

RETURN TO HAND COUNTING "PAPER CHAIN OF CUSTODY"

Program created by Linda Rantz

*Encourage those who want to study more to do so as we are unable to cover Linda's entire eManual during these hour long zoom session

www.25kmia.us/hand_counting_emanual.html



Presented in collaboration with





www.25kmia.us/

www.25kmia.us/hand2 counting emanual.html

HUGE THANK YOU to MIKE LINDELL, CRAIG & LINDA RANTZ















https://causeofamerica.org/

In the 2020 Presidential Election All Voters Where Encouraged

- Register Online
- Request Mail In Ballots
- Vote Early via Drop Boxes
- Vote Early via USPS







Election 2020

The Washington Post

Democracy Dies in Darkness

The Washington Post Had ads on How Nebraskans should vote



In the 2020 Presidential Election All Voters Where Encouraged

- Register Online
- Request Mail In Ballots
- Vote Early via Drop Boxes
- Vote Early via USPS









Findings

Save Time Save Money Same Day Results Transparency & Security Continuity of Government

Hand Counting is Easy!

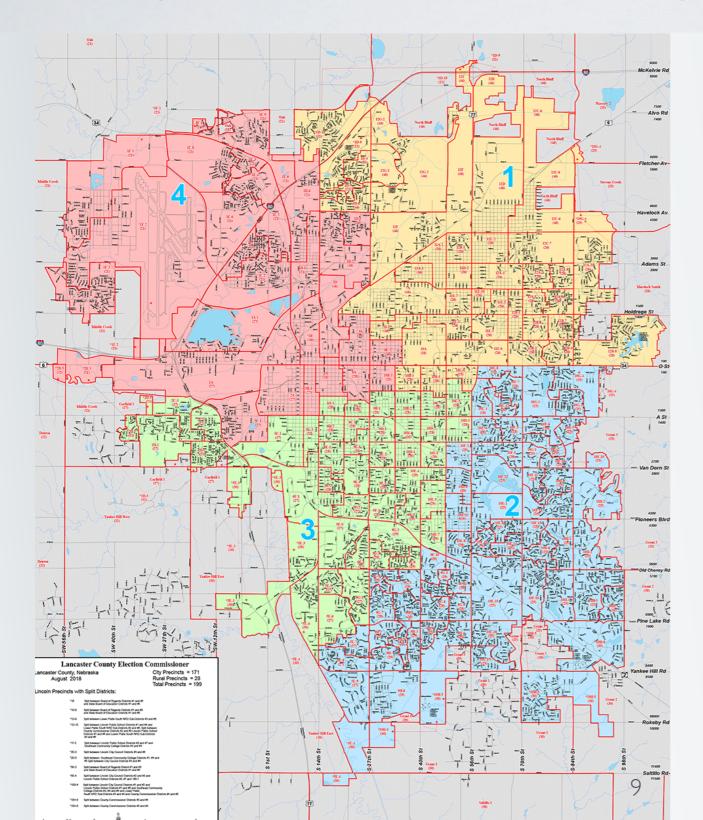
Friendly Reminder... In order to Hand Count Ballots at a precinct,

You <u>must be hired</u> by the election commission to be a poll worker/election judge

* You may download a form to print/fill out and take to the election commission or fill out an online form.

Lancaster Co has over 200 Precincts as of Nov 1st 2023

- Smallest has 451 registered voters
- Largest has just over 2,000 registered voters









Of those 200 Precincts in Lancaster Co

- 8 have less than 600 registered voters
- 84 have between 600 and 1,500
- 13 precincts are between 1,500 and 2,000
- 2 precincts have 2,000 registered voters

These are the numbers used to calculate the Hand Counting stats in the charts following



It Saves Money & Time!

Registered voters October '23	Ballots Cast at 85%	Ballots Counted per Hour per Team	Team Hours Required to count with Teams 85%	How many teams of Judges Needed to hand count within 12 hrs?
600	510	100	5.1	1
600	510	50	10.2	1
1,500	1275	100	12.75	2
1,500	1275	50	25.5	3
2,000	1,700	100	17	2
2,000	1,700	50	34	3

How many teams needed to complete ballot counts in 12 hrs?

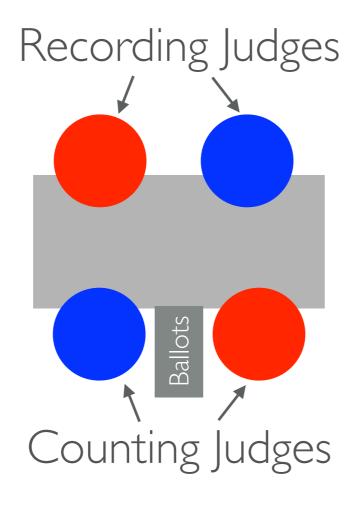




Hand Counting	Cost Per Ballot	
\$102,000.00	\$0.51	LABOR
\$40,400.00	\$0.20	SUPPLIES
\$142,400.00	\$0.71	

Total labor & supply cost to finish hand count in 12 hours in Lancaster Co with 200,000 registered voters

A Team is Made of 4 Judges



Team Scheduling

600 ballots/per precinct = I Team

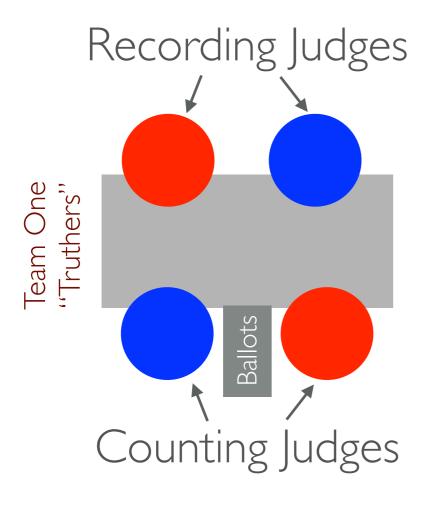
A team can be broken down into shifts.

No matter how many shifts its still one team.



