitled to receive. In September of 2018, a judge sentenced Hampton to 15 months in jail, five years of probation, and ordered her to complete 200 hours of community service.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2zlfrv

bit.ly/2zmgVof

COLORADO

Angelo Felix Abad

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Angelo Felix Abad forged at least one signature while circulating petitions to place a minimum wage increase on the 2016 ballot. He ultimately pleaded guilty to one count of felony forgery. He now faces a maximum possible sentence of up to six years' imprisonment, and was sentenced on April 7, 2017.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2lvAwLm

bit.ly/2tMg8v4

COLORADO

Maureen Marie Moss

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

While working for Black Diamond Outreach, a Denver-based community outreach organization, Maureen Marie Moss forged 34 signatures on petitions she was circulating to get U.S. Senate candidate Jon Keyser on the ballot for the June 2016 primary. Moss ultimately pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to four years' probation on each count. She was also ordered to complete 250 hours of community service.

SOURCES

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dpo.st/2udjDvu

cbsloc.al/2m80eIW

COLORADO

Toni Lee Newbill

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Toni Lee Newbill pleaded guilty to voting twice using her deceased father's name to do so, once in the 2013 general election and again in the Republican primary of 2016. Newbill was sentenced to 18 months of unsupervised probation and 30 hours of community service, and was ordered to pay a \$500 fine and additional court fees.

SOURCES

dpo.st/2owWxOA

bit.ly/2q8FKBj

bit.ly/2pjbYHd

COLORADO

Carol Hannah

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Carol Hannah, was registered to vote in Mohave County, Arizona, and Adams County, Colorado, and was convicted of voter fraud for voting in both states during the 2010 election. Hannah's double voting was detected by the Interstate Voter Registration Crosscheck Program, a system in which Arizona shares voter data with at least 20 other states. She was convicted and sentenced to three years' supervised probation and \$1,000 in fines.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fifHPg

bit.ly/2feJ32q

COLORADO

Vitaliy B. Grabchenko

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Grabchenko pleaded guilty to procuring a false registration (by providing a false registration to vote), a misdemeanor. He was given a two-year deferred sentence with two years of supervised probation, and was ordered to complete 48 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eVcurR
bit.ly/2fik4JQ

COLORADO

Brittany Curtis

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

In 2012, Brittany Curtis pleaded guilty to attempting to influence a public servant when she forged signatures and voter information on a ballot petition. She was given a deferred sentence of two years and fined \$1,653.50.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uvEzv6
bit.ly/2uPz7m4

COLORADO

David Harold Shackley

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Following a jury trial, a Colorado man was found guilty of voting twice, a misdemeanor, in county elections in 2008 and 2009. Shackley voted early in one county, and then by mail in another. Despite having been warned against voting multiple times after the 2008 election, he did so again in 2009.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ee7ISm

bit.ly/2fvTXnX

COLORADO

John McCarthy

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

In 2004, John McCarthy was hired by Choose 2 Vote (a campaign finance company) to register new voters. In 2007, he pleaded guilty to producing false voter registration applications. He was sentenced to three years in jail.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvB3Ro

COLORADO

Winston Keyes

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Winston Keyes, of Denver, Colorado, pleaded guilty to voting twice in the 2005 general election. He forged his mother's signature on her absentee ballot, despite the fact that his mother had died in July of that year. He was sentenced to one year of probation and was ordered to pay court costs.

SOURCES

dpo.st/2sLq1dC
bit.ly/2sLraC8

COLORADO

Ajmal Shah

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Ajmal Shah was convicted in 2005 on two counts of voter fraud after Shah attempted to register to vote by providing fabricated information regarding U.S. citizenship. Shah was sentenced to time served, in addition to one year of supervised release for the first count and three years of supervised release for the second count, to be served concurrently, and fined \$200 in fees.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUAtPw

COLORADO

Elsadig Saeed Merghani

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Elsadig Saeed Merghani pleaded guilty in 2016 to forging signatures on a petition to get two anti-fracking initiatives on the ballot in the 2016 general election. Merghani submitted at least three signatures that were marked as questionable upon review. The environmentalist-backed ballot measures ultimately did not garner sufficient signatures to qualify for the ballot.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2jNOMeb
dpo.st/2jRrWdf

COLORADO

Sarilu Sosa-Sanchez

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots, Duplicate Voting

Sarilu Sosa-Sanchez voted twice in the 2013 election, once in her own name and once in the name of her late mother. Sosa-Sanchez pleaded guilty to a felony forgery charge after admitting she forged her late mother's signature on a ballot. She also pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor double voting charge. Sosa-Sanchez was sentenced to 60 hours of community service, was ordered to pay restitution and court fees, and will help the clerk and recorder's office educate other residents about the consequences of voter fraud.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2jOyaue
bit.ly/2jRx1SR
bit.ly/2jNOMeb

COLORADO

Steven Curtis

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Steven Curtis, the former head of the Colorado Republican Party, was charged with a misdemeanor election mail-in ballot offense, as well as one count of forgery of a public record. It was revealed through handwriting analysis that Curtis forged his ex-wife's name on her ballot and mailed it in. He was found guilty and sentenced to four years probation and 300 hours of community service.

SOURCES

[cbsn.ws/2pOYg0h](https://www.cbsn.ws/2pOYg0h)

COLORADO

Nathan Parks

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Nathan Parks pleaded guilty to voting in both Colorado and Washington in the 2016 election. Parks resided and voted in Washington during the November election, but also maintained his Colorado voter registration and used it to cast an absentee ballot there. After pleading guilty to a misdemeanor charge, Parks was given a 12-month deferred sentence, and was ordered to complete 30 hours of community service and pay courts costs and restitution fees.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2KXN5dq

bit.ly/2nKK72W

CONNECTICUT

Christina Ayala

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Former state representative Christina Ayala pleaded guilty to two counts of providing a false statement and was sentenced to a suspended one-year prison term followed by two years of conditional discharge. Ayala had voted in a series of elections, including the 2012 presidential election, in districts in which she did not live. When confronted about residency discrepancies by state investigators, Ayala fabricated evidence to corroborate her false residency claims. Before agreeing to a plea deal, she faced eight counts of fraudulent voting, 10 counts of primary or enrollment violations, and one count of tampering with or fabricating physical evidence. As a condition of her plea deal, she is barred from seeking elected office for two years.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fEQGlX

CONNECTICUT

Minnie Gonzalez

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

The State Elections Enforcement Commission ruled that State Rep. Minnie Gonzalez was “knowingly present” while four voters fraudulently filled out absentee ballots at City Hall during the 2006 election. She was fined \$4,500 by the Commission. Gonzalez appealed the fine but lost in the state Superior Court.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fblQ1Z

bit.ly/2feJ32q

CONNECTICUT

Lydia Martinez

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

City Councilwoman Lydia Martinez admitted to illegally assisting in the filling out of absentee ballots, as well as encouraging those not eligible to vote absentee to do so. Martinez targeted residents of an assisted living home, Harborview Towers. She was ordered by the Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission to pay a \$500 fine. This was not the first time she was fined by the Commission: In 2008, she was found liable to pay \$664 to the Citizens Election Fund for the excess expenditures her campaign committee made for her failed run for the State House.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tJbYTh

bit.ly/2u9rlkG

CONNECTICUT

Carlos Lopez

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

False Registrations

Carlos Lopez and his wife, Luz Lopez, registered to vote and voted on three separate occasions (2004, 2006, and 2007) in Hartford, where they own a furniture store, while actually living in Farmington. Lopez and his wife were ordered to pay a civil penalty to the Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission in the amount of \$2,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tmjN2r

CONNECTICUT

Luz Lopez

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

False Registrations

Luz Lopez and her husband, Carlos Lopez, registered to vote and voted on three separate occasions (2004, 2006, and 2007) in Hartford, where they own a furniture store, while actually living in Farmington. Lopez and her husband were ordered to pay a civil penalty to the Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission in the amount of \$2,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tmjN2r

CONNECTICUT

Lillian Cummings Stevenson

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

In 2009, Lillian Cummings Stevenson agreed to a consent order after the State Elections Enforcement Commission found her guilty of illegally signing and submitting two absentee ballot request forms on behalf of her sons, who were living in Europe. She was given a \$200 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2u4lhzT

CONNECTICUT

Prenzina Holloway

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Prenzina Holloway, of Hartford, Connecticut, voted using another voter's absentee ballot in the 2004 Democratic primary. She was ordered to pay a civil penalty to the Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission in the amount of \$10,000, but she was only required to pay \$2,000 because of financial hardship. Ironically, she was later hired by the Hartford Democratic registrar of voters to work in connection with a 2009 municipal election.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uvxzyi

bit.ly/2uw0EtM

CONNECTICUT

Eva Corrigan

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Eva Corrigan admitted to failing to co-sign the absentee ballots of those she assisted. She was ordered by the Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission to pay a \$100 civil penalty.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2u4xi8p

CONNECTICUT

Barnaby Horton

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Former state representative Barnaby Horton was charged with absentee ballot fraud after he was caught inducing elderly residents to cast absentee ballots for him. After a lengthy court battle, he pleaded guilty to felony charges of ballot fraud and agreed to pay a \$10,000 fine, one of the largest fines ever imposed by the State Elections Enforcement Commission. A Superior Court judge sentenced Horton to two years' probation and ordered to perform 1,000 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1uXk9

CONNECTICUT

Hector Riellano

DISPOSITION: 2002

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Hector Riellano admitted to failing to acknowledge assisting someone with the filing of their absentee ballot. He was fined \$350 by the Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2u4xi8p

CONNECTICUT

Dolores Scalesse

DISPOSITION: 2002

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Ballot Petition Fraud

Dolores Scalesse admitted to violating Connecticut law by falsely claiming she was a witness to all the signatures on a state petition. She entered into a consent agreement with the Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission and was ordered to pay a \$250 civil penalty.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2u4xi8p

CONNECTICUT

Michael Singh

DISPOSITION: 2002

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Ineligible Voting

Michael Singh, of Stratford, CT, registered to vote, voted, and eventually was elected to the town council despite the fact that he is not a U.S. citizen. An immigrant from Jamaica, he registered to vote in 1999, ran unsuccessfully for state senate in 2000, and won a seat on the Stratford town council in 2001, where he became majority leader. The Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission later found that he was not a U.S. citizen and required that he pay \$4,000 in fines and resign from his position.

SOURCES

nyti.ms/2rUNmEk

nyti.ms/2rCDakt

CONNECTICUT

Sybil Allen

DISPOSITION: 2001

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Sybil Allen, while serving as a Democrat on the Bridgeport Town Committee, engaged in a range of absentee ballot-related fraud. Allen completed ballot applications in the name of residents, forged signatures, and on at least one occasion got a voter to forge a ballot registration form for a family member who no longer lived in the community. Allen also told one voter that a candidate was not on the ballot and watched voters fill out their ballots before taking possession of them. Allen eventually agreed to pay a civil fine of \$5,000 and was barred from running for re-election for two years.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tNpunG

CONNECTICUT

Warren Blunt

DISPOSITION: 2001

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Warren Blunt, a city councilman in Bridgeport, pleaded guilty to being present while people cast their absentee ballots and subsequently taking those ballots while running for re-election in the town's Democratic primary. The State of Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission fined Blunt \$2,500 and required him to resign from the town committee. He was also barred from running for elected office again for two years.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tNpunG

CONNECTICUT

Ronald Caveness

DISPOSITION: 2001

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

As part of a “get out the vote” campaign leading up to the 2000 election, Ronald Caveness admitted to distributing absentee ballots, being present while people filled them out, and then collecting them. After an investigation by the Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission, he agreed to resign from the Democratic Town Committee, not seeking re-election for two years, and pay a fine of \$4,000, which was eventually reduced to \$1,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tNpunG

CONNECTICUT

Paulette Park

DISPOSITION: 2001

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Paulette Park, while working for a candidate for Bridgeport’s 2000 Democratic Town Committee primary election, illegally persuaded voters to list false reasons for requesting absentee ballots, assisted them in applying for absentee ballots, and took possession of the absentee ballots after watching voters fill them out. The State of Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission fined her \$5,000 and banned her from working on future campaigns.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tNpunG

CONNECTICUT

George Cabrera, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2000

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

George Cabrera, Jr., entered into a settlement with State of Connecticut Election Enforcement Commission. Cabrera admitted to observing a resident fill out an absentee ballot before taking possession of that ballot during the Democratic primary for town council. Cabrera agreed to pay a \$750 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tNpunG

CONNECTICUT

Carlos Reinoso

DISPOSITION: 2000

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Ineligible Voting

Carlos Reiniso admitted to voting in the 2000 election, when he was ineligible to do so. After an investigation by the Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission, he agreed to pay \$250 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tNpunG

CONNECTICUT

Liz Diaz

DISPOSITION: 1997

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Liz Diaz, a former 4th District town committee member in Hartford, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit election fraud and to witness tampering after she registered ineligible voters to receive absentee ballots and intimidated a witness to lie about her reason for requesting an absentee ballot in a court hearing regarding the 1996 Democratic town committee election. She was sentenced to two months in jail.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2rCxdVO

bit.ly/2ttdkRq

CONNECTICUT

Virgen Figueroa

DISPOSITION: 1997

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Virgen Figueroa, a former town committee member from Hartford, pleaded guilty to absentee ballot fraud and forgery. In a plot with several other individuals to elect Democrat candidates for town committee in the 1996 election, Figueroa registered ineligible voters to receive absentee ballots and helped them to mark their ballots. She was sentenced to two months in jail.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2rCxdVO

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CONNECTICUT

Edwin E. Garcia

DISPOSITION: 1996

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Edwin E. Garcia, a former lawmaker and Hartford Police Sergeant, pleaded no contest to three felony counts of absentee ballot fraud, tampering with a witness, and accepting an illegal campaign contribution. Garcia and his campaign workers systematically registered hundreds of young voters and furnished many with absentee ballots that they neither qualified for nor understood. He received a sentence of one year of house arrest.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fbGd0o

CONNECTICUT

Jacqueline Rogers

DISPOSITION: 1994

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Jacqueline Rogers was a campaign worker for James Holloway, a candidate for City Council. In the 1993 primary, she was paid \$150 to dress up in a nurse's uniform with a certified nurse nametag and solicit "emergency" absentee ballots from patients. She instructed at least one voter to cast her ballot for Holloway. The primary was ultimately decided in Holloway's favor by just nine votes. The Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission barred her from participating in political campaigns for five years.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tNpunG

CONNECTICUT

Curtis Mouning

DISPOSITION: 1991

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Curtis Mouning, a campaign volunteer for State Representative Mario Testa during the 1990 election, admitted to signing the names of five of his friends and family members to request absentee ballots to vote in the primary. He was ordered to pay a civil penalty to the Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission in the amount of \$500.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tNpunG

CONNECTICUT

Ernest Newton

DISPOSITION: 1988

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Ernest Newton, a former state senator, agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1,000 for assisting in filling out someone else's absentee ballot. Newton illegally filled out and mailed an absentee ballot for Ada Crosby. The fraud occurred in the 1988 primary while Newton was a state senate candidate in the 124th District. Following his election, he was imprisoned after accepting a bribe, using campaign contributions for personal expenses, and failing to report improper income on his federal tax return. In 2015, Newton was sentenced to six months' imprisonment for campaign finance violations stemming from having three campaign workers fraudulently sign donation cards in order for the campaign to reach the threshold to qualify for state matching funds.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2oK27sa

cour.at/2pm8u8S

bit.ly/2pmpSKO

CONNECTICUT

Troy Stevenson

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Troy Stevenson was convicted of making a false statement on an absentee ballot as well as second degree forgery, both class D felonies. He committed this crime on October 28, 2017, in connection with the November 2017 mayoral election in Stafford. Stevenson was given a three year suspended sentence.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2EXrYKs

bit.ly/2CWpFF5

CONNECTICUT

Betty Chappell

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Betty Chappell was convicted of making a false statement on an absentee ballot as well as second degree forgery, both class D felonies. She committed this crime on October 28, 2017, in connection with the November 2017 mayoral election in Stafford. Chappell received a five year suspended sentence.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2EXrYKs

bit.ly/2CWpFF5

FLORIDA

Gladys Coego

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Altering the Vote Count

Gladys Coego, a temporary worker in the Miami-Dade County elections department during the November 2016 election, pleaded guilty to filling out the mail-in ballots of other voters in favor of Republican mayoral candidate Raquel Regalado. While she admitted to altering the ballots of at least two individuals, detectives believe that Coego likely fraudulently marked numerous other absentee ballots. She was sentenced to two years of house arrest.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2hmygEr
bit.ly/2w9hoax

FLORIDA

Anthony Grant

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Former Eatonville Mayor Anthony Grant was convicted of a felony voting fraud charge, a felony election violation, and misdemeanor absentee voting violations. During the 2015 election while he was running for election, he coerced absentee voters to cast ballots for him. In at least one case, Grant personally solicited an absentee vote from a non-resident of Eatonville. Grant, who had previously served as mayor, lost the in-person vote, but still won the election with more than twice the number of absentee ballots than were cast for incumbent Bruce Mount. Following his indictment, Grant was suspended by Florida Governor Rick Scott. He was sentenced to 400 hours of community service and four years' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sAF7PP
bit.ly/2sQc0dl
bit.ly/2tsZBdr

FLORIDA

Mia Antoinette Nowells

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Mia Antoinette Nowells, a campaign worker for former Eatonville Mayor Anthony Grant, was found guilty of coercing Layota Jackson to vote for Grant in the 2015 election. Nowells was charged with intimidating voters and tampering with absentee ballots. She was sentenced to two years' probation and 200 hours of community service.

SOURCES

at.wftv.com/1Usdkv0

bit.ly/2sVEcMp

bit.ly/2sAF7PP

FLORIDA

Annique Lesage Newton

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Newton, a serial fraudster, was convicted of embezzlement, insurance fraud, and voter fraud, and sentenced to eight years in prison and 15 years' probation after violating her probation stemming from a 2009 case in which she stole \$400,000 from her employer. The vote fraud charges stemmed from registering to vote without informing election officials that she was a convicted felon.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2feLP81

bit.ly/2feNaf2

bit.ly/2eedK5d

FLORIDA

Eric Haynes

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

False Registrations

Eric Haynes, a Lauderdale Lakes City Commissioner, voted using a false address in the 2012 general election. He had moved to a different precinct before Election Day, but he still certified at the polls that he was living at his former address. He was fined \$500 by the Florida Election Commission.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sVxOVy

FLORIDA

William Hazard

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

William Hazard, 53, of West Boynton, pleaded guilty to one felony voter registration charge and three misdemeanor charges of attempting to submit false voter registration information. He was initially charged with multiple counts of false voter registration. He was sentenced to 10 days in the county jail, 36 months' probation, and was ordered to pay a \$7,500 fine. Hazard was hired by a consulting firm to register Republican voters; in the process he illegally switched party registrations for multiple voters and even registered his uncle, an Iowa resident, to vote in Florida.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fvW7DS

FLORIDA

James Webb Baker

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

James Webb Baker, of Seattle, pleaded guilty to ID Fraud and intimidation of voters. Responding to perceived suppression of Hispanic voters who favored Democrat candidates, Baker mailed fake county election documents to Palm Beach County, Florida, residents demanding proof of citizenship to avoid having their voter registrations cancelled. Nearly 200 residents were targeted, all with connections to the Republican Party.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eVhOLE

FLORIDA

Deisy Penton de Cabrera

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Deisy Cabrera pleaded guilty to charges of being an absentee ballot broker (boletera) as part of a massive absentee voter fraud scheme. Her notebook contained the names and addresses of over 500 voters who were mostly elderly Hispanics in Hialeah. The lists, titled Deisy's Voters, reportedly included information as to whether the voter was illiterate or was blind, deaf, or had Alzheimer's. She was sentenced to one year of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2feMICZ

bit.ly/2fvSzSc

FLORIDA

Jeffrey Garcia

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Chief of Staff to Florida Rep. Joe Garcia (D_26), Jeffrey Garcia, resigned and pleaded guilty to orchestrating a plot involving the submission of hundreds of fraudulent absentee-ballot requests during the primary in 2012. Garcia was sentenced to 90 days in prison and 18 months' probation. He was ordered to spend the first three months of probation under house arrest.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1x2MN

FLORIDA

Onakia Lanet Griffin

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Onakia Lanet Griffin, a convicted felon who was not eligible to vote, was convicted of two counts of voter fraud and one count of false swearing. Griffin had previously been convicted of wire fraud, identification theft, and identity fraud. Griffin registered to vote on June 5, 2012, and falsely claimed that she was not a convicted felon. She subsequently admitted to voting in the 2012 presidential election. Griffin was sentenced to a fine of \$1079.50 and 23 days' incarceration.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2pAa7ke

bit.ly/2poDLbb

bit.ly/2qfmUoC

FLORIDA

Rebekah Joy Paul

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Rebekah Joy Paul pleaded guilty to falsifying voter registrations prior to the 2012 general election. While employed as a voter registration worker with a political consulting firm hired by the Republican Party, she created false voter registrations. She and her co-conspirator admitted to faking 27 registrations for Duval County. She was sentenced to community service.

SOURCES

pbpo.st/2sTqE4A

FLORIDA

Christian David Price

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Christian David Price, a campaign worker in Florida, pleaded guilty to falsifying voter registrations in the 2012 election. While employed as voter registration worker with a political consulting firm hired by the Republican Party, he created false voter registrations. He and his co-conspirator admitted to faking 27 registrations for Duval County. He was sentenced to community service.

SOURCES

pbpo.st/2sTqE4A

FLORIDA

Josef Sever

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Josef Sever was charged and convicted of illegal voting. Sever was a Canadian citizen who nonetheless cast a ballot in two presidential elections. He also lied about his citizenship status to obtain a firearm. He was convicted and sentenced to five months in prison and almost certain deportation to Canada.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fvQwha

FLORIDA

Sergio Robaina

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Sergio Robaina (the uncle of former Hialeah mayor) was charged with illegally collecting absentee ballots, a misdemeanor, and with felony voter fraud charges for allegedly filling out a ballot against the wishes of two voters, one of them a woman with dementia. Robaina pleaded guilty to misdemeanor charges of illegal possession of absentee ballots and was sentenced to one year of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eopxl5

FLORIDA

Maurice Childress, Kashawn John, Liltovia Rhodes, Carlos Torres, Evangeline Williams, Lilkevia Williams, and Richard Williams

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

ACORN voter registration canvassers Maurice Childress, Kashawn John, Liltovia Rhodes, Carlos Torres, Evangeline Williams, Lilkevia Williams, and Richard Williams, were convicted of false swearing in an election in Miami as part of a scheme to submit fraudulent voter registration applications. They received sentences ranging from 72 days to 10 months in prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eeeK9D

FLORIDA

Greg “Charlie” Burke

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Greg “Charlie” Burke was found guilty of voter fraud in the third degree, a felony, for living and voting in one county while holding an elected post in another. He was sentenced to two years’ probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fdlbf6

FLORIDA

Mohsin Ali

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Mohsin Ali, a non-citizen, pleaded guilty to unlawful voting by an alien. Ali was sentenced to two years' probation, and ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine and a \$25 court fee.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUAtPw

States v. Mohsin Ali, 4:05-CR-47 (2006)

FLORIDA

Usman Ali Chaudhary

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

On May 18, 2005, a jury found Usman Ali Chaudhary, also known as Usman Ali, guilty of making a false claim regarding his citizenship status on his driver's license and voter registration applications. Chaudhary was sentenced to three years' probation, \$3,000 in fines, and \$100 in court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUAtPw

FLORIDA

Ricardo Knight

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

In Miami-Dade County, legal permanent resident Ricardo Knight admitted to immigration officials that he had voted in the extremely close 2000 presidential election. He was convicted and sentenced to a year of probation and fined \$500.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fbPjKf

FLORIDA

Egbert Rickman

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Egbert Rickman entered a plea of no contest to a charge that he knowingly voted in an election despite being a non-citizen. Rickman was sentenced to six months of probation and ordered to pay a \$250 fine.

SOURCES

US v. Rickman Case #04-CR-20491 in Florida.

FLORIDA

Astrid Natalia Torres-Perez

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Astrid Natalia Torres-Perez pleaded guilty to charges that she voted despite being a non-citizen and therefore ineligible. She was sentenced to one year of probation.

SOURCES

US v. Torres-Perez Case #04-CR-14046 in Florida.

FLORIDA

Kenneth Bennett

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Kenneth Bennett pleaded guilty to knowingly voting in a U.S. election while not a U.S. citizen. He was sentenced to three months' probation, barred from owning a firearm, and assessed a \$250 fine.

SOURCES

U.S. v. Bennett Case #04-CR-14048 in Florida.

FLORIDA

Elizabeth Bain Knight

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Elizabeth Bain Knight pleaded guilty to election fraud. She had voted in a U.S. election despite the fact that she was not a citizen. She was sentenced to three months' probation, barred from owning a firearm, and fined \$250.

SOURCES

U.S. v. Bain Knight Case #04-CR- 14047 in Florida.

FLORIDA

Jobero Lubin

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Jobero Lubin pleaded guilty to knowingly voting in a U.S. election while not a U.S. citizen. He was sentenced to one year's probation.

SOURCES

U.S. v. Lubin Case #04-CR-60163 in Florida.

FLORIDA

Syble McKenzie

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Syble McKenzie pleaded guilty to election fraud after she voted despite being a non-citizen. She was sentenced to one year's probation and 30 hours' community service.

SOURCES

U.S. v. McKenzie Case #04-CR-60160 in Florida.

FLORIDA

Jerry St. Clair O'Neil

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Jerry St. Clair O'Neil pleaded guilty to knowingly voting in a U.S. election while not a U.S. citizen. He was sentenced to one year's probation and fined \$250.

SOURCES

U.S. v. O'Neil Case #04-CR-60165 in Florida.

FLORIDA

Christiana Phillip

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Christiana Phillips was convicted of voting in a U.S. election while not a U.S. citizen. She was sentenced to three months' probation.

SOURCES

U.S. v. Phillip Case #04-CR- 80103 in Florida.

FLORIDA

Troy Shivdayal

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Troy Shivdayal pleaded guilty to knowingly voting in a U.S. election while not a U.S. citizen. He was sentenced to one year's probation and fined \$250.

SOURCES

U.S. v. Shivdayal Case #04-CR-60164 in Florida.

FLORIDA

Rafael Antonio Velasquez

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Rafael Antonio Velasquez, a former candidate for the Florida House, was convicted in 2003 for having voted twice before he became a U.S. citizen.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fbJpZG

bit.ly/2eVlpJV

FLORIDA

Gilda Oliveros

DISPOSITION: 2000

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Hialeah Gardens Mayor Gilda Oliveros was convicted of six charges that ranged from voter fraud to asking two of her former employees to murder her then-husband so she could cash in on a \$45,000 life insurance policy. She was sentenced to 4.8 years in state prison, but was released on a \$100,000 bond to appeal her sentence.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2feQRkY

bit.ly/2f1tVok

FLORIDA

Jose De Goti Sr.

DISPOSITION: 1999

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Jose De Goti Sr. pleaded guilty to four counts of felony voter fraud for falsely registering a Miami police officer and his wife so they could cast fraudulent ballots in the 1997 Miami mayoral election. He was sentenced to six months in jail, six months of house arrest, and one year of probation, in addition to a \$10,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rUXr44

FLORIDA

Humberto Hernandez

DISPOSITION: 1998

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Humberto Hernandez was convicted of being an accessory to covering up fraud and removed from office after it was discovered that hundreds of fraudulent absentee ballots were cast in his favor. He was sentenced to a one-year prison term.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eVnRA2

bit.ly/2fEUeUW

FLORIDA

Hialeah, FL

DISPOSITION: 1996

OUTCOME: JUDICIAL FINDING

Election Overturned

The results of the 1993 mayoral election in Hialeah were voided by a Dade County judge after the discovery of several forged absentee ballots. The judge found that one of the candidates had a 2-to-1 advantage in absentee ballots, which he attributed to “overzealous” campaign workers at an elderly home in addition to several non-residents and mentally incompetent people voting.

SOURCES

lat.ms/2sTJt7V
bit.ly/2tsQIWy

FLORIDA

Hardee County

DISPOSITION: 1992

OUTCOME: JUDICIAL FINDING

Election Overturned

Three campaign supporters illegally submitted absentee ballots during the 1992 Hardee County sheriff election. Although a grand jury found that no criminal intent was involved, the election was thrown out and a new one was ordered.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sVDrTB

FLORIDA

Deszi Marquis Hayes

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

Ineligible Voting

Deszi Marquis Hayes, an inmate at the Indian River County Jail, voted by mail from jail during the 2016 election. Hayes was serving a nine-month sentence following a felony traffic conviction, and Florida state law does not permit convicted felons to vote. Nevertheless, Hayes was able to request and cast a ballot because the process to remove him from the voter rolls had not yet been completed.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2jPXH6d

bit.ly/2jOKfzq

FLORIDA

Tomika Curgil

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

While working for People United for Medical Marijuana, Tomika Curgil submitted at least 15 fake voter registrations - using both fake names and names of the deceased - and five voter registrations which she filled out without the voters' consent. When investigators surveilled Curgil during a registration campaign day, she did not leave her house; however, she still submitted several absentee ballots. She was found guilty and given probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2pRIEbx

hrlid.us/2J4JWc6

GEORGIA

Mohammad Shafiq

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Mohammad Shafiq had a disagreement with Madison County sheriff candidate Clayton Lowe, and thought he would get back at the man by helping his opponent win the 2012 election. Shafiq fraudulently submitted voter registrations cards and--in the face of accusations--coerced a couple, Bennie and Margaret Pierce, to sign affidavits intended to exonerate him. Upon investigation, his ruse was discovered, and he was charged with two counts of perjury, three counts of tampering with evidence, and two counts of voter identification fraud. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 10 years' probation with a fine of \$6,750.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fETwHh

bit.ly/2eAwQUb

GEORGIA

Edwin Morris, Alexia Williams, and Kim Ross

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Ballot Petition Fraud

The Georgia State Election Board imposed penalties against Edwin Morris and Alexia Williams in 2011 for their roles in forging signatures to get David Osborne on the 2008 Chatham County Commission ballot. Morris received a reprimand and a 10-year suspension from campaign involvement. Williams was fined \$300. In 2012, the Board ordered Kim Ross to pay a \$300 fine for her involvement in the forging scheme.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2finNY5

bit.ly/2f1vqTd

GEORGIA

James Parker

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

False Registrations

James Parker was found guilty of an administrative violation of registering to vote under an address at which he did not live. He was given a cease-and-desist order issued by the Georgia State Election Board, as well as a public reprimand.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sM065L

GEORGIA

Doyle Stone and Greg Stone

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Former Twiggs County Sheriff Doyle Stone and his son, Greg Stone, were investigated for mishandling absentee ballots in Greg Stone's 2008 primary campaign for sheriff. Absentee voters complained that Doyle Stone coerced them into voting for Greg Stone, and then took their ballots rather than allow them to be mailed in. Greg Stone lost the election by a wide margin. Both men agreed to pay \$300 in civil fines.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fdiytS

bit.ly/2fw11AN

bit.ly/2eAsEUA

GEORGIA

Stephen Watson

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

False Registrations

Stephen Watson was found guilty of an administrative violation of registering to vote under an address at which he did not live. He was given a cease-and-desist order issued by the Georgia State Election Board, as well as a public reprimand.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sM065L

GEORGIA

Carleton Vines, Albert Palmour, Dorothy Gilreath, Steve Chappellear, Sidney Johnson, Lois Reed, and Anthony Sparks

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Carleton Vines and his accomplices ran an absentee ballot fraud operation designed to rig the 2006 election in which Vines won election as a state court judge. Vines's co-conspirators acted as "runners," illegally "assisting" voters in filling out their absentee ballots. In many cases, ballots were transported by the conspirators to Vines's law office before being subsequently mailed. The group signed a consent decree with the state board of election, acknowledging their actions and accepting a public reprimand. Vines was fined \$15,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fim0IT

bit.ly/2f1x5bK

bit.ly/2eVjKns

GEORGIA

Michael Douglas, Jr. and Olin Gibson

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes, Duplicate Voting

Former Dodge County Sheriff Michael Douglas, Jr., and Deputy Sheriff Olin Gibson pleaded guilty to election fraud in connection with Douglas' first campaign for sheriff in 2004. Douglas pleaded guilty to conspiracy to buy votes and to voting more than once, and Gibson pleaded guilty to buying a vote for Douglas.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1yQFA

GEORGIA

Tommy Raney and Debra Brown

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Tommy Raney, a 2007 candidate for the Jackson City Council, and his campaign worker, Debra Brown, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit absentee ballot fraud for mishandling more than 40 absentee ballots in the 2007 Jackson City Council race. Raney had won the election by 27 votes. Both were sentenced to two years' probation. Raney was fined \$158,000, and Brown was fined \$20,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e2LqYm

bit.ly/2f1yAXk

GEORGIA

James Bryant, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

James Bryant, Jr. admitted to improperly assisting voters in completing their absentee ballots in the 2005 Americus mayoral election. Bryant was a candidate in that election, and on at least six occasions, he helped voters fill out information on their ballot mailers without signing the requisite oath indicating he had provided the assistance. He was ordered by the State Election Board to pay a \$600 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjz1g1

GEORGIA

Jerry Metts

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Jerry Metts was investigated for helping illegal aliens cast absentee ballots in Atkinson County during a 2004 county commission election. He was fined \$80,000 by the State Election Board.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1yAXk

GEORGIA

Jackie Bailey

DISPOSITION: 1998

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

The Georgia State Election Board sanctioned Jackie Bailey, along with four others, in regard to her illegal possession of 107 absentee ballots in the June 1998 Democratic Primary Election for Coffee County Commissioner. She was fined \$1,000. Secretary of State Cathy Cox indicated that the fines for possession of absentee ballots were equal to the most severe penalties ever ordered by the board for violations of the election code. The Board referred the case to the Waycross Judicial Circuit District Attorney Richard E. Currie as a potential criminal case.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2hi9r0a

GEORGIA

Gloria Davis

DISPOSITION: 1998

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

The Georgia State Election Board sanctioned Gloria Davis, along with four others, in regard to her illegal possession of 107 absentee ballots in the June 1998 Democratic Primary Election for Coffee County Commissioner. She was fined \$1,000. Secretary of State Cathy Cox indicated that the fines for possession of absentee ballots were equal to the most severe penalties ever ordered by the board for violations of the election code. The Board referred the case to the Waycross Judicial Circuit District Attorney Richard E. Currie as a potential criminal case.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2hi9r0a

GEORGIA

Doris Gaskins

DISPOSITION: 1998

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

The Georgia State Election Board sanctioned Doris Gaskins, along with four others, in regard to her illegal possession of 107 absentee ballots in the June 1998 Democratic Primary Election for Coffee County Commissioner. She was fined \$1,000. Secretary of State Cathy Cox indicated that the fines for possession of absentee ballots were equal to the most severe penalties ever ordered by the board for violations of the election code. The Board referred the case to the Waycross Judicial Circuit District Attorney Richard E. Currie as a potential criminal case.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2hi9r0a

GEORGIA

Rudene McNear

DISPOSITION: 1998

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

The Georgia State Election Board sanctioned Rudene McNear, along with four others, in regard to her illegal possession of 107 absentee ballots in the June 1998 Democratic Primary Election for Coffee County Commissioner. She was fined \$1,000. Secretary of State Cathy Cox indicated that the fines for possession of absentee ballots were equal to the most severe penalties ever ordered by the board for violations of the election code. The Board referred the case to the Waycross Judicial Circuit District Attorney Richard E. Currie as a potential criminal case.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2hi9r0a

GEORGIA

Betty Stewart

DISPOSITION: 1998

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

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SOURCES

bit.ly/2hi9r0a

GEORGIA

Jackson Jones, Don McCranie, and Doyce Mullis

DISPOSITION: 1997

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Jackson Jones, Don McCranie and Doyce Mullis, Dodge County sheriff, commissioner, and former commissioner, respectively, were convicted of conspiracy to buy votes. The harshest sentence went to McCranie, who received a 30-month prison term, three years of probation, 150 hours of community service, and \$5,000 in fines. Sheriff Jones was sentenced to 27 months in prison and three years of supervised release. Doyce Mullis was sentenced to one year in prison, three years of supervised release, 100 of community service, and a \$5,000 fine. They were the last of 27 people to be sentenced in the election fraud case, which state investigators said also included cases of double voting, felon voting, and at least one ballot being cast in the name of a dead person.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e2GZwY

bit.ly/2eVIs8j

GEORGIA

Charlie Mack Wooten

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Illegal “Assistance” at the Polls

Following an investigation by the Georgia Secretary of State’s office, it was revealed that Charlie Mack Wooten and his fellow conspirators, “did in fact provide assistance to electors who were not physically disabled or illiterate.” He and four other individuals were indicted by a grand jury in May 2016 for election fraud stemming from the November 2012 election. In lieu of going to trial, Wooten plead guilty to misdemeanor charges.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2E5mLuk

GEORGIA

Evelyn Griffin

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Illegal “Assistance” at the Polls

Following an investigation by the Georgia Secretary of State’s office, it was revealed that Evelyn Griffin and her fellow conspirators, “did in fact provide assistance to electors who were not physically disabled or illiterate.” She and four other individuals were indicted by a grand jury in May 2016 for election fraud stemming from the November 2012 election. In lieu of going to trial, Griffin plead guilty to misdemeanor charges.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2E5mLuk

GEORGIA

James Curtis Hicks

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Illegal “Assistance” at the Polls

Following an investigation by the Georgia Secretary of State’s office, it was revealed that James Curtis Hicks and his fellow conspirators, “did in fact provide assistance to electors who were not physically disabled or illiterate.” He and four other individuals were indicted by a grand jury in May 2016 for election fraud stemming from the November 2012 election. In lieu of going to trial, Hicks plead guilty to misdemeanor charges.