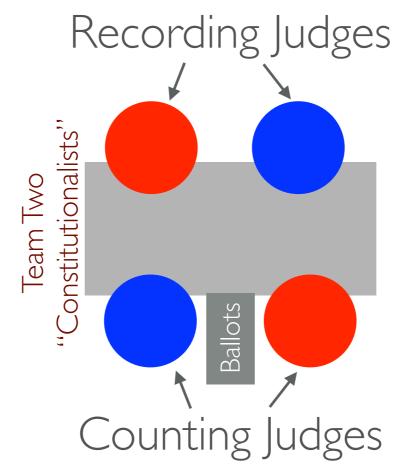


Choose 2 Teams of Judges



Team Scheduling

Up to 1,200 ballots = 2 Teams

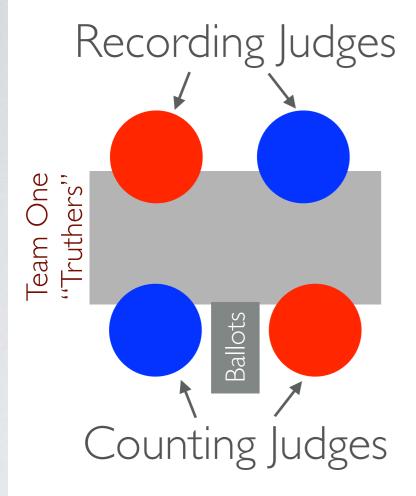


A team can be broken down into shifts.
No matter how many shifts its still one team.



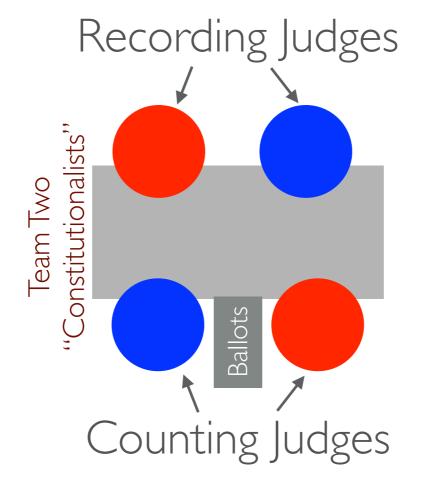


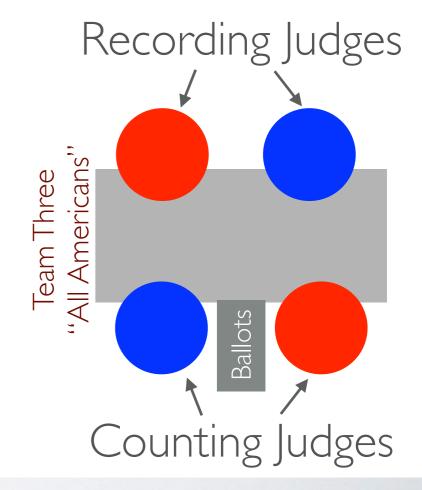
Choose 3 Teams to Count 1,800 Ballots



Team Scheduling

Up to 1,800 ballots = 3 Teams









www.25kmia.us/hand_counting_emanual.html



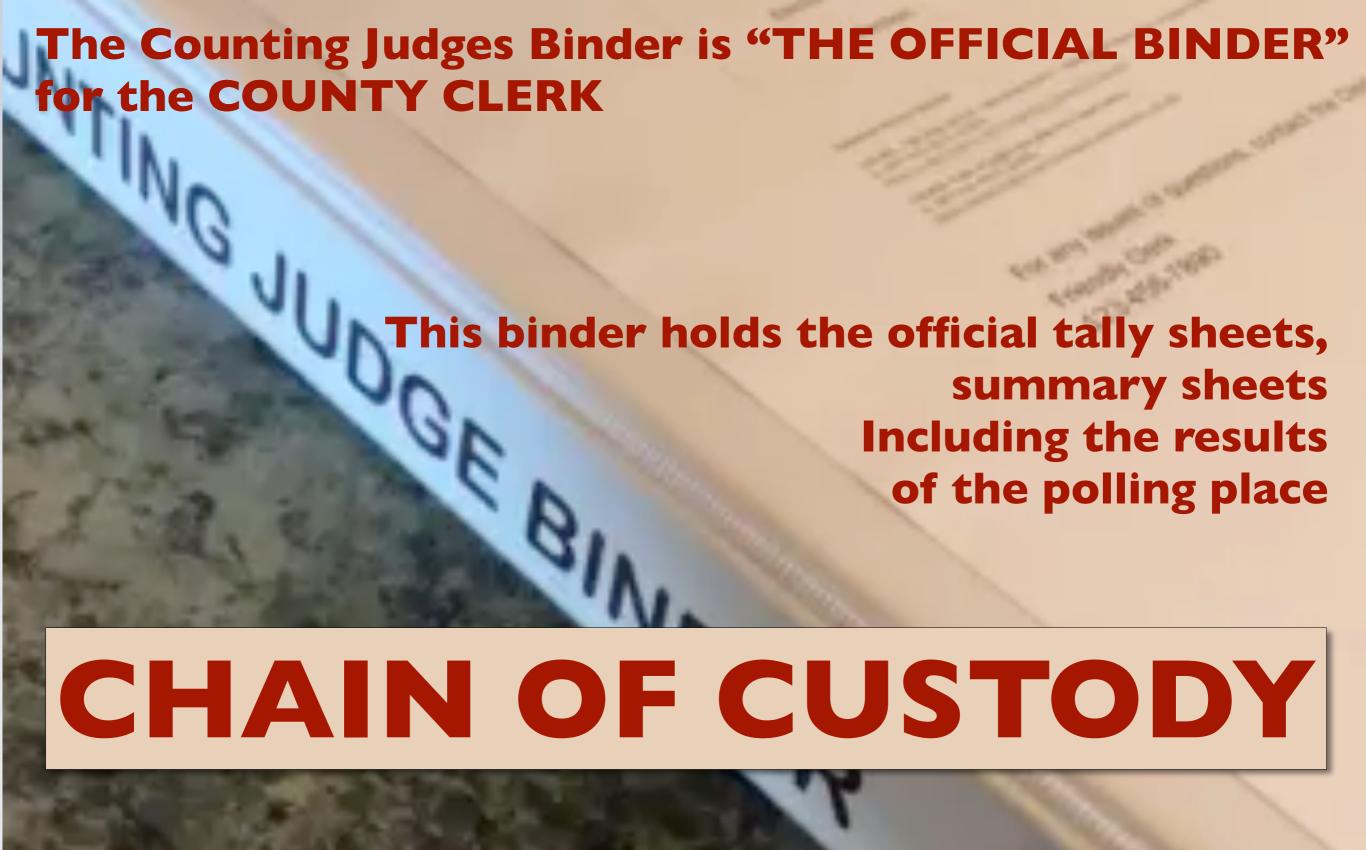
THIS SESSION WILL COVER PARTS OF CHAPTERS 3 (Pages 62-65)

CHAPTER 4 (Pages 72-74)

& CHAPTER 5 (Pages 72-89, 105, 112-131)

*Encourage those who want to study more to do so as we are unable to cover Linda's entire eManual during these hour long zoom session

A Brief look at County Clerks Duties For Hand Counting Ballots



Statement of Returns Determines "Ballot ID" for Counting

The Clerk determines all candidates and questions that will appear on the ballot in the county for an election.

eManual pg | 05

Even though there are various versions of the ballots because some races or questions are limited to

townships, school districts, etc., every candidate and question is included, in the appropriate order, on a "master" list.

The "master" list is then transferred, in order, onto the Statement of Returns – Candidates and Statement of Returns – Questions, as appropriate. The Statement of Returns is used by every polling place, even if some of the candidates or questions will not be voted on at that polling place.

The left column of a Statement of Returns contains a number (numerical order) that becomes the Ballot ID for counting for the candidate or question preference.

This approach creates a unique ID for every candidate/preference. So, for example, the candidate with ID #10 will have #10 on any ballot used in the county.

COUNTY	POLIING PLACE	ELECTION	ELECTION DATE
FREEDOM	LIBERTY HS	GENERAL	NOV. 8, 2022

STATEMENT OF RETURNS - CANDIDATES

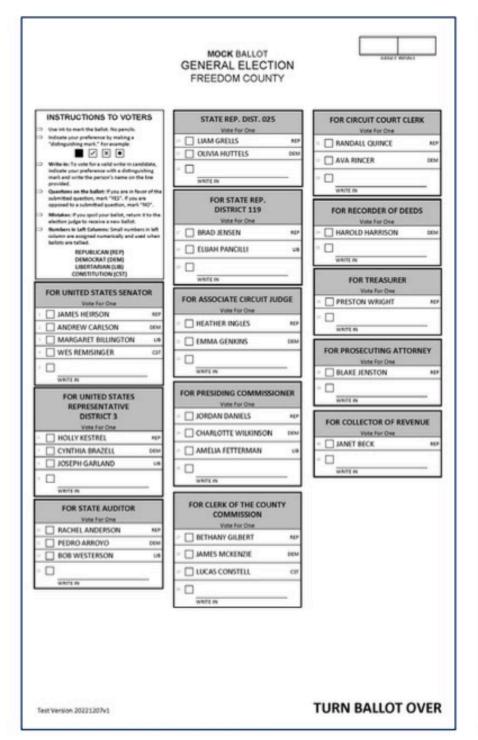
Statement of Returns - Candidates - We hereby certify that:

Votes Cast:	FOR CANDIDATE:	FOR OFFICE OF:	
1	JAMES HERSON	United State Senator	
2	ANDREW CARLSON		
3	MARGARET BILLINGTON		
4	WES REMISINGER		
5	Write-in		
6	HOLLY KESTREL		
7	CYNTHIA BRAZELL	United State Representative	
8	JOSEPH GARLAND	District 3	
9	Write-in		
10	RACHEL ANDERSON		
11	PEDRO ARROYO	5	
12	BOB WESTERSON	State Auditor	
13	Write-in	7	
14	LIAM GRELLS	State Rep. Dist. 025	
15	OLIVIA HUTTELS		
16	Write-in		
17	BRAD JENSEN		
18	EUJAH PANCILLI	State Rep. Dist. 119	
19	Write-in		
20	HEATHER INGLES		
21	EMMA GENKINS	Associate Circuit Judge	
22	Write-in	1	
23	JORDAN DANIELS		
24	CHARLOTTE WILKINSON	1	
25	AMELIA FETTERMAN	Presiding Commissioner	
26 8	Write-in		
27	BETHANY GLBERT		

Review the Sample Ballots (Counting Judges)

Election Judges compare the sample ballots to the official ballots to ensure there are no discrepancies.

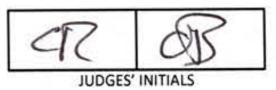
The Counting Judges must be familiar with the races and questions on the ballot, especially if there are multiple versions of the ballot (for different townships, districts, etc.). Also, it is important to know if there are any races or questions that allow voters to vote for more than one candidate.





eManual pg 107

MOCK BALLOT GENERAL ELECTION FREEDOM COUNTY NOVEMBER 8, 2022



Use ink to mark the ballot. No pencils.

Indicate your preference by making a "distinguishing mark." For example:







Write-in: To vote for a valid write-in candidate, indicate your preference with a distinguishing mark and write the person's name on the line provided.

Questions on the ballot: If you are in favor of the submitted question, mark "YES". If you are opposed to a submitted question, mark "NO".

Mistakes: If you spoil your ballot, return it to the election judge to receive a new ballot.

Numbers in Left Columns: Small numbers in left column are assigned numerically and used when ballots are tallied.

REPUBLICAN (REP)
DEMOCRAT (DEM)
LIBERTARIAN (LIB)
CONSTITUTION (CST)

FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR Vote For One 1 JAMES HEIRSON REP 2 ANDREW CARLSON DEM