SOURCES

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HAWAII

Tiffany Edwards Hunt

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

False Registrations

Tiffany Edwards Hunt, a former candidate for the Hawaii County Council, pleaded no contest to a Class C felony voter registration charge. Prior to her 2014 campaign, Hunt had claimed her husband’s surf shop as her primary residence, allowing her to vote in a district in which she did not reside. She switched her residency back to her home in District 5 so she could run for office. She ultimately lost by 274 votes. Her plea of no contest resulted in the dismissal of charges, but she was nevertheless assessed a \$500 fine for the violation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2m8d8GJ
bit.ly/2mcwwiF

HAWAII

Ross Segawa, Clifford Uwaine, Debra Kawaoka, and Brian Minaai

DISPOSITION: 1982

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

In 1982, 27 individuals participated in an illegal scheme to boost Honolulu voter registrations for candidate Ross Segawa. Segawa was convicted on 10 counts of election fraud, criminal solicitation, and evidence tampering. Segawa served a year in prison and was expelled from law school. State Sen. Clifford Uwaine was convicted of conspiring to illegally register voters and served three months in jail; and Debra Kawaoka, an aide to Uwaine who also played a part in the false registration, served numerous weekends in prison. Brian Minaai and the other students each pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fbLvIW

IDAHO

Christopher Billups

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Christopher Billups, a 62-year-old man from Lapwai, Idaho, pleaded guilty to attempting to vote in both Washington and Idaho. Billups was ordered to pay \$2,490 in fees for false statements under oath and was sentenced to 364 days in jail (later suspended) and one year of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uPAAJ5

bit.ly/2tvAQxy

IDAHO

Kay Annette Hansen

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Kay Annette Hansen pleaded guilty to attempting to vote when not qualified or repeat voting. She was placed on probation and required to pay \$287.50 in fines and court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvAQxy

IDAHO

Richard A. Keane

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

False Registrations

Richard Keane of Nez Perce County was charged with perjury, illegal registration, and illegal voting or interference with an election. Keane registered to vote using two addresses (one was an old residence where he no longer resided). He pleaded guilty to illegal registration (a misdemeanor) and was sentenced to one year unsupervised probation, and was ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine, and \$87.50 in court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tE3ApP

bit.ly/2tJxh7j

bit.ly/2v85IE8 (Case #CR-2010-0006825)

IDAHO

Susan Rose Harris

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Susan Rose Harris pleaded guilty to charges of illegal registrations (Idaho Code 18-2322) in the 2009 election in Coer D'Alene. She was sentenced to three months' probation and a \$200 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tWzajN

IDAHO

Nancy Elaine White

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

False Registrations

Nancy White voted in the 2009 Coeur d'Alene city election, while actually residing outside the city limits. She pleaded no contest to charges of "illegal registration by voter," a violation of Idaho Code 18-2322. She was fined \$200 and required to serve three months' unsupervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rCeJDT

bit.ly/2rUX0qP

IDAHO

Thomas Gordon Stevens

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Stevens was found guilty of illegal voting or interference with an election and illegal registration. These charges stem from the primary election in May of 2010. He was given two years' probation and 180 days in jail, which were later suspended.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sZPYGG

bit.ly/2v85IE8 (Case #CR-2010-0011469-MD)

IDAHO

Walter A. Coiner

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Walter A. Coiner pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor voter fraud charge after acknowledging that he tried voting twice in the November 2008 election. He voted by absentee ballot in Twin Falls and in person in Ketchum. Coiner was sentenced to one year of unsupervised probation, 40 hours of community service, and was ordered to pay a \$375 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2feTLpP

bit.ly/2fimUin

IDAHO

William Burl Clayton III

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

William Burl Clayton III was charged with illegally signing an initiative petition in relation to the 2004 general election in Bonneville County, Idaho. He was convicted in 2005, and was given two years' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sZPYGG

bit.ly/2v85IE8 (Case #CR-2004-0017912-FE)

IDAHO

Patty Kae McCammon

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Patty Kae McCammon pleaded guilty to illegally signing an initiative petition in relation to the 2004 general election in Bonneville County, Idaho. She was sentenced to two years' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2v85IE8 (Case #CR-2004-0017920-FE)

bit.ly/2sZPYGG

IDAHO

Jason Jay Goodson

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Goodson was convicted of falsifying or forging public records and wrongful signing of a ballot petition (a felony charge) in connection with the 2004 general election. He was found guilty.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eVn6XH

ILLINOIS

Steveland Kidd

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Steveland Kidd pleaded guilty to two counts of violating absentee ballots during a municipal election in April 2013. Kidd took possession of, and delivered, an absentee ballot to election authorities despite not being legally allowed to do so. The crime is a Class Three felony. Kidd was sentenced to 12 days in the St. Clair County Jail and is now barred from engaging in campaign-related activities or electioneering.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2pzQokH

bit.ly/2pj3IMZ

cbsloc.al/2oxiBZB

ILLINOIS

Brian McDouglar

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Brian McDouglar, a resident of Cahokia, Illinois, was sentenced to two years in prison on charges of falsifying or tampering with an absentee ballot, a class 3 felony. McDouglar illegally took an absentee ballot from a voter he was not related to and then placed that ballot in the mail.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2q8fl1ye

bit.ly/2oMOo4E

bit.ly/2pA2ASL

ILLINOIS

Audrey Cook

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Audrey Cook, a Madison County election judge, sent in a ballot marked for Donald Trump in the 2016 election on behalf of her recently deceased husband. She pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge of attempted violation of the election code in exchange for dropping a felony perjury charge.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2emmVkc

bit.ly/2uMVMR9

bit.ly/2eaxk7f

ILLINOIS

Brian McDouglar

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Brian McDouglar was convicted of falsifying or tampering with an absentee ballot. He was sentenced to two years in prison for the Class C felony.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sVGTOb
bit.ly/2t0jmwq

ILLINOIS

Augustus Stacker, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Augustus Stacker, Jr., of Belleville, Illinois, pleaded guilty to a felony charge of a violation of absentee ballots. He assisted in manipulating up to 27 fraudulent absentee ballots in a municipal election. Stacker was sentenced to 18 months of conditional discharge and required to pay court costs.

SOURCES

cbsloc.al/2u4jScI
bit.ly/2uN3pa0
bit.ly/2u9Awa6 (Case #13CF0066301)

ILLINOIS

Pamela Bryant

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Pamela Bryant, of Cahokia, pleaded guilty to three counts of incorrectly marking an absentee ballot. She received probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sVGTOb

bit.ly/2sAGtdB

ILLINOIS

Monica LaPlant

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Monica LaPlant, of Cahokia, was charged with incorrectly marking an absentee ballot in the 2013 election. She was given probation after pleading guilty.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sVGTOb

ILLINOIS

Maria Azada

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Maria Azada, an illegal alien from the Philippines living in Illinois, was convicted of eleven charges--perjury and mutilation of election material--in relation to illegal voting. Despite being ineligible, Azada voted nine different times in various elections and claimed to be a U.S. citizen on two voter registration forms. She was sentenced to 120 days in jail, two years' conditional discharge, and 100 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sROqJy

bit.ly/2sScZ9f

ILLINOIS

Joan Fortner

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

In 2012, Joan Fortner pleaded guilty to voting twice in Illinois. She was sentenced to a period of supervised release.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2svebA8

ILLINOIS

Mahmoud Vakili

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Mahmoud Vakili, an Iranian citizen living in Waukegan, Illinois, pleaded guilty to disregarding the election code after he registered to vote and voted five times, despite the fact that he is not a U.S. citizen and is therefore not eligible to vote. He was sentenced to 12 months of supervision and 100 hours of community service, and was required to pay court costs.

SOURCES

trib.in/2tRJadj
bit.ly/2uPYWmm

ILLINOIS

Parvin Vakili

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Parvin Vakili, an Iranian citizen living in Waukegan, Illinois, pleaded guilty to disregarding the election code after she registered to vote and voted seven times despite the fact that she was not a U.S. citizen and was therefore not eligible to vote. She was sentenced to 12 months' supervision and 100 hours of community service, and was ordered to pay court costs.

SOURCES

trib.in/2tRJadj
bit.ly/2suxHNb

ILLINOIS

Michael Collins

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Michael Collins was convicted of election fraud and tax evasion after giving a false address to establish eligibility to vote in East St. Louis, even though he lived in Swansea. He was also elected to be a precinct committeeman in East St. Louis after getting family members to sign petitions to get him on the ballot. He was sentenced to 50 months in prison followed by three years of supervised release.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eekXT8

ILLINOIS

William Brown

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

William Brown, of Cahokia, pleaded guilty to 22 charges related to election fraud after he worked with candidates for the Cahokia village board to rig their 2009 municipal election. Brown helped to apply for fraudulent absentee ballots and submit votes using those ballots. He was sentenced to 10 days in jail, two years probation, and 200 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tsGAYv

bit.ly/2sTBHLd

ILLINOIS

Anish Eapen

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Anish Eapen, a city streets and sanitation superintendent in Chicago's 50th ward, pleaded guilty to absentee ballot violations. He approached residents of his ward while showing them his town badge, offered to help them cast absentee ballots, and filled out some of their ballots himself while working for an alderman candidate. Eapen was sentenced to 364 days in Cook County jail.

SOURCES

trib.in/2sRKp7Z

trib.in/2tmcpV4

ILLINOIS

Kyle R. Johnson

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Kyle R. Johnson, a former Cahokia village trustee, falsified absentee ballot applications and illegally cast the ballots he obtained during a municipal election. He received five years' probation, 14 days in jail, and 200 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tsGAYv

bit.ly/2sTBHLd

ILLINOIS

Eugene Kryczka

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Eugene Kryczka, of Antioch, pleaded guilty to perjury in 2009. He had falsified 50 signatures on a ballot petition, in an attempt to run for Antioch town assessor. He also signed certifications in 19 of these cases, asserting that he had seen these individuals sign the petitions, when in fact, he had not. Kryczka was sentenced to a five-year suspended sentence, two years' probation, and a \$500 fine. He was barred from holding public office.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tmL591
bit.ly/2tvFOFM
bit.ly/2uPHDBz

ILLINOIS

Armando Ramos

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Armando Ramos, of Chicago, pleaded guilty to absentee ballot violations in 2010. He had approached residents, offered to help them vote absentee, and in some cases filled out ballots for them during a 2007 election in which he was working for an alderman candidate. He was sentenced to 270 days in Cook County jail.

SOURCES

trib.in/2sRKp7Z
trib.in/2tmcpV4

ILLINOIS

Trevon L. Tompkin

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

In the 2009 Cahokia municipal election, former village trustee Trevon L. Tompkin falsified absentee ballot applications and illegally voted the ballots he obtained. He received five years' probation, 14 days in jail, and 200 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tsGAYv

<http://bit.ly/2sTBHLd>

ILLINOIS

Kevin Wiggins

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Kevin Wiggins, of Cahokia, pleaded guilty to 43 charges against him in a voter fraud scheme in Cahokia's 2009 municipal election. Wiggins, along with candidates for the village board, filed fraudulent applications for absentee ballots and subsequently voted using those ballots. He was sentenced to 10 days in jail, two years of probation, and 200 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tsGAYv

bit.ly/2sTBHLd

ILLINOIS

Kenneth Davison and Jerry D. Knight

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Kenneth Davison and Jerry D. Knight, two campaign workers for state Senator Terry Link, were indicted on felony forgery and perjury charges for placing phony signatures on petitions to get state Senator Terry Link on the 2008 Democratic primary ballot. These phony signatures included the names of deceased voters. Davidson pleaded guilty to nine counts of perjury and was sentenced to probation and 60 days in jail. Knight pleaded guilty to 11 counts of perjury and was sentenced to 24 months of probation and 100 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fEYXG4

bit.ly/2e2MA65

bit.ly/2eemWGW

ILLINOIS

Margarita Del Pilar Fitzpatrick

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

Ineligible Voting

Margarita Del Pilar Fitzpatrick is a native and citizen of Peru who became a non-citizen permanent resident in 2004. When she applied for a driver's license, Fitzpatrick also filled out a "Motor Voter" registration form on which she falsely claimed to be a U.S. citizen. She subsequently voted in the 2006 federal election. In 2007, while applying for naturalization, Fitzpatrick acknowledged to immigration officials that she had registered and voted. Fitzpatrick's application was denied and she was ordered removed from the country because of this violation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fbQsle

bit.ly/2fbNP2U

bit.ly/2m8DCle

ILLINOIS

Anthony Kimani

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

Ineligible Voting

Anthony Kimani, a citizen of Kenya, illegally registered and voted in the 2004 general election. Kimani first entered the United States on a visitor's visa, which expired in 2000. He remained in the country illegally, later applying for permanent residency after marrying a U.S. citizen in 2003. Kimani was ordered deported after officials discovered his illegal vote. Kimani admitted to voting, but claimed "entrapment by estoppel," specifically indicating that the form he filled out for a driver's license included an option to register to vote. The three judge panel on the Seventh Circuit rejected the argument, pointing out that Kimani had falsely claimed U.S. citizenship on that form, and affirmed his deportation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tj8Yel

bit.ly/2fdnW0d

ILLINOIS

Rodney McCulloch

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

McCulloch, a political consultant working on the reelection campaign of Milton Township Assessor James Gumm, was convicted of three counts of perjury and one count of disregard of the election code. McCulloch oversaw a scheme that forged signatures to qualify Gumm for the ballot. He received two years' probation, 150 hours of community service, and was ordered to pay \$200 to a county anti-crime fund.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eoqTfz

bit.ly/2eAueFM

ILLINOIS

Elizabeth Dag Um Keathley

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

Ineligible Voting

Elizabeth Dag Um Keathley came to the United States after marrying John Keathley, a U.S. citizen, in a ceremony that took place in the Philippines. She received a non-immigrant K-3 visa so that she could live with her husband while waiting for a grant of permanent residency as the spouse of a U.S. citizen. While considering her application, immigration officials determined that Keathley illegally voted and ordered her removal from the country. She contends that, when applying for a driver's license, she was asked if she wished to vote. After answering "yes," the official handling her driver's license application check marked the box indicating she was a U.S. citizen. Keathley indicated she was not. The Seventh Circuit remanded the case to the lower court for further review.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2feVEmp

bit.ly/2fdmevN

ILLINOIS

Charles Powell, Sheila Thomas, Jesse Lewis, Kelvin Ellis, and Yvette Johnson

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

East Saint Louis City precinct committeemen Charles Powell, Sheila Thomas, Jesse Lewis, and Kelvin Ellis, as well as precinct worker Yvette Johnson, were convicted for conspiracy to commit election fraud after participating in vote-buying activities in the 2004 election, including submitting budgets that would allow city funds to pay voters to vote for Democratic candidates. Powell was sentenced to 21 months in prison; Thomas was sentenced to 18 months in prison, \$400 in fines, and two years' supervised release; Johnson was sentenced to two years' probation with the first five months in monitored home confinement; Lewis was sentenced to 15 months in prison, two years' supervised release, and \$200 in fines; Ellis was sentenced to a 4.5 year prison sentence for election fraud and assorted criminal offenses, including running a prostitution ring out of city hall and threatening to kill a federal witness.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2feX7co

bit.ly/2f1DNyv

ILLINOIS

Patricia Bailey

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Following a trial, Illinois State Representative Patricia Bailey was found guilty of filing false election forms claiming her residency in the 6th District, when she was actually living with her mother outside of the district. Bailey was charged with two counts of perjury and one count of falsifying election documents. She was sentenced two years' probation and 100 hours of community service. She was barred from holding a government job for five years upon completion of her sentence.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2feZv2E

bit.ly/2f1DQKi

ILLINOIS

Leander Brooks

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

A former election judge, Leander Brooks, pleaded guilty to election fraud in the 2002 election. He forged signatures of three dead people on absentee ballot applications. He was sentenced to 18 months in prison and a \$400 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rVcMSd

Docket # 03-CR-30201-DRH

ILLINOIS

Patricia Deganutti

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Patricia Deganutti was found guilty of violating Illinois absentee ballot law by “unlawful observation of voting.” While serving as a precinct captain in Cicero, Illinois, she visited a voter’s home and persuaded him to apply for an absentee ballot, then returned and told him how to fill it out, and left with the completed ballot. She was sentenced to 18 months’ probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sOb6eV

bit.ly/2tLNzMH

ILLINOIS

Leroy Scott Jr., Lillie Nichols, Terrance R. Stith, and Sandra Stith

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Leroy Scott Jr., Lillie Nichols, Terrance R. Stith, and Sandra Stith pleaded guilty to one count each of vote buying. They were given funds from the St. Clair County Democratic Committee in order to buy votes for the upcoming election. Nichols and Mr. Stith were sentenced to four months in prison. Sandra Stith received one year of probation. Scott received 10 months’ imprisonment and paid \$3,100 in fines.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fEXMGK

bit.ly/2fEXTCc

ILLINOIS

Russel Withers

DISPOSITION: 2002

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Duplicate Voting

Russel Withers, who owned multiple radio and TV stations, pleaded guilty to voting multiple times in both 1998 and 2000 elections in both Colorado and Illinois. He was fined \$10,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fEXFed

ILLINOIS

63 Individuals

DISPOSITION: 1982

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

A DOJ investigation of the Illinois election in 1982 estimated that 100,000 fraudulent ballots were cast in the gubernatorial primary. The investigation was tipped off by a party worker from Chicago's 39th Ward who was upset by his precinct captain's broken promise to award him a city job for his participation in the vote fraud scheme. The conspirators cast ballots for people who were elderly and disabled. The investigation resulted in 63 individuals being convicted, the largest voter fraud case in DOJ history.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uVkBtT

ILLINOIS

Miguel Valencia-Sandoval

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Miguel Valencia-Sandoval, an illegal immigrant from Mexico, admitted that he paid \$50,000 in March 2005 for the birth certificate of a Texas man, Ramiro Guerrero-Vasquez. Using that stolen identity, he resided in Champaign County, IL for the past eleven years. His false identity was discovered when he applied for a U.S. passport in 2012 and made a false statement of U.S. citizenship on the application. Further investigation revealed he similarly made a false claim of citizenship on a voter registration application and voted in elections in 2012, 2014, and 2016. Valencia-Sandoval pleaded guilty to five counts, four of which relate to voting while not a citizen. After spending a year in jail following his apprehension for trying to illegally re-enter the United States, he was sentenced to time served in January 2018. He will be deported back to Mexico.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2pN1ku2

bit.ly/2E4sIba

bit.ly/2IsqXjd

bit.ly/2GFIOxd

ILLINOIS

Thomas Rudd

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Thomas Rudd, a former coroner in Lake County, Illinois, was charged with five felony counts of perjury for making false statements on nominating petitions for his 2016 re-election. Rudd signed the petitions, falsely indicating he had been personally present when voters signed them, and later made the same claim under oath. Prosecutors alleged that 15-20 petition signatures were falsified, including one in the name of a person who had been dead for over 10 years. The felony charges were dismissed as part of a plea deal, and Rudd pleaded guilty to five misdemeanor charges of disregard of the election code. He was given 24 months of probation, ordered to pay two \$5,000 fines, and was barred from public employment for five years.

SOURCES

trib.in/2MRf3Js

bit.ly/2vLytJc

ILLINOIS

Ellen Mauer

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

During her 2017 campaign for the High School District 128 board, Ellen Mauer signed four nomination petitions to be placed on the ballot as a candidate, falsely claiming she was present when voters signed them. Mauer initially faced felony perjury charges, but a plea deal saw those charges reduced to misdemeanor counts of disregard of the election code. Mauer pleaded guilty and was sentenced to one year of court supervision, and was ordered to complete 75 hours of public service, pay a \$750 fine, and make a \$250 donation to the Zacharias Sexual Abuse Center.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2PcAd6y
trib.in/2BiqLf6

ILLINOIS

Denise Zwit

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Denise Zwit, assistant to the High School District 128 Superintendent, signed three nomination petitions for school board president Patrick Groody, falsely claiming she was present when voters signed them. Zwit initially faced felony perjury charges, but a plea deal saw those charges reduced to misdemeanor counts of disregard of the election code. Zwit pleaded guilty and was sentenced to one year of court supervision, and was ordered to complete 75 hours of public service, pay a \$750 fine, and make a \$250 donation to the Zacharias Sexual Abuse Center.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2PcAd6y
trib.in/2BiqLf6

ILLINOIS

Calvin Borders, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Calvin Borders, Jr., along with his son, daughter, and his son's girlfriend, registered to vote using a vacant lot on Jefferson Street in Brooklyn, Illinois. None of them lived in the city. After an investigation by the Public Corruption Task Force, he pleaded guilty to perjury in violation of the election code and was sentenced to probation with special conditions.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2MPkRU4

bit.ly/2MggG7v

ILLINOIS

Jesse Johnson

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Jesse Johnson was convicted of voting twice in the 2016 primary elections, once for a Republican and once for a Democrat. Johnson, who had previously been convicted on weapons and drug charges, was charged with perjury after the St. Clair County Public Corruption Task Force detected his effort to vote twice. Johnson was convicted and, owing to his prior criminal record, was sentenced to two years in Illinois state prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2SonSh8

bit.ly/2Sqf0rz

ILLINOIS

Calvin Borders III

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Calvin Borders III, along with his father, sister, and girlfriend, registered to vote using a vacant lot on Jefferson Street in Brooklyn, Illinois. None of them lived in the city. Borders III pleaded guilty to perjury and was sentenced to probation with special conditions.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2MPkRU4

bit.ly/2MggG7v

ILLINOIS

Candice Borders

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Candice Borders, along with her father, brother, and her brother's girlfriend, registered to vote using a vacant lot on Jefferson Street in Brooklyn, Illinois. None of them lived in the city. Candace Borders pleaded guilty to forgery and was sentenced to probation with special conditions.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2MPkRU4

bit.ly/2MggG7v

ILLINOIS

Janie Walker

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Janie Walker, along with her boyfriend, his father, and his sister, registered to vote using a vacant lot on Jefferson Street in Brooklyn, Illinois. None of them lived in the city. Janie Walker pleaded guilty to forgery and is scheduled to be sentenced in November.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2MPkRU4

bit.ly/2MggG7v

bit.ly/2StXT8f

ILLINOIS

Marcello Villaruz

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Marcello Villaruz and his wife Gina claimed to be U.S. citizens when they voted in the 2016 presidential election. Marcello was charged with two felony counts of perjury, but, as part of a plea agreement, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor disorderly conduct charge. Marcello Villaruz was sentenced to six months of probation and ordered to pay a \$200 fine and to complete 20 hours of community service.

SOURCES

trib.in/2zdkpt9

bit.ly/2zfRy7E

ILLINOIS

Gina Villaruz

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Gina Villaruz and her husband Marcello claimed to be U.S. citizens when they voted in the 2016 presidential election. Gina was charged with two felony counts of perjury, but, as part of a plea agreement, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor disorderly conduct charge. Gina Villaruz was sentenced to six months of probation and ordered to pay a \$200 fine and to complete 20 hours of community service.

SOURCES

trib.in/2zdkpt9
bit.ly/2zfRy7E

ILLINOIS

Yvette Yust

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Yvette Yust, a resident of Waukegan, claimed to be a citizen in order to vote in the 2016 presidential election. Yust was charged with two felony counts of perjury, but, as part of a plea agreement, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor disorderly conduct charge. Yust was sentenced to six months of probation and ordered to pay a \$200 fine and to complete 20 hours of community service.

SOURCES

trib.in/2zdkpt9
bit.ly/2zfRy7E

ILLINOIS

Janet Pokryfke

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Janet Pokryfke voted twice in the November 2016 election. She entered an Alford. Per her plea agreement, she was convicted of one misdemeanor count of disregarding the election code while two felony double voting charges and one perjury charge were dropped. Pokryfke was sentenced to six months of probation, and was ordered to complete 20 hours of community service and pay a \$200 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2zlhPkP

INDIANA

Lowell “Ross” Colen

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Lowell “Ross” Colen, a 10-year veteran of the Rising Sun Police Department, was forced to resign after pleading guilty to four counts of felony voter fraud. Colen was accused of illegally trying to help his father win election to the Rising Sun City Council by completing absentee voter applications and filling out ballots for people who were not eligible to vote in the county, and in some cases forging signatures. Colen evidently conducted some of this illegal activity while in uniform and on duty. He pleaded guilty to four counts of felony vote fraud and was sentenced to concurrently serve one year in prison and 185 days’ probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2mlTkMI

bit.ly/2l07BNH

bit.ly/2lpehs4

INDIANA

Butch Morgan, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Former St. Joseph County Democratic Chairman Butch Morgan, Jr. was sentenced to one year of prison after being convicted of felony charges stemming from a plot to forge signatures on the petition to place Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton on the Indiana Democratic Primary ballot in 2008. Morgan, along with multiple co-conspirators from the Board of Voter Registration, forged over 200 signatures. A Yale University junior, Ryan Nees, discovered the fraud, noting “page after page of signatures are all the same handwriting.” The forgery was overlooked during the primary process “because election workers in charge of verifying their validity were the same people faking the signatures.”

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eAtTmy

INDIANA

Pam Brunette, Beverly Shelton, Dustin Blythe

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Pam Brunette, Beverly Shelton, and Dustin Blythe worked with Butch Morgan (see prior entry) to forge over 200 signatures on the petition to enter Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton into the Indiana Democratic Primary. A Yale University junior, Ryan Nees, discovered the fraud, noting “page after page of signatures are all the same handwriting.” The forgery was overlooked during the primary process “because election workers in charge of verifying their validity were the same people faking the signatures.” Brunette, a board member on the St. Joseph County Board of Voter Registration Democratic, and Shelton, a board worker, both received two years of probation in exchange for their testimony against Morgan. The judge sentenced Dustin Blythe, a board worker and Democrat volunteer, to one year in Community Corrections and probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fw7r31

INDIANA

Doug Campbell

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Austin Mayor Doug Campbell faced voter fraud charges that he illegally accepted absentee ballots from voters and filled out a woman's incomplete ballot. He pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor electioneering in exchange for prosecutors agreeing to dismiss the felony voter fraud and conspiracy charges, which enabled him to remain in office.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fitiWu

INDIANA

Paul Etheridge

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Paul Etheridge, former New Albany mayoral candidate in the Democratic primary, was charged with voter fraud for endorsing a ballot of someone he knew to be ineligible in the May 2011 Democratic mayoral primary in New Albany, Indiana. He pleaded guilty to Forgery of Official Ballot Endorsement and received a suspended 18-month sentence.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fbTKEW

INDIANA

Michael Marshall

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Michael Marshall, a Jennings County Democratic Party worker, pleaded guilty to three counts of vote fraud relating to applications for absentee ballots for his son, brother, and former roommate. Marshall was sentenced to 18 months in prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e2KeEC

INDIANA

John Cook

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

John Cook, of Jennings County, pleaded guilty to perjury after he was arrested in connection with absentee ballot fraud. He was sentenced to 545 days' imprisonment, with one year of that time suspended.

SOURCES

bit.ly/1S18hf1 (Case #40C01-1110-FC-000421)

INDIANA

Joshua Clemons

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Joshua Clemons was charged with voter fraud for completing two absentee ballots for people he knew to be ineligible in the May 2011 Democratic Primary. He pleaded guilty to fraudulent delivery of ballots and received a suspended 18-month sentence.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fbTKEW

INDIANA

Christopher Marshall

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Christopher Marshall, of Jennings County, pleaded guilty to deception in a case involving absentee ballot fraud. His father, Michael Marshall, was working on a mayoral re-election campaign and was responsible for soliciting absentee ballot voters. He recruited his son and another individual (John Cook) to assist him. Christopher Marshall was ordered to pay court costs and fees, a fine, and restitution totaling \$212.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uPq85j

bit.ly/2rVciiD (Case #40C01-1110-FC-000420)

INDIANA

Charlie White

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Former Indiana Secretary of State Charlie White was removed from office following his 2012 felony conviction. White, who was serving as a councilman for the town of Fishers at the time, listed his ex-wife's home address as his primary residency so he could vote and be paid as a councilman in a district where he no longer resided. In addition to losing his office, White was sentenced to one year of house arrest, and was ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine and complete 30 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fimyli
bit.ly/2f1zjHN
bit.ly/2ff3agR

INDIANA

Monte Murphy

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Monte Murphy, a former Muncie City Councilman, was convicted of three counts of illegally receiving absentee ballots following a jury trial. He provided the ballots to the individuals, told them how to vote for a straight Democrat ticket, and then mailed in the ballots for them. The trial court reduced each conviction to a Class A misdemeanor and sentenced Monte to consecutive one-year terms, suspended to probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eViSiK

INDIANA

Brian Berkman

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Former Schereville Town Court Bailiff Brian Berkman was convicted of voting in another precinct and perjury during the 2003 East Chicago Democratic mayoral primary. He was sentenced to one year of probation. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eon35U

INDIANA

Natividad Hernandez

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Natividad Hernandez pleaded guilty to unauthorized entry at the polls during the 2003 East Chicago Democratic mayoral primary election. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjWDUs

INDIANA

Christopher and Michael Lopez

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Christopher and Michael Lopez pleaded guilty to unauthorized entry into the polls. The brothers voted in a precinct where they did not live during the 2003 East Chicago mayoral Democratic primary. Each man received a suspended 60-day jail sentence. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eAzbyw

INDIANA

Joseph Pedraza and Constance D. Simmons-Pedraza

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Joseph Pedraza and his wife, Constance D. Simmons-Pedraza, pleaded guilty to voting in a precinct where they did not live for the 2003 East Chicago mayoral Democratic primary election. They falsely claimed residence in East Chicago so that they could vote there, but city employment records revealed that they actually lived in the town of St. John. Both were sentenced to one year in prison, a sentence which will be suspended if they each satisfactorily complete one year on probation. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eAzbyw

INDIANA

Ponciano Herrera

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Ponciano Herrera, a Lake County police officer, pleaded guilty to handling a forged absentee ballot in the 2003 East Chicago Democratic mayoral primary election. Herrera was sentenced to 90 days of probation. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ff15I6

INDIANA

Ronald DeCastro

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Ronald DeCastro, an East Chicago police officer, pleaded guilty to a charge of voter fraud in connection with his misconduct during the 2003 East Chicago Democratic mayoral primary election. He did not live in East Chicago, so he used the address of his uncle in order to cast an absentee ballot in the election. DeCastro received a 60-day suspended jail sentence and was sentenced to 60 days of probation. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fw3jAf

bit.ly/2fdllhq

bit.ly/2fF0gVx

INDIANA

Terrance Lay

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Terrance Lay, a city council candidate in the 2003 East Chicago Democratic primary, pleaded guilty to procuring and handling an absentee ballot for his brother-in-law in violation of state law that forbids anyone other than the voter or a close relative from handling absentee ballots. Lay was the last of the 46 people convicted by the Joint Vote Fraud Task Force formed in the wake of the 2003 East Chicago Democratic primary. Fraud in this 2003 primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election for the mayoral primary that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fEWTxE

INDIANA

Ashley Dunlop

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Mr. Ashley Dunlop pleaded guilty to the charge of aiding the fraudulent application of a ballot in connection to misconduct surrounding the 2003 East Chicago Democratic mayoral primary election. He was sentenced to one year probation. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eACgP4

INDIANA

Ricardo Alamillo

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Ricardo Alamillo, a former East Chicago assistant chief bailiff, was convicted of voting in another precinct for the 2003 East Chicago Democratic mayoral primary and received a one-and-a-half year suspended sentence and another one-and-a-half years of probation. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fEZuYI

INDIANA

Alicia Dunbar and Ivan Dunbar

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Alicia and Ivan Dunbar pleaded guilty to voting in another precinct for the 2003 East Chicago Democratic mayoral primary and were given one year of probation. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fEZuYI

INDIANA

Mark Orosco

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Mark Orosco pleaded guilty to voting in another precinct for the 2003 East Chicago Democratic mayoral primary and received a one year suspended sentence, one year of probation, and 100 hours of community service. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fEZuY1

INDIANA

Mario Del Valle

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Mario Del Valle pleaded guilty to voting in another precinct for the 2003 East Chicago elections. He was sentenced to one year of probation and 30 hours of community service. Fraud in the 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election for the mayoral race that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eAzcCt

INDIANA

Michael Harretos and Ezequiel Godinez

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Michael Harretos and Ezequiel Godinez were sentenced to one year of probation, community service, and fines for voting in another precinct in the 2003 East Chicago election. Fraud in the 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election for the mayoral race that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fbPDIY

INDIANA

Arthur Vera, Elvia Vera, Armando Vera, Pedro Moro, and Yolanda Ramirez

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Arthur, Elvia, and Armando Vera, Pedro Moro, and Yolanda Ramirez, pleaded guilty to voting in another precinct during the 2003 East Chicago Democratic primary. Fraud in this 2003 primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election for the mayoral race that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fbPDIY

INDIANA

Jose Arroyo and Mabel Komendat

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Jose Arroyo and Mabel Komendat were convicted of voting in another precinct after voting in an East Chicago election despite living in Hammond and Highland, respectively. They were both sentenced to one year probation and 50 hours of community service. Fraud in the 2003 East Chicago mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election for the mayoral race that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fbPDIY

INDIANA

Levones Tolbert

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

East Chicago Councilman Levones Tolbert was charged with offering money in exchange for votes, among other offenses. Tolbert pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge of unauthorized polling place entry and was sentenced to 30 days' probation. Fraud in the 2003 East Chicago primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election for the mayoral race that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fw71K2

INDIANA

Allan “Twig” Simmons

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Allan “Twig” Simmons, an operative for the Chicago mayor’s campaign, was charged with three counts of attempted obstruction of justice and six counts of ballot fraud after persuading individuals to let him fill out their absentee ballots in exchange for jobs. He pleaded guilty to three counts of fraudulent application, showing, examination, receipt or delivery of ballots. He was sentenced to 3 years’ probation and 100 hours of community service. Fraud in the 2003 East Chicago mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election for the mayoral race that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2feWMXg

INDIANA

Raymond Carillo

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Raymond Carillo pleaded guilty to one count of voting in a precinct in which he did not live for the 2003 East Chicago mayoral Democratic primary election. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eACgP4

INDIANA

John Carlyle and Ronald Komendat

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

John Carlyle and Ronald Komendat, a former police officer, both pleaded guilty to voting in precincts where they did not reside in the 2003 East Chicago mayoral Democratic primary election. Both received six-month suspended sentences and were ordered to perform 40 hours of community service. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fittRT

INDIANA

Tonya Griffin-Bronaugh

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Tonya Griffin-Bronaugh, the sister of Terrance Lay, pleaded guilty to filling out and signing an application for an absentee ballot in the name of her former husband without his knowledge in connection with the 2003 East Chicago Democratic primary. Her brother was a city council candidate in that election. Griffin-Bronaugh was sentenced to 18 months of probation. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election for the mayoral race that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eernRT

INDIANA

Antonio and Alycia Mendiola

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Antonio and Alycia Mendiola pleaded guilty to voting in a precinct where they did not live during the 2003 East Chicago Democratic mayoral primary. Both were sentenced to 18 months of probation. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eepvJb

bit.ly/2fw9MLt

INDIANA

Eduardo Perez, Sr.

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Eduardo Perez, Sr., pleaded guilty to fraudulently receiving an absentee ballot in connection to the 2003 East Chicago mayoral Democrat primary. He was sentenced to 18 months of probation. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eepvJb

INDIANA

Larry Battle

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Larry Battle was convicted of voting in a precinct in which he did not live for the 2003 East Chicago mayoral Democratic primary election. Battle had a history of “crimes of dishonesty,” prompting the judge--unpersuaded by Battle’s “everybody was doing it” defense--to sentence him to two years in prison. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fF02xx

INDIANA

Tamika Lay

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Tamika Lay pleaded guilty to voting in a precinct in which she did not live for the 2003 East Chicago Democratic primary. Though she initially called the errant vote a mistake, Lay eventually admitted that she wanted to cast a vote for her brother, Terrance Lay, who was a city council candidate for a different precinct. Lay was sentenced to one year of probation. At her sentencing hearing, she expressed frustration to the judge at being held accountable for her fraudulent act. She said, “People have been doing [fraudulently voting] for years, and all of a sudden they want to do something about it.” Fraud in this 2003 primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election for the mayoral primary that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1H5I2

INDIANA

Demetrios Hasapis

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Demetrios Hasapis, an East Chicago Fire Department captain, was convicted of voting outside the precinct in which he lived for the 2003 East Chicago Democratic primary. He was sentenced to a 60-day jail sentence in the Lake County jail and 60 days' probation. Fraud in this 2003 primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election for the mayoral race that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eojg8W

bit.ly/2feYwj0

INDIANA

Michelle Chandler

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Michelle Chandler, a worker in the city controller's office, was charged with a fraudulent receipt of ballot, voting outside of her district, and perjury in connection to misconduct during the 2003 East Chicago Democratic mayoral primary. She was found guilty of one count of perjury in a jury trial, a felony, and given one year of probation. Fraud in this 2003 mayoral primary was widespread, and the Indiana Supreme Court ultimately overturned the election results and ordered a special election that resulted in a different winner.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fEZuYI

INDIANA

Dolores Croy

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Dolores Croy pleaded guilty to voter fraud during the 2003 Democratic Primary in East Chicago, Indiana. She and her husband registered to vote and sent absentee ballots to the East Chicago voting district, using their business address. The couple's home address was actually in Hobart. Although both charges were Class D felonies, the charges were drastically reduced, and the couple only had to make a public apology and serve probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2u4ieY4

bit.ly/2sLH3Ek

INDIANA

Robert Croy

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Robert Croy pleaded guilty to voter fraud during the 2003 Democratic Primary in East Chicago, Indiana. He and his wife registered to vote and sent absentee ballots to the East Chicago voting district, using their business address. The couple's home address was actually in Hobart, IN. Although both charges were class D felonies, the charges were drastically reduced and the couple only had to make a public apology and serve probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2u4ieY4

bit.ly/2sLH3Ek

INDIANA

Max Judson

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent use of Absentee Ballots

Max Judson was convicted of election fraud and witness tampering during the 2014 primary election. While a candidate for city council during the election, he admitted that he solicited someone he knew not to be a resident of the district to cast an absentee ballot. He also admitted that when he realized he was being investigated, he attempted to intervene and deter the voter from communicating with law enforcement. He was sentenced to one year and one day in prison in addition to one year of supervised release and a \$500 fine. He was also forced to resign from his seat on the Sullivan County Council.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2lg65Tv
bit.ly/2GkY9Ec
bit.ly/2E3GsCU
bit.ly/2pL2u9h

INDIANA

Jerome Kesler

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Jerome “J.D.” Kesler was living in Illinois from 2010 to 2014, but continued to vote from an Indiana address. Following an investigation by the Indiana State Police, he was charged with two class D felonies for voting outside his precinct of residence. In November of 2017, he entered into a plea deal of a one-year suspended jail sentence and informal probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2pNROXd
bit.ly/2J4QmYT
bit.ly/2J4QsQf

INDIANA

Valerie McGowan

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Valerie McGowan pleaded guilty to one felony count of “voting in other precinct” during the ultimately-overturned 2003 East Chicago Mayoral election. McGowan was involved in a massive fraud scheme, and ultimately the results of the election overturned. She initially faced other charges, including fraudulent application for a ballot and perjury, which were dropped as part of her plea agreement. McGowan was sentenced to 18 months of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2GEzutq

INDIANA

Glenn Pitts

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Glenn Pitts pleaded guilty to one misdemeanor count of failure to cast or return a ballot in an authorized manner in connection with the overturned 2003 East Chicago Democratic mayoral primary. Pitts originally claimed that he had been offered \$30 in order to hand his ballot to another individual. He initially faced a multitude of charges, including perjury, false application for a ballot, and voting in another precinct, which were dismissed as part of his plea agreement. He was sentenced to 139 days in county jail.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2E5iGX4

bit.ly/2Gnl4uxl

IOWA

Terri Lynn Rote

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Terri Lynn Rote attempted to vote twice in the 2016 presidential election. Rote cited fears that the election was rigged to justify her attempt to cast two absentee votes for Donald Trump. Rote was arrested attempting to cast the second ballot. She pleaded guilty to a felony charge of election misconduct, and was sentenced to two years of probation and ordered to pay a \$750 fine.

SOURCES

ind.pn/2i9taQC

bit.ly/2i8inWE

bit.ly/2i8ZDWW

IOWA

Erin Venessa Leeper

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Erin Leeper pleaded guilty to perjury after she registered and voted in the 2015 local school board election despite her status as a convicted felon, which rendered her ineligible to vote. She was sentenced to a suspended five-year prison term, two years' probation, and ordered to pay \$240 in court costs. A \$750 fine was suspended.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e2PTKV

IOWA

Glen Tank

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Glen Tank, a resident of Waterloo, pleaded guilty to ineligible voting during the 2012 presidential election. Mr. Tank was previously convicted of third-offense operating while intoxicated, a felony, and consequently lost his right to vote. Then, in 2010 he was convicted of illegal possession of a firearm as a felon, and was still on probation from that conviction when he voted in November 2012. Tank was ordered to pay \$1,253, including a \$750 fine, mandatory surcharges, and court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fF5XTn

IOWA

Mayra Alejandra Lopez Morales

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Ineligible Voting

Mayra Alejandra Lopez Morales pleaded guilty to an aggravated misdemeanor charge for registering and voting as a non-U.S. citizen in the 2012 election. She received a deferred judgment with two years of probation and a \$750 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fwdNPT

IOWA

Brian Lee Bird

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

During the 2012 general election, Brian Lee Bird, a felon on probation, cast a ballot despite being ineligible. He was sentenced to five years in prison after pleading guilty to first degree election misconduct.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sAzQHY

bit.ly/2sTtzKA

IOWA

Anthony Greer

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Anthony Greer, a convicted felon, pleaded guilty to a charge of ineligible voting. Greer cast a ballot during the November 2012 election; in Iowa, felons cannot vote until their rights are restored by the governor. Greer was still on probation at the time of the election and was thus ineligible to vote. He was sentenced to serve up to five years in prison, to run concurrently with another sentence for a separate probation violation. The judge suspended a \$750 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eozRJO

IOWA

Abel Hernandez-Labra

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

In 2014, Abel Hernandez-Labra, an illegal alien from Mexico, pleaded guilty to making false statements in a passport application, aggravated identity theft, making a false claim of U.S. citizenship to register to vote, and voting in the 2012 general election. He was sentenced to 51 months in prison, 3 years of supervised release, and fined \$5,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rCqudp

bit.ly/2rCN85D

bit.ly/1EMB4RG

IOWA

Beth Ann Gallagher

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Beth Ann Gallagher cast an absentee ballot in Iowa on behalf of her daughter, who had recently moved to Minnesota (and who also voted in Minnesota) in the 2012 election. Gallagher pleaded guilty to false representation of records or process and paid a fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fF7sRz

IOWA

Nickie Dean Perkins

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Nickie Dean Perkins, a felon, registered to vote and voted in the 2012 general election. He pleaded guilty to first-degree election misconduct and received a five-year suspended sentence and two years' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fF7sRz

IOWA

Tehvedin Murgic

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Tehvedin Murgic, a convicted felon and Bosnian citizen who voted in the 2010 general election, pleaded guilty to third-degree election misconduct for interfering or attempting to interfere with a voter while the voter was filling out a ballot. He also pleaded guilty to trespassing and was fined \$1,325.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fF7sRz

IOWA

Mark Evangelous

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Mark Evangelous was charged with violating absentee voting laws, uttering a false document, and forgery related to his submission of an absentee ballot application in the name of a deceased voter. Evangelous claimed he had input the name of his sister-in-law incorrectly. The absentee ballot charge was dismissed, and the judge continued his case without a finding for a year, ordering him to complete 200 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2v8reZb

bit.ly/2tJewAT

IOWA

Terry Hambrick

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Terry Hambrick tried to steal the identity of his dead brother Aaron in order to secure a driver's license. As part of his identity theft scheme, Hambrick registered to vote. When he was stopped for suspected drunk driving, the police learned his real identity. He ultimately pleaded guilty to identity theft and two counts of perjury, including one in connection with his false voter registration. He is currently serving a 10-year sentence at a correctional facility.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fF7sRz

IOWA

Jason Rawlin

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

In the process of obtaining a non-operator ID, Jason Rawlin, a convicted felon, signed a document attesting that he was eligible to vote. He pleaded guilty to fraudulent practices and paid a fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fF7sRz

IOWA

Martia Phillips, Brandon Dean, Jennifer Burcham, Denise Cooper, George Tyler, George Vaughn, Albert Meeks, Jr., Kevin Janeau, and Andrew Peterson

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Martia Yvonne Phillips and 8 others pleaded guilty to voting in the 2008 election despite being convicted felons who had not had their voting rights restored. Phillips had a 2006 felony drug conviction and was on probation during the election. She was sentenced to five years in prison, suspended to two years of probation. The other eight felons were detected after a review of the voter rolls turned up convicted felons who had voted before their rights were restored. They all pleaded guilty.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eAJy5o

IOWA

Michael Loudermilk and Floyd Willie Boldon

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Michael Loudermilk and Floyd Willie Boldon pleaded guilty to using other people's addresses when registering to vote.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eAJy5o

IOWA

Patrick Lyons

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Patrick Lyons, a convicted felon, pleaded guilty to one count of perjury and one count of election fraud after he voted in several elections and ran for election as a school board candidate, both of which he was ineligible to do because of his prior conviction. He was sentenced to five years, suspended, and was ordered to pay a \$750 fine plus court costs on each count, and he will be on supervised probation for two years.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fdwnbU

IOWA

Christopher Mettin

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Christopher Mettin, a German citizen studying at Morningside College in Iowa, claimed to be a U.S. citizen on a voter registration form. He pleaded guilty to one of the two counts he was charged with and was sentenced to time already served (52 days), and turned over to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fdxuYX

KANSAS

Victor David Garcia Bebek

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Peruvian national Victor David Garcia Bebek pleaded guilty to three counts of voting without being qualified. Bebek was fined \$5,000 and placed on unsupervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tNZDfo

bit.ly/2tNAv8r

bit.ly/2rCHINn

KANSAS

Preston Glen Christensen

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting, Ineligible Voting

Preston Glen Christensen was convicted of voter fraud for voting in both Kansas and Texas in the 2012 general election. Christensen pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor of voting without being qualified. He was fined \$1,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rCHKiR

KANSAS

James Criswell

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

James Criswell, a Republican from Douglas County, Colorado, pleaded no contest to the charge of double voting in the November 2016 election. Having cast ballots in both Colorado and Kansas, Criswell was fined \$1,000 and ordered to pay \$158 in court costs. Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach was able to identify this instance of voter fraud through the Interstate Crosscheck Program, a voter registration database that includes 30 states.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2piFhde

bit.ly/2q6x5g7

bit.ly/2pA1NBi

KANSAS

Sharon Farris

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

In the November 2016 election, Denver resident Sharon Farris voted twice--once in her home state of Colorado and then again in the state of Kansas. She pleaded guilty to one count of voting without being qualified and one count of advance voting unlawful acts. The Kansas judge ordered her to pay \$3,158 in fines and court fees, with six months of unsupervised probation if the fines are not paid within six months of her sentencing. Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach was able to identify this instance of voter fraud through the Interstate Crosscheck Program, a voter registration database that includes 30 states.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2pA1NBi
bit.ly/2q6x5g7

KANSAS

Michael L. Hannum

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Michael Hannum pleaded guilty to three charges stemming from the 2012 election in which he voted in both Kansas and Nebraska. He received the maximum possible fines, totaling \$5,500 for the three misdemeanor violations.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e2TKra
bit.ly/2fbYs5v
bit.ly/2eexkON

KANSAS

Randall K. Kilian

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Randall Kilian, a resident of Ellis County, pleaded guilty to voting without being legally registered in Kansas. Kilian was fined the maximum \$2,500. A press release issued about the case included a strong statement from Kansas Secretary of State, Kris Kobach: “By voting unlawfully in the 2012 election, Mr. Kilian effectively cancelled out the vote of a legitimate Kansas voter. The heavy fine of \$2,500 shows how seriously we take voter fraud in Kansas. Prosecuting these crimes sends the message to Kansas citizens that their vote absolutely matters and will be protected. It also sends the message to others contemplating double voting that in Kansas you will be caught, and the penalty will be severe.”

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e2TKra
bit.ly/2fF7WHo

KANSAS

Ron R. Weems

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Ron R. Weems pleaded guilty to two counts of voting without being qualified and one count of advance voting. Weems voted in both Kansas and Colorado in the 2012 and 2014 general elections. He was ordered to pay a \$5,500 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fiAv9f
bit.ly/2fc1R4A

KANSAS

Lincoln Wilson

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

A 65-year-old resident of Colorado, Lincoln Wilson, illegally voted in both Kansas and Colorado in elections in 2010, 2012, and 2014. Wilson pleaded guilty to two misdemeanor counts of false swearing to an affidavit and three misdemeanor counts of voting without being qualified. Wilson was ordered to pay a \$6,000 fine. Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach was able to identify this instance of voter fraud through the Interstate Crosscheck Program, a voter registration database that includes 30 states.

SOURCES

[cbsloc.al/2q8BaTE](https://www.cbsloc.al/2q8BaTE)

bit.ly/2oMy4kB

bit.ly/2q8wkpH

KANSAS

Steven Gaedtke

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

In 2015, Steven Gaedtke was convicted of duplicate voting during the 2010 general election. Gaedtke submitted an absentee ballot in Kansas, and then voted in person in Arkansas where he had a second home. He pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor, agreeing to pay a \$500 fine and court expenses.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e2TKra

KANSAS

Howard Duncan

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Howard Duncan pleaded no contest to knowingly and willfully voting more than once in the 2004 general election.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rClmot

KANSAS

Raymond H. Kurtz, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Duplicate Voting

Raymond H. Kurtz, Jr. of Newton, was fined \$450 and assessed \$205 in court costs and processing fees pursuant to a diversion agreement involving 3 counts of voting without being qualified.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rClmot

KANSAS

Leslie McIntosh, James Scherzer, and Lorraine Goodrich

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Leslie McIntosh, James Scherzer, and Lorraine Goodrich were convicted of voting in both Kansas and Missouri and providing false residency information to election officials. Scherzer was sentenced to two years' probation and 40 hours of community service; McIntosh was fined \$500; and Goodrich was sentenced to one year of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eewMIT

bit.ly/2f1LFzM

KENTUCKY

Gary Risner, Larry Shepherd, Tami Jo Risner, Scott McCarty

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Magoffin County Magistrate Gary Risner, Deputy County Clerk Larry Shepherd, and Tami Jo Risner (his ex-wife) were convicted of felony voter fraud for a vote buying scheme for a host of candidates in the 2014 election. An accomplice, Scotty L. McCarty, was also charged but pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor and testified against the others. His testimony revealed that the group had participated in vote buying conspiracies in elections dating back to 2010. He also testified that Larry Shepherd contributed \$10,000 and Risner contributed \$2,000 to the vote buying racket, paying individuals \$50 to vote for their slate of candidates. Shepherd also revealed that in a 2010 election, while acting as a precinct officer, he added 60 votes to the total for a candidate, and Risner signed the names of those who hadn't voted to cover the discrepancy. The U.S. District Judge scheduled sentencing for December 2016, with the charges carrying a maximum penalty of five years.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e2YkWn

KENTUCKY

Scott Lynn McCarty

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Scott McCarty pleaded guilty to bribing a voter in the 2014 Kentucky primary elections. McCarty admitted to accompanying a woman into a voting booth to make sure she voted for the right candidates. Afterwards, McCarty directed the woman to another person who would pay her for her vote. McCarty is to be sentenced in May and faces up to a year in prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1Jcp1

KENTUCKY

James Steven Robinson, Ruth Thomasine Robinson, James Robinson

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Ruth Robinson, the former mayor of Martin, Kentucky, was sentenced to 90 months' imprisonment on a variety of charges that included vote buying, identity theft, and fraud. With specific regard to the election charges, Robinson and co-conspirators James "Red" Robinson (her husband) and James Steven Robinson (her son) threatened and intimidated residents of Martin in the run-up to the 2012 election in which Robinson was seeking re-election. The cabal targeted residents living in public housing or in properties Robinson owned, threatening them with eviction if they did not sign absentee ballots the Robinsons had already filled out. Robinson also targeted disabled residents and offered to buy the votes of others. "Red" Robinson was sentenced to 40 months in prison, and his son James Steven Robinson received a total of 31 months' imprisonment.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fFb4Tv

bit.ly/2ff631s

KENTUCKY

Arch Turner

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Arch Turner, the Breathitt County School Superintendent, pleaded guilty to conspiracy, admitting to handing out money to buy votes in a 2010 election. He was sentenced to two years in prison and fined \$250,000 for his role in directing a vote-buying scheme.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fF9cKD

bit.ly/2fdybBn

KENTUCKY

Naomi Johnson, Jackie Jennings, and Earl Young

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Three Jackson residents were convicted in a vote buying scheme in a 2010 magistrate's race where they tried to control the outcome of the primary election. Johnson and Young were sentenced to four months in prison for conspiring to buy votes and vote buying. Jennings was sentenced to two months in prison for vote buying and conspiracy.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fiA3b8

KENTUCKY

Michael Salyers

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

In 2012, Michael Salyers, a former Brethitt County magistrate candidate, was sentenced to two months in jail, six months in home confinement, and ordered to perform 120 hours of community service for buying votes during his campaign. He admitted to paying people \$25 to vote for him.

SOURCES

fxn.ws/2tWzLlq

bit.ly/2sv2IRd

KENTUCKY

William Andrew King

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Ineligible Voting

William Andrew King pleaded guilty to illegally voting in the 2010 election. King, a convicted felon, was given four years of pre-trial diversion. A wrongful registration is a class D felony in Kentucky.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sM7hqz

KENTUCKY

Jeffrey Newport, Martha Hughes, Tony Gumm, William Proffitt, Corey Page, and Michael Page

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Six defendants pleaded guilty to charges of conspiring to buy votes in the 2006 Monroe County general election in favor of certain candidates. Gumm was sentenced to three years' probation with eight months' home detention and a \$4,000 fine. Martha Hughes, Michael Page, and Corey Page were each sentenced to two years' probation and six months' home detention. Newport was sentenced to two years' probation, two months' home incarceration, and ordered to pay a \$500 fine. Proffitt was sentenced to two years' probation and ordered to pay \$1000 in fines.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1KCQf

bit.ly/2eVD58f

KENTUCKY

Randy Salyer

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Randy Salyer, an operative in a vote-buying scheme connected to Magoffin County Judge-Executive Charles "Doc" Hardin, was convicted of two counts of vote-buying. A joint investigation by the Kentucky Attorney General's office and the FBI revealed that Salyer paid individuals \$100 each to bring him their absentee ballots. He was sentenced to 21 months in federal prison, but amazingly upon his release Judge-Executive Hardin hired Salyer as an assistant, likely as a reward for not testifying against him, according to documents filed by the prosecutor in the case.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eAIM8F

bit.ly/2e2YkWn

KENTUCKY

Wilbur Graves, Wanda Moore, Gary Bartley, and Ronald Muse

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Wilbur Graves, a former judge-executive for Monroe County, was convicted along with Wanda Moore, Gary Bartley, and Ronald Muse in a vote-buying scheme during the 2006 Monroe County general election. Moore and Muse both reached a plea agreement with prosecutors, testifying against Wilbur Graves. During the testimony, Moore stated that Graves provided her \$20,000 to \$30,000 which Moore used to buy votes for Graves. She paid about 140 voters \$40 to \$60 per vote. Graves was convicted and sentenced to 12 months and one day in prison, two years' supervised release, and a \$5,000 fine. Moore was sentenced to two years' probation and a \$400 fine. The judge sentenced Bartley to six months' probation/home confinement and ordered him to pay a \$2,000 fine. Muse was sentenced to time served.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eVD58f

bit.ly/2hs9sKF

KENTUCKY

Chester Jones and Sherman Neace

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Chester Jones and Sherman Neace pleaded guilty to charges stemming from a vote-buying scheme masterminded by the two men during the 2008 election. Jones was running for the Perry County School Board and also served as chairman of the county Democrat Party executive committee. Neace, a former county judge-executive, was running for magistrate. The pair accepted \$7,500 from the Kentucky Democrat Party to fund get-out-the-vote efforts, but instead used the money to buy the votes of 75 Perry County voters for \$100 apiece. Both men pleaded guilty to mail-fraud charges for mailing false campaign-spending documents to state agencies to cover up their illegal activity. Jones was sentenced to one year in prison, and Neace was sentenced to three years of probation, serving the first six months in home confinement.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ffeKcb

bit.ly/2fiEzWY

bit.ly/2eoz1Ne

KENTUCKY

R. Cletus Maricle, Douglas Adams, Freddy Thompson, Stanley Bowling, Charles Jones, William Stivers, William Morris, and Debra Morris

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Eight defendants (including a former circuit judge, a former school superintendent, a county clerk, a magistrate, and a former Democratic election commissioner) were convicted of vote-buying, mail fraud, extortion, and money laundering for checking lists of voters to identify those who would take bribes and for organizing people to drive them to the polls, where complicit precinct workers made sure they voted correctly and gave them a ticket to redeem for payment. After a lengthy appeals process, and after all 8 had served 40 months in prison, their sentences were reduced to: William Morris - five years, six months; Debra Morris - three years, four months; Stanley Bowling - five years, six months; Maricle, Stivers, Adams - 100 days' home incarceration, two years' supervised release; Freddy Thompson - two years' supervised release. Charles Jones has not yet been sentenced.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2eezHBr

bit.ly/2f1MWHF

KENTUCKY

Hugh Melvin Perkins

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Ineligible Voting

Hugh Melvin Perkins pleaded guilty to illegally voting in the 2010 election. Perkins, a convicted felon, was given four years of pre-trial diversion. A wrongful registration is a class D felony in Kentucky.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sM7hqz

KENTUCKY

Robert Madon

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Robert Madon, a former mayor of Pineville, Kentucky, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to buy votes in his November 2006 election. He used his son to pay voters \$10-\$20 to cast absentee ballots for him in the election, even paying one woman \$50 to leave town after her absentee ballot was refused when she told town officials she would not be out of town on Election Day. He was sentenced to 20 months in federal prison, two years of supervised release, and fined \$4,000.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2sADmlQ

bit.ly/2sVSHjv

KENTUCKY

Brent Madon

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Brent Madon, of Pineville, Kentucky, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to buy votes after he paid voters \$10-\$20 to vote for his father, a candidate for Pineville mayor in the November 2006 election, using absentee ballots. He was sentenced to 12 months in federal prison and three years of supervised release, the first six months of which were spent in home confinement.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2sADmlQ

bit.ly/2rCRj12

KENTUCKY

Stephen Ray Thomason

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Stephen Ray Thomason pleaded guilty to a felony charge of registering to vote despite being a convicted felon. Thomason had been convicted of homicide in 1972, but only months later was able to register to vote. His status as a convicted felon was apparently “overlooked” by state officials. The son of Thomason’s victim brought the matter of his illegal voting to the attention of the state. The Kentucky Attorney General planned to recommend a one-year sentence for Thomason.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eALjQa

KENTUCKY

Charles Hart

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Charles “Chuck” Hart, of Salt Lick, Kentucky, was found guilty of vote buying, obstruction of justice, and lying to federal agents. He bought votes during a Bath County primary election, and subsequently tried to contact and pressure jurors to rule in his favor. Hart was sentenced to 33 months’ federal imprisonment.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sLqRqY

bit.ly/2tmINYL

KENTUCKY

Darnell Hipsher

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Manchester City Councilman Darnell Hipsher pleaded guilty to conspiring to gain public favor by using city purchased asphalt to pave thirty-two private driveways, as part of a scheme to buy votes. He was sentenced to forty-six months in jail. He returned to the city council after his release.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fIFpIq

KENTUCKY

Fred Clinton Johnson

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

An eastern Kentucky county magistrate, Johnson was convicted of buying votes in the 2002 primary. He was sentenced to 14 months in prison and forced to pay \$10,000 in fines.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2t7uJCP

bit.ly/2ueJnYp

KENTUCKY

Donald “Champ” Maze

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Donald Maze pleaded guilty to paying four different people at least \$100 each for their vote in the Democrat primary for Bath County Attorney. He was sentenced to 21 months in jail, followed by two years of supervised release and 200 hours of community service. Additionally, he was assessed a \$50,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ue1MoD

bit.ly/2u4miYD

bit.ly/2t9TvNP

KENTUCKY

Walter Bascom ShROUT

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Bath County Judge-Executive Walter Bascom ShROUT was convicted of conspiracy to buy votes. He was also found guilty of obstruction of justice and making false statements to a federal agent. He was ordered to resign and was sentenced to 27 months in prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tE5G8W

bit.ly/2ue1MoD

bit.ly/2v85nBg

KENTUCKY

Daugh White

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Former Manchester mayor Daugh White pleaded guilty to conspiring to gain public favor by using city purchased asphalt to pave thirty-two private driveways, as part of a scheme to buy votes. He was sentenced to eighty-four months in jail.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2w9fpD1

KENTUCKY

Randy Thompson, John Mac Combs, Phillip Champion, and Ronnie Adams

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Knott County Judge-Executive Randy Thompson was sentenced to 40 months in prison for a vote buying scheme involving use of public funds to improve driveways and build bridges on private property. Judge-executive assistants Combs and Champion, as well as a former county magistrate, were also sentenced, receiving 36 months, 18 months, and 32 months, respectively.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eowvqc

KENTUCKY

Johnny Ray Turner

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

State Senator Johnny Ray Turner pleaded guilty to “non-willfully” making campaign expenditures for the purpose of influencing voters and was sentenced to three months’ home detention and one year of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eAKMNx

bit.ly/2udPg8j

KENTUCKY

Ross Harris

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Ross Harris was found guilty of election fraud for paying voters for their vote. He was spared a prison sentence because of a terminal illness.

SOURCES

nyti.ms/2u9JPqs

bit.ly/2tJyHhU

bit.ly/2tDSP6S

KENTUCKY

Newton Johnson

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Newton Johnson pleaded guilty to buying votes in the 1998 Knott County primary election.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eVG00a

KENTUCKY

Phillip Slone

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Phillip Slone pleaded guilty to vote buying in a federal election for offering to pay seven voters \$50 dollars each for voting in the primary election. He was sentenced to hree years' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fwjGwt

bit.ly/2fwnC07

KENTUCKY

Donnie Newsome

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Knott County Judge-Executive Donnie Newsome was convicted of conspiracy to buy votes and vote buying in the May 1998 Knott County primary election. He was sentenced to 26 months in prison and fined \$20,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fiDfTW

KENTUCKY

Willard Smith

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Willard Smith was convicted of conspiracy to buy votes and vote buying in the May 1998 Knott County primary election. He was accused of paying impoverished, handicapped, illiterate, or otherwise impaired persons to vote for Knott County Judge-Executive Donnie Newsome by absentee ballot. Smith was sentenced to two years in prison and a \$5,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fdDJMj

bit.ly/2eoBzuC

KENTUCKY

Keith Justice

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Keith Justice, of Pikeville, pleaded guilty to four counts of attempting to intimidate an election officer and one count of attempting to interfere with an election. The charges stem from the May 2016 state primary in which Justice, a licensed private investigator employed by Kentucky Senate Democratic Leader Ray Jones, D-Pikeville, falsely identified himself as a state voting inspector to both voters and poll workers, and claimed to be investigating election fraud. On election day, he ordered poll workers to provide written and audio statements, followed voters, and even entered at least one private residence demanding the names of voters the homeowner had driven to the polls. Justice was sentenced to home incarceration for 30 days, was ordered to pay a \$500 fine, and was required to surrender his private investigator's license for a year.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ibx2Az

bit.ly/2iaIDRt

bit.ly/2k4XpIE

LOUISIANA

Stanley Leger

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes, Election Overturned

In the 2014 Turkey Creek election, incumbent mayor Heather Cloud was voted out of office by a margin of four votes. It was later revealed that Stanley Leger, a campaign employee for challenger Bert Campbell, had paid \$15 each to four mentally impaired individuals in exchange for their promise to vote for Campbell. Cloud challenged the election. The Third Circuit Court of Appeals of Louisiana ordered that the four votes be struck and a new election be held, which Cloud won. Leger later pleaded guilty to illegal electioneering, receiving a suspended six-month jail sentence and 18 months' probation. He was also ordered to pay a \$500 fine and \$2,000 in restitution to Mayor Cloud.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2fwgzEM

bit.ly/2eVDmba

LOUISIANA

Tyrell Matthews Braud

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Tyrell Matthews Braud pleaded guilty to federal charges of making false statements to a grand jury in connection with his 2002 fabrication of 11 voter registration applications.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tE6JpD

LOUISIANA

Lincoln Carmouche

DISPOSITION: 2002

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Lincoln Carmouche was convicted of voter fraud in the Marksville mayoral race for bribing a voter. He was sentenced to two years in prison, which was suspended, and two years of supervised probation. He was also fined \$2,050 and ordered to perform 64 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eVDKGv

LOUISIANA

Pamela Thibodeaux

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Former St. Martinville City Council member Pamela Thibodeaux pleaded guilty to falsifying information on voter registration forms to allow people outside the district to vote for her in the 2002 city election. She was sentenced to three years' probation, eight months' home confinement, and ordered to pay a \$2,000 fine and \$1,500 in restitution.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2vgXlJW

bit.ly/2tckUOT

MAINE

Derek Abbott

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Duplicate Voting

Derek Abbott pleaded guilty to duplicate voting in multiple elections. Abbott had voted in multiple state and federal elections in each of two counties. He was permitted to withdraw his plea and the case was ultimately dismissed after Abbott successfully completed the requirements of a deferred disposition agreement.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uvs4Qh

bit.ly/2tNUQ1f

MAINE

Delmer Terrill

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Delmer Terrill pleaded guilty to a charge of making a false statement or oath, admitting to voting twice (in Dixmont and Newburgh, Maine) in the 2009 election. He received a 12-day jail sentence.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1T95P

MARYLAND

Fredericus Slicher

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Fredericus Slicher, a registered sex offender and illegal alien, pleaded guilty to ineligible voting in the 2012 election as well as several other criminal charges. He had been illegally voting in federal and state elections since 1976. He was sentenced to serve three months in jail, one year of supervised release, and ordered to pay \$49,928 in restitution for illegally collected Social Security and Medicare benefits.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tX9iEI

bit.ly/2tNtPuC

MARYLAND

Wendy Rosen

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Wendy Rosen pleaded guilty to duplicate voting in the 2006 and 2010 elections. Though she resided in Florida, she voted in both Florida and Maryland. At the time of her prosecution, Wendy Rosen was running as the 2012 Democrat candidate for Maryland's 1st U.S. Congressional District, but when the fraud came to light, she was forced to withdraw from the race. She was sentenced to five years' probation, a \$5,000 fine, and 500 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1OCAp

bit.ly/2fwnduT

MARYLAND

Elsie Virginia Schildt

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Elsie Virginia Schildt, of Frederick, pleaded guilty to attempting to vote more than once in the same election. She had attempted to submit an absentee ballot in her mother's name in the 2012 general election, despite the fact that her mother had died more than a month beforehand. She was sentenced to probation before judgment and required to perform 40 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rQNhXc

bit.ly/2sqrKTV

MARYLAND

Paul Schurick and Julius Henson

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Paul Schurick, the former Campaign Manager to Maryland Governor Robert Ehrlich, was convicted of election fraud after approving a robocall to black voters telling them not to vote because the Democrats had already won the 2010 gubernatorial election. A Circuit Court Judge spared Schurick jail time, opting to sentence him to 30 days' home detention, four years of probation, and 500 hours of community service. Julius Henson was also convicted on one count of conspiracy to violate election law for his part in recording the robocall. A Circuit Court judge sentenced Henson to 60 days in jail and ordered him to complete 300 hours of community service.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2eoyj2c
bit.ly/2fFfKc4

MARYLAND

Linda Earlette Wells

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Linda Earlette Wells pleaded guilty to impersonating a voter after she attempted to vote as her deceased mother. While she was a registered voter in Florida, Wells called the town where her mother had been registered, claimed to be her mother (who had passed away) and asserted that she had not, in fact, died. She then obtained an absentee ballot and attempted to vote in the 2012 presidential election.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tt1vLb
bit.ly/2ttehJI
bit.ly/2u6XdvZ

MARYLAND

Chris Strough

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Chris Strough and her husband, Queensbury Supervisor John Strough, violated state election law while obtaining signatures on a petition to get John Strough on the Conservative Party primary ballot. John Strough, a Democrat, was required by law to have a notary present for each signature he obtained because he was targeting voters outside of his own party. His wife, a notary public, claimed to have witnessed each signature and read the signer an oath to swear. However, investigators determined she actually remained in the car for many signatures and did not interact with voters. As part of a plea deal, Chris Strough pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct, was fined \$200, and gave up her notary license, while charges against John Strough will be dismissed pending six months of good behavior.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2OGYuRb

bit.ly/2MUgYwW

MARYLAND

John Doe

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

“John Doe,” a likely illegal alien whose real name and country of origin remain unknown, stole the identity of Cheyenne Moody Davis, a U.S. citizen, and used it to obtain a driver’s license, passport, and Social Security card. He also registered and successfully voted in the 2016 presidential election. Doe was convicted on two counts of voter fraud, as well as aggravated identity theft and passport and social security fraud. He was sentenced to serve 42 months in prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2BiDmyW

bsun.md/2PgUAjc

MASSACHUSETTS

Mark Atlas

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Impersonation Fraud at the Polls

Mark Atlas, of Worcester, Massachusetts, was charged in 2013 with voter fraud for voting under someone else's name. Although Atlas' attorney claimed it was just a prank, he admitted to sufficient facts for a guilty finding. The charge was continued without a finding for one year, and Atlas was ordered to pay \$1000 in court costs, as well as serve 200 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rCzJuo

bit.ly/2rCvUVV

bit.ly/2rCAp2U

MASSACHUSETTS

Courtney Llewellyn

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Courtney Llewellyn, an East Longmeadow town employee, conspired with her husband to cast absentee ballots in her husband's race for state office. She changed the party registration of 285 registered Democrats to unaffiliated, and then requested Republican primary ballots for all of them. She and her husband took the ballots on the pretense of mailing them to the voters, but never did so. Llewellyn pleaded guilty to five charges including larceny, forgery, conspiracy, and interfering with an election official. She was sentenced to one year of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2spQwn2

bit.ly/2tNACKm

MASSACHUSETTS

Enrico “Jack” Villamaino

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Former Selectman Enrico Villamaino, a candidate for the Massachusetts House of Representatives, pleaded guilty to charges of larceny, interfering with an election official, forgery of a document, perjury, and conspiracy to commit an unlawful act for changing the party affiliations of 280 voters. He received a split sentence--one year imprisonment, but only four months behind bars. The remainder was suspended.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eVFMXx

MASSACHUSETTS

Stephen “Stat” Smith

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Former State Representative Stephen Smith pleaded guilty to two counts of voter fraud in a scheme in which he obtained absentee ballots for ineligible voters and, in some cases, cast their ballots without their knowledge. He was sentenced to four months in prison, a year of supervised release, and ordered to pay a \$20,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ffdkym

bit.ly/2eoDtLD

MICHIGAN

Brandon Hall

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Brandon Hall was convicted of ten counts of ballot petition fraud stemming from the 2012 election. Chris Houghtaling, who sought to become a candidate for the Ottawa County District Court, hired Hall to acquire the necessary signatures for his candidacy; Houghtaling reportedly did not care whether the signatures were collected legally or illegally, and even assisted in Hall's crime by providing him old 2010 petitions to copy. Hall, realizing he did not collect enough signatures, used a phone book to complete the rest. Hall's friend, Zachary Savage, assisted with the fraud, but prosecutors granted him immunity in exchange for his testimony. Hall appealed his conviction, which was affirmed. He is awaiting sentencing.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2hC6I5Z

bit.ly/2gFcoXh

MICHIGAN

Adam Kane Easlick

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Adam Easlick, a resident in Ypsilanti, voted illegally in the 2012 presidential election in Tuscola County after registering at a post office. He was registered at multiple addresses outside of Ypsilanti. Easlick pleaded guilty to the charges and received six months' probation. Interestingly, following the voter fraud charges, in May 2013, after multiple warnings from the secretary of state, Easlick placed an ad on Craigslist seeking an address in Ingham County to obtain a fraudulent driver's license. Between March 2012 and February 2013, Easlick changed his registration among street addresses, post offices or mail-forwarding businesses in Clare, Hillsdale, Tuscola, and Kent counties.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1PtBa

MICHIGAN

Salim Ahmed

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Salim Ahmed pleaded guilty to one felony count of unlawful possession of an absentee ballot. Ahmed was initially charged with 20 counts of improper return of absentee ballots. He and two other men delivered absentee ballots to the city clerk's office from people not related to them or members of their household. Ahmed was fined and ordered to pay court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sLR0Sg

bit.ly/2uN2AOC

bit.ly/2t9ryFQ

MICHIGAN

Armani Asad

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Armani Asad, an unsuccessful candidate for Hamtramck City Council, pleaded guilty to one count of improper possession of an absentee ballot. Asad initially faced 14 charges related to improper return of absentee ballots. He and two other men illegally delivered absentee ballots to the city clerk's office from people not related to them or members of their household. Asad was fined and ordered to pay court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sLR0Sg

bit.ly/2uN2AOC

bit.ly/2t9ryFQ

MICHIGAN

Russell Mohammed

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Russell Mohammed pleaded guilty to one felony count of unlawful possession of an absentee ballot. Mohammed was initially charged with six counts of improper return of absentee ballots. He and two other men were charged with delivering absentee ballots to the city clerk's office from people not related to them or members of their household. Mohammed was fined and ordered to pay court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sLR0Sg

bit.ly/2uN2AOC

bit.ly/2t9ryFQ

MICHIGAN

Edward Pinkney

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

As if once wasn't enough, in 2014 Reverend Edward Pinkney was convicted again. This time for false certification of petitions in a mayoral recall election. As a habitual offender, based on his three prior convictions, Pinkney was sentenced to serve between two-and-a-half and ten years in prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2unoNWh

bit.ly/2eANfba

MICHIGAN

Mohammed Abdur Rahman

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Mohammed Abdur Rahman, of Hamtramck, pleaded guilty to one count of improper possession of an absentee ballot. He initially faced five counts of improper possession of ballots during the 2013 primary election. He was sentenced to probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sLR0Sg

MICHIGAN

Dilsa Maria Saddler

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Dilsa Maria Saddler, of Berrien Springs, was convicted of conspiracy to commit election fraud. She registered to vote and voted in the 2008 general election, even though she was ineligible because she is not a U.S. citizen. She was sentenced to 10 days in jail, 100 hours of community service, and \$750 in fines and court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sq1Y24

bit.ly/2tNnRGj

MICHIGAN

Lorianne O'Brady, Don Yowchuang, and Paul Seewald

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Former staff members for U.S. Representative Thaddeus McCotter created fake nominating petitions for his short-lived 2012 presidential campaign. Lorianne O'Brady pleaded no contest to falsely signing a nominating petition, and was sentenced to 20 days in either prison or a work program, as well as paying \$2,625. Don Yowchuang pleaded no contest to 10 counts of forgery and six counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as a circulator, and received three years' probation and 200 hours of community service. Paul Seewald pleaded guilty to nine counts of falsely signing a nominating petition, and received 100 hours of community service and three years' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eeyh9S

MICHIGAN

Jason Bauer and Mike McGuinness

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Former Oakland County Democratic Party officials, Jason Bauer and Mike McGuinness, were charged with election fraud for trying to put a fake Tea Party candidate on the ballot in order to dilute the Republican vote. Bauer pleaded no contest and was sentenced to one year probation and \$2,600 in fines. McGuinness pleaded no contest to perjury and forgery, and received one year probation, 180 hours of community service, and \$1,965 in fines.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ffzUa6

bit.ly/2eVYm1p

bit.ly/2ffEipu

MICHIGAN

Edward Pinkney

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Following a jury trial, Reverend Edward Pinkney of Benton Harbor was found guilty of possessing other individuals' absentee ballots and buying votes in a 2005 runoff election. At a local soup kitchen, Pinkney would pay \$5 to each poor or homeless person who would fill out an absentee ballot.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ffCn4d

MINNESOTA

Max Sanders

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Buying Votes

Max Sanders, a student at the University of Minnesota, was charged with bribery, treating, and solicitation after offering to sell his vote to the highest bidder on eBay. Offering to buy or sell a vote is a felony under an 1893 Minnesota law. He was sentenced to 50 hours' community service. The charges will be dismissed if he completes his community service within six months.