STATE REP. DIST.	025
Vote For One	
14 LIAM GRELLS	REP
15 OLIVIA HUTTELS	DEM
16	
WRITE IN	



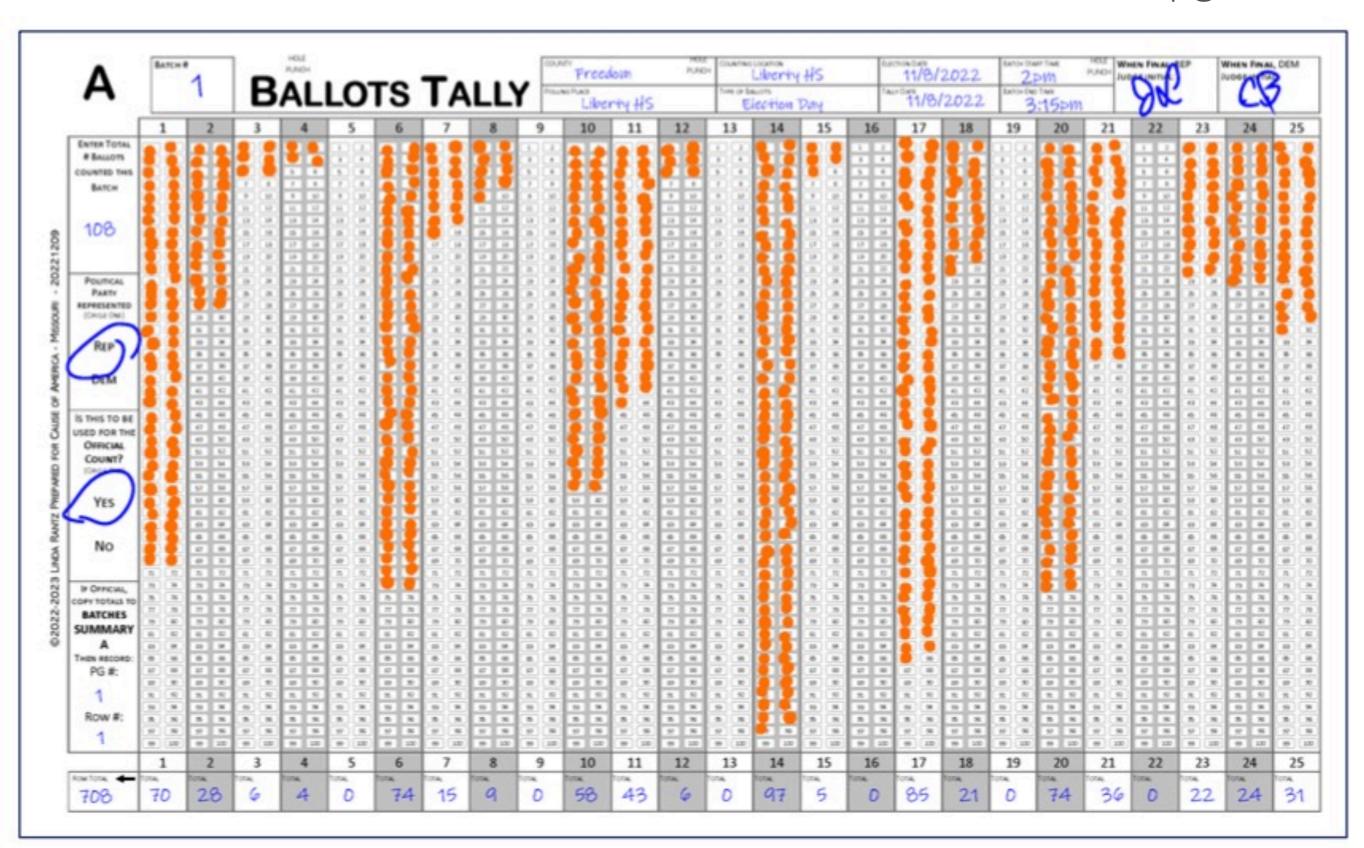
FOR ASSOCIATE CIRCUIT J	UDGE
Vote For One	
20 HEATHER INGLES	REP

FOR CIRCUIT COUL	
31 RANDALL QUINCE	
32 AVA RINCER	DEM
WRITE IN	
FOR RECORDER O	F DEEDS

	Vote For One	
34	HAROLD HARRISON	DEM
35		
	WRITE IN	

FOR TREASUR	ER
Vote For One	
36 PRESTON WRIGHT	REI
37	
WRITE IN	

eManual pg 111



Preparing the Ballots Tally form

The Ballots Tally form is used by the Recording Judges to tally the votes as the Counting Judges call them out. Ballots Tally forms for Candidates use an alpha-numbering system to identify their "Group." The forms for Questions also use an alpha system, but the letter is preceded by "Q.".

The Recording Judges, 1 DEM and 1 REP, tally votes on their own copy of the Ballots Tally form. The optimal result would be that no mistakes were made by either Recording Judge and their totals at the end of the batch match exactly.

Forms Prepared in Advance by the Clerk

Calculating the expected turnout at the polling place and the number of candidates and questions, the Clerk will print the estimated number of forms needed for the election. These are pre-sorted and clipped into batches with 2 copies of each batch.

Ink Colors to use the Ballots Tally form

Tally marks are to be made using a fine or medium felt tip marker, in any color other than blue or black. The felt tip makes it easy to "dab" as votes are tallied, like dabbing a Bingo card.

It is recommended that any other writing on the form be done with a ballpoint pen preferably in blue ink (but recommended to not use black).

eManual pg 112

Front Side – Top Header Details

Freedom	PUNCH	Liberty HS	11/8/2022	BATCH START TIME	PUNCH
POLLING PLACE Liberty HS		TYPE OF BALLOTS Election Day	TALLY DATE 11/8/2022	BATCH END TIME	