SOURCES

cbsn.ws/2tcZdOK

bit.ly/2uPwPED

bit.ly/2tcX0Tp

MINNESOTA

Shawn Marie Kaarbo

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Shawn Marie Kaarbo, of Barnum, pleaded guilty to voting while ineligible. She certified that she was eligible to vote and subsequently voted in the 2012 general election, despite the fact that she was on probation for a felony assault charge at the time and was not legally permitted to vote. She was sentenced to one year of confinement, which was stayed for two years, and she was required to complete 40 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sq119T

bit.ly/2sTq4DN

bit.ly/2sVyeLy

MINNESOTA

Anna Nicole Nelson

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Anna Nicole Nelson, of Aurora, pleaded guilty to voting while ineligible after she certified that she was eligible to vote and subsequently voted in the 2012 general election, despite the fact that she was still on probation for a felony drug charge and had lost her right to vote. Nelson received a one year sentence, stayed for two years, and was required to pay \$210 in court fees.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sq119T

bit.ly/2sQ7Cem

MINNESOTA

Alfreda Bowman

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Ineligible Voting

Alfreda Bowman, a convicted felon, pleaded guilty to a charge of voting in an election even though she was ineligible to do so. She received a stay of adjudication which included 40 hours of community service and one year of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eVET00

MINNESOTA

Ryan Richard Halvorson

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Ryan Richard Halvorson pleaded guilty to the charge of registering an ineligible voter. Halvorson had registered and voted in the 2008 presidential election despite being a convicted felon, and therefore ineligible. He was ordered to pay \$430 in court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2t9WtBO

bit.ly/2ue96kq

MINNESOTA

Matthew John Kluck

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Matthew John Kluck pleaded guilty to knowingly voting despite being ineligible. He had previously been convicted of identity theft, and therefore not eligible to vote in the 2008 presidential election. Kluck was ordered \$430 in court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2t9WtBO

bit.ly/2uhlv7a (Case No. 19HA-CR-11-3909)

MINNESOTA

Michael Patrick McAlpin

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Michael Patrick McAlpin was charged with registering while ineligible to vote in relation to the November 2008 election. He had previously been convicted for failing to register as a predatory offender and violated his probation by registering to vote. He was ordered to pay \$430 in court fees.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2t9WtBO

bit.ly/2u9bRDf (Case #19HA-CR-11-3868)

MINNESOTA

Murdock Francis McLeod, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Murdock Francis McLeod, Jr., of Duluth, Minnesota, pleaded guilty to voting while ineligible. He voted in the November 2008 election, despite the fact that his civil rights had not been restored after a prior felony conviction. McLeod was sentenced to two years' probation, forty hours' community service, and a total of \$135 in fees and fines.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2t2QvYI

bit.ly/2vbfZ2e

bit.ly/2u9bRDf (Case #69DU-CR-11-1912)

MINNESOTA

Brodhy Hillis Avery

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Brodhy Hillis Avery, a convicted felon serving probation, pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in the 2010 election. He received a 180-day suspended jail sentence, two years' probation, and a \$980 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uMT8Ld

bit.ly/2sLpiFr

bit.ly/2sLNvva

MINNESOTA

Lavern Antoinette Bowman

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Lavern Bowman pleaded guilty to voting while ineligible during the November 2008 general election. As convicted felon, she lacked the right to vote. She was sentenced to two months' supervised probation and was ordered to complete 40 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eoWRbH

MINNESOTA

Antonio Vassel Brown

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Antonio Brown was convicted of voting while ineligible in the November 2008 general election. Brown has a lengthy criminal history, having been convicted of multiple felonies in several states. His convictions rendered him ineligible to vote, but he did so anyway. He was convicted and sentenced to 15 months' imprisonment.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eoWRbH

MINNESOTA

Lisa May Burleson

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Lisa May Burleson was convicted of ineligible voting when she cast her ballot after pleading guilty to felony theft in 2006. She was sentenced to two years of supervised probation and required to complete 40 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uhlV7a (Case # 69HI-CR-11-543)

bit.ly/2vbfZ2e

bit.ly/2t2QvYI

MINNESOTA

Elve Lawrence Williamson

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Elve Williamson was charged with knowingly voting while ineligible to vote and registering an ineligible voter. He pleaded guilty to voting while ineligible, and the other charge was dismissed. He was sentenced to one year in prison (364 days of which were stayed for two years), two years of probation, and a \$3,000 fine (of which \$2,900 was stayed for two years).

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fiV2uv

MINNESOTA

Amber Allison Neal

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Amber Neal pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in St. Paul, Minnesota. She was sentenced to 91 days' local confinement, two years' probation, and a \$1,100 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fcp2vD

MINNESOTA

Andrew Frank Schmidt

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Andrew Schmidt pleaded guilty to the charge of registering an ineligible voter. He was sentenced to five years of supervised probation, 10 days of local confinement, and was ordered to pay \$585 in fines, which were waived in lieu of completing community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2e3iPID

MINNESOTA

Angela Jane White

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Angela White pleaded guilty to registration of ineligible voters and was sentenced to two years of supervised probation, one year of local confinement (of which 360 days were stayed for a two-year term), and 20 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eB3yER

MINNESOTA

Anthony Joseph Kippels

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Anthony Joseph Kippels pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota. He was sentenced to 180 days' imprisonment (179 were stayed), one year of probation, and a fine of \$100.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fyzSNI

MINNESOTA

Brent Michael Cirillo

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Brent Cirillo pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in St. Paul, Minnesota. He was sentenced to 365 days in prison and two years of probation, and was fined \$3,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fHCLv6

MINNESOTA

Brian William Prierer

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Brian Prierer was convicted of knowingly voting while ineligible in Maplewood, Minnesota. He was sentenced to 365 days' imprisonment (all were stayed), two years' probation, and a fine of \$3,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2ffZQ4L

MINNESOTA

Carolyn Land

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Carolyn Land knowingly voted while ineligible in St. Paul, Minnesota. She pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 100 days of local confinement (99 were stayed), one year of probation, and a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2f4QsAo

MINNESOTA

Cassidy Cole Schuster

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Cassidy Schuster was charged with and pleaded guilty to voting while ineligible. He was sentenced to 12 days in jail and three years of supervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2ffXwel

MINNESOTA

Catherine Yvette Jenkins

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Catherine Jenkins was charged with registering an ineligible voter and knowingly voting despite being ineligible. She pleaded guilty to the latter charge, while the former was dismissed. Jenkins was sentenced to one year of imprisonment at the Ramsey County Correctional Facility. She served 64 days of her sentence, with the remainder stayed for two years while she underwent supervised probation. She was also ordered to pay a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fijSfl

MINNESOTA

Chad Alan Savoy

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Chad Savoy of New Ulm was convicted of knowingly voting despite being ineligible. He was sentenced to 90 days in the county jail, but his sentence was stayed for one year. He also was also ordered to pay \$580 in fines and complete one year of supervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2ehPqzE

MINNESOTA

Cheryl Lynn Barrett

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Cheryl Barrett was convicted for knowingly voting while ineligible in Austin, Minnesota. She was sentenced to two years of supervised probation and three days of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fHH2ia

MINNESOTA

Christopher Charles Lawrence

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Christopher Charles Lawrence knowingly voted while ineligible in St. Paul, Minnesota. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 91 days' confinement (90 were stayed), one year of probation, and a \$25 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2ehTXCh

MINNESOTA

Christopher Louisell Johnson

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Christopher Johnson was charged with registering an ineligible voter and knowingly voting despite being ineligible. He pleaded guilty to the latter charge, while the former was dismissed. He was sentenced to one year of imprisonment at the Ramsey County Correctional Facility, but 363 days of his sentence were stayed. He also received two years' supervised probation, was ordered to complete 60 hours of community service, and to pay a \$3,000 fine, \$2,800 of which was stayed.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2f4ONLk

MINNESOTA

Colin Lee Schickling

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Colin Schickling pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in St. Paul, Minnesota. He was sentenced to 365 days' imprisonment, of which he served 114 days, and the remainder were stayed. He also was fined \$1,000 and received two years' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2f4OINO

MINNESOTA

Curtis Russell Schneider

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Curtis Schneider pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in St. Paul, Minnesota. He was sentenced to 162 days' imprisonment and a fine of \$100.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fyEIKU

MINNESOTA

Daniel Paul Wichmann

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Daniel Wichmann pleaded guilty to false registrations and was sentenced to one year of local confinement (of which 360 days were stayed for two years), two years of probation, a fine of \$300, and 20 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fikIOD

MINNESOTA

Dante Antonio Garcia, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Dante Antonio Garcia, Jr., pleaded guilty to knowingly voted while ineligible in Stearns County, Minnesota. He was sentenced to 211 days' imprisonment, five years' supervised probation, and ordered to pay a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fHFrlV

MINNESOTA

Deanara Montez Thomas

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Deanara Thomas pleaded guilty to false registrations and was sentenced to 120 days of local confinement and a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2e5nYKa

MINNESOTA

Dewey Robert Simmons

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Dewey Simmons pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible and was sentenced to time served of 312 days and a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fflmbk

MINNESOTA

Dominique Nicole Bolden

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Dominique Bolden was charged with registering an ineligible voter and knowingly voting despite being ineligible. She pleaded guilty to the latter charge while the former was dismissed. She served 31 days of a 91-day prison sentence in local confinement. She also received one year of supervised probation and was ordered to pay a \$1,100 fine, \$1,050 of which was stayed.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2ffl18s

MINNESOTA

Donna Eileen Carter

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Donna Carter was convicted of voting while ineligible. She was sentenced to 365 days in jail and two years of supervised probation. She was also fined \$1,000 and ordered to perform 40 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2e5rxzP

MINNESOTA

Dustin Lee Ryan

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Dustin Ryan pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in White Bear Lake, Minnesota. He was sentenced to 365 days' imprisonment (363 were stayed), two years' probation, and a fine of \$1,000. He was also ordered to perform 40 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fHEvnP

MINNESOTA

Gidget Sherice Todd

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Gidget Todd pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible to vote in the 2008 election and was sentenced to 100 days in prison, one year of probation, and a \$1,001 fine (of which \$951 was stayed for one year).

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2errLjm

MINNESOTA

Haleem Khan Shamid

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Haleem Khan Shamid pleaded guilty to a charge of registering ineligible voters and was sentenced to five years of probation and 20 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2e5qJv7

MINNESOTA

Harold Eugene Thompson

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Harold Eugene Thompson pleaded guilty to ineligible voting and was sentenced to one day of time served in prison and five years of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF
bit.ly/2f4ONem

MINNESOTA

Harvey Joseph Poitra

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Harvey Poitra pleaded guilty to the charge of registering an ineligible voter. He was sentenced to 366 days' imprisonment, stayed for five years. He also received five years of supervised probation and was required to pay a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF
bit.ly/2eDn6Zj

MINNESOTA

Hector Molina Perez

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Hector Molina Perez pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in St. Paul. He was sentenced to four months' local confinement (he only served one day and the rest were stayed), one year of probation, and a fine of \$50. He was also ordered to perform 24 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF
bit.ly/2f4OuQN

MINNESOTA

James Albert Ayers

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

James Ayers was charged with registering an ineligible voter and knowingly voting despite being ineligible. He pleaded guilty to the latter charge, while the former was dismissed. He was sentenced to one year of imprisonment at the Ramsey County Correctional Facility. He served 55 days of his sentence, with the remainder stayed for two years while he underwent supervised probation. He was also ordered to pay a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF
bit.ly/2ffXjrw

MINNESOTA

James Earl Moore

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

James Moore pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in Brooklyn Center, Minnesota. He was sentenced to 91 days of local confinement (all were stayed), two years' probation, and a fine of \$1,200. He was also required to perform 32 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2flbREZ

MINNESOTA

James Edward Franklin

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

James Franklin was charged with knowingly voting while ineligible and registering an ineligible voter. He was convicted of voting while ineligible and the other charge was dismissed. He was sentenced to 180 days in prison (of which 125 days were stayed for two years), two years of probation, and a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eYhFaC

MINNESOTA

James Graham Kelley

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

James Kelley pleaded guilty to the charge of knowingly voting while ineligible. He was sentenced to 180 days in prison. He served two days, with the remainder of his sentence stayed for one year while he was given supervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2flau9m

MINNESOTA

James Vance Bond

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

James Bond pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in Mounds View, Minnesota. He was sentenced to 288 days in local confinement and fined \$100.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2erA3rx

MINNESOTA

Jason Dennis Grueneich

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Jason Grueneich pleaded guilty to voting while ineligible in Brooklyn Park, Minnesota. A court sentenced him to two years of supervised probation and ordered him to complete 24 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2e5ri7U

MINNESOTA

Jeanette Hurt

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Jeanette Hurt was charged with registering an ineligible voter and knowingly voting despite being ineligible. She pleaded guilty to the latter charge, while the former was dismissed. Hurt served 35 days of a one-year sentence at the Ramsey County Correction Facility, with the remainder of the sentence stayed for two years. She also received two years' supervised probation and was ordered to pay a \$3,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2ffK6kJ

MINNESOTA

Jennifer Jo Johnson

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Jennifer Johnson was charged with registering an ineligible voter and knowingly voting despite being ineligible. She pleaded guilty to the former charge, while the latter was dismissed. She served 18 days of a one-year sentence in local confinement. She also received two years of supervised probation and was ordered to pay a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2ffGcIF

MINNESOTA

John Paul Thomas

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

John Thomas pleaded guilty to ineligible voting and was sentenced to 120 days of local confinement, two years of probation, and a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2ehTuA0

MINNESOTA

Kathleen Adelle Hecker

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Kathleen Hecker pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in Howard Lake, Minnesota. She was sentenced to two years of supervised probation and 30 days of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2ei09Km

MINNESOTA

Katie Denise Moore

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Katie Denise Moore pleaded guilty to registering ineligible voters in St. Paul, Minnesota. She was sentenced to 91 days' imprisonment and a fine of \$50.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2ehXVe6

MINNESOTA

Kenneth Alphonso Johnson

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Kenneth Johnson was charged with registering an ineligible voter and knowingly voting despite being ineligible. He pleaded guilty to the latter charge, while the former was dismissed. He was sentenced to one year of local confinement, 364 days of which were stayed. He also received two years of supervised probation and was ordered to pay a \$3,000 fine, \$2,950 of which was stayed.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eDqweG

MINNESOTA

Kiara Shontay White

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Kiara White of St. Paul, Minnesota pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in the 2008 election. She was sentenced to 364 days in prison (stayed for one year), one year of supervised probation, 20 hours of community service, and a \$500 fine (of which \$400 was stayed for one year).

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2ehVVCF

MINNESOTA

Kim Katrina Shaw

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Kim Shaw pleaded guilty to voting while ineligible in Minneapolis, Minnesota. She was sentenced to one year of supervised probation and 24 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2erucCO

MINNESOTA

Kimberly Rae Lynch

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Kimberly Rae Lynch knowingly voted while ineligible in St. Paul, Minnesota. She pleaded guilty to the voter fraud charges and was sentenced to 364 days' confinement, which was stayed. She also sentenced to one year of probation and ordered to pay a fine of \$500.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2f4PNPw

MINNESOTA

Kristina Jane Mossberg

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Kristina Mossberg pleaded guilty to voting while ineligible in Anoka, Minnesota. She was sentenced to 365 days of local confinement, one year of supervised probation, and 18 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eYhax6

MINNESOTA

Kyle Robert Deno

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Kyle Deno pleaded guilty to registering an ineligible voter. He was sentenced to five days in jail, two years of supervised probation, and 20 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fiiRUO

MINNESOTA

Lacy Jewel Graditi

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Lacy Graditi was charged with registering an ineligible voter and knowingly voting while ineligible in the 2008 election in St. Cloud, Minnesota. She pleaded guilty to voting while ineligible and the other charge was dismissed. She was sentenced to 10 days' imprisonment, five years' of supervised probation, and community service in lieu of her \$300 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2erzPRv

MINNESOTA

Lenzie Lee George

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Lenzie George was charged with registering an ineligible voter and knowingly voting while ineligible. He pleaded guilty to voting while ineligible, and the other charge was dismissed. He was sentenced to 219 days in prison (with credit for time served) and a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fyGMT0

MINNESOTA

Marcellette Chyann Payne

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Marcellette Payne pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in White Bear Lake, Minnesota. She was sentenced to 180 days' local confinement (served four days and the rest were stayed), six months' probation, and a fine of \$50.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eYgxng

MINNESOTA

Mark Steven Tice

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Mark Tice was charged with voting as a felon and false registrations. He pleaded guilty to felon voting and the false registrations charge was dismissed. Tice was assessed \$990 in fines.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eYhTi3

MINNESOTA

Matthew Nicholas Agnes

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Matthew Nicholas pleaded guilty to the charge of knowingly voting while ineligible. He was sentenced to five years of supervised probation, ordered to serve 45 days of local confinement, and to pay a fine of \$585. He also received a 366 day prison sentence, which was stayed for five years.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eYh6gl

MINNESOTA

Michael David Johnson

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Michael Johnson pleaded guilty to the charge of knowingly voting despite being ineligible. He was sentenced to 181 days' imprisonment at the Ramsey County Correctional Facility and was ordered to pay a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fHICAk

MINNESOTA

Michael Jordan Brazelton

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Michael Brazelton was convicted of voting while ineligible in St. Paul, Minnesota. He was sentenced to 365 in jail and two years of supervised probation, and was fined \$3,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2flaYvX

MINNESOTA

Michael Shannon O'Connor

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Michael Shannon O'Connor pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in St. Paul, Minnesota. He was sentenced to 91 days' local confinement (90 were stayed), one year of probation, and a fine of \$25.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fg1cMQ

MINNESOTA

Michael Van Stephens

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Michael Stephens pleaded guilty to registering ineligible voters and was sentenced to one year of local confinement in a county correctional facility.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2flbB92

MINNESOTA

Nakeisha Lezette Howard

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Nakeisha Howard was charged with false registration and knowingly voting while ineligible in the 2008 election. She pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible to vote, and the false registration charge was dismissed. She was sentenced 180 days in prison (of which 176 days were stayed for two years), two years' supervised probation, a \$150 fine, and 40 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eDo6Nj

MINNESOTA

Nakisha Kechelle Jordan

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Nakisha Jordan pleaded guilty to ineligible voting in St. Paul, Minnesota. A court sentenced her to 365 days in jail and two years of probation, and fined her \$3,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF
bit.ly/2e5qVKL

MINNESOTA

Paris Lamar Carey

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Paris Carey pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible. A court sentenced him to one year of probation and 20 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF
bit.ly/2flaq9l

MINNESOTA

Patrick Casey Getten

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Patrick Getten pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible. He was sentenced to 365 days in prison (of which 359 days were stayed for one year), one year of probation, and a \$500 fine (of which \$400 was stayed for one year).

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2ffOzUL

MINNESOTA

Paul Duane Lampl

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Paul Lampl pleaded guilty to the charge of registering an ineligible voter. He was sentenced to five years of supervised probation, and was ordered to complete 40 hours of community service and pay a \$500 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2firUEW

MINNESOTA

Paula Jean Smith

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Paula Smith of White Earth, Minnesota was convicted of knowingly voting while ineligible. She was sentenced to 30 days in Becker County Jail, was ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine, and received five years of supervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eDsvzG

MINNESOTA

Robert Christopher Schuehle

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Robert Schuele pleaded guilty to registration of ineligible voters and was sentenced to 91 days of local confinement and a fine of \$100.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2e5tfS7

MINNESOTA

Roman Durand Woodard

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Roman Woodard was charged with two counts of registering an ineligible voter and one count of knowingly voting while ineligible, stemming from the 2008 election. He pleaded guilty to ineligible voting, and the other charges were dismissed. He was sentenced to 120 days in prison (of which 99 days were stayed for two years), two years of probation, and a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2erAr9s

MINNESOTA

Ryan Scott Marsh

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting, False Registrations

Ryan Marsh of Worthington was charged with voting while ineligible and registering an ineligible voter. He pleaded guilty to the first charge, while the second was dismissed. He was sentenced to two years of supervised probation and was ordered to pay a \$500 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fg1OSU

MINNESOTA

Sabrina Ruth Hall

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Sabrina Hall was charged with false registration and ineligible voting. She pleaded guilty to ineligible voting in the 2008 election, the false registration charge was dropped, and Hall was sentenced to 365 days in prison (of which 364 days were stayed for one year), one year of probation, and ordered to pay \$156 in court fees. When Fox News went door-to-door to interview felons who were convicted of illegally voting, she was asked if she thought her vote helped Al Franken get into office. She responded saying, "I don't know, but I hope it did."

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fHKYiJ

MINNESOTA

Shane James Lyman

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Shane James Lyman knowingly voted while ineligible in St. Paul, Minnesota. He pleaded guilty to the charges and was sentenced to 100 days' imprisonment (99 were stayed), one year probation, and a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eDsAUa

MINNESOTA

Shannon Dee Moudry

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Shannon Moudry pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in Hutchinson, Minnesota. She was sentenced to one year of supervised probation and 15 days of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2f4SIHY

MINNESOTA

Sheila Larae Dennis

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Sheila Dennis pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in Saint Paul, Minnesota. She was sentenced to 100 days in jail and one year of probation, and was fined \$50.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eYkXdY

MINNESOTA

Siresa Dale Moore

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Siresa Moore pleaded guilty to registering ineligible voters in St. Paul, Minnesota. She was sentenced to 181 days of local confinement and a fine of \$50.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2e5s6d8

MINNESOTA

Spencer Dwight Cistrunk

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Spencer Cistrunk pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible. He received a sentence of 91 days in jail, two years of probation, and a \$1,100 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2f4Wjpr

MINNESOTA

Taylor Joseph Endres

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Taylor Endres pleaded guilty to registering an ineligible voter in Cold Spring, Minnesota. He was sentenced to 36 days in jail, two years of supervised probation, and community service in lieu of a fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eYnAMR

MINNESOTA

Timothy John Arsenal

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Timothy Arsenal of St. Paul pleaded guilty to the charge of registering an ineligible voter. He was sentenced to serve six months in prison, with all but six days of the sentence stayed or credited for time served. Arsenal also was ordered to pay a \$50 fine and received one year of supervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fyOcpE

MINNESOTA

Todd Reggi Tiedemann

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Todd Tiedemann was charged with ineligible voting during the 2008 election and registering an ineligible voter. He pleaded guilty to voting while ineligible, and the other charge was dismissed. He was sentenced to one year in prison (361 days of which were stayed for two years), two years of probation, and a \$3,000 fine (\$2,950 of which was stayed for two years).

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2ffJ4oK

MINNESOTA

Troy Alan Scott

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Troy Scott was charged with registering ineligible voters and ineligible voting. He pleaded guilty to registration of ineligible voters and was sentenced to 90 days of confinement and one year of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2flfzOV

MINNESOTA

Susan Dulong Walker

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Ineligible Voting

Susan Dulong Walker voted in a 2009 School District Election in Kanabec County, Minnesota, despite being ineligible to vote because she was not a U.S. citizen. She pleaded guilty to registering while ineligible and was sentenced to one year of unsupervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ta1E4x

MINNESOTA

Vernon Lee Williams

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Vernon Williams was convicted of voting while ineligible in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He was sentenced to one year and one day in a correctional facility.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fflozK

MINNESOTA

Vaugh Tojo Young

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Vaugh Tojo was charged with registering an ineligible voter and knowingly voting while ineligible. He pleaded guilty to voting while ineligible, and the other charge was dismissed. He was sentenced to 180 days in prison (of which 178 days were stayed for two years), two years of supervised probation, a \$50 fine, and 50 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fg3ZFK

MINNESOTA

Wayne Seton Applebaum

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Wayne Applebaum was convicted of the charge of knowingly voting despite being ineligible. He was sentenced to six months of probation and was ordered to complete 12 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eDtDn2

MINNESOTA

Daniel Tyrell Clark

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Daniel Clark pleaded guilty to registering an ineligible voter in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He was sentenced to 365 days in jail, two years of supervised probation, 40 hours of community service, and received a \$1,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eDr2JK

MINNESOTA

David Richard Hofmann

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

David Hofmann pleaded guilty to ineligible voting in Herron Lake. He was sentenced to one year and one day in a correctional facility and five years of supervised probation. He was also fined \$1,200.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2f4SzV2

MINNESOTA

Donald James Diamond

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Donald Diamond pleaded guilty to registering an ineligible voter. He was sentenced to 365 days in jail, two years of supervised probation, 60 hours of community service, and was ordered to pay a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2erB17n

MINNESOTA

Dustin James Norring

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Dustin Norring pleaded guilty to registering ineligible voters in Maplewood, Minnesota. He was sentenced to 365 days' imprisonment (served 47 days and the rest were stayed), two years' probation, and fine of \$1,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fijQEe

MINNESOTA

Jason Scott Jones

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Jason Scott Jones pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in St. Cloud, Minnesota. He was sentenced to time served (151 days) and fined \$50.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fm1AIB

MINNESOTA

Khalid Jafar Wilks

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Khalid Jafar Wilks was convicted of unlawfully voting and was sentenced to 10 days' imprisonment, but his sentence was stayed for one year.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eZabUE

MINNESOTA

Maurice Leonza Brown

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Maurice Brown pleaded guilty to a charge of registering an ineligible voter. He was sentenced to 180 days in jail, and ordered to pay a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fm0dJV

MINNESOTA

Michael Antwon Common

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Michael Common pleaded guilty to knowingly voting despite being ineligible. He received a 13-month prison sentence, stayed for five years. He also received five years' supervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fIDTPO

MINNESOTA

Monica Duarte Duchene

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Monica Duchene was convicted of knowingly voting despite being ineligible. She was sentenced to two years of supervised probation and ordered to complete 20 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fjm5Ho

MINNESOTA

Nicole Lynn Carrington

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Nicole Carrington pleaded guilty to registering an ineligible voter in Roseville, Minnesota. She was sentenced to 365 days in jail and fined \$100.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fjuRoQ

MINNESOTA

Ronnie Ivy

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Ronnie Ivy was charged with registering an ineligible voter and knowingly voting despite being ineligible. She pleaded guilty to the latter charge, while the former was dismissed. Ivy was sentenced to four months' imprisonment, but her sentence was stayed for 18 months while she underwent supervised probation. She was also fined \$50.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fgRpGB

MINNESOTA

Sarah Lynn Hankins

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Sarah Hankins pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in the 2008 election. She was sentenced to a year in prison (of which 11 months and 30 days were stayed for two years), two years of probation, and a \$100 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fIXQa9

MINNESOTA

Shawn Scott Deatley

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Shawn Deatley was convicted of burglary in 2005 and received probation. As a convicted felon, Deatley was ineligible to vote until the completion of probation. Despite this fact, Deatley took advantage of same-day registration to cast a ballot in the 2008 presidential election. Had Deatley registered in advance it is likely his illegal attempt to vote would have been blocked, since election officials are provided with lists of ineligible felons against which registrants can be checked.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fipypN

bit.ly/2e6g7fg

bit.ly/2eEohrz

MINNESOTA

Theresa Marie Barslou

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Theresa Barslou was convicted on the charge of knowingly voting despite being ineligible. She was sentenced to one year of imprisonment, but 364 days of her sentence were stayed for two years while she was subject to supervised probation. She was ordered to pay a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fzDoHN

MINNESOTA

Wayde Charles Minter

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Wayde Minter pleaded guilty to registering ineligible voters in St. Paul, Minnesota. He was sentenced to 30 days' imprisonment, later stayed, as well as one year of probation, and a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eZ6PBa

bit.ly/2eEohrz

MINNESOTA

Willie Lee Skykes

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Willie Sykes pleaded guilty to one of two charges of false registrations and was sentenced to one year of local confinement, two years of probation, and a \$3,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fzEvaq

MINNESOTA

Joseph James Wagner

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Joseph Wagner pleaded guilty to registration of ineligible voters, and was sentenced to one year in prison (of which 11 months and 19 days were stayed for two years). He was also sentenced to two years of probation and a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2e6cDJR

MINNESOTA

Cynthia Rene Clark

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Cynthia Clark pleaded guilty to registering an ineligible voter in St. Paul, Minnesota. She was sentenced to 365 days in jail and two years of supervised probation. She was also ordered to perform 25 hours of community service and pay a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fIZ2Kz

MINNESOTA

Freda Jean Jahnke

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

As part of a plea agreement, Freda Jahnke pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in Fairmont, Minnesota. She was sentenced to 365 days in jail, two years of unsupervised probation, and 30 days of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eiRtDs

MINNESOTA

Jacqueline Patricia Perry

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Jacqueline Perry pleaded guilty to registering ineligible voters in St. Paul, Minnesota. She was sentenced to 365 days' imprisonment (364 were stayed), two years' probation, and a fine of \$50. She was also ordered to perform 25 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fgRzOJ

MINNESOTA

James Keith Lesure

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

James Keith Lesure was charged with falsely registered ineligible voters in the 2008 election in St. Paul, Minnesota. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to one year imprisonment (later stayed) and six months' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fgSoX0

MINNESOTA

Jenna Christine Cook

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Jenna Cook pleaded guilty to registering an ineligible voter in St. Paul, Minnesota. She was sentenced to 365 days in jail and two years of probation, and was ordered to pay a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eZfl30

MINNESOTA

Jonathan Curtis Noyes

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Jonathan Noyes pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in Erskine, Minnesota. He was sentenced to electronic home monitoring for 30 days and ordered to pay a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2fIFqVg

MINNESOTA

Karen Louise Mckinney

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Karen McKinney pleaded guilty to a charge of registering ineligible voters in St. Paul. She was sentenced to one year in prison (364 days were stayed). She was also sentenced to two years of supervised probation, and was ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine and complete 80 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eiQinq

MINNESOTA

Karl Edward Bennett

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Karl Bennett was convicted of registering an ineligible voter. He was sentenced to serve one year in the Ramsey County Correctional Facility, with 227 days of his sentence stayed. He received two years' supervised probation and was ordered to pay a \$50 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eEmNxj

MINNESOTA

Kerry Ann Kellar

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Kerry Kellar of Cass Lake was convicted of knowingly voting despite being ineligible. She was sentenced to 366 days' imprisonment, which was stayed in favor of five years of supervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fzGjQw

MINNESOTA

Kristy Ellen Dettle

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Kristy Dettle from Fridley, Minnesota was charged with voting more than once in the same election, making or signing a false certificate, and making a false or untrue statement on an absentee ballot application. She pleaded guilty to voting more than once, and the other charges were dismissed. She was sentenced to one year of probation and a fine of \$1,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eiOllY

MINNESOTA

Matthew James Hinman

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Matthew Hinman was charged with false registration and knowingly voting while ineligible in the 2008 election. He was convicted of the later and was sentenced to one year in prison, one year of unsupervised probation, and a \$3,000 fine (of which \$2,700 was stayed for one year).

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fgRHNB

MINNESOTA

Raymundo Gonzalo Silva

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Raymundo Silva pleaded guilty to registering ineligible voters and was sentenced to one year of confinement and two years of probation, and was ordered to complete 40 hours of community service and pay a fine of \$3,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fzlqUx

MINNESOTA

Steven Todd Kostohryz

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Steven Todd Kostohryz knowingly voted while ineligible in Prior Lake, Minnesota. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to one year imprisonment, which was stayed, and a year of probation. He was also fined \$400.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2fgJ9J0

MINNESOTA

Thomas Howard Woodward

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Thomas Howard Woodward was charged with three counts of registering an ineligible voter. He pleaded guilty to one count of registering an ineligible voter, and the other charges were dismissed. He was sentenced to 365 days in prison (of which 159 days were stayed for two years with credit for time served), two years of supervised probation, and a \$1,000 fine (of which \$900 was stayed for two years).

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eZdmvN

MINNESOTA

William Allen Ondracek

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

William Allen Ondracek pleaded guilty to knowingly voting while ineligible in Deer River. He was sentenced to 365 days' local confinement; the sentence was later stayed. He was also fined \$3,000 and ordered to serve two years' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUD5JF

bit.ly/2eZdrj5

MINNESOTA

Michelle Marie Landsteiner

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Michelle Marie Landsteiner forged the signature and voted for a family member during the 2016 Minnesota primary. However, the family member had already registered to vote elsewhere, and her ballot was flagged. Upon review, the voter's signature and the witness's signature looked extremely similar. Landsteiner pled guilty to unlawful voting and was sentenced to one year of probation and nearly \$600 in fees. A 90-day jail sentence will be waived after completing her probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2zX8lyk

bit.ly/2BauC9T

MINNESOTA

Jeffrey Spanier

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible voting

Jeffrey Spanier was convicted of felony gambling charges in 2014, but still completed a Minnesota voter registration form in November 2016, falsely certifying that he was not a felon. He pleaded guilty to a felony count of registering to vote while ineligible, and was sentenced to four years on probation, with a stay of imposition, and ordered to pay \$137 in fees.

SOURCES

on.sctimes.com/2GIs1JI

MINNESOTA

Larry Reker

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Duplicate Voting

Larry Reker, of Worthington, voted twice in a contentious Independent School District 518 bond referendum special election, once in person and once by absentee ballot. Reker pleaded guilty to a felony unlawful voting charge but final adjudication was withheld. He was sentenced to two years of supervised probation and a \$500 fine. If he completes the supervised probation, his record will be cleared.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2nLCd9b

bit.ly/2OFH1IC

MISSISSIPPI

Rhonda Wilhite Dowdy

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

False Registrations

While serving as a deputy circuit clerk, Rhonda Dowdy changed the address of a non-resident to an in-county address so that the individual could vote in a local election in which Dowdy's uncle was a candidate for sheriff. In exchange for manipulating voter records, Dowdy received a pledge that the voter would vote for a particular candidate. Dowdy resigned from her post and pleaded guilty to a criminal information charge.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fgNgVt

bit.ly/2u7fpWI

MISSISSIPPI

Mack Charles West, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Mack Charles West, Jr. pleaded guilty to misdemeanor voting out of district of legal domicile in the 2013 mayoral race in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. When West was arrested on January 28, 2015, he was on probation on a felony shoplifting charge. The voting fraud charge violated that probation, and West was booked into jail. On March 12, 2015, in Forrest County Circuit Court, West received a suspended sentence of six months and was fined \$200 and ordered to pay \$220.84 in court costs.

SOURCES

hatne.ws/2u7bmt6

MISSISSIPPI

Mamie Johnson

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Mamie Johnson pleaded guilty to voting out of district of legal domicile for the 2013 Hattiesburg mayoral election. Johnson received a suspended sentence of six months and was ordered to pay a \$200 fine and \$220.84 in court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjupa7

MISSISSIPPI

Alethea Michelle Shaw, Carmon Yvette Anderson, and Joseph Lee Anderson

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Alethea Michelle Shaw, Carmon Yvette Anderson, and Joseph Lee Anderson each pleaded guilty to voting out of district of legal domicile. Shaw voted in a general election on June 4, 2013, in Hattiesburg even though her legal residence was outside Hattiesburg city limits. Carmon Yvette Anderson and Joseph Lee Anderson voted in a special election on September 24, 2013. Their legal residence was in Moselle, also outside of Hattiesburg. They each received a suspended sentence of six months, were fined \$200, and ordered to pay \$220.84 in court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fm1m49

MISSISSIPPI

Cobby Williams

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Cobby Williams pleaded guilty to voter fraud charges in connection with misconduct surrounding the 2013 City of Canton elections. Williams went to the home of Pamela Walker with the intent to register her to vote for the election, and insisted that she fill out a registration form even after she informed him that she was a convicted felon and ineligible to vote. Williams then submitted these completed forms to the county clerk's office. Williams was sentenced to a five-year suspended term, during which time he will be on supervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eiNOpj

MISSISSIPPI

Kimberly Readus

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Altering the Vote Count

In 2013, Kimberly Readus, an Executive Committee member of the Canton City Elections, was convicted of stealing a ballot box. She was fined \$950, sentenced to 30 days of jail time suspended, and placed on probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tcPjNi

bit.ly/2t2RE21

MISSISSIPPI

Terrance Watts

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Terrance Watts, a convicted felon and therefore ineligible to vote, pleaded guilty to two counts of voter fraud for swearing in an affidavit on an absentee ballot that he was eligible to vote in Madison County and for voting in two elections. He was sentenced to two consecutive five-year prison terms.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fm2NQ3

MISSISSIPPI

Lessadolla Sowers

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

NAACP official Lessadolla Sowers was convicted on 10 counts of fraudulently casting absentee ballots for voting in the names of 10 people, four of them deceased. She received a five-year sentence for each count, to be served concurrently.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjuACz

MISSISSIPPI

Kenny Ray Bowen and Billy Street

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Kenny Ray Bowen and Billy Street both pleaded guilty to two counts of voter fraud in connection with their involvement in a vote-buying scheme surrounding the 2007 Benton County election. They were the last of 16 individuals who either pleaded guilty or were found guilty of voter fraud in an elaborate electioneering operation. Both men were sentenced to five years, with four-and-a-half years suspended, six months to serve under house arrest, and four-and-a-half years under post-release supervision. Bowen and Street were also ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine to the Crime Victim's Compensation Fund.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f5QliT

bit.ly/2eEpVtk

MISSISSIPPI

Jasper Buggs, Sr., James Bullock, and Ronnie Wilkerson

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Jasper Buggs, Sr., James Bullock, and Ronnie Wilkerson pleaded guilty to voter fraud charges in connection with their involvement in a vote-buying scheme surrounding the 2007 Benton County election. Buggs pleaded guilty to two counts of voter fraud, Bullock pleaded guilty to five counts of voter fraud, and Wilkerson pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to commit voter fraud. All three men were sentenced to five years, with four years suspended and one year to serve under house arrest on each count, all the counts to run concurrently. They were also sentenced to four years of post-release supervision and were ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine to the Crime Victim's Compensation Fund.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f5QliT
bit.ly/2eEpVtk

MISSISSIPPI

Jerry Huck Childers, Cooper Epps, David Massey, Arnold Rooker, Sr., and Stanley Maurice Warren

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Jerry Huck Childers, Cooper Epps, David Massey, Arnold Rooker, Sr., and Stanley Maurice Warren all pleaded guilty to voter fraud charges in connection with their involvement in a vote-buying scheme surrounding the 2007 Benton County election. They were part of ring of 16 individuals who either pleaded guilty or were found guilty of voter fraud in an elaborate electioneering operation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eEpVtk
bit.ly/2f5QliT
bit.ly/2sOC8Cx

MISSISSIPPI

Tate King, Henry Massey, and Lillie Jean Norton

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Benton County supervisor Tate King was convicted of committing voter fraud after he paid people to vote for him in the 2007 primary and runoff elections. Eleven others who were also under investigation in connection with this matter have also either pleaded guilty or been convicted. He was sentenced to one year in prison, two years on house arrest, and two years of supervised release, in addition to a \$5,000 fine. Norton received three years' supervised probation, and Massey received one year of house arrest and two years of supervised release.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e6hL0o

bit.ly/2f5Sgth

bit.ly/2tLjMUy

MISSISSIPPI

Larry "Tip" Massey

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Larry "Tip" Massey pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit voter fraud in connection with his involvement in a 2007 Benton County election vote-buying scheme. He was sentenced to five years in prison, although three of those years were suspended. He will serve two years in prison and another two under supervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eZ7716

bit.ly/2f5Sq3R

MISSISSIPPI

James Lester Thompson

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

James Lester Thompson of Madison County, Mississippi pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor offense of voting by an unqualified person. He was sentenced to perform 100 hours of community service and six months' unsupervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tX2rej

MISSISSIPPI

Clint Moffitt and Ada Tucker

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Clint Moffitt, candidate for Benton County Sheriff, and Ada Tucker were convicted of conspiracy to commit voter fraud in the 2007 primary and runoff elections. Tucker was sentenced to five years, with the first year in prison, second year under house arrest, and three years under supervised release. Moffitt received two years in prison, one under house arrest, and two years of supervised release. Both were ordered to pay \$5,000 in fines.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f5Sq3R

bit.ly/2eEo47B

MISSISSIPPI

Jerry Kennamore

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Jerry Kennamore, a 2009 New Albany mayoral candidate, pleaded guilty to forging the name of his daughter as an attesting witness on an absentee ballot during the May 2009 Democratic primary. Kennamore's plea was held in abeyance pending completion of five years of unsupervised probation and payment of a \$1,000 fine plus court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2t2vhtu

bit.ly/2sOys3V

MISSISSIPPI

Ike Brown

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots, Illegal "Assistance" at the Polls

In a civil case filed by the federal government, Ike Brown, former Chairman of the Noxubee County Democratic Executive Committee and Superintendent of Democratic Primary Elections, was found to have violated Section Two of the Voting Rights Act through racially motivated manipulation of ballots. Brown, who started chairing the Commission in 2000, obtained and improperly counted defective absentee ballots, and allowed for improper "assistance" of voters to ensure that white political candidates lost and black candidates won. He was permanently enjoined from engaging in such conduct in the future, and an independent administrator was appointed to ensure compliance.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sLUa8s

bit.ly/2t05T7G

bit.ly/2tJbIDw

MISSISSIPPI

Martha Gardner

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Martha Gardner pleaded guilty to one count of voter fraud in connection with absentee ballot misconduct during the 2005 Houston mayoral Democratic primary. Witnesses alleged that Gardner had come to them with absentee ballots they did not request and marked the ballots for them. Gardner was initially indicted on 37 counts of voter fraud. A judge imposed a five-year suspended sentence and put Gardner on 30 months of probation. Gardner was also ordered to pay \$391.50 in court costs, \$100 of which would go to the Crime Victim's Compensation Fund.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fm5YHz

bit.ly/2ugWtot

MISSISSIPPI

William Greg Eason

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

A Tallahatchie County jury found William Greg Eason guilty of one count of conspiracy to commit voter fraud and eight counts of voter fraud in connection with his work on Jerome Little's campaign to be District Five Supervisor for Tallahatchie County in a 2003 run-off election. Eason promised items of value (beer and money) to induce people to vote fraudulently by absentee ballot. Eason was sentenced to serve one year in prison for conspiracy to commit voter fraud, and a second year-long sentence plus seven concurrent one-year sentences for the eight counts of voter fraud. Eason's imprisonment totaled two years. His conviction was upheld by the Court of Appeals of Mississippi.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fm3LvF

bit.ly/2fzHb85

MISSISSIPPI

Jerry Lyles, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

False Registrations

Jerry Lyles, Jr., a candidate for District 1 Supervisor in Adams County for the 2004 election, pleaded guilty to one count of completing a voter registration application for a voter in the wrong district. Lyles was sentenced to one year of probation, and at the end of that year his record was expunged.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eZdOKa

bit.ly/2f5TyED

MISSISSIPPI

Minnie Saulsberry

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Minnie Saulsberry pleaded guilty to both conspiracy to commit voter fraud and voter fraud after she traded beer, gas, and cash for votes in a run-off election for Tallahatchee County supervisor.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sq5V6V

bit.ly/2sTHlwy

bit.ly/2rRa9Wo

MISSISSIPPI

Elberta Brown, Leon Hunt, and Tobe Jackson

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Elberta Brown, Leon Hunt, and Tobe Jackson pleaded guilty to three counts of attempted bribery in connection with their involvement in a vote-buying scheme surrounding a 2001 special election for Benton County Sheriff. All three engaged in vote-buying by offering \$30 to individuals in an attempt to influence them to vote for Steven A. Thompson, a candidate in that election. Three of the individuals who received the money were undercover law enforcement officers. The investigations indicated that they tried to bribe upwards of 50 people on election day. All three faced a maximum sentence of six years in prison and a \$3,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjtM0x

bit.ly/2t2l3sZ

MISSISSIPPI

Calvin McFarland

DISPOSITION: 1993

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Calvin McFarland, an incumbent running for re-election to the Wilkinson County Board of Supervisors, was convicted on two counts relating to illegally signing absentee ballots. McFarland, a Democrat, lost in the primary, and after a lengthy series of runoffs and challenges, was indicted along with 13 other then-current and former county officials. McFarland was charged with six counts of falsely signing names to ballots, and was convicted of two. One of them charged McFarland with signing a ballot in the name of “Lottie James,” and then falsely attesting that James’ signature was valid. For each charge, McFarland was sentenced to five years’ imprisonment and ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine. One of the prison sentences was suspended.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2GhXKcd/

bit.ly/2pOvigX

MISSISSIPPI

Sandra Sewell

DISPOSITION: 1993

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Sandra Sewell was convicted on voter fraud charges stemming from her 1991 efforts to help Calvin McFarland fraudulently win re-election for a seat on the Wilkinson County Board of Supervisors. Sewell notarized fraudulent absentee ballots in the race. Sewell was convicted on eight counts related to the fraud and ordered to serve five years in prison and pay a \$2,000 fine. Sewell, an attorney, was also disbarred.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2pOymKc

MISSISSIPPI

Cory Ferreaz

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Cory Ferreaz, of Hattiesburg, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge of illegally voting outside his legal district. Ferreaz sought to run for state representative for District 102 in 2017. To run, he filed paperwork attesting to having been a resident of Hattiesburg, part of Forrest County, for two years. However, Ferreaz admitted to voting in Lowndes County in 2015 despite not residing there. He was given a six month suspended sentence, and was ordered to pay court costs, a \$200 fine, and a \$200 assessment to the Crime Victims Compensation Fund.

SOURCES

hatne.ws/2MvaTKs

MISSOURI

Danny Williams

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Danny Williams, of Boone County, Missouri, pleaded guilty to three felony counts of forgery. He falsified 114 signatures on 40 ballot petitions advocating that a proposal regarding early voting be placed on the ballot. Williams was sentenced to three years' imprisonment (suspended) and five years' probation.

SOURCES

on.mo.gov/1mO28Ez (Case #15BA-CR01112-01)

bit.ly/2t9ExXO

bit.ly/2tIPpxX

MISSOURI

Rogell Coker, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Rogell Coker, Jr., of Columbia, Missouri, pleaded guilty to three felony counts of forgery after he forged signatures on ballot petitions in 2014. Coker was responsible for 116 fraudulent signatures spread across 26 petitions advocating for an early voting proposal to be put on the ballot. He was given a five-year suspended sentence, placed on probation for five years, and ordered to pay all court costs and fees.

SOURCES

on.mo.gov/1mO28Ez (Case #15BA-CR01114-01)

bit.ly/2t9ExXO

bit.ly/2tIPpxX

MISSOURI

Keven Hayes

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Keven Hayes, a homeless man from Columbia, Missouri, pleaded guilty to perjury in 2016 after he forged signatures on a ballot petition in 2014. He had falsified 363 signatures on 60 petitions advocating for an early voting proposal to be placed on the ballot. Hayes was given a four-year suspended sentence and placed on probation for five years.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2t9ExXO

on.mo.gov/1mO28Ez (Case No. 15BA-CR01115-01)

bit.ly/2tIPpxX

MISSOURI

Tracy Renee Jones

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Tracy Jones, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, pleaded guilty to three felony counts of forgery after admitting that she forged 618 signatures on a total of 171 ballot petitions. Jones was sentenced to five years' probation with a suspended three-year prison sentence.

SOURCES

on.mo.gov/1mO28Ez (Case No. 15BA-CR01654-01)

bit.ly/2t9ExXO

bit.ly/2tIPpxX

MISSOURI

North St. Louis

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: JUDICIAL FINDING

Election Overturned

Penny Hubbard, the incumbent, won the 2016 Democratic primary for Missouri's 78th House District by 90 votes. Her challenger, Bruce Franks Jr., contested the results, citing the lopsided absentee vote tally that heavily favored Hubbard. District Judge Rex Burlison determined that a sufficient number of improper absentee ballots had been cast to change the results of the election, and ordered a special election. Mr. Franks won the re-do by a margin of 1,533 votes. The election of Rodney Hubbard Sr., Penny Hubbard's husband, who won his 2016 primary for 5th Democratic Ward committeeman, is also being challenged by his opponent Rasheen Aldridge, again citing irregularities in absentee ballots.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fm2R2h

MISSOURI

Deidra Humphrey

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Deidra Humphrey, a former recruiter for the Missouri Progressive Vote Coalition, pleaded guilty to mail fraud after she submitted false and forged voter registrations to Missouri Pro-Vote, which unknowingly submitted them to elections boards in St. Louis city and St. Louis county. Maximum penalties for the offenses include 20 years in prison and a fine of up to \$250,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f5QQ1P

MISSOURI

John and Clara Moretina

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

In order to assist their nephew in his razor-close 2010 democratic primary for the 40th District in Missouri, Clara and John Moretina falsely registered a Kansas City address so they could vote for their nephew, John Joseph Rizzo. Rizzo won that primary election by a single vote. That means two fraudulent votes could have provided his winning margin. John Moretina pleaded guilty to a federal charge of voter fraud in connection with the 2010 election. He was sentenced to five years' probation. Clara Moretina was not charged in the federal case, but was convicted by the state of Missouri, and both she and her husband were fined \$250 and barred from ever voting again in Missouri.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fgORKV

MISSOURI

Brian Bland, Bobbie Jean Cheeks, Cortez Cowan, Golden Gibson, Radonna Marie Smith, Anthony Reliford, Kenneth Williams, and Tyaira Williams

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Eight St. Louis voter registration workers pleaded guilty to election fraud for submitting false registration cards in the 2006 election in St. Louis. The workers were employed by liberal community organizing group, ACORN.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eiSQ5e

bit.ly/2tcCrGI

MISSOURI

Joel Neal

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Joel Neal, of St. Louis, Missouri, voted twice in the 2008 primary election: once in person for himself, and once via absentee ballot in the name of his deceased mother. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to one month of home confinement and was ordered to pay a \$2,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rUQKiw

bit.ly/2sOJbet

bit.ly/2vaYsag

MISSOURI

Carmen Davis

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Carmen Davis, who also goes by the name of Latisha Reed and who worked for the community organizing group, ACORN, pleaded guilty to voter registration fraud in Kansas City for filing false paperwork. Davis was sentenced to 120 days in a halfway house.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sOTqzq

MISSOURI

Dale Franklin and Brian Gardner

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Dale Franklin and Brian Gardiner, voter registration recruiters for ACORN prior to the 2006 election, pleaded guilty to election fraud, after forging the signature of an applicant and submitting it to the Kansas City Board of Election Commissioners. Both men were sentenced to probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fIJBAz

MISSOURI

Kwaim Stenson

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Kwaim Stenson, a registration recruiter employed by ACORN, pleaded guilty to a count of submitting a false voter registration application to the Kansas City Board of Election Commissioners. Stenson was sentenced to four months and five days' imprisonment.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eVWqpQ

bit.ly/2eVXSbw

MISSOURI

Michelle Robinson

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Michelle Robinson pleaded guilty to 13 counts of election law violations in connection with a fraudulent voter registration scheme. Robinson worked for Operation Big Vote, an initiative aimed at boosting the participation of black voters in the 2001 St. Louis mayoral election. She submitted 13 voter registration cards made out in the names of dead former city aldermen. Robinson was simultaneously convicted on drug charges and her combined sentence was four years of probation, 180 hours of community service, and mandatory training in transcendental meditation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fgTJ08

MISSOURI

Brandon E Jones

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

On September 8, 2005, Brandon E. Jones pleaded guilty for voting twice during the 2004 general election. He voted in both Raytown and Kansas City.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUAtPw

USA v. Jones

05-cr-00257-JTM

MISSOURI

Tammy J. Martin

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Tammy Martin was sentenced to one year of probation and a special assessment of \$25 for voting twice in two different districts.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUAtPw

US District Court of Western Missouri, USA v. Martin 4:05-cr-00258-SWH-1

MISSOURI

Nonaresa Montgomery

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Operation Big Vote, an effort to register black voters, led to a scheme to register prominent dead local politicians to vote. Nonaresa Montgomery, an Operation Big Vote employee, was convicted of perjury for lying to a grand jury investigating thousands of fraudulent voter registration cards turned in before the 2001 mayoral primary. Six others pleaded guilty to dozens of election law violations in connection with the scheme. Montgomery received two years of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1q64Y

bit.ly/1PbmyqW

bit.ly/2tHadrk

MISSOURI

Kevin Kunlay Williams (a.k.a. Kunlay Sodipo)

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Kevin Williams, a Nigerian citizen and an illegal immigrant, voted in both the 2012 and 2016 elections illegally in St. Louis, Missouri and also committed tax refund fraud in the amount of \$12 million from a scheme using stolen school public employee IDs, among other nefarious actions. He had been deported in 1995 but illegally reentered into the United States in 1999. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 6 _ years (78 months) in prison for voting fraudulently and other crimes including mail fraud, aggravated identity theft, and illegally re-entering the United States. In addition to his prison sentence, he was ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$889,712 to the Internal Revenue Service. He also faces deportation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2E4UG6s

bit.ly/2GU4mE2

MISSOURI

Leonardo Lleras-Rodriguez

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Leonardo Lleras-Rodriguez, a Cuban national who lives in Kansas City, MO was indicted and pleaded guilty to separate federal charges of casting a fraudulent election ballot and aiding and assisting the preparation of false income tax returns. Lleras-Rodriguez, a non-citizen, voted illegally in six elections between 2010 and 2014. Additionally, he prepared three fraudulent tax returns in 2014 and another 45 fraudulent returns between 2012-2014, defrauding the United States an estimated \$134,898. He is awaiting sentencing.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2GTAh7x

bit.ly/2J5wpRI

MISSOURI

Tarrell Campbell

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Tarrell Campbell pleaded guilty to a federal felony voter fraud charge. He voted early in Illinois, where he was attending Southern Illinois University, and then again on election day in Missouri. He was sentenced to two years of probation and ordered to pay \$350 in fines and fees. He was also ordered to undergo drug testing and counseling.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2lexB3J

MONTANA

Alan Lloyd Skari

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Alan Lloyd Skari pleaded guilty to a “limits on voting rights” charge after he submitted his ex-wife’s absentee ballot without her permission. He was given a six-month suspended sentence and ordered to pay a \$250 fine plus a \$35 surcharge.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2u4yoRz

NEBRASKA

Ali Abdullahi

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Ali Abdullahi pleaded no contest to voting twice in the 2016 general election. Abdullahi voted early in October and turned up at the polls again in November to cast another ballot. He was fined \$100.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2sVCuKU

bit.ly/2sVHaRd

NEBRASKA

Shueb Ali

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Shueb Ali pleaded no contest to voting twice in the 2016 general election. Ali was fined \$100 after he voted early and then voted again on election day.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sVnJYG

bit.ly/2sVCuKU

bit.ly/2sVHaRd

NEVADA

Renaldo Johnson

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Renaldo Johnson of Las Vegas pleaded guilty to one felony offense for submitting a falsified petition. Johnson was indicted on multiple charges related to submitting fake ballot signatures to have Jill Stein, a Green Party presidential candidate, on the state's ballot. Johnson awaits sentencing.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uekCfF

bit.ly/2u9PTPI

NEVADA

Tina Marie Parks

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Tina Marie Parks pleaded guilty to one felony voter registration offense. She was initially charged with 11 felony offenses for having improperly completed others' voter registration forms. She was sentenced to 19_48 months in prison.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2t9ldsK

bit.ly/2uMy4nT

NEVADA

Biqui Diana Parra Rodriguez

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations, Duplicate Voting

Las Vegas resident, Biqui Diana Parra Rodriguez illegally obtained personal information of Mary Lou Aguirre and falsely registered to vote under her name in 2011 and in 2012. She was caught through the use of photo ID cards and facial recognition software that identified the two IDs she had obtained under different names. She ultimately pleaded guilty to two felony counts of voter registration fraud and identity theft.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sOXAr2

bit.ly/2tcUoow

NEVADA

Hortencia Segura-Munoz

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting, False Registrations

Hortencia Segura-Munoz, an illegal immigrant living in Washoe County, Nevada, registered to vote under a false name and cast ballots in the 2008 and 2010 Nevada elections. She was convicted and was sentenced to time served (103 days in jail) and \$1,000 in costs and fees.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sOx2pZ

bit.ly/2tLNHMd

NEVADA

Roxanne Rubin

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Roxanne Rubin, a casino worker in Las Vegas, was arrested in 2012 after trying to vote twice. She pleaded guilty and was ordered to pay \$2,481 in restitution to the state and to perform 100 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f8pVIQ
cbsloc.al/2tHxdGD

NEVADA

Amy Adele Busefink and Christopher Howell Edwards

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Amy Adele Busefink and Christopher Howell Edwards, two senior ACORN executives, were convicted of election fraud in connection with a voter registration scheme in which employees were paid a bonus to register voters. Busefink received a two-year suspended prison sentence and was ordered to pay a \$4,000 fine and perform 100 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eGHusK
bit.ly/2eGFFvH
bit.ly/2u7gPjE

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Derek Castonguay

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Derek Castonguay pleaded guilty to voter fraud in Salem District Court on January 15, 2016. While a resident of Manchester, Castonguay voted in the towns of Salem and Windham in the general election of 2014, using addresses where he previously resided. Castonguay received a 12-month suspended sentence and was ordered to pay a \$1,000.00 fine plus a 24 percent penalty assessment. In addition to the sentence and fine, Castonguay loses his right to vote under the New Hampshire Constitution, Part I, Article 11.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2e8tQCd

bit.ly/2fKZar9

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Nancy Sullivan

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Nancy Sullivan, a resident of Windham, admitted having committed voter fraud in the 2014 general election. Sullivan fraudulently obtained an absentee ballot in the name of her son, Avery Galloway, by forging his signature on an absentee ballot request form, as well as on the envelope containing the completed ballot. Sullivan avoided criminal prosecution and the permanent loss of her ability to vote by paying a fine as a civil penalty and signing a consent agreement with the Attorney General.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8tQCd

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Lorin C. Schneider, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Lorin C. Schneider, Jr., a resident of Massachusetts, pleaded guilty to three counts--one felony and two misdemeanors--of wrongful voting. He voted in New Hampshire in the 2008 and 2012 presidential elections and in the 2012 Democratic primary. Schneider was given a suspended sentence and a \$5,000 fine, and he is permanently barred from voting in New Hampshire, even if he were to change his residency and become eligible.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rRbcFO

bit.ly/2ttdzfm

bit.ly/2rV9UF1

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Adam Kumpu & Janine Kumpu

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots, Duplicate Voting

Adam Kumpu of Milford was fined \$1,000 and his mother, Janine Kumpu of Milford, was fined \$250 for committing voter fraud in the 2012 election. Janine Kumpu obtained an absentee ballot in her son's name, and he used it to vote in Milford last November. He also voted in person in Keene. The 2012 election was the first one in which photo IDs were required for voting in New Hampshire.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f8sbth

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Christopher Luke Fithian

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Christopher Luke Fithian of Jackson, New Hampshire pleaded guilty to a charge of duplicate voting for voting twice in the 2008 Presidential election and for applying for a ballot after he had already voted. He received a suspended 12 month prison sentence and was ordered to serve 200 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sLLyrx

bit.ly/2tX3dlj

bit.ly/2sLhFmh

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Timothy Barnes

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Timothy Parnes was convicted of providing a false address when registering to vote. He was fined \$500.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sLhFmh

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Don Leeman

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Don Leeman, a former state Representative, was charged with bribery and witness tampering charges. The charges were filed after an investigation into the location of Mr. Leeman's home, which was outside of the district he was representing. This is not permissible under New Hampshire law. Leeman agreed to a plea deal that only required him to plead guilty to the misdemeanor charge. He was issued a deferred \$1,200 fine and was ordered to complete 200 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2zVOpOP

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Anonymous

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

A woman filled out her late husband's absentee ballot for the 2016 general election, claiming he had done so prior to his death. She was given a \$500 civil penalty. Her case was included in an official report compiled by New Hampshire Secretary of State Bill Gardner and other state election officials, but her name was redacted.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2KXx3jQ

bit.ly/2KXxj2i

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Anonymous

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

Duplicate Voting

A man who owned property in both Hampton and Salem voted once in each town. He admitted to investigators that he had done this previously. He was given a \$2,500 civil fine and officially warned he faced criminal prosecution if he did it again. His case was included in an official report compiled by New Hampshire Secretary of State Bill Gardner and other state election officials, but his name was redacted.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2KXx3jQ

bit.ly/2KXxj2i

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Anonymous

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

False Registrations

Two individuals voted in 2016 in Dixville Notch's primary, despite not residing or having established a domicile there. They were warned they would face criminal prosecution if they did it again. Their cases were included in an official report compiled by New Hampshire Secretary of State Bill Gardner and other state election officials, but their names were redacted.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2KXx3jQ

bit.ly/2KXxj2i

NEW JERSEY

Perth Amboy City Council

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: JUDICIAL FINDING

Election Overturned

Fernando Gonzalez won a seat on the Perth Amboy City Council by 10 votes in an election where at least 13 illegal absentee ballots were cast. A Superior Court judge subsequently overturned the election results and ordered a new election be held in May 2015 for the seat.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ev8uOk

bit.ly/2eGH8SI

NEW JERSEY

**Belkis M. Cespedes, Ana Vely-Gomez,
Lucia M. Guzman, Inocencio Jimenez, Jose Ramon Ruiz,
Wilson A. Torres, Octavio A. Dominguez, Juana A. Gill,
Jose E. Gonzalez, Lourdes Inoa, and Dalila Rodriguez**

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Eleven individuals were arrested in a state investigation of possible manipulation of absentee ballots in the election of Paterson Councilman Rigo Rodriguez. They entered into pre-trial intervention, a probationary program, to avoid trial and possible prison time.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uPNg3P

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NEW JERSEY

Spencer Robbins

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

False Registrations

Spencer Robbins, a municipal judge in Middlesex County, was forced to resign after it was discovered he registered to vote (and actually voted in 22 elections and democratic primaries) using the address of his Woodbridge law office. Although charged with two counts of third-degree voter fraud, Robbins was allowed to enter into a pre-trial intervention program, which means the charges will be dismissed if he successfully completes the program.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjdt3q

bit.ly/2fmhhRz

NEW JERSEY

Rigo and Lisette Rodriguez

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Former Paterson Councilman Rigo Rodriguez and his wife were entered into the Pre-Trial Intervention Program after facing charges of conspiracy, election fraud, mail-in ballot fraud, and witness tampering. Paterson and his wife, who managed his campaign, orchestrated a scheme to take possession of absentee ballots and “assist” voters in filling them out, or fill them out fraudulently. Rodriguez instructed his volunteers to lie to officials investigating his scheme.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uh6QZA

NEW JERSEY

John Fernandez

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

John Fernandez, who worked for the Essex County Department of Economic Development, was convicted of election fraud, absentee ballot fraud, and forgery. Fernandez submitted phony absentee ballots while he was working on the 2007 election campaign of state Sen. Teresa Ruiz. Fernandez's scheme involved messenger ballots, which are used by voters home-bound by illness or a disability. Fernandez fraudulently obtained the ballots, then filled them out on behalf of the voters who had never received them. He received a five-year prison sentence.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8rJOZ

NEW JERSEY

Angel Colon

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Angel Colon pleaded guilty to a charge of second-degree election fraud for fraudulently submitting absentee messenger ballots on behalf of voters who never received the ballots or had an opportunity to cast their votes. He was sentenced to three years in prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eldhyh

NEW JERSEY

Ronald Harris

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Ronald Harris pleaded guilty to charges in connection with an absentee ballot fraud conspiracy, in which he and 13 others shredded ballots which cast votes for the opposition during the 2009 Atlantic City Democratic primary. He was sentenced to 181 days in prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8ufEJ

NEW JERSEY

Robert Tierney

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

False Registrations

Robert Tierney, a New Brunswick police officer, entered into a pre-trial intervention program (PTI), in relation to theft by deception and voter fraud charges that were filed by the New Brunswick Police Department. An investigation revealed Tierney voted four times between 2005 and 2009 in New Brunswick, while actually living in Milltown. He pleaded guilty and was recommended for the PTI program by the state's probation division. Upon completion of the diversionary program, the charged will be dismissed.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tGPe70

NEW JERSEY

Ernest Storr

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Ernest Storr pleaded guilty to committing absentee ballot fraud by tampering with ballots in the Atlantic City mayoral campaigns of Marty Small and former Mayor Scott Evans. Storr tampered with absentee ballots and instructed a Small campaign worker to do the same. Storr was one of 14 individuals arrested on various voter fraud charges involving Councilman Small's failed 2009 mayoral bid. He was sentenced to probation in May 2013.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8qAXN

NEW JERSEY

Gianine Narvaez

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Gianine Narvaez, a former data processing technician for the Essex County Commissioner of Registration and Superintendent of Elections, pleaded guilty to third-degree charges of absentee ballot fraud and tampering with public records or information. Narvaez was sentenced to a three-year prison term.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fmf74m

NEW JERSEY

John Fernandez, Edwin Cruz, and Rocio Rivera

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Rocio Rivera and Edwin Cruz were indicted for tampering with ballots and fraudulently submitting ballots in favor of New Jersey Senator Teresa Ruiz. They and a fellow co-conspirator obtained messenger ballots from the county clerk and submitted them to the board of elections as votes on behalf of voters who, in fact, never received or filled out their ballots. John Fernandez was convicted of conspiracy (2nd degree), election fraud (2nd degree), absentee ballot fraud (3rd degree), tampering with public records or information (3rd degree), and forgery (4th degree). Cruz pleaded guilty to third-degree tampering with public records or information, and Rivera pleaded guilty to third-degree absentee ballot fraud.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fCdGCn

NEW JERSEY

Samuel Gonzalez

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Samuel Gonzalez was indicted for tampering with ballots and fraudulently submitting ballots in favor of New Jersey Senator Teresa Ruiz. He and his co-conspirators obtained messenger ballots from the county clerk and submitted them to the board of elections as votes on behalf of voters who, in fact, never received or filled out their ballots. Gonzalez agreed to forfeit his seat on the freeholder board and his job as an aide to a Newark city councilman, and was admitted into the Pre-Trial Intervention Program.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fCdGCn

NEW JERSEY

Jamel Holley

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Former Roselle Borough Council President Jamel Holley was charged with absentee ballot fraud for filling out and submitting more than 20 ballots in the 2006 election. The judge permitted Holley to enter into a pretrial intervention program for one year (if successfully completed, the charges would be dismissed) and to pay a \$125 fine. Holley has since been elected mayor of Roselle and appointed to the New Jersey General Assembly.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjg1OF

bit.ly/2uepeC6

NEW JERSEY

Ronald Callaway

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Ronald Callaway, also known as Jihad Q. Abdullah, and related to the infamous Atlantic City Callaway Political Organization, pleaded guilty to voting nine times in four elections. He was sentenced to one year in jail.

SOURCES

bit.ly/1IWTMqW

bit.ly/2u4pTWr

NEW JERSEY

Melvin Howell

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Melvin Howell, of Asbury Park, pleaded guilty to a fourth degree felony charge after she filled out applications for nonexistent voters in a local school board election. According to the Union County Clerk, at least 54 ballots were tainted with irregularities. Howell was sentenced to one year of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2hGG3Bc

bit.ly/2hEWttK

NEW MEXICO

Eugene W. Victor

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Impersonation Fraud at the Polls

Eugene Victor wanted to prove a point about the potential for fraud in New Mexico elections by committing fraud himself. Mr. Victor cast a ballot in his son's name and later turned himself in to the authorities. He pleaded no contest to a fourth-degree felony charge of false voting and is serving 18 months' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eliXbM

bit.ly/2evatSu

NEW MEXICO

Silvia Gomez

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Silvia Gomez pleaded guilty to voter fraud in connection a Sunland Park municipal election in which she registered people she knew to be ineligible to vote in Sunland Park. She was sentenced to three years' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eGL1al

NEW MEXICO

Priscilla Morales

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Priscilla Morales, the public works director's in Sunland Park, but an El Paso resident, registered to vote in Doa Ana County, and voted in Sunland Park's municipal elections by using former City Councilor Angelica Marquez's home address. She pleaded guilty to false voting and conspiracy to commit a crime. She was sentenced to 18 months of probation and ordered to perform 40 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2u7rGu3

NEW MEXICO

Horacio Favela

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Horacio Favela, a former Sunland Park Municipal Judge, was convicted of falsely declaring himself a resident of Sunland Park in 2008 so he could run for his judgeship, falsifying a document that declared him a qualified voter, and voting twice in the 2004 general election--once in El Paso, Texas and once in Doa Ana County. Favela was convicted of four counts related to his voter fraud charges. He was sentenced to 18 months' probation and ordered to take two introductory government classes and deliver a speech to school children on civic and electoral rights and responsibilities.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tHi08E

NEW MEXICO

Teresa Monahan

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Teresa Monahan, of Santa Fe, New Mexico, pleaded guilty to voter fraud in a referendum election for casting her own vote and then seeking to vote by an absentee ballot for her deceased brother. She was convicted of a fourth degree felony and entered into a diversion program that stipulates if she complies with the terms of her probation, the charge will be erased from her record. She was sentenced to between nine and 18 months on probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvfMaw

bit.ly/2tmrE08

NEW MEXICO

Gillian Yingling

DISPOSITION: 1998

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Gillian Yingling and 18 others, of Rio Arriba County, including several local officials, were arrested on election-fraud charges, including ineligible absentee voting and false statements on absentee ballots. Yingling pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor voter fraud charge, receiving 364 days' supervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fL3qH7

NEW YORK

Shalom Lamm

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Shalom Lamm, a 57-year-old real estate developer, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to corrupt the election process. He had partnered with another developer, Kenneth Nakdimen, to use false voter registrations to assist in electing officials that would be favorable toward a development project of theirs. Lamm was sentenced to 10 months in prison, one year supervised release, 400 hours of community service, and a \$20,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sLhPtT

bit.ly/2sRMzor

on.wsj.com/2sRPxck

bit.ly/2BgLjV1

NEW YORK

Kenneth Nakdimen

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Shalom Lamm's co-defendant, Kenneth Nakdimen, also a real estate developer from Monsey, pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to corrupt the electoral process. Nakdimen and his partners planted items in unoccupied apartments to give a semblance of occupancy to falsely registered voters. He was sentenced to six months in prison in addition to one year of supervised release, 400 hours of community service, and a \$20,000 fine.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2gFu6Ft

bit.ly/2tNuv38

NEW YORK

Rus Thompson

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Rus Thompson, a political activist, pleaded guilty to one count of offering a false instrument for filing. Thompson, a longtime resident of Grand Island, was evicted from his home and moved to Niagara County. Nevertheless, Thompson signed an affidavit falsely claiming to be a Grand Island resident and voted there in the 2015 primary. The terms of Thompson's plea agreement stipulate that he will receive probation, thus avoiding any jail time. Thompson is set to be officially sentenced on May 3, 2017.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2q8itPW

on.wgrz.com/2q8pWyw

NEW YORK

Harold Baird

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Harold Baird, of Sullivan County, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to submit false voter registrations. Although not a resident of Bloomingburg, Baird--a former town supervisor of Mamakating, NY--sought to run for a village trustee position there in 2014. His losing bid for the office was part of a scheme with real estate developers to manipulate the election process so that Baird would later give favorable treatment to their development project.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2i32MpN

bit.ly/2uPvGvJ

bit.ly/2tvGArC

NEW YORK

Ana Cuevas

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Ana Cuevas, a campaign aide for Hector Ramirez, pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct after she and other staff went door to door tricking potential voters into signing absentee ballot applications. They then took the applications to the Board of Elections, retrieved the absentee ballots, and voted for Ramirez without the voters' knowledge. Cuevas was sentenced to conditional discharge.

SOURCES

nydn.us/1eiRojr

on.nyc.gov/2frgW1y

NEW YORK

Ernest Everett

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Ernest Everett was convicted on three counts of offering a false instrument for filing. Everett was initially charged with second-degree forgery and first-degree offering a false instrument for filing. The charges stemmed from Everett filing nominating petitions that he knew were falsified with the Rensselaer County Board of Elections to run in the Democratic primary for mayor in 2015. Three of the seven misdemeanor charges were subsequently dismissed. Of the four remaining misdemeanor charges, a jury found Everett guilty of three counts of offering a false instrument for filing. Everett received a sentence of 90 hours of community service, to be served through the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Work Program.

SOURCES

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NEW YORK

Hector Ramirez

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Hector Ramirez pleaded guilty to one count of criminal possession of a forged instrument. Ramirez, a 2014 State Assembly Candidate for the 86th District Assembly District, deceived voters into giving their absentee ballots to his campaign on the false premise that the campaign would then submit the ballots. Instead, Ramirez's campaign inserted his name on at least thirty-five of the absentee ballots. Ramirez initially won the 2014 race, but a recount determined he had lost by two votes. In lieu of jail time, Bronx Supreme Court Justice Steven Barrett imposed a three-year ban on Ramirez running for office. Ramirez could face jail time if he runs for office in violation of his three-year ban. Prior to his guilty plea, Ramirez unsuccessfully ran for the same state assembly seat on numerous occasions, most recently in the 2016 election.

SOURCES

nydn.us/2oMjycA

nydn.us/2p4LACJ

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NEW YORK

Frank Sparaco

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Frank Sparaco was, as his overseeing judge referred to him, a “rising star [who] has fallen very quickly, very far.” A Rockland County Legislator, Sparaco pleaded guilty to eight misdemeanor charges for filing election petitions that nominated individuals to Clarkstown Republican Committee positions, while listing addresses that were not their true residences. In addition, he pleaded guilty to two misdemeanor charges of furnishing false information by “renting” a room in his home so that he could register two other individuals to vote. He was forced to resign from his \$103,000-per-year county legislator position and was sentenced to serve eight weekends of county jail time followed by three years’ probation. He will be ineligible to hold political office during the probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjyMUI

NEW YORK

William McInerney, John Brown, Anthony DeFiglio, and Anthony Renna

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

William McInerney, John Brown, Anthony DeFiglio, and Anthony Renna pleaded guilty to felony charges, having forged signatures on absentee ballots during the 2009 Working Families Party primary. Sentences: John Brown, six months’ imprisonment; Anthony DeFiglio, 100 hours’ community service; Anthony Renna, 200 hours in work-order program; William McInerney, 90 days in work-order program.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjCzlb

NEW YORK

New York City Department of Investigation

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

Miscellaneous

Undercover New York City Department of Investigation agents testing the integrity of New York City elections were able to vote 61 times out of 63 attempts using the names of ineligible voters, known felons, and deceased city residents.

SOURCES

on.nyc.gov/2t7QimP
bit.ly/2f8uGvA

NEW YORK

Fran Knapp

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Fran Knapp, former Dutchess County Democratic Elections Commissioner, pleaded guilty to signing a poll watcher's certificate while unauthorized in 2012 and falsifying a treasurer's report for her husband's 2007 Poughkeepsie mayoral campaign (both misdemeanors). As part of a plea agreement, she agreed to resign and pay a \$175 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2t0js7d

NEW YORK

Debra Ortutay

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Debra Ortutay, former Rockland County Independence Party chairwoman, pleaded guilty to multiple criminal charges in relation to fraudulent petition signatures and perjury before a grand jury. She had signed ballot petitions multiple times and falsely claimed that she had witnessed voters signing them. Ortutay was sentenced to four months in jail and five years' probation.

SOURCES

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NEW YORK

Angela Gumbarevic

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Angela Gumbarevic pleaded guilty to criminal possession of a forged instrument for allegedly forging signatures on her petition to be a candidate for the office of Oneida County Sheriff. She was sentenced to five years' probation and 150 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tWUGFb

bit.ly/2tNLhz2

NEW YORK

Dominick Forte

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Dominick Forte pleaded guilty to a felony forgery charge in connection with election misconduct as the leader of the Town of Cornwall's Conservative Party committee. Forte admitted to signing fake signatures on nominating petitions in a race for a county legislature seat. He was sentenced to a conditional discharge.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fCes2v

NEW YORK

Vincent Sculco

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Vincent Sculco, Republican Chairman for the town of North Greenbush, pleaded guilty to forging a signature on a nomination petition for a 2007 election. The investigation revealed that Sculco may have forged more than 40 signatures. Sculco was sentenced to the sheriff's work-order program.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2foFeWP

NEW YORK

Clyde Gerbeck

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Clyde Gerbeck of Syracuse, New York pleaded guilty to voting twice in a 2005 primary election and received a conditional discharge sentence.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sS1xdR

NEW YORK

Richard Saint Angel

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Richard Saint Angel pleaded guilty to several offenses under New York State Penal Law in relation to hundreds of forged petition signatures provided to the Dutchess County Board of Elections in an attempt to make it on to the ballot as a candidate for Town Supervisor in Poughkeepsie, NY. He was sentenced to one year in jail.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tNQRBD

NEW YORK

John O'Hara

DISPOSITION: 1999

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

John O'Hara deliberately registered to vote using his girlfriend's address so that he could continue to vote and run for office in his old district. District lines were changed in 1992 during redistricting, prompting O'Hara to use the address, despite it not being his permanent residence. He was sentenced to 1,500 hours of community service and fined \$20,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fmg1hw

NEW YORK

Vander Beatty

DISPOSITION: 1983

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Vander Beatty, a former New York state senator, was convicted of multiple criminal charges, including forgery and conspiracy, in relation to election fraud. He led others in a scheme to forge hundreds of voter registration cards to challenge the result of the 1982 congressional primary that he lost. He was sentenced to 16 months in prison and fined \$5,000.