47 Ballots Tally Form (example): Location and date details in the top header

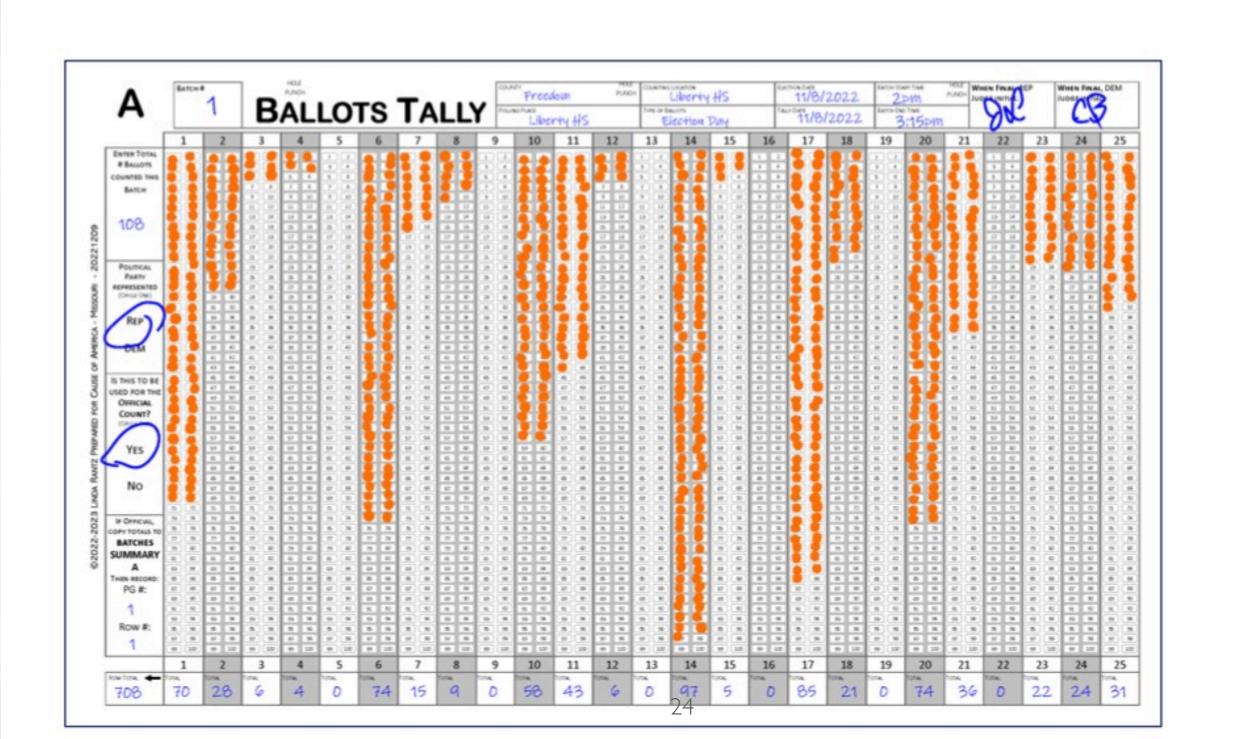
Enter details in the top header row:

- County Name
- Polling Place
- Counting Location (can be the name of the Polling Place or a specific location inside the polling place)
- Election Date
- Tally Date (may differ from the election date, if military or other votes are counted later)

Other information on the header and left sidebar is left blank until tallying of the batch is complete.

Using the Ballots Tally form

eManual pg 111



Front Side – Group and Batch Number

"Group" refers to the 25 tally columns on the form. The numeral at the top of each column tracks to the Ballot ID for counting, which is listed on the Statement of Return (see pg. 105).

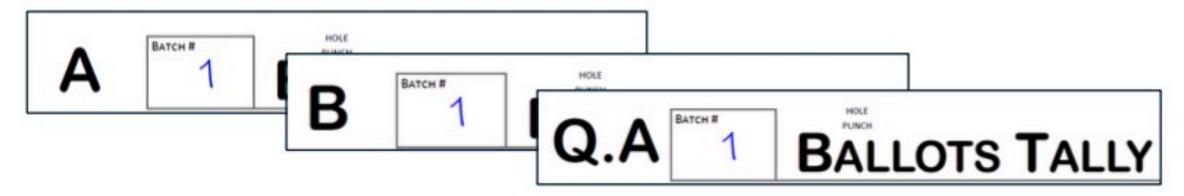
For Candidates:

- Group A: 1 to 25
- Group B: 26 to 50
- Group C: 51 to 75, and so on.

For Questions (the number is preceded by "Q."):

- Group Q.A: 1 to 25
- Group Q.B: 26 to 50, and so on.

For the example in the Workbook, each batch will consist of Group A, Group B, and Group Q.A.



46 Ballot Tally form (example): marking Batch number in top header

The Clerk prepares 2 sets (1 for REP, 1 for DEM)) of Group A, B, and Q.A, and marks them Batch 1.

eManual pg 112

Counting Teams are Election Judges

Election Judges are the persons assigned by the Clerk to carry out the election functions at the polling place, including hand counting ballots. Sometimes referred to as poll workers, Missouri Statutes uses the title, "Election Judge" and has specific titles for some of the roles filled by Election Judges.

Receiving, Counting, Recording, and Supervisory Judges

The Election Judge titles describe functions rather than individuals, and any Election Judge may perform more than one function at a polling place on election day. Also, keep in mind that Counties may use different titles.

Most voters will be familiar with the Election Judges who are at the tables where voters sign in. They are simply called Election Judges unless they are the judges initialing ballots after they have "certified" a voter's eligibility to vote. In this case, they are called **Receiving Judges**.

The **Recording Judges** tally the votes received by candidates and for or against questions on the ballot.

During the counting process, the **Counting Judges** are responsible for handling the ballot boxes and the ballots. They read the number next to the distinguishing marks made by the voter out loud so that the Recording Judges can tally the votes.

Two Election Judges are designated by the Clerk as **Supervisory Judges**. According to statute, the primary responsibility of the Supervisory Judges is to return election supplies from the polling place to the Clerk. The Clerk may also prescribe additional duties for these Election Judges.

Multiple Counting Teams at a Polling Place

Depending on anticipated ballots that will be cast, and the amount of time needed to hand count them, the Clerk may want to schedule multiple counting teams.

Election Judges May Work Half Days

Election Judges may be employed for half days – either the first half or the second half of election day. This is a decision made by the Clerk, as the Clerk is required to ensure enough judges are present at all times the polls are opened.

The Clerk must also ensure that at least 1 Election Judge from each political party serves a full day and that there will be an equal number of Election Judges from the political parties during the day.

Assigning Election Judges to the Counting Team(s)

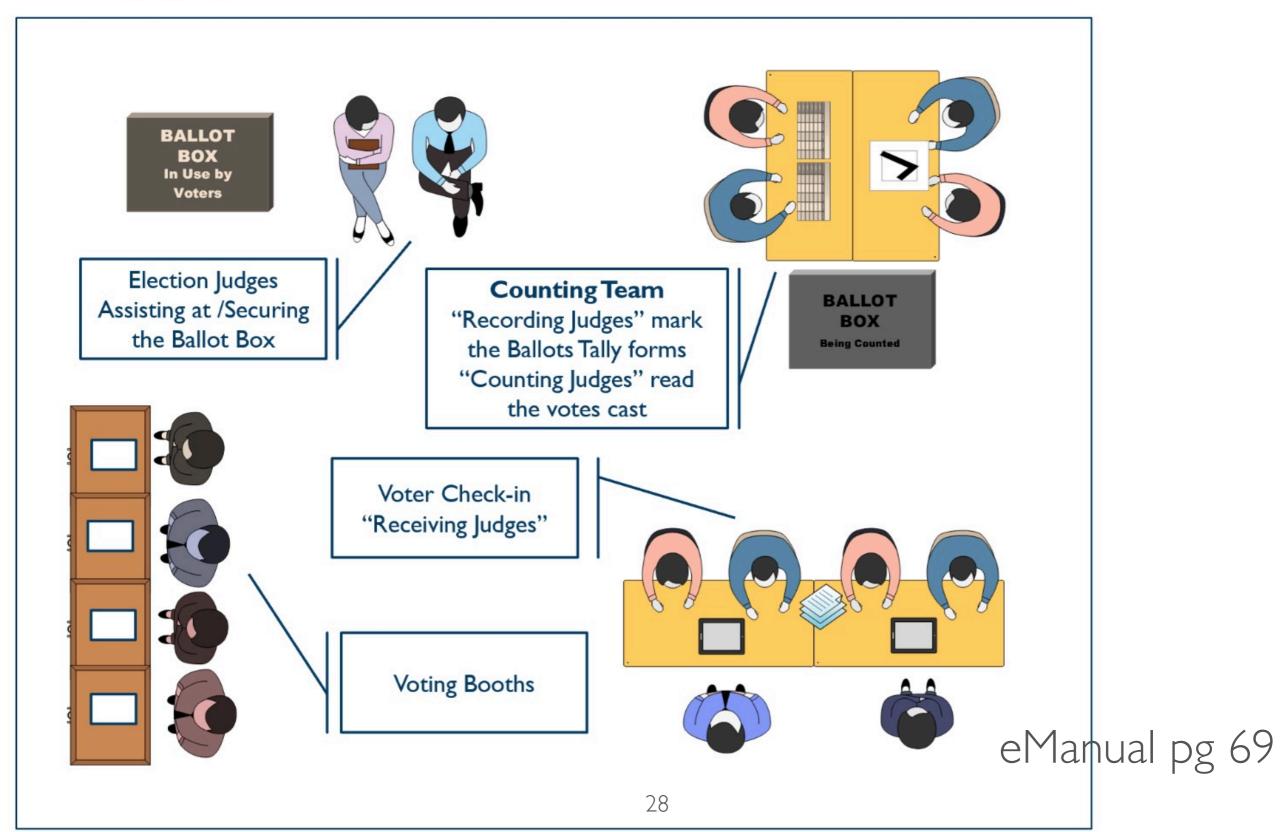
Each counting team has 2 Counting Judges (1 DEM and 1 REP) and 2 Recording Judges (1 DEM and 1 REP).

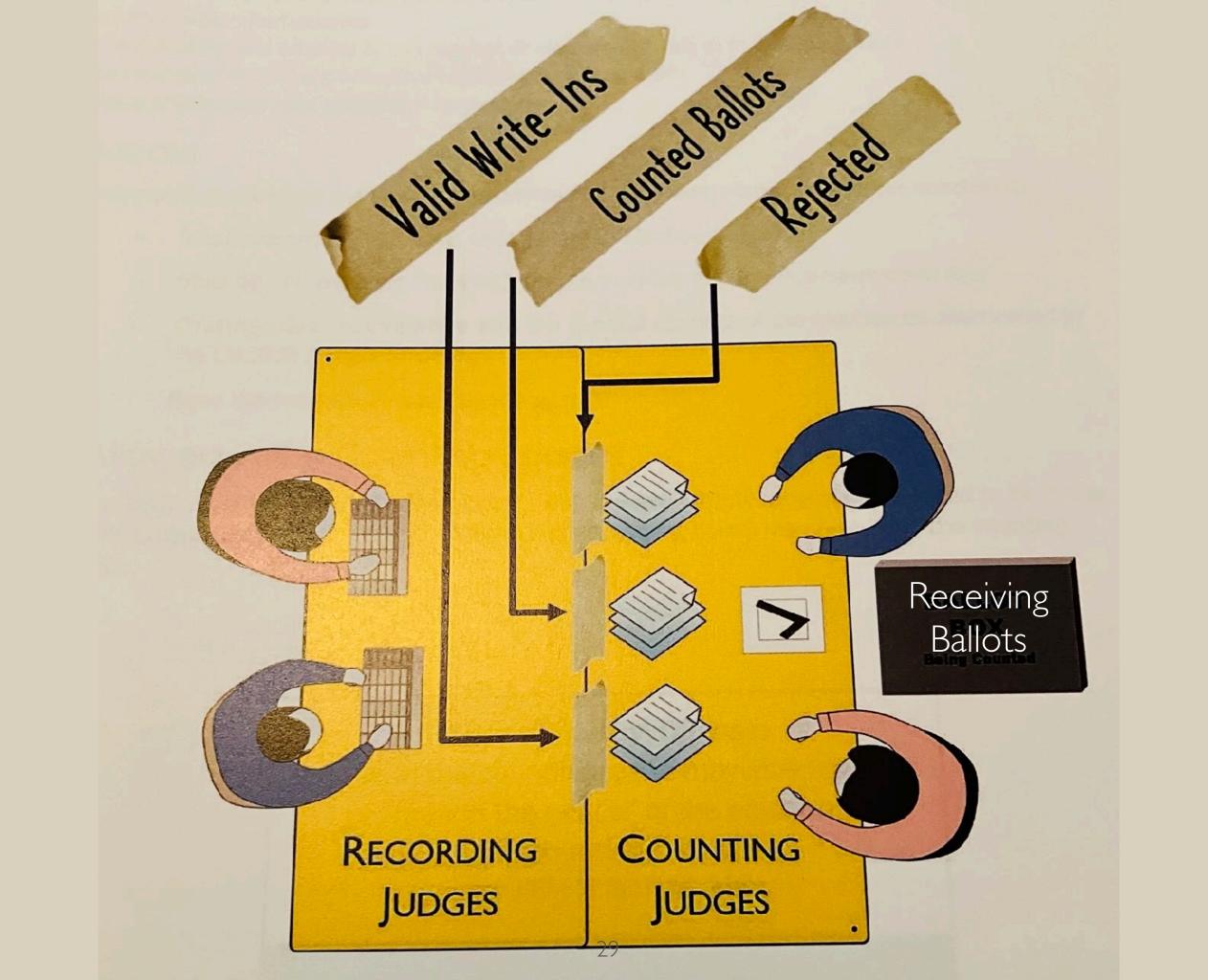
The Clerk may appoint Election Judges representing other established political parties or who do not claim a political affiliation. These Election Judges may assist the REP and DEM Election Judges but may not fill the roles of Recording or Counting Judges. Those roles are specifically assigned to Election Judges representing the major political parties.