SOURCES

nyti.ms/2tJ258c

nyti.ms/2t9s6eE

thebea.st/2tDIAPG

NEW YORK

Bert Goldfinger

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Bert Goldfinger voted twice in the 2013 general election—by absentee ballot in Columbia County, and in person in New York City. At the time, Goldfinger was a dentist in New York who maintained a summer home in Columbia County. Goldfinger initially faced two felony charges for knowingly filing a false instrument and illegal voting, but as part of a plea agreement, he pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor disorderly conduct charge. Goldfinger was ordered to pay a fine and surcharge of \$225 and complete 20 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2zbBIAk
bit.ly/2zfM5gL

NORTH CAROLINA

Dewey Gidcumb

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Dewey Gidcumb, of Haywood County, was found guilty of voting twice in the 2016 Republican Primary. Gidcumb first cast a ballot in the early voting period, then voted a second time on Election Day. He received a five-to-15-month suspended prison sentence, one year of supervised probation, and 24 hours of community service. He was also fined \$100 and ordered to pay court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2owXRRo
bit.ly/2oMKbhl
bit.ly/2p4zl8S

NORTH CAROLINA

Edward Charles Green

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Edward Charles Green, of Southern Pines, was convicted for voting in the 2016 election despite being a felon and therefore ineligible. Green's prior conviction came in 2014, when he was convicted of promoting the prostitution of a mentally disabled minor. For his voter fraud offense, Green was sentenced to serve a minimum of four months in jail and six months of supervised probation, which will run concurrently with a probation sentence from a prior offense.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2pznMXI

NORTH CAROLINA

Dalton Shane Smith

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Dalton Shane Smith, of Cameron, was convicted for voting in the 2016 election despite being a felon and therefore ineligible. In 2016, Smith was convicted of felony breaking and entering. He was sentenced to 30 months' imprisonment, which includes time for unrelated criminal charges.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2pznMXI

NORTH CAROLINA

Patrick Cannon

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Former Charlotte Mayor Patrick Cannon pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor voter fraud charge. Cannon admitted that he cast an absentee ballot in the 2014 midterm elections, despite the fact that he had been convicted on felony corruption charges stemming from his acceptance of \$50,000 in bribes from FBI undercover agents. The conviction cost Cannon his right to vote. The plea deal in the voter fraud case saw one day tacked on to his already existing 44-month prison sentence.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2foFOPG

NORTH CAROLINA

Lumberton, NC

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

Election Overturned

Following a contested election because of voter irregularities for the Precinct 7 City Council seat in the town of Lumberton, the State Board of Elections ordered new election. In the initial election for the City Council seat, incumbent Leon Maynor held a one-vote lead over challenger Laura Sampson after several recounts. The second election also had problems, with Maynor successfully challenging the residency of 20 voters. Ultimately, roughly half of the 850 provisional ballots cast were thrown out for various reasons, and in the final tally Maynor retained his seat by a 20-vote margin.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2fjuwVs

bit.ly/2ev5P7c

NORTH CAROLINA

Pembroke, NC

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

Election Overturned

For more than a year, the town of Pembroke had no mayor. Challenges stemming from voting irregularities and possible fraud continue long after a disputed November 2015 election and a March 2016 re-do. In the 2015 election, former town councilman Allen Dial won the mayoral post, but following residency challenges by runner-up Greg Cummings, the State Board of Elections ordered a new election be held. Cummings prevailed in that election, but ongoing challenges prevented him from assuming office. In August, four ballots were thrown out for being improperly cast, and Cummings is still ahead in the vote tally. Pembroke's recent electoral history is colorful to say the least, having had to re-do an election in 2014 as well.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2eGKxAY
bit.ly/2fjDC4o

NORTH CAROLINA

Pasco Parker

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Pasco Parker, a 63-year-old Tennessee resident, admitted to voting in three states during the 2012 federal election. He mailed an absentee ballot to both Florida and North Carolina, and he voted in person in Tennessee. Upon pleading guilty to felony voting fraud and felony voter registration, Parker was sentenced to between six and 17 months of jail time, and was ordered to complete 48 hours of community service. The sentence was later suspended in favor of 24 months of supervised probation, and \$940 in fees, fines, and court costs. This case was brought to the attention of election officials by a North Carolina volunteer voting watchdog group, The Voting Integrity Project.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2fgSqkb

NORTH CAROLINA

Samuel Walter Sylvester IV

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Samuel Walter Sylvester IV pleaded guilty in Cumberland County to voting as a convicted felon. Sylvester was on probation in Wake County following his conviction for felony speeding to avoid arrest. In November, 2014, Sylvester illegally voted in violation of North Carolina law, which bars convicted felons from voting until their rights are restored. Sylvester was sentenced to six months' probation and ordered to complete 48 hours of community service.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2ox4ByE

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NORTH CAROLINA

Verna Roehm

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

When her husband passed away, Verna Roehm decided to honor his last request--to vote for Mitt Romney in the 2012 election. Months after his death, Mrs. Roehm filled out and submitted an absentee ballot in her husband's name. The illegal vote was caught after the election during an audit by election officials; when confronted about the irregularity, Mrs. Roehm admitted to casting the vote. Recognizing the unusual circumstances of the case, the judge convicted Roehm of a misdemeanor rather than a felony. She received no jail time.

SOURCES

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NORTH CAROLINA

Pembroke, NC

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

Election Overturned

At least 30 fraudulent votes were cast in the November 2013 elections, prompting the town to re-do the election. As of April 2014, an ongoing investigation into fraudulent activity has revealed votes cast by non-residents and the use of improper ID to verify residency for the election.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2u600cd

NORTH CAROLINA

Horatio Johnson

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Horatio Johnson was charged with felony election fraud for voting in the November 2008 election despite having pleaded guilty in August of that year to a felony drug charge. Prosecutors allowed Johnson to plead guilty to a reduced charge of misdemeanor obstruction of justice for his ineligible voting. He was given a 120 days' suspended sentence and unsupervised probation. Johnson's attorney argued that his client's case was an example of why North Carolina needed voter ID laws, since without them, "[a]nyone can vote."

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2e8vR1w

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NORTH CAROLINA

Anita Moore, Valerie Moore, Carlos Hood, Wayne Shatley, and Ross Banner

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Anita and Valerie Moore, Wayne Shatley, Carlos Hood, and Ross Banner paid people \$10 to induce them to register to vote and \$25 to induce them to vote for incumbent Caldwell County Sheriff Gary Clark or a straight party ticket for the 2002 election. The Moore sisters pleaded guilty and testified against the others, who were subsequently convicted. A judge sentenced Shatley to the maximum applicable sentence of 33 months in prison due to the “extensive disruption of a government service” that Shatley and his accomplices caused.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2fjk0em

bit.ly/2e8yys6

NORTH CAROLINA

Joshua Workman

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Joshua Workman, a Canadian citizen who was one of the youngest delegates to the 2000 Republican National Convention, was charged by the Department of Justice with casting ineligible votes during the 2000 and 2002 primary and general elections in Avery County. He made false statements claiming U.S. citizenship in order to vote. As part of a plea agreement, Workman pleaded guilty to a federal misdemeanor charge of providing false information to election officials and subsequently returned to Canada.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8yys6

bit.ly/2fmg7FW

NORTH CAROLINA

41 Individuals

DISPOSITION: 1986

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Project Westvote was a massive investigation by the FBI into endemic vote-buying operations in western North Carolina. The operation netted 41 convictions in counties throughout the western part of the state.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/1FI8F7y

NORTH CAROLINA

Robert Dean Hudson

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

Ineligible Voting

The Cleveland County Board of Elections determined that Robert Dean Hudson illegally voted despite being a convicted felon whose voting rights had not been restored. According to the Board, Hudson cast a ballot on October 20th, during North Carolina's early voting period. His ballot was ordered removed by the Board, and Hudson was referred for possible prosecution.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2k33dmg

bit.ly/2k33e90

NORTH CAROLINA

Robert Lee Youngblood

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Robert Lee Youngblood, the former President of the Randolph County Tea Party, submitted a mail-in ballot in the 2014 primary, where he was running for a seat on the county board of education. He then voted again at the polls on the first day of early voting. He pleaded guilty to charges of voter fraud. Mr. Youngblood was sentenced to two days in jail to be followed by 18 months of unsupervised probation and was fined \$750.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2GikUbx

NORTH CAROLINA

Roger Adam Herres

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting, False Registrations

Roger Herres was indicted on one count of voter registration fraud and one count of voter fraud. Herres cast ballots in two states in the 2012 general election. According to court records, Herres pleaded guilty to the charges.

SOURCES

<http://thf-legal.s3.amazonaws.com/Amy%202018/Hoke.pdf>

NORTH CAROLINA

Alessandro Cannizzaro

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Alessandro Cannizzaro, a legal resident from Italy who was in the process of becoming a citizen, illegally voted in the 2016 elections. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$200 and faces potential deportation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2zdTe1r

bit.ly/2zIXj3J

NORTH CAROLINA

Roberto Hernandez-Cuarenta

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Roberto Hernandez-Cuarenta voted in both the 2012 and 2016 presidential elections despite not being a citizen. Hernandez-Cuarenta, a Mexican citizen, was granted a Special Agricultural Worker application in 1992 and had since acquired permanent resident status. He was convicted on two charges of voting by an alien, and was sentenced to time served, which amounted to four months of incarceration.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2znNodA

bit.ly/2zmJVvZ

NORTH DAKOTA

Samuel Ojuri, Joshua Colville, Marcus Williams, Brendin Pierre, Lucas Albers, Aireal Boyd, Demitrius Gray, Bryan Shepherd, Antonio Rogers, and Charles Smith III.

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Ten players on the North Dakota State football team, who had been hired to collect signatures for ballot petitions establishing a conservation fund and legalizing medical marijuana, each pleaded guilty to misdemeanor election fraud charges, admitting that rather than gathering signatures, they forged them. Each player was sentenced to 360 days of unsupervised community service, 50 hours of community service, and \$325 in fines.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ujxKzf

NORTH DAKOTA

Dale Monte Larsen

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Duplicate Voting

Dale Larsen was charged with voter fraud, a class A misdemeanor, for voting in both Burke and Ward counties in the 2016 election. He entered into a pre-trial agreement that stipulated his prosecution will be diverted after 6 months as long as he does not commit another crime during that time and follows through with neuropsychological testing.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2zMWzaM

bit.ly/2BjFFwD

NORTH DAKOTA

Hannan Yassin Aboubaker

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Hannan Yassin Aboubaker submitted an absentee ballot in Minnesota's Scott County for the 2016 election. She then voted at the Fargo Public Library in North Dakota "since she believed her absentee ballot for Minnesota was null and void." Aboubaker pleaded guilty to voting twice by entering an Alford plea to a Class A misdemeanor election offense. Her sentence was deferred, and she was placed on unsupervised probation for six months, after which the case will be dismissed if she does not violate the term of her probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2zcskqt
bit.ly/2DiNXKi

OHIO

Rebecca Hammonds

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Rebecca Hammonds, of East Liverpool, pleaded guilty to 13 counts of making a false registration and one count of election falsification. While working as a canvasser for the Ohio Organizing Collaborative, Hammonds falsely registered voters, including deceased individuals and residents who no longer lived in the community. Hammonds was sentenced to serve 180 days in jail.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2piYLhy
bit.ly/2qfb7GI

OHIO

Dominique Atkins

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Dominique Atkins pleaded guilty to misdemeanor attempted illegal voting, admitting that she received, filled out, and returned two absentee ballots in the 2010 elections. She was sentenced to 30 days in jail, but the judge suspended her sentence if she agreed to pay a \$500 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1susg

OHIO

Robert Gilchrist

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

False Registrations

Robert Gilchrist, a former director of the Lorain County Community Action Agency and a Lorain city official, was indicted on four felony counts of illegal voting. Gilchrist used the address of an old apartment to enable him to vote in four elections between November 2009 and May 2011 in a ward in which he did not live. Gilchrist was ordered to enter a one-year diversion program.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f8x5qi

bit.ly/2e8voMF

OHIO

Russell Glassop

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

During the 2012 election, Russell Glassop obtained and submitted an absentee ballot in the name of his deceased wife. After Glassop pleaded guilty to absentee ballot fraud, the judge sentenced him to a diversion program.

SOURCES

usat.ly/2eVMwEI

OHIO

Sister Marguerite Kloos

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Sister Marguerite Kloos pleaded guilty and resigned as the Dean of the Division of Arts and Humanities for The College of Mount St. Joseph's, after admitting that she cast an absentee ballot in the name of the late Sister Rose Marie Hewitt, who had died one month before the election. She was sentenced to a diversion program.

SOURCES

usat.ly/2fjxrso

OHIO

Virginia McMillan

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Virginia McMillan, a resident of Beavercreek, Ohio, pleaded guilty to misdemeanor falsification after voting twice in the 2012 election by mail before showing up at her polling place on Election Day to vote a second time. She was sentenced 180 days in jail (160 were later suspended), 88 hours of community service, and \$250 in fines.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8tvQ4

bit.ly/2fmkMHK

OHIO

Melowese Richardson

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Melowese Richardson, a Cincinnati poll worker, voted twice in the 2012 election, once by absentee and once in person. Not an isolated event, she voted in the names of others--including her comatose sister--in three other elections. Richardson was convicted and sentenced to five years in prison, but was released early.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2foGMAe

bit.ly/2evopfx

OHIO

Debbie Tingler

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Debbie Tingler, of Reynoldsburg, pleaded guilty to illegal voting after she voted twice by absentee ballot, once under the name Debbie Tingler and once under Deborah Tingler. She received a suspended sentence of 120 days' imprisonment, fined \$200, and court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tL4NK1

bit.ly/2sUNYv4 (Case #12 CR 005249)

OHIO

Marian Wilson

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots, Duplicate Voting

Marian Wilson, from Grove City, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge of illegal voting. Wilson voted twice in the 2010 general election, requesting and submitting two absentee ballots under two different names--Marian Wilson and Marian Toles. She was sentenced to one year of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rR4f7Z

bit.ly/2rV9oab

OHIO

Timothy Zureick

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

During a 2012 campaign for the statewide ballot petition on the “Voters First Ohio Amendment,” a group associated with the AFL-CIO called Working America hired Timothy Zureick to collect petition signatures. Zureick forged the names of 22 prominent Athens Democrats, including those on the Athens County Board of Elections. The Democrats on the board alerted officials when their signatures appeared on the petitions they were certifying. Zureick entered into a plea agreement that stipulated he serve no prison time, but the judge nevertheless sentenced him to a week in jail to impress upon Zureick the gravity of his actions. The judge also ordered Zureick to pay all court costs within 60 days, and to perform 100 hours of community service within the first 24 months of his community control.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2hKFnFp
bit.ly/2hscVJc

OHIO

Horace Crawford

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Horace Crawford pleaded guilty to a charge of election falsification after he forged signatures on a petition to enter his name on the 2012 Democrat primary ballot for the 10th congressional district. The Montgomery County Board of Elections determined only seven signatures were valid and disqualified him from running for office. Crawford was sentenced to five years of community control.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2w9QZtg
bit.ly/2wJPiBW (Case #2012 CR 00507)

OHIO

Roshanda F. Croom

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Roshanda F. Croom pleaded guilty to one felony count of prohibited acts relating to petitions or declarations by filing false documents with election authorities. She was sentenced to 18 months on community control.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvqb61

OHIO

Brenda Griffin

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Brenda Griffin, of Dayton, was convicted of 18 felony charges of election falsifications, filing false petitions, and forging signatures relating to a liquor license ballot initiative. Griffin, the leading petition circulator for the liquor license, turned in 320 petition signatures, despite only 109 signatures being required. The fraud was discovered when the County Board of Elections contacted several supposed signers, who reported they did not sign the petition. Griffin's sentence was reduced from a possible six to 12 months of prison time to five years of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fLoAFa

OHIO

Roger Schantz

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Roger Schantz pleaded guilty to two counts of illegal voting. Though registered in South Carolina, he also registered in Ohio and voted in both states in 2008 and 2010. He was sentenced to seven days' imprisonment in an Ohio corrections center, as well one year under community control, and was fined \$500.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uPCfib

bit.ly/2tvprOr

OHIO

Joseph Copija

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Joseph Copija, of Oceanside, California, pleaded guilty to charges of election falsification and complicity to election falsification. He forged signatures on a ballot petition aiming to get a casino initiative on the Ohio ballot in 2008. Copija was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and ordered to pay court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ygBUXe

bit.ly/2xkyNyt (Case #09CR000368)

OHIO

Deshara M. McKinney

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots, Ballot Petition Fraud

Deshara M. McKinney, of Columbus, pleaded guilty to falsifying signatures on applications for absentee ballots while working as a canvasser in the 2009 ballot initiative to allow casinos in Ohio. McKinney fled the state after her fraud was discovered, and was eventually arrested in Michigan. She was sentenced to two years of probation and ordered to complete 40 hours of community service. She was also required to pay court costs and the cost of her extradition.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rVdb7b

OHIO

Deborah Ramirez

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud, Buying Votes

A California resident was convicted of illegally circulating a ballot petition for USA Consultants in an effort to legalize gambling in Ohio. Furthermore, Ramirez paid Ohio voters to sign their names on empty ballots. Over half the signatures on the petition were invalid. Ramirez was sentenced to 120 days in prison and three years of community control.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjJAC8

bit.ly/2fCm2tN

OHIO

Terry Belli

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Terry Belli, of Gahanna, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge after he voted twice in the 2008 election. He voted in both Franklin and Fairfield counties. Belli was sentenced to 180 days' imprisonment, which would be suspended if he paid a \$1,000 fine within three months.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2u6Spab

OHIO

Donshay Lemar Carter

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Donshay Lemar Carter pleaded guilty to one charge of filing a false petition. He was ordered to complete one year of community control.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvqb61

OHIO

Jowan N. Christian

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Jowan Christian pleaded guilty to violating Ohio's prohibitions relating to petitions or declarations law. She received a deferred 12-month prison sentence pending completion of 12 months of community control.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvqb61

OHIO

Brenda Cornwell

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Brenda Cornwell, of Hardin County, pleaded guilty to prohibitions related to petitions or declarations, election falsification, and forgery. She was sentenced to three years' community control and ordered to pay a \$50 fine, attorney's fees, and court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tLqKc0 (Case #CR 20072115)

OHIO

Michele Finney

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Michele Finney, of Columbus, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge related to voter fraud in the 2008 election. Finney had signed her son's absentee ballot and voted herself. She was sentenced to 180 days' imprisonment, which would be suspended if she paid the \$1000 fine within three months.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2u6Spab

OHIO

Christine Freshour

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Christine Freshour, of Riverside, pleaded guilty to election fraud. She was ordered to pay court costs and attorney's fees.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tLgVuN (Case #CR 07 06 0125)

OHIO

Daniel Hausman, Amy Little, and Yolanda Hippensteele

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Daniel Hausman, Amy Little, and Yolanda Hippensteele, who worked for an advocacy group, each pleaded guilty to misdemeanor charges, admitting that they changed their residencies to Ohio and voted on the same day during the early voting period. Ohio law requires that voters be residents of the state for at least 30 days before voting. All three were sentenced to a year's probation, a \$1,000 fine and a 60-day suspended jail sentence.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fCihVi

OHIO

Cathy LaMaster

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Cathy LaMaster pleaded guilty to attempted false election registration. She filled out an absentee ballot for herself in Franklin County, and filled another out for her daughter in Guernsey County, where she goes to school. LaMaster was fined \$1,000 and sentenced to one year on probation with a suspended six-month jail sentence.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2svcXoL

bit.ly/2uPA0v4

bit.ly/2sLyRrJ

OHIO

Darnell Nash

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Darnell Nash pleaded guilty to three counts of false registration for filling out voter registration forms under false names and addresses. The 24-year-old Cleveland man registered nine times in 2008 using false names and addresses. Nash was sentenced to six months in jail.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sUORUq
bit.ly/2foKkTd

OHIO

Christopher Hargrove

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Christopher Hargrove pleaded guilty to one charge of voter registration fraud. He also pleaded guilty to a fifth-degree felony theft offense. He received two suspended nine-month prison sentences and was ordered to complete one year of community control.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvqb61
bit.ly/2ubsJcM

OHIO

Danielle Phillips

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Danielle Phillips, of Hardin County, pleaded guilty to voter fraud. She was sentenced to three years' community control and 75 hours' community service, and was ordered to pay a \$50 fine, court costs, and attorney's fees.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tLqKc0 (Case #20072007)

OHIO

Jalynn Stowers

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Jalynn Stowers, of Hardin County, pleaded guilty to one count of prohibitions relating to petitions or declarations, an election fraud charge. She was sentenced to two years of community control and ordered to pay a \$50 fine, court costs, and attorney's fees.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tLqKc0 (Case #20072005)

OHIO

Kevin Duffy

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Kevin Duffy pleaded guilty to voting early in Ohio, where he was not a resident, in the presidential election. He was sentenced to one year of probation and a \$1,000 fine, along with 250 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e2Fq1N

OHIO

Claudel Gilbert

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Claudel Gilbert, a Haitian immigrant, pleaded guilty to voting twice in the 2006 elections. Gilbert received a suspended six-month prison sentence, one year probation, and \$500 in fines.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8uMXg

OHIO

Jacqueline Maiden and Kathleen Dreamer

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Following a jury trial, Jacqueline Maiden, the elections coordinator of the Cuyahoga County Elections Board, and ballot manager Kathleen Dreamer were convicted of negligent misconduct and failure to perform their duties in connection with a 2004 presidential election recount. Each was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment. In an effort to save time, the pair rigged the recount by pre-selecting for review by election officials ballots that they knew would not raise issues. Their efforts did not alter the results of the presidential election.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2evcFcU

bit.ly/2f8vYqJ

bit.ly/2foJVAc

OHIO

Katherine Morrow

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Katherine Morrow, of Jackson, Tennessee, pleaded guilty in Ohio court to two felony counts of election fraud. She was sentenced to five years' community control and ordered to pay a \$500 fine and court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2vaFS2l (Case #CR 06 11 0231)

OHIO

Charles Worrell and Jerolynn Worrell

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Following a jury trial, Charles and Jerolynn Worrell were found guilty of illegal voting for falsely registering and voting. The pair indicated that they lived at a Summit County address where they did not reside. They received a sentence of six months' incarceration, suspended upon completion of one year of community control and other sanctions.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8u64g

OHIO

Melissa Sparks

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Melissa Sparks, of Springfield, pleaded guilty to three felony charges of election fraud. She was sentenced to five years' community control and fined \$250.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2vaFS2l (Case #CR 06 12 0244)

OHIO

Alan Szabo

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Alan Szabo, of Springfield, pleaded guilty to three felony counts of election fraud. He was sentenced to 60 days' imprisonment in the county jail, five years' community control, and was required to pay court costs, attorney's fees, and pay a \$250 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2vaFS2l (Case #CR 06 11 0239)

OHIO

Rachelle Zimmerman

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Rachelle Zimmerman, of Hardin County, pleaded guilty to one county of felony election fraud. She was sentenced to two years' community control and ordered to pay a \$50 fine and court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tLqKc0 (Case #20072008)

OHIO

Chad Staton

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Chad Staton pleaded guilty to 10 felony counts for filing false voter registrations in exchange for crack cocaine. Staton allegedly filled out more than 100 forms with names such as Mary Poppins, Michael Jackson, Michael Jordan, Dick Tracy, and George Lopez prior to the 2004 presidential election. He then handed them over to Georgianne Pitts, who worked on behalf of the NAACP National Voter Fund, who turned in the form to the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections. Staton was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment each for six counts of the fifth-degree felony, to be served consecutively, according to court personnel.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2evgdMc

OHIO

Cynthia McCloud

DISPOSITION: 2000

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Cynthia McCloud pleaded guilty to two charges of inducing illegal voting and false registration (in an effort to help her friend Jon Saylor become a Fairfield city councilman), and was sentenced to five years of probation, ordered to complete 80 hours of community service, and pay a \$2,500 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2xj2BxC

bit.ly/2f8w7uc

OHIO

Jon Saylor

DISPOSITION: 2000

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Jon Saylor ordered absentee ballots sent to the home of a friend, and then filled them out as votes for himself. After winning the seat of the 1st Ward councilman in Fairfield, Ohio, the election results were called into question and an investigation was opened. Saylor was convicted of 29 counts of false registrations, one count of inducing illegal voting, 12 counts of absentee voter's ballot violation, 14 counts of illegal voting, one count of election falsification, and one count of interference with the conduct of an election. He was sentenced to 24 months' imprisonment.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f8w7uc

bit.ly/2f8whBT

OHIO

Awais Jamil

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Awais Jamil, of Roseville, registered and voted in Muskingum County in the 2016 general election despite not being a U.S. citizen. Jamil, an immigrant from Pakistan, initially indicated in documents submitted to the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles that he was not a U.S. citizen. The state nevertheless sent him a voter registration packet, at which point he falsely identified himself as a citizen in order to register. He pleaded guilty to illegal voting, a fourth-degree felony, and was sentenced to one year of probation, with an underlying sentence of 14 months in prison. Jamil now faces possible deportation as a result of his felony conviction.

SOURCES

ohne.ws/2i9s33o

ohne.ws/2iaA87C

OHIO

Jean Gobeil

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Jean Gobeil, a Canadian citizen, admitted that he illegally registered to vote while registering his car in Ohio and then voted in the 2012 election. Gobeil was originally charged with illegal voting, but as part of a plea bargain, the charges were reduced to obstruction of justice. He received a 90 day suspended jail sentence.

SOURCES

cin.ci/2new1cE
bit.ly/2k6GVjy

OHIO

Bernus Charmont

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Bernus Charmont, a non-citizen, admitted to illegally voting in the 2012 election. As part of a plea bargain, the charges were reduced to falsification. Common Pleas Court Judge Leslie Ghiz sentenced Charmont to one year of probation and ordered him to pay a \$1,000 fine and court costs.

SOURCES

cin.ci/2new1cE
bit.ly/2k6GVjy

OHIO

Lorain, OH

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: JUDICIAL FINDING

Ineligible Voting

On election night, it appeared that political newcomer Ryan Horn defeated incumbent City Councilman Dennis Flores in the primary for Lorain City Council Democratic Ward 2. Flores claimed, through his attorney, that the voting was rigged. Following a lengthy trial, Common Pleas Court Judge Mark Betleski invalidated the initial election results and declared Flores to be the winner. For each ballot he tossed, Betelski outlined why it was not authorized and, hence, illegitimate.

SOURCES

bit.ly/1KHNR11

OHIO

Konstantinos Mouzos

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Konstantinos Mouzos pleaded guilty to illegally voting in the 2016 election without being a U.S. citizen. He was sentenced to one year probation following a reduction in charges from one count of illegal voting, a felony, to a misdemeanor of attempted illegal voting. This illegal conduct was uncovered during an annual review by the Ohio Secretary of State of the state's voter registration database in order to identify non-citizens who are registered to vote by comparing information with the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. The Secretary of State's office identified 426 non-citizens who were registered to vote in 2016; 82 of these individuals appear to have voted and have been referred to law enforcement authorities.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2GmFPG0

bit.ly/2GhLAJD

OKLAHOMA

Darryl Cates

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Darryl Cates, of Westville, entered a plea of nolo contendere to charges of false notarization of absentee ballots. The charges stemmed from the 2009 Cave Springs School District election, in which 33 ballots were disputed based on inconsistencies between the signatures on ballot request forms and voter affidavits. All of the contested ballots were notarized by Cates. He was essentially charged with signing the names of two voters on absentee ballots. Following his plea, Cates received a three-year deferred sentence.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sTO2iz

bit.ly/2tsl98P

bit.ly/2rRcznY

OKLAHOMA

Ronald Henry

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent use of Absentee Ballots

Ronald Henry, a 2015 candidate for trustee in Luther, Oklahoma, brought several absentee ballots to be notarized by Mayor Cecilia Taft. It is illegal for a ballot to be notarized without the person signing being present. Ronald Henry entered an Alford plea to the charges and received a five-year deferred sentence.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2pQJdCy

bit.ly/2uAlbAg

OREGON

Deanna Swenson

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Altering the Vote Count

Deanna Swenson, a Clackamas County elections official, pleaded guilty to official misconduct and unlawfully altering a ballot. Swenson tampered with ballots by filling in blank spots left by the actual voters. Swenson was ordered to serve 90 days in jail and pay \$13,000 in fines.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2elnTOh

OREGON

Lafayette Keaton

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Lafayette Keaton pleaded guilty to making false statements to elections officials after using the identities of his deceased son and brother to cast multiple ballots. Keaton was sentenced to three months' imprisonment, fined \$5,000, and was placed in a one-year post-prison supervision program.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eGP6LI

OREGON

Diana Clagett

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

During a 2006 ballot measure, Diana Clagett submitted three signature sheets that contained 27 “questionable signatures” that either belonged to unregistered voters or did not match the signatures on voter registration cards. A Multnomah County grand jury indicted Clagett on two counts of making false statements. She subsequently pleaded guilty to one felony count and was placed on probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1AxoU

OREGON

Ricky Graybael

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Ricky Graybael pleaded guilty to one charge of voting more than once in an election. He was sentenced to 24 months’ probation, and was ordered to complete 80 hours of community service and pay \$67 in court fees.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tLbhbT (Case #06FE0061)

OREGON

Leanne Lewis

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Leanne Lewis pleaded guilty to being registered and voting in both Columbia County and Washington County during elections in 2003, 2004, and 2005. She was sentenced to 36 months' probation, 40 hours' community service, and fined \$857.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvo4PL

OREGON

Jorge Jesus Hosier

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Jorge Jesus Hosier was convicted on three counts of making a false statement, and one count of forgery, in relation to an election. Hosier voted despite being ineligible. Hosier was sentenced according to Oregon sentencing guidelines and ordered to pay \$1,854 in fines and court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tLbhbT (Case #05CR0395)

bit.ly/2u7IORv

OREGON

Terence John Finch

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Terence John Finch pleaded guilty to unqualified voting. He voted in Oregon for several years while not a U.S. citizen. He was sentenced to probation, 80 hours' community service, and fined \$1,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvo4PL

OREGON

Paul Frankel and James Gurga

DISPOSITION: 2001

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Paul Frankel and his accomplice, James Gurga, used a “bait and switch” technique. They had a fake petition that called for lowering gas taxes which they kept on the top of their clipboards at Lloyd Center Mall in Portland. After people signed it, they would tell them that they had to “verify” their signature by signing all the pages underneath. What the signers didn’t know is that they had fooled them into unwittingly signing real petitions. Frankel and Gurga pleaded guilty to fraud charges and election law violations.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8yCja

bit.ly/2e1l1jS

bit.ly/2tLbhbT (Case #011137476)

OREGON

Asa Steven Large

DISPOSITION: 2001

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Asa Large registered and voted in Wasa and Hood River counties during three elections between 1997_99. He was charged and found guilty of double-voting, a Class C felony. He received 36 months' probation, 250 hours of community service and a \$1,328 fine. He was also ordered to take a civics class and send a letter of apology to the editor of The Dalles Chronicle.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fCmRTc

bit.ly/2foJzJV

OREGON

Terri Louise Kobialka

DISPOSITION: 2000

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Terri Kobialka was a University of Oregon student during the 2000 election when she filled out a ballot mailed to her apartment in the name of a former tenant. Kobialka pleaded guilty to falsely signing a ballot, a Class C felony. She was sentenced to 18 months of probation, ordered to complete 120 hours of community service, and fined \$500.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8vSCw

PENNSYLVANIA

Cheryl Ali (aka Cheryl Jamison)

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Impersonation Fraud at the Polls

Cheryl Ali, 57, pleaded guilty to two misdemeanor charges: unlawful assistance in voting, and falsely holding the position of an election officer. In the May 2014 primary, Ali voted on behalf of her mother, whom she claimed was ill. In the May 2014 general election, Ali served as machine inspector at a polling place even though she did not live in that division. Ali was sentenced to one year of probation and stripped of her voting rights for the next four years. As part of her plea bargain, the felony charges against her were dismissed.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f8z2D8

bit.ly/2eGMXiZ

PENNSYLVANIA

Myron Cowher, Dmitry Kupershmidt

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Altering the Vote Count

Myron Cowher and Dmitry Kupershmidt were found guilty of attempting to rig a May 2014 election in the private community of Wild Acres Lakes. According to Wild Acres Property Manager Robert Depaolis, Cowher approached him and asked him to provide Cowher with ballots that were due to be mailed to property owners in the community who seldom voted, for the express purpose of filling out those ballots and guaranteeing victory for Cowher's preferred Board of Directors candidates. Depaolis went to the state police, who surveilled a meeting where Depaolis handed over the ballots, catching Cowher in the act of filling out the mail-in ballots. He was arrested and subsequently convicted on 217 counts, including forgery, identity theft, and criminal conspiracy. His accomplice, Kupershmidt, was found guilty on 190 counts. Cowher received a sentence of between 18 months and four years in a state correctional facility, and was ordered to pay a \$10,850 fine. Kupershmidt's sentencing has been delayed due to a change in attorneys.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2lpcJOx

bit.ly/2lphGqI

bit.ly/2mm85yE

PENNSYLVANIA

Robin Trainor, Laura Murtaugh

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Impersonation Fraud at the Polls

Robin Trainor, 56, and Laura Murtaugh, 57, were each sentenced to a year of probation and will not be allowed to vote for the next four years after pleading guilty to misdemeanor charges of election code violations. According to witnesses, Trainor, who was serving as the judge of elections at the polling place (even though she was disqualified from doing so as a public official), went into the voting booth with her husband and told him how to vote. She then stepped out of the voting booth, spoke to Murtaugh (who was serving as the minority elections inspector at the polling place), signed the election register under her 23-year-old son's name, reset the voting machine, returned to the voting booth, and cast a ballot in his name. Trainor pleaded guilty to two charges--failure to perform duty and falsely holding the position of an election officer--and Murtaugh pleaded guilty to failure to perform her duty. As part of their plea bargains, the felony charges against them were dismissed.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f8z2D8

bit.ly/2eGMXiZ

PENNSYLVANIA

Eugene Gallagher

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Eugene Gallagher pleaded guilty to two misdemeanor charges in connection with the November 2013 election, in which he was a candidate for councilman in the Taylor Borough. He unlawfully persuaded Taylor residents and non-residents to register for absentee ballots in the election using a Taylor address. Gallagher was the top vote-getter in the election and won his first term as councilman. With his guilty plea, Gallagher can no longer hold public office. A judge sentenced him to a maximum of 10 months in jail and two months of house arrest for both his election fraud conviction and a DUI conviction. He was also sentenced to more than five years of court supervision and 200 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f8ze5k

PENNSYLVANIA

Richard Allan Toney

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

The former police chief of Harmar Township, pleaded guilty to illegally soliciting absentee ballots to benefit his wife and her running mate in the 2009 Democratic primary for town council. Toney applied for the ballots, and then had them filled out illegally by individuals not expected to be absent on election day. The absentee ballot count flipped the primary results, securing a victory for Mrs. Toney's running mate. During the subsequent FBI investigation, Mr. Toney attempted to prevent witnesses, including two grand jury witnesses, from testifying. Toney was sentenced to three years' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjmt8I

bit.ly/2ueyupQ

PENNSYLVANIA

Michael Monaghan

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Michael Monaghan pleaded guilty to illegally voting in Pennsylvania.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uefNTk

PENNSYLVANIA

David Patrick Duffy

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

David Patrick Duffy, of Doylestown, pleaded guilty to forgery, record tampering, and making an unsworn falsification to authorities in relation to falsified voter registrations. He forged numerous individuals' signatures on fraudulent voter registrations. Duffy was sentenced to two years of probation and ordered to pay court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sRMKzK

bit.ly/2suNdsj

PENNSYLVANIA

Eric Jones, Alexis Givner, and Mario Grisom

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Eric Jones, a former ACORN employee, pleaded guilty to a charge of submitting false voter registrations. Meanwhile, fellow Pennsylvania ACORN employees Alexis Givner and Mario Grisom, have also been convicted of registration fraud-related charges. Each was sentenced to two years' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2foJPIH

bit.ly/2f1urF6

PENNSYLVANIA

Jemar Barksdale

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

While an employee for ACORN, Jemar Barksdale falsified 18 voter registration cards. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 23 months of house arrest.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fmsjZ

bit.ly/2fCmwQB

PENNSYLVANIA

Victor Bernard Pinho

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Victor Pinho pleaded guilty to a third-degree misdemeanor charge of unlawful voting. He had illegally voted in both Philadelphia and Lehigh county.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sv4UYU

PENNSYLVANIA

George Edgar Rheam, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

George Edgar Rheam, Jr. pleaded guilty to two violations of the state Election Code, perjury and false signatures and statements. He was fined and given probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2v84TLr

PENNSYLVANIA

Mark Cosentino

DISPOSITION: 2003

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Mark Cosentino pleaded guilty to a charge of unlawful voting. Cosentino registered to vote, and voted, in his childhood hometown despite not living there. He was sentenced to six months' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2udWYQb

bit.ly/2u4jgUf

PENNSYLVANIA

Linda Deren

DISPOSITION: 2002

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Linda Deren pleaded guilty to a charge of unlawful voting.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uefNTk

bit.ly/2uMnMEr

PENNSYLVANIA

Austin Murphy

DISPOSITION: 1999

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Former Congressman Austin Murphy was convicted on one charge of absentee ballot fraud. Murphy forged ballots for senior citizens living in a nursing home, claiming merely to be assisting them in exercising their voting rights. He was sentenced to six months of probation and ordered to perform 50 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2t0ke47

bit.ly/2ueaBiA

bit.ly/2sL9Zwh

PENNSYLVANIA

James Vadella

DISPOSITION: 1998

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

James Vadella, brother of former Carbondale Mayor Joseph Vadella, pleaded guilty to a federal charge of conspiracy to commit mail fraud, as well as charges of forgery, conspiracy to tamper with public records, tampering with public records, and violations of the election code. Vadella conspired with his brother, Michael, to alter election results in a primary election in which he was a candidate by obtaining and falsely filling out absentee ballots. Vadella was sentenced to two months' imprisonment, followed by home confinement and probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2udYp18

bit.ly/2sLU910

PENNSYLVANIA

Joseph Vadella

DISPOSITION: 1998

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Former Carbondale Mayor Joseph Vadella pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit voter fraud and election code violations related to a Pennsylvania district justice race. He was sentenced to serve between three and nine months in jail, to run concurrently with a four-month prison sentence for a related conviction in federal court of preventing a witness from testifying. Following his release, Vadella was subject to home confinement and probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2udYp18

bit.ly/2sLU910

PENNSYLVANIA

Michael Vadella

DISPOSITION: 1998

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Michael Vadella, the brother of former Carbondale Mayor Joseph Vadella, pleaded guilty in county court to conspiracy, forgery, tampering with public records, and election law violations. He also pleaded guilty in federal court to conspiracy to commit mail fraud. Michael Vadella conspired with his brother, James, to alter election results in a primary election in which James was a candidate. The pair obtained and falsely filled out absentee ballots. He was sentenced to three months in jail, followed by home confinement and probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2udYp18

bit.ly/2sLU9IO

PENNSYLVANIA

Richard Cummings Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

False Registrations

Richard Cummings, an Allegheny County School Board Member, moved from Westmoreland County to Allegheny County in 2009, but continued voting at his Westmoreland address through the 2016 general election. He was charged with five counts of unlawful voting, and one count of unsworn falsification for claiming he was a resident of the county when he voted there in 2010, 2012, and 2016. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to one year of probation through the Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition Program for first time non-violent offenders. He can petition to have his record expunged upon completion of the program and probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2GiOgXw

bit.ly/2xOzAHM

PENNSYLVANIA

Calvin Mattox

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Calvin Mattox, a Philadelphia election-board worker, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor “qualification of election officials” charge. Mattox, a Democrat, worked at Poll 43-7 despite not being a resident of the 43rd Ward as required by state law. He and three others were charged following allegations of fraud in a 2017 special election for the statehouse seat for the 197th District. The cabal were accused of, among other things, intimidating voters who did not want to vote for the Democrat candidate. In court, witnesses testified that they were not able to cast ballots for the candidates of their choice. Mattox was sentenced to one year of probation and stripped of his voting rights until 2022.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2zc7I1A

cbsloc.al/2zfYBNh

PENNSYLVANIA

Wallace Hill

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Wallace Hill, a translator at Philadelphia Poll 43-7, pleaded guilty to a charge of failure to perform duty. Hill and three other board members were indicted after allegations of fraud in Philadelphia’s 43rd Ward surfaced after the 2017 special election for the statehouse seat for the 197th District. The cabal were accused of, among other things, intimidating voters who did not want to vote for the Democratic candidate. In court, witnesses testified that they were not able to cast ballots for the candidates of their choice. Hill was sentenced to 18 months of probation and was stripped of his right to vote until 2022.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2zc7I1A

PENNSYLVANIA

Thurman George

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Thurman George, a Democrat election-board member and machine inspector at Philadelphia Poll 43-7, pleaded guilty to a felony charge of fraud by an election officer. George and three other board members were indicted after allegations of fraud in Philadelphia's 43rd Ward surfaced after the 2017 special election for the statehouse seat for the 197th District. The cabal were accused of, among other things, intimidating voters who did not want to vote for the Democratic candidate. In court, witnesses testified that they were not able to cast ballots for the candidates of their choice. George was sentenced to five years of probation and was stripped of his right to vote until 2022.

SOURCES

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cbsloc.al/2zfYBNh

PENNSYLVANIA

Dolores Shaw

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Miscellaneous

Dolores Shaw, the Judge of Election at Philadelphia Poll 43-7, and three other election-board members were indicted after allegations of fraud in Philadelphia's 43rd Ward surfaced after the 2017 special election for the statehouse seat for the 197th District. The cabal were accused of, among other things, intimidating voters who did not want to vote for the Democratic candidate. In court, witnesses testified that they were not able to cast ballots for the candidates of their choice. Shaw received an accelerated rehabilitative disposition for compromising the local election board.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2zbCtUp
bit.ly/2zc7I1A
cbsloc.al/2zfYBNh

SOUTH CAROLINA

Christopher Campbell

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Mayor Christopher Campbell was convicted of voter fraud, forgery, and official misconduct. Campbell filled out 16 absentee ballots, then found and persuaded voters who had not made it to the polls to cast them in their own names. Campbell was sentenced to 18 months in prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uWOI47

bit.ly/2f8yn4u

SOUTH DAKOTA

Janice Howe

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Janice Howe pleaded guilty to a charge of perjury stemming from Howe's 1999 forgery of petition signatures. At the time, Howe indicated she had witnessed voters sign their names to the petition. Though she was formally charged in 2002, she was not arrested until 2015. She received a suspended four-year prison sentence and was given four years of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sVIN1h

SOUTH DAKOTA

Clayton G. Walker

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Clayton Walker, a former U.S. Senate candidate, pleaded guilty to one count of offering a false or forged instrument for filing and one count of perjury, both of which are Class 6 felonies. Walker submitted 3,374 signatures on a nominating petition to gain placement on the ballot as an Independent; half of those signatures were subsequently determined to be invalid. After pleading guilty, Walker received two concurrent two-year sentences, with both suspended pending good behavior. Walker was also sentenced to 200 hours of community service with two years of probation and was required to receive a mental health evaluation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2mmgv9j

bit.ly/2mm84L1

argusne.ws/2I9c4ON

SOUTH DAKOTA

Craig Guymon

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Duplicate Voting

Craig Guymon, of Mitchell, voted twice in a school board election—once in person and once by absentee ballot. He was convicted of voter fraud and sentenced to 30 days' imprisonment. He was later granted a suspension with a one-year probationary period with the chance to clear the felony from his record.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2fjLld6

bit.ly/2e8zyEc

SOUTH DAKOTA

Rudolph Vargas

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Rudolph Vargas pleaded guilty to voting more than once during the 2004 fall election.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fL6HX4

SOUTH DAKOTA

Annette Bosworth

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Annette Bosworth, a doctor in Sioux Falls, challenged former Governor Mike Rounds for one of South Dakota's U.S. Senate seats in the 2014 Republican primary. She lost, but upon review of her petition, officials discovered that six of the petitions she submitted to the Secretary of State's office contained discrepancies. Bosworth was out of the country on a medical-aid mission trip in the Philippines when her campaign manager, Mike Davis, collected the signatures and filed them on her behalf. However, South Dakota law requires candidates to personally witness each signature on the circulating petition. Additionally, when she signed off on each of the six petitions, she verified that she had personally witnessed the signatures. She was originally charged with six counts of felony perjury, but the charges were later reduced and she was found guilty of offering false or forged instruments for filing. Bosworth was sentenced to 500 hours of community service and parole.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ie38eJ

bit.ly/2zyQ0Ez

TENNESSEE

Brenda Woods

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Originally convicted in 2010, Brenda Woods, former Bolivar City Council member, was granted--and lost--a new trial in 2014. Woods drove three ineligible voters (convicted felons) to the polls to vote for her in an election in which she was running for City Council and mayor. Woods received suspended, concurrent two-year terms on each of three counts.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fmi98Z

TENNESSEE

Linda Brewer

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Linda Brewer pleaded guilty to one count of illegal voting, a Class E felony, and was sentenced to one year of supervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2elp0wZ

bit.ly/2eGPBW8

TENNESSEE

Gayle Copeland

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Gayle Lee Copeland, Jr., 54, pleaded guilty to charges including two counts of illegal voting as well as criminal impersonation and food stamp fraud. Copeland received a two-year suspended sentence and supervised probation. Copeland was detected because of new voter ID laws recently passed in Tennessee.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f8Bnhp

bit.ly/2f1u4dP

TENNESSEE

James Gary Norman

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting, False Registrations

James Norman, of Loudon County, was found guilty of a Class E felony for illegal voting and registration.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8wU1p

TENNESSEE

Verline Mayo, Gertrude Otteridge, and Mary McClatcher

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Verline Mayo, Gertrude Otteridge, and Mary McClatcher pleaded guilty to felony and misdemeanor voter fraud charges after admitting that, while acting as poll workers, they conspired to cast at least three falsified votes--two of them in the name of deceased voters--as part of a scheme to favor State Senate candidate Ophelia Ford. Ford won the 2005 election by only 13 votes, but the result was thrown out by the Senate citing the fraudulent votes. Mayo received two years' probation, \$1,000 in fines and 200 hours of community service. Otteridge and McClatcher were sentenced to one year of probation plus fines and community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tLpBBc

bit.ly/2vaSxIJ

TENNESSEE

Vancey Voorhies

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Illegal "Assistance" at the Polls

Vancey Voorhies, a former volunteer poll worker, entered a pre-trial diversion program after being indicted on four charges: Illegal Registration/Voting, False Entries, Violation by an Official, and Official Misconduct. Voorhies completed and submitted a ballot for her cousin, in violation of state law. [I THOUGHT WE WERE NOT GOING TO MAKE ENTRIES FOR PRETRIAL DIVERSION SINCE THOSE RECORDS WILL LIKELY BE WIPED CLEAN?]

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f8Bnhp

TENNESSEE

Howard Allen

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Howard Allen pleaded guilty to one count of “False Entries” and was sentenced to two years of probation. During his probation, Allen was barred from participating in election activities without the permission of the court.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f8Bnhp

TENNESSEE

Mary Lou Simpson

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Impersonation Fraud at the Polls

Mary Lou Simpson of Manchester was arrested after the 2004 election for attempting to vote in the name of her deceased sister. Ms. Simpson was spotted by a poll worker who recognized that she had already voted earlier in the day. The facts have been confirmed by the district attorney’s office which prosecuted the case. The then 63-year-old woman was convicted of a Class E felony which is punishable by up to two years in prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2evh0N2

TEXAS

Tyron Davis

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Tyron Davis, a former constable in Ellis County, Texas, was convicted of six counts of voter fraud for assisting nursing home residents with their mail-in ballots and voter registration applications without identifying his assistance on the ballot. He was also convicted of false identification as a peace officer for having pasted an image of his face onto the body of a peace officer for use on a flier advertising his assistance at the nursing home during his campaign, all before he became an officer. Davis resigned his officer's license to avoid jail time.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2suCVso

bit.ly/2uvrWQN

bit.ly/2tm2NcM

TEXAS

Jeanene Johnson

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Impersonation Fraud at the Polls

Jeanene Johnson pleaded guilty to unlawfully depositing a ballot. Johnson assisted Latunia Thomas, a fellow Harris County poll worker, to unlawfully cast a ballot for her daughter, who was not present. Johnson served one day in jail and was released.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvfjFi

bit.ly/2sv75vz

TEXAS

Latunia Thomas

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Impersonation Fraud at the Polls

Latunia Thomas pleaded guilty to unlawfully depositing a ballot. Thomas forged her daughter's signature and cast a ballot in her name although she was not present at the polls. Thomas was assisted by Jeanene Johnson, both poll workers in Harris County, Texas. Thomas was released after serving one day in jail.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvfjFi

bit.ly/2sv75vz

TEXAS

Noe Olvera

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Noe Olvera pleaded guilty to a federal bribery charge. Olvera, a postman, admitted to taking a \$1,000 bribe from a paid campaign worker in exchange for a list of the names and addresses of mail-in ballot recipients on his postal route. After a two-year investigation into local voting fraud, hidden camera footage surfaced revealing a uniformed and on-the-job Olvera “negotiating an exchange of money for mail-in voter lists.” Olvera was sentenced to serve 18 months in federal prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2pm8x4P

bit.ly/2ugM506

bit.ly/2pmlJGE

TEXAS

Rosa Maria Ortega

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Rosa Maria Ortega, a non-citizen, was found guilty on two counts of voting in the November 2012 general election and the 2014 Republican primary runoff. Ortega claimed she thought she was a citizen and blamed her lack of education for the mix-up, but prosecutors pointed out that Ortega had previously indicated on a drivers license application that she was a non-citizen. A judge sentenced her to eight years' imprisonment, after which she faces the possibility of deportation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2md3dMU

bit.ly/2kNcL4a

nyti.ms/2lMcoqg

TEXAS

Graciela Sanchez

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Prosecutors charged Graciela Sanchez with four misdemeanor counts of violating election law in an effort to assist Guadalupe Rivera win re-election to the post of Weslaco city commissioner in 2013. Rivera and Sanchez were found to have illegally "assisted" absentee ballot voters. The results of the election were disputed, and a judge determined that 30 ballots had been illegally cast in an election decided by only 16 votes. Sanchez pleaded guilty and received two years' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f8AtkT

TEXAS

Guadalupe Rivera

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Guadalupe Rivera, a former Weslaco city commissioner, pleaded guilty to one count of providing illegal “assistance” to a voter by filling out an absentee ballot “in a way other than the way the voter directed or without direction from the voter.” The fraud took place during Rivera’s 2013 re-election bid, which he won by a scant 16 votes. His challenger sued alleging fraud, and a judge determined that 30 ballots had been illegally cast, enough to alter the outcome of the election. A new election was subsequently held, and Rivera lost. Rivera originally faced 16 election-related charges, 15 of which were dropped as part of his plea deal. He was sentenced to one year of probation and ordered to pay a \$500 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjITJn

bit.ly/2evjfA1

bit.ly/2fjIQNy

TEXAS

Francisco “Frankie” Garcia, Rebecca Gonzalez, Diana Balderas Castaneda, and Guadalupe Escamilla

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

In the Donna School Board race, four campaign workers participated in a scheme that involved buying votes with cocaine, cash, beer, and cigarettes. All four pleaded guilty; Garcia received an 18-month sentence, and Castaneda received an eight-month sentence with credit for cooperating against her co-defendants.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8xPPu

bit.ly/2uesT2u

TEXAS

Hazel Brionne Woodard

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Impersonation Fraud at the Polls

Hazel Woodard, a Democratic Precinct Chairwoman candidate in Fort Worth, was concerned that her husband would not make it to the polls to vote, so she had her teenage son vote for him. The impersonation went undetected until the husband went to the polls later that day and tried to cast a second ballot in his name. Hazel was indicted for impersonation fraud at the polls, pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to two years of deferred adjudication probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ell5A2

TEXAS

Richard Alan Collier

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Richard Alan Collier pleaded guilty to attempting to vote twice in the November 2012 general election, in both Minnesota and Texas. He requested and submitted absentee ballots in both states. Galveston County officials were alerted to Collier's illegal behavior when they were tipped off about a Facebook post in which Collier admitted to double voting. Collier's misdemeanor conviction earned him a \$4,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2q6PzNq

bit.ly/2oMG7xt

TEXAS

Carlos Medrano

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Former Dallas County Justice of the Peace, Carlos Medrano, was convicted on one count of illegal voting. A grand jury had indicted him for two counts of soliciting votes of non-resident family members in his election for justice of the peace. He was sentenced to serve 180 days in jail, five years on probation, and fined \$2,500.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvFDz8

bit.ly/2tWBS2i

bit.ly/2sRNq8g

TEXAS

Belinda Solis and Veronica Saldivar

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Two campaign workers pleaded guilty in the Southern District of Texas for paying voters to vote in two 2012 elections in Hidalgo County, Texas. In an elaborate vote-buying scheme, Belina Solis and Veronica Saldivar offered “baggies” of cocaine and money in exchange for votes for local and county candidates. After an extensive FBI investigation, they both pleaded guilty to one count of vote-buying.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjGqhX

bit.ly/2eGQUoO

TEXAS

Adrian Heath, Sybil Doyle, and Roberta Cook

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Adrian Heath, Sybil Doyle, and Roberta Cook were convicted of voting on a referendum about whether the Woodlands Road Utility District could raise taxes to cover municipal debt, even though none of them were residents in the district. The election results were subsequently overturned. Heath was sentenced to a three-year prison sentence and a fine of \$10,000; Cook and Doyle each received three-year prison sentences, five years' probation, and fines of \$5,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eGQ1vM

bit.ly/2e8xRXu

TEXAS

Lorenzo Antonio Almanza, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Impersonation Fraud at the Polls, Duplicate Voting

Lorenzo Antonio Almanza, of Progreso, was convicted of voting twice in Progreso's 2009 school board election, once in his own name and once using his incarcerated brother's name. Almanza was sentenced to two years' imprisonment and five years of probation.

SOURCES

abcn.ws/liAehQh

wapo.st/2sAGUo5

bit.ly/2rCqRoj

TEXAS

Fermina Castillo

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Ineligible Voting

Fermina Castillo pleaded guilty to one count of illegal felon voting in the 2010 general election. She was sentenced to two years of deferred adjudication and community supervision and was ordered to pay a \$100 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2suN2gD

TEXAS

Margarita Rangel Ozuna

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Illegal “Assistance” at the Polls

Margarita Rangel Ozuna pleaded no contest to illegally assisting Ricardo Liceaga Alonso in voting in 2010. She prepared his ballot without his direction, and then deposited his carrier envelope without providing the proper information on the envelope. Ozuna received a sentence of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rCmpGt

bit.ly/2rQM9mq

TEXAS

Magdalena Robledo Rodriguez

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

False Registrations

Magdalena Robledo Rodriguez pleaded guilty to illegal voting for falsely listing an address during the 2010 election in Alton. Rodriguez changed her registration to an address belonging to Jose Picasso, one of the candidates in the Alton mayoral election. Rodriguez was sentenced to deferred adjudication and was ordered to pay a \$250 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tsJ7lt

bit.ly/2tt8hk6

TEXAS

Martha Estella Rodriguez

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Martha Estella Rodriguez, of Mission, pleaded guilty to voting in the 2010 election in nearby Alton, despite not living in that city. According to officials, Rodriguez changed her registration to an address belonging to Jose Picasso, one of the candidates in the Alton mayoral election. Records indicated that at least 23 others did the same prior to voting. Rodriguez was sentenced to serve one day in jail, two years of community supervision, and was ordered to pay a \$500 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tsWG4B

bit.ly/2tt8hk6

TEXAS

Sonia Leticis Solis

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Sonia Solis pleaded guilty to voting five times under five different names in the 2012 primary runoff election. She committed her fraud using absentee ballots. She was sentenced to six months of home confinement and five years' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tsYMRE

bit.ly/2sVDD5h

bit.ly/2tt4CTg

TEXAS

Jacob Awuol Barac

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Ineligible Voting

Jacob Barac pleaded guilty to misdemeanor charges after admitting that he signed a voter application attesting to his citizenship despite his permanent resident status, which made him ineligible to vote. Barac claimed that he had requested the ballot so that his roommate could vote, and then filled it out himself. He was sentenced to five years of supervised probation and 40 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8AUyM

TEXAS

Gilda Hernandez

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Gilda Hernandez pleaded guilty to two counts of unlawful assistance, two counts of illegal possession of a ballot, and two counts of failure to provide identifying information while assisting a voter. Hernandez was sentenced to one year of deferred adjudication and a \$250 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rCDVKI

TEXAS

Christine Thomas Shank

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Illegal “Assistance” at the Polls

Christine Thomas Shank, of Brazos County, pleaded guilty to unlawful assistance at the polls in the 2010 general election. She was sentenced to one year of deferred adjudication. Shank was placed under community supervision and was ordered to complete 20 hours of community service and pay a \$500 fine and \$332 in court costs. Shank was also barred from offering any future “assistance” to voters.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rCDVKI

TEXAS

Carlos Medrano

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Dallas County Justice of the Peace Carlos Medrano was found guilty of one count of illegal voting for persuading a niece to register to vote using an address where she did not reside. Medrano was sentenced to 180 days' incarceration.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fLc4p7

TEXAS

Reyna Almanza

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Impersonation Fraud At The Polls, Ineligible Voting

Almanza was charged with illegal voting and voter impersonation in a 2009 school district election. Almanza and one of her sons cast votes at a polling place. Later, Almanza brought her son back to the polls, where he cast a vote in the name of his incarcerated brother. She received a two-year suspended sentence, five years' probation, 90 days in county jail, and court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2evjH1j

bit.ly/2fmiN6o

bit.ly/2f8zaT7

TEXAS

Ronald Marsh

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Ineligible Voting

Ronald Marsh pleaded guilty to illegally voting in the 2009 Smith County Municipal Election. He received four years' deferred adjudication, and was ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine and complete 100 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

TEXAS

Delores McMillian

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Impersonation Fraud at the Polls

Delores McMillian, a poll worker in Dallas, pleaded guilty to trying to vote using another person's voter registration information in the 2010 primary election. Another poll worker prevented her from casting a falsified ballot. She was sentenced to one year of probation and was ordered to pay \$227 in court costs.

SOURCES

wapo.st/2ujEz3R

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

TEXAS

Regino Cantu Salinas

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Regino Cantu Salinas pleaded guilty to voting illegally in the 2008 primary election. Salinas was a convicted felon and therefore ineligible to vote. He was sentenced to 90 days in jail, two years' probation, and was ordered to pay a \$2,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

TEXAS

Andrea Campos Bierstedt

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Andrea Campos Bierstedt, a former member of the Freer City Council, was given pre-trial diversion after she was charged with illegally possessing a ballot belonging to another voter and “assisting” in filling it out. She was also ordered to pay a \$3,500 donation to the county.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

bit.ly/2tNPoeD

bit.ly/2uPKISp

TEXAS

Zaida Cantu Bueno

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Zaida Cantu Bueno, a politiquera in South Texas, pleaded guilty to absentee ballot fraud. Bueno was involved in vote-harvesting schemes in which she would illegally “assist” voters in filling out absentee ballots. Bueno received a 180-day suspended jail sentence and one year of probation, and was ordered to complete 40 hours of community service and pay a \$200 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvfOz3

bit.ly/2uQ6QvV

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

TEXAS

Maria Mendoza Garcia

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

False Registrations

Maria Mendoza Garcia was given a 12-month pre-trial diversion after she was charged with seven counts of knowingly providing false information on an application to receive an early voting ballot. In addition, she was ordered to complete 80 hours of community service and pay a \$60 supervision fee.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

TEXAS

Ruben Trevino Garcia

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Ruben Trevino Garcia pleaded guilty to voting illegally in a 2008 school district election. Garcia was a convicted felon and therefore ineligible to vote. He received a suspended sentence of eight years' imprisonment in a Texas correctional facility, was placed under community supervision for eight years, and was ordered to pay a \$500 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

TEXAS

Christina Lichtenberger

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Christina Lichtenberger pleaded guilty to illegally possessing an absentee ballot belonging to another voter and illegally “assisting” in filling it out. Lichtenberger received one year of deferred adjudication, and was ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine and court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

bit.ly/2tNPoeD

bit.ly/2uPKISp

TEXAS

Cynthia Lopez

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Cynthia Lopez, of Live Oak County, pleaded guilty to one count of absentee ballot fraud after she unlawfully possessed other voters' absentee ballots in the 2008 primary election. She was sentenced to a 180-day suspended sentence, one year of probation, and was ordered to complete 40 hours of community service and pay a \$200 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tmmTUh

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

TEXAS

Norma Lopez

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Norma Lopez, of Live Oak County, Texas, pleaded guilty to absentee ballot fraud after she unlawfully collected other voters' absentee ballots during the 2008 primary election. She was sentenced to a 180-day suspended jail sentence, one year of probation, and was ordered to complete 40 hours of community service and pay a \$200 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

TEXAS

Raul Pena, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Raul Pena Jr., Starr County Commissioner, pleaded no contest to misdemeanor charges that he illegally returned a marked ballot and that he mailed a ballot belonging to another vote. The charges stem from an incident in which Pena delivered 56 ballots to a local post office. Postal officials found it suspicious that Pena possessed so many ballots, yet none were signed by Pena as the law requires of those who assist voters. He was sentenced to six months of community supervision, received a 180 day suspended jail sentence, and was ordered to pay a \$500 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sLaDhA

bit.ly/2tRxZ4k

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

TEXAS

Alicia Pena Perez

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Alicia Pena Perez, a former Freer municipal judge, pleaded guilty to four counts of unlawful assistance and four counts of possession of a ballot. During the 2008 primary election, Perez took possession of ballots that did not belong to her and illegally prepared them. She received one year of probation and was ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine plus court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uPKISp

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

bit.ly/2tNPoeD

TEXAS

Estela Cruz Saenz

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

False Registrations

Estela Cruz Saenz was given a six month pre-trial diversion after she was charged with seven counts of knowingly providing false information in order to obtain an early-voting ballot. In addition to the diversion program, Saenz was ordered to pay a \$60 supervision fee.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

TEXAS

Jack Carol Crowder

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Impersonation Fraud at the Polls

Jack Carol Crowder pleaded guilty to one count of fraudulent use of identifying information. Crowder impersonated his deceased father in the 2008 Democratic primary in Harris County. Crowder used his father's registration card to cast a ballot in his name. He was sentenced to one year of deferred adjudication and ordered to pay a \$200 fine.

SOURCES

on.msnbc.com/1gtDDgJ

bit.ly/2rCDVKI

TEXAS

Oralia Frausto

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots, False Registrations

Oralia Frausto was sentenced for his role in a scheme that involved registering fake voters to vacant lots during the 2006 Democratic Primary. The goal was to submit a large number of mail-in ballots. He received a pre-trial diversion.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sAuBYJ

bit.ly/2sVyni7

TEXAS

Maria Gonzalez

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots, False Registrations

Maria Gonzalez was sentenced for her role in a scheme that involved registering fake voters to vacant lots during the 2006 Democratic Primary. The goal was to submit a large number of mail-in ballots. She received pre-trial diversion.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sAuBYJ

bit.ly/2sVyni7

TEXAS

Elizabeth Martinez

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Elizabeth Martinez pleaded guilty to voting illegally in a 2007 municipal election. Martinez, a convicted felon, was ineligible to vote. She was sentenced to five years' imprisonment in a Texas Department of Criminal Justice corrections facility.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

TEXAS

Paulito Nilo

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Paulito Nilo pleaded guilty to one count of voting despite being a felon. Nilo cast his illegal vote in the 2008 municipal election. He was sentenced to five years' imprisonment, probated to five years of community supervision. He served one day in jail and was ordered to pay a \$500 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rCDVKI

bit.ly/2tNFRAs

TEXAS

Cynthia Pena

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Cynthia Pena pleaded guilty to one count of illegal voting. Pena, a convicted felon, voted in a 2007 municipal and school election despite being ineligible. She received a suspended 10-year prison sentence, four years of community supervision, and was ordered to pay a \$500 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

TEXAS

Raul Reyna

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Raul Reyna pleaded guilty to one count of illegal voting. Reyna, a convicted felon, voted in a 2007 municipal and school election despite being ineligible. He was sentenced to two years' imprisonment in a Texas Department of Criminal Justice corrections facility and was ordered to pay a \$500 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

TEXAS

Guadalupe Rios

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Guadalupe Rios pleaded guilty to eleven counts of illegally possessing a ballot without the voter's consent. She was sentenced to 60 days' house arrest, four years of probation, and was ordered to pay a \$500 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

TEXAS

Elva Gutierrez Lazo

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Elva Gutierrez Lazo, a former Duval County precinct secretary, pleaded guilty to one count of illegally possessing another's ballot during the 2006 primary election. Lazo and others helped voters to register to receive absentee ballots by falsely claiming they were disabled. She later returned to collect and mail the absentee votes. Lazo received one year of deferred adjudication and one year of community supervision, and was ordered to pay a \$300 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rCDVKI

bit.ly/2tNAvVP

TEXAS

Jose Rene Gomez

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Duplicate Voting

Jose Rene Gomez pleaded guilty to one count of illegal voting. Gomez was implicated in a scheme to register phony voters at vacant lots in an effort to receive and submit a large number of mail-in ballots for the 2006 Democratic Primary. Gomez was also charged with voting twice in that election. He was sentenced to two years of deferred adjudication, two years of community supervision, and was ordered to pay a \$300 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sAuBYJ

bit.ly/2rCJNU7

TEXAS

Lydia Molina

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Lydia Molina, then-Treasurer for Duval County, pleaded guilty to one count of illegally possessing another's ballot during the 2006 primary election. Molina and others helped voters to register to receive absentee ballots by falsely claiming they were disabled. She later returned to collect and mail the absentee votes. Molina received one year of deferred adjudication and one year of community supervision, and was ordered to pay a \$300 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rCDVKI

bit.ly/2tNAvVP

TEXAS

Oscar Rios

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Oscar Rios pleaded guilty to 12 counts of illegally possessing a ballot without a voter's consent. Rios was involved in a scheme to register phony voters at vacant lots in an effort to receive and submit a large number of mail-in ballots for the 2006 Democratic Primary. He was sentenced to two years of deferred adjudication, two years of community supervision, and was ordered to pay a \$300 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sAuBYJ

bit.ly/2rCJNU7

TEXAS

Maria Soriano

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Maria Soriano, then-head of the Duval Welfare Department, pleaded guilty to one count of illegally possessing another's ballot during the 2006 primary election. Soriano and others helped voters register to receive absentee ballots by falsely claiming they were disabled. She later returned to collect and mail the absentee votes. Soriano received one year of deferred adjudication and one year of community supervision, and was ordered to pay a \$300 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rCDVKI

bit.ly/2tNAvVP

TEXAS

Maria Adelina Trigo

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Maria Adelina Trigo, a former Duval County welfare clerk, pleaded guilty to one count of illegally possessing a ballot that was not her own during the 2006 primary election. Trigo and others helped voters to register to receive absentee ballots by falsely claiming they were disabled. Trigo later returned to collect and mail the absentee vote. She received one year of deferred adjudication and one year of community supervision, and was ordered to pay a \$300 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rCDVKI

bit.ly/2tNAvVP

TEXAS

Debra Briseno

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

A former Port Lavaca city councilwoman was sentenced to five years in prison for registering non-citizens to vote and tampering with government documents. During the trial, she acknowledged that she did not ask registrants about their citizenship, nor did she inform them that only United States citizens are eligible to vote. Illegal voting is a third-degree felony.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2evdRgn

TEXAS

Raymond Villarreal

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Raymond Villarreal, the then-County Commissioner of Refugio, pleaded guilty to charges related to a scheme to rig the absentee vote in his favor during his 2006 primary race for commissioner. Villarreal first had registered voters request absentee ballots, but then routed the ballots to known supporters who would vote for Villarreal. He then had the original applicants sign the ballots. He was sentenced to 90 days in the county jail and given five years of probation. He was also ordered to complete 300 hours of community service and pay \$2,500 in fines. Villarreal was forced to resign.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sLgnHX

bit.ly/2svdaZ5

TEXAS

Anita Baeza

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Anita Baeza was given six months of pre-trial diversion after she was charged with five counts of illegally possessing another's ballot during the 2004 primary.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvHEeM

TEXAS

Maria Dora Flores

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Illegal “Assistance” at the Polls

Maria Dora Flores pleaded guilty to engaging in illegal “assistance” at the polls during the 2006 Democratic primary election. Prosecutors charged that Flores escorted several voters into their polling locations and then filled out and submitted ballots without their consent. The judge sentenced Flores to a \$750 fine and two years of deferred probation. In a statement discussing the case, then Attorney General Greg Abbott remarked that, “Those who perpetrate voter fraud are victimizing and intimidating the elderly. This violates the law and is simply another form of elder abuse.”

SOURCES

bit.ly/2unYnnF
bit.ly/2sVcOek

TEXAS

Willie J. Ray, Jamillah Johnson

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Willie Ray, a Texarkana Ward 2 City Councilwoman, and Jamillah Johnson pleaded guilty to fraudulent use of absentee ballots during the 2004 general election. The two women illegally assisted elderly and other voters in submitting applications for mail-in ballots, then collected and mailed in the completed ballots for the voters. This assistance is a Class B misdemeanor under Texas law. The judge fined Willie Ray \$200 and sentenced her to eight months of probation. Jamillah Johnson received a \$200 fine and six months of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fcgEMG
bit.ly/2f26dli

TEXAS

Melinda Hunter

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Melinda Hunter was indicted on seven counts of illegally possessing and transporting ballots not belonging to her. Hunter illegally assisted elderly voters in preparing their ballots. She was placed in a six-month pre-trial diversion program.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fcgEMG

bit.ly/2f26dli

TEXAS

Josefina Marinas Suarez

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Josefina Marinas Suarez pleaded guilty to a charge of handling an official ballot belonging to another. During the 2005 Robstown school district election Suarez targeted elderly voters, soliciting votes and returning the absentee ballots herself. Under Texas law, she was not permitted to handle or transport absentee ballots. Suarez was sentenced to one year of deferred adjudication probation and a \$500 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fmjblv

TEXAS

Trinidad Villalobos

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Trinidad Villalobos was convicted by a jury of illegally possessing and transporting ballots belonging to multiple voters during the 2004 primary. According to witnesses, Villalobos offered to assist elderly voters fill out applications for absentee ballots and would later collect and mail those ballots. Unauthorized possession of ballots is a misdemeanor under Texas law. Villalobos received six months of probation for each charge.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2flh0ek

bit.ly/2eYP84q

bit.ly/2evYJPN

TEXAS

Melva Kay Ponce

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Melva Kay Ponce was convicted for mailing in an absentee ballot for her deceased mother in the November 2004 general election. She pleaded guilty to one charge of illegal voter registration and was sentenced to two years of deferred adjudication and ordered to pay a \$1,500 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sv6F8i

bit.ly/2tO0SPn

bit.ly/2suN2gD

TEXAS

Facunda Garcia

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Illegal “Assistance” at the Polls

Following an investigation by the Texas Attorney General’s office, Facunda Garcia was charged along with five others, for illegal assistance at the polls during the 2012 Democratic primary runoff election. She pleaded guilty to filling out the ballot for a female voter without that voter’s direction to do so. Garcia was sentenced to three days in jail, but was given credit for time served; court costs and fees were waived.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2pRIEbx
bit.ly/2pL2B4H

TEXAS

Tomasa Ramirez Chavez

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Illegal “Assistance” at the Polls

Following an investigation by the Texas Attorney General’s office, Tomasa Ramirez Chavez was charged with engaging in election fraud, along with five others during the 2012 Democratic Primary runoff election. She pleaded guilty to illegal “assistance” at the polls and was sentenced to a suspended sentence of six months’ jail time and required to complete one year community supervision and to pay a \$250 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2pRIEbx
bit.ly/2pL2B4H

TEXAS

Vicenta Guajardo Verino

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Illegal “Assistance” at the Polls

Following an investigation by the Texas Attorney General’s office, Vicenta Guajardo Verino was charged with engaging in election fraud, along with five others during the 2012 Democratic Primary runoff election. After admitting that he provided illegal ‘assistance’ at the polls, Verino entered into a deferred adjudication agreement. She was required to complete 12 months’ supervised probation and ordered to pay a fine of \$250.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2pRIEbx
bit.ly/2pL2B4H

TEXAS

Margarita Rangel Ozuna

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent use of Absentee Ballots

Following an investigation by the Texas Attorney General’s office, Margarita Rangel Ozuna was charged with engaging in election fraud, along with five others during the 2012 Democratic Primary runoff election. Ozuna pleaded guilty to charges of fraudulent use of absentee ballots and was sentenced to serve 15 days in Cameron County jail and required to pay a \$250 fine. This was the second time that Ozuna was convicted of voter fraud. In 2013, she was convicted of felony voter fraud stemming from the 2010 election.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2E3q99I
bit.ly/2pL2B4H

TEXAS

Sara Virginia Perales

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Following an investigation by the Texas Attorney General's office, Sara Virginia Perales was charged with engaging in election fraud, along with five others during the 2012 Democratic Primary runoff election. After admitting that she falsified absentee ballots, Perales entered into a deferred adjudication agreement. She was required to complete 12 months' probation and pay a \$150 fine, in addition to being barred from engaging in voting activities.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2pRIEbx

bit.ly/2pL2B4H

TEXAS

Crystal Mason

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Rendon, Texas native Crystal Mason voted in the 2016 election despite being a convicted felon. At the time, Mason was out on supervised release following three years' imprisonment on federal tax fraud charges. She claimed she was unaware of her ineligibility, despite signing an affidavit signifying she was not a felon prior to casting a provisional ballot. Mason decided to forego a jury trial, and a judge sentenced her to a five-year prison term for her illegal vote.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2GVJoae

wapo.st/2GUBY74

TEXAS

Miguel Hernandez

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Miguel Hernandez visited an elderly woman shortly before the 2017 Dallas City Council election, collected her blank absentee ballot, filled it out, and forged her signature before mailing it back. Hernandez was the first person arrested as part of a larger voter fraud investigation in the Dallas area, stemming from claims by elderly voters that someone was forging their signatures and the return of nearly 700 mail-in ballots all signed by the same witness using a fake name. Hernandez faced a felony illegal voting charge, but pleaded to a lesser misdemeanor offense of “method of returning marked ballot.” He was sentenced to 180 days in jail and given credit for time served.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2zaemWj

bit.ly/2zg2yI5

TEXAS

Russ Casey

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Russ Casey, a Texas Justice of the Peace, submitted false signatures in order to ensure his place on the Republican primary ballot during his 2018 reelection campaign. Casey withdrew and resigned following the revelation that he had falsified multiple petition signatures and falsely attested to having witnessed the signatures. Casey pleaded guilty to a charge of tampering with a government record, and received a suspended two-year prison sentence and five years of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2zcdz74

TEXAS

Rosita Flores

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Illegal “Assistance” at the Polls

Rosita Flores, of Robstown, illegally obtained an elderly voter’s mail-ballot, filled it out, and cast the ballot without the permission of the voter. Flores pleaded guilty and received a suspended one-year jail sentence, 18 months of probation, and was ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine and \$316 in court costs. She was also ordered to complete 60 hours of community service and spend 10 consecutive Saturdays in the San Patricio County Jail.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2zcAEGS