Demonstrate that the Ballot Box is Empty:

Election Judges show that the Ballot Box is empty.

The Ballot Box is then locked, and the key is held by an Election Judge. The Ballot Box must always remain in public view until it is transferred to the Counting Judges for ballot counting. (see pg. 235)





Details are provided in the following sections, but these Hand Counting Checklists are likely Hand Counting Checklists Details are provided in the rollowing sections, but these mand Counting Checklists are like all that will be needed for judges trained and experienced in the hand counting process.

Some opening tasks are already performed by Election Judges but are included here because they overlap hand counting steps.

cause th	ey overlap	Judges
	Poll Opening Tasks	All
Check	d signed by Election	All
	Oaths spoken and signed by Election Count quantity of ballots received from the Clerk Count quantity of ballots received from the Clerk	All
	hallot quantity on	All
	Enter ballot quantity on Opening Sign-in" in the Tally Book Sign-in" in the Tally Book All Election Judges present at the opening of Poll sign the Opening Certification (or Additional Judges document, if needed) Opening Certification (or Additional Judges document, if needed)	Receiving
	Opening Certification (cv.) Demonstrate Ballot Box is Empty	

		Judges
	Persons Arriving After Poll Opening	Any
Check		Any
	spoken and dig. Spoken and dig. Election Judge Arriving Election Judge Election Judge	Any
	Tally Book Tally Book Stallengers, Watchers, or any other they are pre-authorized	Any
	(either at open watchers speak their out.)	Any
	Challengers and/or Watchers speak their dealers and/or Watchers speak their dealers and/or Watchers speak their dealers and/or Watcher's or Election Judge witnessing the oath records Challenger's or Election Judge witnessing the oath records Challenger's or Watcher's name on the form in the Tally Book (Judge signs)	
\	Watchers Ham	

Hand Counting Checklists

Hand Counting Checklists

Details are provided in the following sections, but these Hand Counting Checklists are likely Hand Counting Checklists all that will be needed for judges trained and experienced in the hand counting process.

Some opening tasks are already performed by Election Judges but are inclu because they overlap hand counting steps.

	Poll Opening Tasks
Check	Oaths spoken and signed by Election
	Oaths spoken and signor Count quantity of ballots received from the Clerk Count quantity of ballots received from the Clerk
	Count quantity of ballots received from the Oct. Count quantity of ballots received from the Oct. Enter ballot quantity on "Opening Certification & Election Judge Enter ballot quantity on "Opening Certification & Election Judge Enter ballot quantity on "Opening Opening of Poll sign the Tally Book." "In the Tally Book." "In the Tally Book."
	Enter ballot quantity on Opening Sign-in" in the Tally Book Sign-in" in the Tally Book All Election Judges present at the opening of Poll sign the Opening Certification (or Additional Judges document, if need Opening Certification (or Additional Judges document, if need Opening Certification (or Entry Section 2)
	Opening Certification (or Additional Demonstrate Ballot Box is Empty
\	Dellions

	Persons Arriving After Poll Opening, the oath
	Persons Atter poll opening, the odd.
Check	stration Judges arriving arter p
	For any Election Judges arriving after poll opening, the oath spoken and signed Sign-in on the "Election Judge Arriving After Poll Opened" page 2015.
	Sign-in on the Election and arriving at Poll
	Sign-in on the "Election Judge". Sign-in on the "Election Judge". Tally Book Challengers, Watchers, or any other person arriving at Poll Challengers, Watchers, confirm they are pre-authorized
	Challengers and/or Watchers speak them Challengers and Challe
	Election Judge witnessing the oath records Chancing Watcher's name on the form in the Tally Book (Judge sign

	Counting Team Setup	Judges
Check	Setup area with chairs/tables per Clerk's instructions	Any
	Setup area with chairs/ tables por closes Place empty Ballot Box on small utility table	Counting Team
	Organize forms and other paperwork from Clerk	Counting Team
	Organize Supplies	Counting Team
	Set Masking Tape labels for organizing ballots as they are	Counting
	reviewed/counted Move Tally Book to possession of Counting Team	Recording
	Remove Items not permitted in Counting Space	All
	Review sample ballots and compare to Statement of Returns	Counting
	Review List of Authorized Write-In candidates	Counting

eManual pg 83-86

Hand Counting Checklists

Details are provided in the following sections, but these Hand Counting Checklists are likely Hand Counting Checklists all that will be needed for judges trained and experienced in the hand counting process.

Some opening tasks are already performed by Election Judges but are inclu because they overlap hand counting steps.

	Poll Opening Tasks
Check	Oaths spoken and signed by Election
	Oaths spoken and signormal Count quantity of ballots received from the Clerk Count quantity of ballots received from the Clerk
	Count quantity of ballots received from the citem Count quantity of ballots received from the citem Enter ballot quantity on "Opening Certification & Election Judge Enter ballot quantity on "Opening Certification & Election Judge Enter ballot quantity on "Opening Opening of Poll sign the "Line County of State of the County of State of County of C
	Enter ballot quantity on Opening Sign-in" in the Tally Book Sign-in" in the Tally Book All Election Judges present at the opening of Poll sign the Opening Certification (or Additional Judges document, if need Opening Certification (or Additional Judges document) (or A
	Demonstrate Danie