TEXAS

Kleberg County, TX

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: JUDICIAL FINDING

Election Overturned

A closely contested run-off election for a Justice of Peace seat was overturned by Visiting District Court Judge Joel Johnson, following a two-day hearing. A challenge to the election was filed by Ofelia “Ofie” Gutierrez, the candidate running against long time seatholder, Esequiel “Cheque” De La Paz, for the Justice of the Peace seat in Kleberg County. After a recount narrowed the vote differential to just six votes (312 to 318), seven of the sixteen votes contested by Guterrez were thrown out by Judge Johnson, because they were cast by relatives of De La Paz who lived outside the Precinct 4 boundaries. A new election was ordered to be held before the end of August.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2zgdbEz

bit.ly/2P4S96y

TEXAS

Kaufman County, TX

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: JUDICIAL FINDING

Election Overturned

In a Republican primary for a seat on the Kaufman County Court, Dennis Jones appeared to beat his challenger Tracy Gray by one vote. Gray challenged the results, claiming that a “vote harvester” had submitted a number of illegal mail-in ballots and that numerous eligible provisional ballots were uncounted. A district judge agreed, invalidating the election results and ordering a new election. The special election was held on July 21 and Tracy Gray prevailed, winning by 404 votes.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2Dg3wCt

bit.ly/2Dg2Xsl

bit.ly/2Dg1yC5

TEXAS

Laura Janeth Garza

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Laura Janeth Garza, a Mexican citizen, pleaded guilty to two felony charges of voter impersonation and ineligible voting. Garza stole the identity of her cousin, a US citizen, in order to remain in the United States, and used it to register and vote in multiple elections, including the 2016 presidential election. Garza received a probated 10-year prison sentence, 180 days in jail, and was ordered to pay a \$10,000 fine. After her jail term is completed, Garza will be deported.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2zrZ9QD

bit.ly/2zj96zG

TEXAS

Mario Obdulio Orellana

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Mario Obdulio Orellana, a 57-year-old Salvadoran national, was indicted in June 2018 by the Department of Justice on federal immigration and voter fraud violations. An investigation by the U.S. Attorney's office in the Eastern District of Texas revealed that Orellana illegally entered the United States in the 1980s, falsified documents to obtain a U.S. birth certificate and social security number, and then used these documents to apply for a U.S. passport and register to vote. His five-count indictment included voter fraud charges related to his voting in the November 2016 election. As part of a plea agreement, Orellana pleaded guilty to making false statements in a U.S. passport application in exchange for the other charges being dropped. He faces up to 10 years in federal prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2Q8u4Zi

bit.ly/2RtzfD8

bit.ly/2zuOBjJ

TEXAS

City of Mission, TX

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: JUDICIAL FINDING

Election Overturned

Armando O'Caña won a run-off mayoral election in Mission, Texas, unseating longtime holder Norberto "Beto" Salinas. Salinas contested the results of the election, after strong evidence emerged that O'Caña's campaign was bribing voters, tampering with mail-in ballots, and improperly assisting voters at the polls. After a two week trial during which numerous witnesses testified, Judge J. Bonner Dorsey voided the election stating, "I hold or find, by clear and convincing evidence, that the number of illegal votes was in excess of 158." Attorneys for O'Caña are currently appealing the ruling in the 13th Texas Court of Appeals.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2AG1aKA

bit.ly/2OirgqH

bit.ly/2qmTLtT

UTAH

Zachary Millett, Brandon Ellsworth, and Charles Rich

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

False Registrations

Zachary Millet, Brandon Ellsworth, and Charles Rich pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor attempt to fraudulently register to vote in a 2006 election for sheriff. The small county of Daggett (population 900) saw 28 others placed in a diversionary program for misdemeanor fraud committed in the same election. Each of these three defendants was sentenced to 30 days in jail (suspended) and fined \$500 as part of a diversion agreement.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fClmVr

VIRGINIA

Vafalay Massaquoi

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Vafalay Massaquoi pleaded guilty to one count of falsifying voter registration applications and two counts of forging a public record. While working for New Virginia Majority, a liberal advocacy group, Massaquoi filed voter applications for completely made-up Alexandria residents. An Alexandria official noticed the voter applications were all filled out in the same handwriting and turned the documents over to the authorities. Massaquoi was sentenced to five years' imprisonment for each count. His sentences were set to run concurrently and will be suspended pending his good behavior. He was also sentenced to 500 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2l0Lqqp

wapo.st/2lpZBsz

VIRGINIA

Andrew J. Spieles

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Andrew Spieles pleaded guilty to charges stemming from his submission of eighteen fraudulent voter registrations in connection with the 2016 presidential election. While working for Harrisonburg Votes, a voter registration organization affiliated with the Democratic Party, Spieles falsified voter registration information. In some cases, he registered deceased individuals. In others, he fabricated information about residents so he could submit applications without their approval. Spieles was sentenced to 100 days' imprisonment.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvkmFA

bit.ly/2svc9Qo

bit.ly/2uPu7hy

VIRGINIA

Mary P. Taylor

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Miscellaneous

Mary P. Taylor was found guilty of a misdemeanor charge of “communicating false information to registered voters.” Taylor, a critic of the Hampton school board, designed a fake website registered in the name of Ann Stephens Cherry, a candidate for the board, which endorsed incumbent Martha Mugler. On the website, Taylor posted a fake election date that fell one week after the real election. The Judge sentenced Taylor to 100 hours of community service and imposed a \$1,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fCnJqY

bit.ly/2fLcSKE

VIRGINIA

William “Billy” Everett Mills, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

When Billy Mills ran for sheriff in Nelson County, he submitted a candidate qualification form with an address in that county. It was later uncovered that Mills did not live at the address he provided and was not a resident of Nelson County. This was a clear violation of state law that requires all members of government to be residents in the district over which they preside. Mills was originally charged with a Class 5 felony. As part of a plea deal, it was reduced to a misdemeanor. He was sentenced to six month suspended sentence.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2evkZsS

VIRGINIA

Jennifer Derrebery

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Jennifer Derrebery, of Bassett, pleaded guilty to felony counts of election fraud and perjury after she produced hundreds of fraudulent signatures on a petition to get Newt Gingrich on the ballot for the Republican presidential nomination. She received a 10-year suspended sentence and five years' probation, and she was required to pay \$1,266 in court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tNyIQA

bit.ly/2tNTKyL

Augusta County Circuit Court, Cases CR13000083-00, CR13000084-00

VIRGINIA

Bonnie Nicholson

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Bonnie Nicholson pleaded guilty to forgery and election fraud. Despite being a felon and ineligible to vote, Nicholson registered and then voted in the 2012 election. She was sentenced to five years in prison on each charge, all of which were suspended, and one year of probation on each charge.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjoQlw

VIRGINIA

Adam Ward

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Adam Ward, an employee of the Gingrich presidential campaign, pleaded guilty to 36 counts of voter fraud, as well as perjury after admitting that he forged signatures during the drive to get Gingrich on the Virginia primary ballot. Out of 11,000 signatures collected by Ward, 4,000 could not be confirmed.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fLcig9

VIRGINIA

Michael Anthony Harris

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Michael Anthony Harris, a convicted felon, pleaded guilty to illegally registering to vote and subsequently voting in the 2008 election. Harris was sentenced to four days in jail.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2xVxZmN

bit.ly/2xIMugi

VIRGINIA

Feda Morton

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Feda Morton, a former congressional candidate, pleaded guilty to falsifying a campaign document after admitting that she convinced friends to sign a petition to get a favored political candidate on the ballot for a 2011 election. Submitting the signatures for notarization, Morton attested to having personally witnessed the signatures even though she hadn't. Morton was sentenced to probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8COQ3

VIRGINIA

Sheila Peterson

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Sheila Peterson, of Chesterfield County, Virginia, pleaded guilty to obstruction of justice, a charge that had been reduced from a felony count of making a false statement on an election form. Peterson, a convicted felon, certified that she was eligible to vote on a registration form for the 2008 election. Peterson, who was incarcerated prior to sentencing because of a failed drug test, was sentenced to time served.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2yu3Gkf

VIRGINIA

James Halfaday

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

James Halfaday pleaded guilty to a felony election fraud after admitting that he lied about his residency while running for Charlottesville City Council. Halfaday received a five-year prison sentence, with all but 60 days suspended. He was ordered to complete 40 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2vhFsat

bit.ly/2ujGzc9

VIRGINIA

Bonnie Nicholson

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Bonnie Nicholson, of Louisa County, Virginia, pleaded guilty to two counts of election fraud in 2010. She illegally registered to vote and cast a ballot in the 2008 presidential election, despite the fact that she was ineligible due to a felony conviction. Nicholson was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment, which was suspended.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2jNTrUh

bit.ly/2hmkRwf

VIRGINIA

Bernard Pace

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Bernard Pace pleaded guilty to charges of election fraud and forgery. Pace voted in the 2008 election despite being a felon and therefore ineligible. He was sentenced to a five year suspended prison term.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2rCuniK

bit.ly/2tNyMzZ

VIRGINIA

Ben Cooper and 14 co-conspirators

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Former Appalachia mayor Ben Cooper and 14 others were convicted of voter fraud after conspiring to manipulate the 2004 elections in his town by buying the votes of residents, offering them cigarettes, beer, and pork rinds. He and his supporters also stole absentee ballots from the mail. This was the largest voter fraud conspiracy to date in Virginia. Cooper was sentenced to 10 years in prison, but the term was suspended after he served two years in jail and another two years in electronic home monitoring detention. Most of the other 14 defendants received suspended sentences or house arrest.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2t8hUlp

bit.ly/2uo1oUW

VIRGINIA

Cassandra Amber Marie Ritter

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Cassandra Ritter, a felon convicted on heroin distribution charges, cast a ballot despite being an ineligible voter due to her prior conviction. Ritter pleaded guilty and received a suspended two-year prison sentence and two years of supervised probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2zcXldZ

VIRGINIA

Shaun Brown

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: JUDICIAL FINDING

Ballot Petition Fraud

Shaun Brown, a candidate for the Virginia 2nd Congressional District, was removed from the ballot in the lead-up to the 2018 election after a judge ruled that signatures on the petition to get her on the ballot had been forged. Brown, who ran and lost as a Democrat in 2016, was running as an Independent. Democrats in Virginia filed the suit against Brown, claiming that Republican incumbent Representative Scott Taylor's campaign hoped to get Brown on the ballot to bolster Taylor's own re-election chances. All of the petition signatures submitted by Taylor's staff were thrown out due to errors and forgeries. Brown appealed, but the Virginia Supreme Court upheld her removal from the ballot. An investigation into the alleged forgeries by Taylor campaign staff is ongoing. In the midst of the election drama, Brown was convicted on unrelated charges that she defrauded a federal program intended to serve summer meals to children.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2zjQclP

WASHINGTON

Janice Waters

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Janice Waters, of Marysville, was convicted of illegal registration in the wrong county, absentee ballot fraud, and illegal double voting in the 2008 general election. Waters submitted a ballot for her son, who was a convicted felon and ineligible to vote. Upon questioning, Waters told the County Sheriff's Office she did not submit her son's ballot and suspected her mail had been intercepted or misdirected. Forensic scientists analyzed Waters' signature with the signature on her son's absentee ballot and concluded she had submitted the form. Waters was sentenced to 20 days in jail; the sentence was later converted to 160 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fLdcco

bit.ly/2elszmD

WASHINGTON

Susan Risenhoover

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Susan Risenhoover pleaded guilty to forging the signature of her son (who had moved to Texas) on an absentee ballot and then submitting it in connection with the 2008 election. She was sentenced to 40 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8zch1

WASHINGTON

Randell Lee Cole

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Ineligible Voting

Randell Lee Cole was admitted into the Jefferson County “Friendship” Diversion Program following charges that Cole had illegally voted in the 2008 primary election. Cole, a felon, was ineligible to cast a ballot.

SOURCES

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WASHINGTON

Todd Stuart McGuire

DISPOSITION: 2008

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Todd Stuart McGuire, of Port Townsend, was ordered to participate in a diversion program that includes five years of supervision. McGuire cast a ballot in his wife's name in a 2007 special election. He agreed to an order that "facts sufficient for a guilty" finding existed in his case. McGuire was barred from voting during the five-year supervision period.

SOURCES

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WASHINGTON

Kendra Lynn Thill

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

False Registrations

Kendra Lynn Thill, a former canvasser for ACORN, pleaded guilty to voter registration fraud committed in the 2006 election. She was given a 12-month deferred sentence.

SOURCES

fxn.ws/2fCkQGV

bit.ly/2eeeK9D

WASHINGTON

Clifton Eugene Mitchell

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

ACORN workers in Seattle committed what the Secretary of State labeled as the worst case of voter registration fraud in Washington's history. When ACORN's national office threatened to shut down the group's local office, Clifton Mitchell and his team began using fake names, addresses, birthdays, and social security numbers in order to meet their voter registration quotas. In a candid interview with CNN following his conviction, Clifton relayed how he and his fellow ACORN co-workers would take addresses from homeless shelters or use baby books and phone books to generate fake information. In total, the group submitted 1,762 fraudulent voter registration forms. Mitchell was convicted of false registrations and served nearly three months in jail. Four other ACORN workers on his team also received jail time. Additionally, prosecutors ordered ACORN to increase its oversight under threat of prosecution and fined the organization \$25,000 to cover the cost of the investigation.

SOURCES

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cnn.it/2eB3XqW

bit.ly/2eW2L4v

WASHINGTON

Ryan Olson

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Ryan Olson pleaded guilty in King County Superior Court to two felony counts of providing false information on a voter-registration application. Court Commissioner Kenneth Comstock sentenced him to 30 days in jail or in electronic home detention.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjGRss

WASHINGTON

Tina Johnson and Jayson Woods

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Tina Johnson and Jayson Woods pleaded guilty to eight counts each of registration fraud. Each were sentenced to 120 days of jail, or 15 days for each count.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjGRss

WASHINGTON

Jane Kay Balogh

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

False Registrations, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Balogh was found guilty of making false or misleading statements to a public servant, as well as absentee ballot fraud and registration fraud. In 2006, Balogh registered her dog, Duncan, to vote under her address and telephone number and successfully completed and mailed an absentee ballot for him. Balogh claimed she was drawing attention to flaws in the absentee ballot system. She received a one-year deferred sentence, and was ordered to perform 10 hours of community service and pay court fees of \$240.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2evub0H

bit.ly/2unV0wS

WASHINGTON

Doris McFarland

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Doris McFarland's husband passed away before he could vote in the 2004 election, and Mrs. McFarland decided to cast his absentee ballot. She later admitted to double voting in that year's election but avoided jail time. She was ordered to pay court fees and a \$490 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1D8iF

WASHINGTON

Robert Victor Holmgren

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Robert Victor Holmgren cast a ballot for his recently-deceased wife in the 2004 general election. He pleaded guilty to voting twice in an election and was ordered to pay \$490 in fines and court fees.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1D8iF

bit.ly/2fjKkat

WASHINGTON

Dustin Shane Collings (a.k.a. Dustin Ocoilain)

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Dustin S. Collings, identified as a homeless Seattle resident, was convicted of casting two ballots, both using the alias of Dustin Ocoilain, a name that was listed twice on the voter registration rolls.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fCnMn1

WEST VIRGINIA

Dallas Toler

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Dallas Toler, former Mingo County Chief Magistrate, pleaded guilty to voter registration fraud. He submitted a voter registration for someone he knew was a convicted felon. He was sentenced to 27 months in prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2t0eXcR

bit.ly/2uegMmu

bit.ly/2sLwcu3

WEST VIRGINIA

Thomas Ramey, Donald Whitten, and Jerry Bowman

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Former Lincoln County Commissioner Thomas Ramey pleaded guilty to lying to federal officers in the midst of their investigation of a massive voter fraud conspiracy. Sheriff Jerry Bowman and County Clerk Donald Whitten also pleaded guilty, admitting that they stuffed ballot boxes with fraudulent ballots and falsified absentee ballots in an effort to rig the 2010 Democratic primary. Whitten won the election, but a judge overturned the election after throwing out 300 fraudulent ballots. Ramey was sentenced to 21 months of imprisonment. Bowman was sentenced to one year and one day in federal prison, three years of supervised release, and a \$5,000 fine. Whitten was sentenced to 18 months in prison and three years of supervised release, with a \$5,000 fine.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2ueINuU

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WEST VIRGINIA

James Surkamp

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

James Surkamp pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge of unauthorized presence in a polling place. Surkamp, while serving as Jefferson County Commissioner, voted twice in a 2009 referendum. He cast his first vote during the early voting period and then attempted to vote again on election day. Surkamp, who subsequently lost his re-election bid in the 2010 Democratic primary, was ordered to write a letter to the Secretary of State admitting his guilt, as well as pay a \$100 fine and court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tNWIJ8

bit.ly/2ttdFUg

bit.ly/2rRpTc7

WEST VIRGINIA

Perry French Harvey

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Perry French Harvey pleaded guilty to a charge of scheming to buy votes in the 2004 Logan County Democratic primary. He was sentenced to three years' probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1xmOd

WEST VIRGINIA

Greg Stowers, Wandell “Rocky” Adkins, Clifford Odell “Groundhog” Vance, Toney “Zeke” Dingess, Ralph Dale Adkins, and Jackie Adkins

DISPOSITION: 2006

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Six Lincoln County Democrats pleaded guilty to charges of participating in a conspiracy to buy votes dating back to 1990. The indictment charged that the six conspired to buy votes in elections held in 1990, 1992, 1994, 1996, 1998, 2000, 2002, and 2004 “for the purpose of selecting and electing candidates to the U.S. House of Representatives and in some instances, for the presidency and vice presidency of the U.S.” The men paid for votes in liquor and cash, typically \$20 per vote, and handed out slates listing preferred candidates. The five also laid gravel on roads for supporters and fixed traffic tickets. Some of their sentences included the following: Vance was sentenced to 30 months of imprisonment, Stowers received six months of imprisonment, and Wandell Adkins received four months in a halfway house.

SOURCES

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bit.ly/2elveN6

bit.ly/2fmw7Yo

WEST VIRGINIA

Mark Oliver Hrutkay

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

When his wife was running for the House of Delegates, Mark Oliver Hrutkay, a lawyer and his wife's campaign treasurer, paid \$10,000 to a political operative to secure support for his wife's candidacy. He pleaded guilty to mail fraud charges, stemming from his mailing a campaign disclosure form that failed to mention the \$10,000 payment. He was sentenced to one year in prison and ordered to pay fines amounting to \$45,000.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2elsgsa

WEST VIRGINIA

John Mendez

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Johnny "Big John" Mendez, former Logan County Sheriff, pleaded guilty to charges of conspiracy to buy votes. Mendez bought votes for himself and a member of the state House of Delegates, making cash payments and offering more money to heads of households who could deliver the votes of all the eligible voters living at a given residence. He was sentenced to a year of home confinement and five years of probation.

SOURCES

fxn.ws/2tNUxQf

bit.ly/2sVltzB

USA v. Mendez (2005), US District Court Southern West Virginia, 2:04-cr-00101-1

WEST VIRGINIA

Jerry Weaver and Greg Stowers

DISPOSITION: 2005

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Jerry Weaver and Greg Stowers, leaders of a political machine in Lincoln County, pleaded guilty to vote buying charges in connection with a 12-year-long vote fraud scheme. Both men were sentenced to a year in prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fCslO8

WEST VIRGINIA

Johnny Mendez

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

In West Virginia, Johnny Mendez, the sheriff of Logan County, pleaded guilty to federal charges that he accepted \$10,000 in illegal contributions and used the money to buy votes in the 2000 and 2004 elections.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fdC3CJ

WEST VIRGINIA

Alvin Ray Porter, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Buying Votes

Alvin Ray Porter, Jr., the former police chief of Logan County, pleaded guilty to buying votes during the 2002 Democratic Primary. Porter was one of several Logan County officials who conspired to influence elections in 2002. Porter was sentenced to three years of probation and was ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine. He also was ordered to give speeches on his personal experiences with corruption to eighth grade civics classes and others.

SOURCES

fxn.ws/2tNUxQf

bit.ly/2rQHfWN

USA v. Mendez (2005), US District Court Southern West Virginia, 2:04-cr-00101-1

WEST VIRGINIA

Jeffrey Hartman

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Jeffrey Hartman, a resident of Westminster, Maryland, illegally registered to vote in both Maryland and Morgan County, West Virginia, and cast ballots in both states nine times since 2006. Hartman pleaded guilty in West Virginia to illegal voting and was given a suspended 30-day jail sentence, was put on probation for one year, and ordered to pay a \$100 fine and court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2Suajgq

bit.ly/2SrvvU9

WEST VIRGINIA

Carson Lee Tuttle

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Carson Lee Tuttle voted by absentee ballot in Cabell County, West Virginia, and in person in Franklin County, Ohio, in the 2016 general election. Tuttle's duplicate voting was detected during a crosscheck of voting records by the Ohio Secretary of State. Tuttle admitted to an investigator that he had voted twice and pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor illegal voting charge. He was fined \$100 and ordered to pay \$160.25 in court costs.

SOURCES

<http://thf-legal.s3.amazonaws.com/Carson%20Tuttle%20Voter%20Fraud%20Conviction.pdf>

WISCONSIN

Troy Schiller

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Troy Schiller pleaded guilty to voting twice in the 2016 primary election, once in his hometown of Dexter, and once in nearby Pittsville. He was sentenced to 30 days' incarceration and was fined \$500.

SOURCES

wrtnews.co/2lwgwZ4

bit.ly/2lweRmm

wrtnews.co/2m8EvQZ

WISCONSIN

Jessica Steinke

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Jessica Steinke, of Cleveland, pleaded no contest to charges that she voted in the 2016 election despite being a convicted felon and therefore ineligible. She had been convicted in 2014 of bail jumping. Steinke was sentenced to 80 hours of community service, 18 months of probation, and ordered to attend counseling.

SOURCES

htrne.ws/2sAGTAF
bit.ly/2sAL8w3

WISCONSIN

Nebi Ademi

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Nebi Ademi, 63, a native of Macedonia who resides in Chippewa Falls, successfully cast a ballot in the April 2016 primary election, despite his status as a non-citizen. Ademi filled out a same-day registration, leaving blank the question about his citizenship. District Attorney Steve Gibbs noted that poll workers “should have caught this” and recommended, based on his determination that Ademi had not deliberately broken the law, that the charges against him be changed from election fraud to disorderly conduct. Ademi pleaded no contest. He was ordered to pay \$443 in court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2lwffRw
bit.ly/2lpUgSk

WISCONSIN

Robert Monroe

DISPOSITION: 2016

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Robert Monroe, identified by prosecutors as the worst multiple-voter in state history, pleaded no contest to charges that he voted more than once in 2011 and 2012. Monroe's record was extensive: he voted twice in the April 2011 Wisconsin Supreme Court election, twice in the 2011 recall election of state Senator Alberta Darling, and five times in Gov. Scott Walker's recall election. He also cast an illegal ballot in the August 2012 primary and voted twice in the 2012 general election. On four of the counts, Monroe received a suspended three-year prison sentence, and will serve up to a year in jail. He also received five years' probation, and was ordered to complete 300 hours of community service and pay a \$5,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2eGXURE

WISCONSIN

Andrew R. Knox

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Andrew R. Knox voted in the 2010 election despite his status as a convicted felon. On March 11, 2015, Knox pleaded guilty to misdemeanor falsification of voter registry information. Knox had to pay fines amounting to \$379, but received no jail time.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2lpWNfd

WISCONSIN

Valerie Moran

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Valerie Moran, of Merrimac, pleaded no contest to a charge of illegal voting in the 2014 general election. Moran, a convicted felon, voted despite still being on probation and therefore ineligible to cast a ballot. She was sentenced to 20 days' imprisonment.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uw5DdF

bit.ly/2uPMdjy

WISCONSIN

John S. Rohde

DISPOSITION: 2015

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations, Duplicate Voting

John S. Rohde was charged with falsifying statements on voter registration forms after voting twice in the November 2014 election. Rohde cast ballots in the towns of Beaver Dam and Calamus, using the address of a woman who had a no-contact order against him. Rohde was, in fact, living with his sister in the town of Horicon, and claimed that because he had recently moved, he had gone to the wrong polling place, and, after voting there, then had proceeded to the correct one, where he voted again. Rohde was convicted in Dodge County Circuit Court by Judge Brian Pfitzinger and was ordered to pay court costs and serve 40 hours of community service.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2l9hc5z

bit.ly/2lGDAqb

WISCONSIN

Leonard K. Brown

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations, Duplicate Voting

Leonard K. Brown pleaded guilty in 2013 to five felony counts of illegally voting in West Milwaukee when he did not reside there. A jury then found him guilty in January of 2014 of deliberately voting twice in the 2012 presidential election. Brown voted in person on the day of the election and by absentee ballot in a different jurisdiction four days prior. Brown was sentenced to nine months in jail and a \$1,750 DNA testing charge.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8IKsr

bit.ly/2fjTzal

WISCONSIN

Tate Hohnstein

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Tate Hohnstein, of Grafton, pleaded guilty to charges of illegal voting. Hohnstein, a convicted felon, voted in Wisconsin's June special election and the November 2012 presidential elections. Hohnstein was sentenced to six days' imprisonment and was ordered to pay \$1,173 in court assessments.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tvIN70

bit.ly/2tNLkec

WISCONSIN

Marcie Malszycki

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: DIVERSION PROGRAM

False Registrations

Marcie Malszycki, a legislative aide, pleaded guilty to charges that she voted in the wrong district in the 2010 election. That year, Malszycki voted in Onalaska, a town she temporarily resided in while doing campaign work, rather than Madison. A similar charge that she voted in the wrong district in 2008 was dismissed as part of the plea agreement. Malszycki was placed in a first-offenders program.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sQpq9v

WISCONSIN

Todd Murray

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

During the 2012 presidential election, Todd Murray stopped on his way home from work and voted at a polling place in New Berlin. He then proceeded to travel to his normal polling location in West Allis and cast a second ballot. In a show of the importance of the principle of “one person, one vote” Murray was sentenced to 90 days in jail (with work release privileges) and 18 months of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fwlO69

WISCONSIN

Richard Alverson

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Richard Alverson pleaded guilty to voting as a felon in the 2012 presidential election. He was sentenced to 18 days in jail and fined \$500.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2t9TI3D

bit.ly/2sLaLcF

WISCONSIN

Mark S. Demet

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Mark S. Demet, of Racine, pleaded guilty to two counts of election fraud after admitting to forging at least seven names on petitions to recall State Senator Van Wangaard in 2011 and 2012. Prosecutors dropped seven charges of identity fraud in exchange for the plea, and prosecutors in nearby Kenosha County agreed not to charge Demet for similar election offenses committed there. Demet claimed he was driven by extreme animus towards Republicans that led him to allow his emotions to “run wild” in the “toxic political environment in the state of Wisconsin.” Demet was sentenced to pay \$2,500 in fines.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2q6EQIX

bit.ly/2qfiTjV

bit.ly/2oKcRXn

WISCONSIN

Chad Gigowski

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Chad Gigowski pleaded guilty to double voting in the 2012 election. Gigowski used an old driver's license to vote in Greenfield on election day, before showing up later in Milwaukee with a Department of Workforce Development letter as proof of his Milwaukee residence. He was sentenced to six months in jail with work release privileges and 2.5 years of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2foVcQH

WISCONSIN

Caitlin B. Haycock

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Caitlin B. Haycock pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor election fraud charge for signing both of her parents' names to a 2011 petition seeking a recall election for Governor Scott Walker. Compounding the issue, Haycock told the petition circulator, Jenny Wanasek, what she was doing. Wanasek deliberately (and literally) looked the other way so Haycock could commit the fraud. Wanasek later pleaded guilty to charges stemming from the incident. As for Haycock, she was sentenced to 40 hours of community service and was fined \$500 as conditions of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1LsPz

bit.ly/2e8IKsr

WISCONSIN

Deborah A. Mehling

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Deborah A. Mehling was found guilty of a civil violation in a small claims court for signing a petition sheet as a circulator even though her daughter had collected one of the signatures. Mehling was fined \$100.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1LsPz

bit.ly/2e8IKsr

WISCONSIN

Brittany M. Rainey

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Brittany M. Rainey pleaded guilty to voting as a felon in the 2012 general election. She had been convicted on a charge of felony child neglect in 2010 but lied about her conviction in order to cast a vote. She was sentenced to 45 days in the Milwaukee County House of Correction.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1LsPz

bit.ly/2e8IKsr

WISCONSIN

Karl Reinelt

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Karl Reinelt, of Pewaukee, pleaded no contest to charges of illegal voting. He had voted despite being ineligible due to a prior felony conviction. He was ordered to pay \$795 in court assessments.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2uPU40a

bit.ly/2uvHsw6

WISCONSIN

Andrew L. Shepherd

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Andrew Sheperd pleaded guilty to lying to election officials about his past felony record so he could get hired as a special voter registration worker. He was sentenced to 30 days in the Wisconsin House of Correction.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2e8IKsr

bit.ly/2f1LsPz

WISCONSIN

Brian A. Uecker, Fozia H. Nawaz, and Bill A. Di Giorgio, Jr.

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CIVIL PENALTY

False Registrations

Brian A. Uecker, Fozia H. Nawaz, and Bill A. Di Giorgio, Jr., were all found to have voted in the wrong locations for the 2012 general election. Each was fined \$100.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1LsPz

bit.ly/2vdQa1H

bit.ly/2uazF9l (Cases 2013SC009082, 2013SC009084, 2013SC009083)

WISCONSIN

Jenny Wanasek

DISPOSITION: 2013

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Jenny Wanasek was the petition circulator for the recall of Governor Scott Walker who deliberately looked away so that Caitlin B. Haycock could sign her parents' names on the petition. Wanasek pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge for failing to cross out the parents' names before turning in the petition. Wanasek was sentenced to 40 hours of community service and was fined \$500 as conditions of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2f1LsPz

bit.ly/2e8IKsr

WISCONSIN

Charles Leo Brandt

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Charles Brandt, of West Allis, pleaded guilty to election fraud for voting multiple times in the April 5, 2012, Wisconsin election. He was ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tmolGd

WISCONSIN

Yadira Colon

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Yadira Colon pleaded guilty to one felony count each of election fraud and falsification of nomination papers. Colon forged signatures on nomination papers for the 2008 election for Pedro Colon (no relation), then a member of the state assembly and now a circuit judge. Yadira Colon also illegally registered and voted in Milwaukee, despite actually living in the city of Oshkosh. Colon was sentenced 20 days' incarceration and given one year of probation.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2oK2SI0

bit.ly/2qflbQi

bit.ly/2oK5sre

WISCONSIN

Raphael Nunn

DISPOSITION: 2012

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Raphael Nunn of Milwaukee pleaded guilty to charges of illegal voting. He had voted despite the fact that he was ineligible due to a prior felony conviction. Nunn was given a 30-day suspended sentence, 18 months' probation, and was ordered to pay \$518 in court assessments.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tv2f2J

WISCONSIN

Correy Grady

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Correy Grady of Milwaukee pleaded guilty to illegal voting in the November 2008 election, despite being ineligible due to his felony record. Grady was sentenced to one year's probation and ordered to pay \$318 in court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sRRrKO

WISCONSIN

Leon Pendleton

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Leon Pendleton, of Milwaukee, pleaded guilty to charges of fraudulent registration and illegal voting. Pendleton, a convicted felon, registered and voted despite the fact that he was ineligible. Pendleton was sentenced to 60 days' imprisonment, fined \$300, and ordered to pay all court costs.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sLrX5S

WISCONSIN

Veronica Toney

DISPOSITION: 2011

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Veronica Toney, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, pleaded guilty to a charge of illegal voting. Toney, a convicted felon, voted despite being ineligible. She was ordered to pay a \$1,192 court assessment.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tNNTNi

bit.ly/2tWPOuz

WISCONSIN

Irving Anders

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Irving Anders of Prairie Du Chien pleaded guilty to a charge of absentee ballot fraud. He was ordered to pay a court assessment of \$883.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2tmVOLR

bit.ly/2uPxeWM

WISCONSIN

Kevin Clancy and Maria Miles

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Kevin Clancy and Maria Miles, both employees for ACORN, pleaded guilty to falsely procuring voter registration information after admitting that they submitted multiple voter registration forms for the same individuals. To meet quotas, Clancy admitted he and others also registered themselves multiple times. Clancy received a 10-month prison sentence, but will serve his time consecutively with another sentence he is already serving for an armed robbery.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2fjCH1e

WISCONSIN

L.B. Dean

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

In 2010, L.B. Dean pleaded guilty to a felony charge of Voting by a Disqualified Person. Dean was a felon, having been previously convicted on charges related to the manufacture and distribution of cocaine. He was thus ineligible, but cast a ballot in the 2008 presidential election nonetheless. He was sentenced to serve 60 days in prison.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2ttqcaq

bit.ly/2sATHAG

WISCONSIN

Terry Krall

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Terry Krall, of Eau Claire, pleaded no contest to a charge of illegal voting. Krall voted in the November 2008 election despite the fact that he was ineligible due to an existing felony record. He was sentenced to five days' imprisonment.

SOURCES

bit.ly/2sLBUKg

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WISCONSIN

David Lewis and Ramon Martinez

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

David Lewis and Ramon Martinez, who were still under supervision for prior felonies, pleaded guilty to one count of voting as a disqualified person for registering and then casting ballots in the 2008 election. Under Wisconsin law, those under felony supervision are ineligible to vote. Lewis was sentenced to 20 days' imprisonment and fined \$250. Martinez was sentenced to 30 days' imprisonment and received a \$750 fine.

SOURCES

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WISCONSIN

Glenn Schofield

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Glenn Schofield of Chippewa Falls pleaded guilty to a charge of illegal voting. Schofield voted in the November 2008 election despite the fact that he was ineligible due to an existing felony record. He received a six-month suspended prison sentence, 18 months' probation, and was ordered to pay a \$1,230.25 court assessment.

SOURCES

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WISCONSIN

Frank Edmund Walton

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

While employed by the Community Voters Project, Frank Edmund Walton registered 70 voters for the 2008 election. Only 16 of those registrations contained accurate information, and at least one contained the information of a deceased voter. He was convicted of one count of falsely procuring voter registrations and sentenced to 52 days in jail and fined \$500.

SOURCES

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WISCONSIN

Louis and Jane Kwiatkowski

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

The Wisconsin couple was convicted of voting twice, with each casting absentee ballots in elections in the town of Wyocena, where they owned a cabin, before later voting in the city of Blooming Grove. The victor in the Wyocena trustee's race--who also happened to be the Kwiatkowskis' preferred candidate--won by a two-vote margin, prompting the judge to declare that the couple's fraud swung the election. Mr. Kwiatkowski was fined \$2,000 and his wife received a \$1,500 fine.

SOURCES

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WISCONSIN

Lavelle Morris

DISPOSITION: 2010

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Lavelle Morris pleaded guilty to a felony charge of Voting by a Disqualified Person. Morris, a felon, was previously convicted of Attempted First Degree Intentional Homicide and thus ineligible. He nevertheless voted in the 2008 election. Morris was sentenced to serve 90 days in prison.

SOURCES

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WISCONSIN

Kendall Craker

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Kendall Craker of Milwaukee pleaded guilty to a charge of fraudulent registration. He had registered to vote and voted despite the fact that he was a convicted felon and therefore ineligible. As part of his plea agreement, an illegal voting charge was dropped. Craker was sentenced to 60 days' imprisonment and ordered to pay \$113 in court costs.

SOURCES

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WISCONSIN

Latoya Lewis

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Latoya Lewis of Milwaukee pleaded guilty to committing election fraud while working for the now-defunct liberal group, ACORN. Lewis admitted that, while trying to hit her registration quotas, she registered the same people multiple times. One such voter indicated he had never registered through Lewis. Lewis received a one-year sentence at the House of Correction, but the judge stayed the sentence. Instead, Lewis was ordered to serve a 90-day sentence, three years of probation, and was barred from working on future voter registration efforts.

SOURCES

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WISCONSIN

Endalyn Adams and Adam Mucklin

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Endalyn Adams, a registration worker, was convicted of falsely procuring voter registration information. To meet her daily registration quota, she made up information on voter registration forms and submitted them. Adam Mucklin, a special registration deputy with the Community Voter Project, was convicted of attempting to register himself to vote even though he was a convicted felon and therefore ineligible. He was also convicted for attempting to lie to the Milwaukee Election Commission. Ms. Adams was sentenced to three years' probation and 75 hours of community service. Mucklin was sentenced to four months in the House of Correction on one count and given a stayed consecutive seven-month sentence and a year of probation on the other count.

SOURCES

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WISCONSIN

Stephen Wroblewski

DISPOSITION: 2009

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Stephen Wroblewski pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge of Providing False Information to Obtain an Absentee Ballot. Wroblewski illegally procured a ballot in order to vote in the 2008 election in the name of his wife, a Democrat activist who had recently passed away. He was given a \$500 fine.

SOURCES

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WISCONSIN

Kimberly Prude

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots, Ineligible Voting

Kimberly Prude, a campaign volunteer for the Kerry_Edwards campaign, was convicted of illegally casting an absentee ballot in the 2004 election. She was already a convicted felon for forgery charges in 2000. Her probation was revoked and she is now serving her sentence in prison.

SOURCES

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WISCONSIN

Michael Zore

DISPOSITION: 2007

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Duplicate Voting

Michael Zore was convicted of voting twice in the November 2006 election. Zore voted in two Milwaukee-area towns, Wauwatosa and West Allis. Zore claimed his double voting was due to a memory lapse, but a judge sentenced him to serve a year in the Milwaukee County House of Correction.

SOURCES

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WISCONSIN

Douglas Ferrel

DISPOSITION: 2004

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

In Blue River, Wisconsin, Douglas Ferrel was found guilty of making false representations that he personally had obtained each of the signatures on a recall petition when he had not. He was found guilty and charged court assessments of \$707.

SOURCES

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WISCONSIN

Mark Fischer

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

Mark Fischer pleaded guilty to election fraud after voting in the 2016 presidential primary and general election despite being on probation for a felony drunken driving offense - his fifth or sixth offense of this nature. Circuit Judge Ramona Gonzalez sentenced Fisher to pay a \$1,158 fine.

SOURCES

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Wisconsin Elections Commission

DISPOSITION: 2017

OUTCOME: OFFICIAL FINDING

Ineligible Voting

The Wisconsin Elections Commission issued a report to the Wisconsin Legislature in March 2017, detailing over 60 instances of 17-year-olds illegally voting in the 2016 primary election. It is suspected that many wrongly believed they could cast ballots if they turned 18 ahead of the November general election.

SOURCES

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WISCONSIN

Peggy West

DISPOSITION: 2018

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ballot Petition Fraud

Peggy West, a former Milwaukee county supervisor, submitted false signatures on a petition to place her on the ballot for the spring 2018 election. According to the complaint filed against her, West forged the signatures of multiple residents within her district, and used a third party to collect other signatures despite the legal requirement that she collect them herself. She later falsely attested to have done so. West pleaded guilty to a charge of election fraud, and was sentenced to two years of probation and ordered to pay a \$2,500 fine.

SOURCES

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WYOMING

David Koch

DISPOSITION: 2014

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Ineligible Voting

David Koch, a former news director for KODI News, pleaded guilty to casting illegal votes. Koch, a convicted felon from Alaska, moved to Wyoming, registered to vote, and cast ballots in the 2010 and 2012 elections. He was sentenced to 2_4 years' imprisonment.

SOURCES

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WYOMING

Gary and Leila Blake

DISPOSITION: 2001

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

After moving from their Evansville home, Gary and Leila Blake requested absentee ballots. The ballots were returned with Evansville offices and ballot issues, which the couple filled out and returned despite no longer living there. The couple pleaded no contest to a misdemeanor charge. Each must pay \$350 in fines and serve six months on probation.

SOURCES

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WYOMING

Carolyn Paseneaux

DISPOSITION: 2000

OUTCOME: CRIMINAL CONVICTION

False Registrations

Paseneaux, a sitting state representative, was arrested on felony voter fraud charges. She used a false address to vote after selling her home in 1997. She pleaded guilty and received a sentence of probation and was ordered to pay a \$1,030 fine.

SOURCES

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