	Persons Arriving After Poll Opening, the oath For any Election Judges arriving after poll opening, the oath
Check	the stian ludges arriving after policy
	For any Election Judges arriving spoken and signed Sign-in on the "Election Judge Arriving After Poll Opened" p
\	noven allu sia
	Sign-in on the
	Tally Book Natchers, or any other person arman watchers, or any other person arman watchers, or any other person arman are pre-authorized.
-	Sign-in on the "Election Judge". Sign-in on the "Election Judge". Tally Book Challengers, Watchers, or any other person arriving at Pol Challengers, Watchers, Watchers, or any other person arriving at Pol Challengers, Watchers, Wat
-	(either at opening or later), countries (eithe
\	Thatian Judge witnessing the Tally Book (Judge Se
	Challengers and or Challengers and Challengers
1	

k	Counting Team Setup	10.000		
	Setup area with chairs/tables per Clerk's instructions	Any		
- 1	Place empty Ballot Box on small utility table	Counting		
		Check		
	Organize forms and other paperwork from Clerk	Take a set of	Hand Counting Tasks	
	Organize Supplies	header details	counting forms prepared by the Clerk; enter	Judges the top
	Set Masking Tape labels for organizing ballots as they	for empty ballo	ot box	Recordin
	reviewed/counted Move Tally Book to possession of Counting Team	One ballot at a	time - call votes cast	Counting
	Remove Items not permitted in Counting Space	Tally votes on B	allots Tally form	Counting
	Review sample ballots and compare to Statement of	For valid write-in	Votes place	Recording
	Review List of Authorized Write-In candidates	At end of the bat Ballots Tally form	ch, record column totals on the bottom of th	ame Counting
	20 200	the sun	1 of the Down	Recording
		If valid write-ins, c in envelop	ount quantity, mark "write-in" envelope, plac	Recording
		quantity of c	act hell	Counting
		the Ballots Tallers	the left sidebar and	Counting
		Compare column to	m tals on the Ballots Tally form of both	Recording
		When agreement on	totals is reached, mark 1 "official" and 1	Recording
		Initial from	and 1 "official" and 1	
		Initial front of Ballots	Tally form	Recording
		Write the best	on the top header of the Ballots Tally form	Recording
				Recording
		Batches Summar	y, write the page & row	Recording
		Ballots Tally	with Valid Write-ins and "unofficial"	Recording
		Place "official" Ballots Ta	Illy in the Tally Part	Counting
			- July Book	Recording

eManual pg 83-86

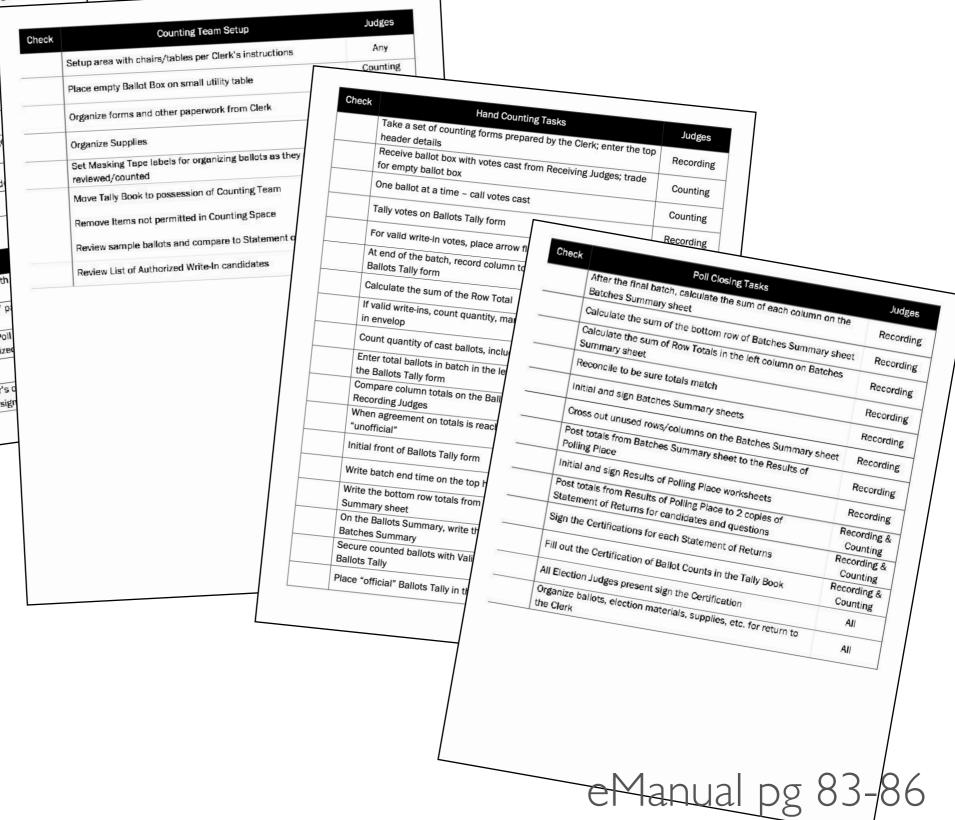
Details are provided in the following sections, but these Hand Counting Checklists are likely Hand Counting Checklists all that will be needed for judges trained and experienced in the hand counting process.

Some opening tasks are already performed by Election Judges but are inclubecause they overlap hand counting steps.

	Poll Opening Tasks
Check	Oaths spoken and signed by Election
	Oaths spoken and signor Count quantity of ballots received from the Clerk Count quantity of ballots received from the Clerk
	Count quantity of ballots received from the occini Count quantity of ballots received from the occini Enter ballot quantity on "Opening Certification & Election Judge Enter ballot quantity on "Opening Certification & Election Judge Enter ballot quantity on "Opening Opening of Poll sign the
	Enter ballot quantity on open Sign-in" in the Tally Book All Election Judges present at the opening of Poll sign the All Election Judges present at the opening of Poll sign the Cartification (or Additional Judges document, if need
	Sign-in" in the Tally Book Sign-in" in the Tally Book All Election Judges present at the opening of Poll Sign the Opening Certification (or Additional Judges document, if need
	Opening Certifies Demonstrate Ballot Box is Empty

	and After Poll Opening	1
	Persons Arriving After Poll Opening, the oath	۱
Check	agriving after pon of	1
	For any Election Judges ")
	sign in on the Live	1
	Sign-in on the "Election Judge". Sign-in on the "Election Judge". Tally Book Challengers, Watchers, or any other person arriving at Po Challengers, Watchers, confirm they are pre-authorize (either at opening or later), confirm they are pre-authorize (either at opening or later).	e
	oballengers, Watchers, of any confirm they are pre-admi	_
	and/of water	•
	Challengers and/or Watchers speak them Challengers and Challe	g
	Flortion Judge witnessing to the Tally Book (Judg	_
	Election Judge witnessing the oath records Chances Watcher's name on the form in the Tally Book (Judge si	
1	Water	

Hand Counting Checklists

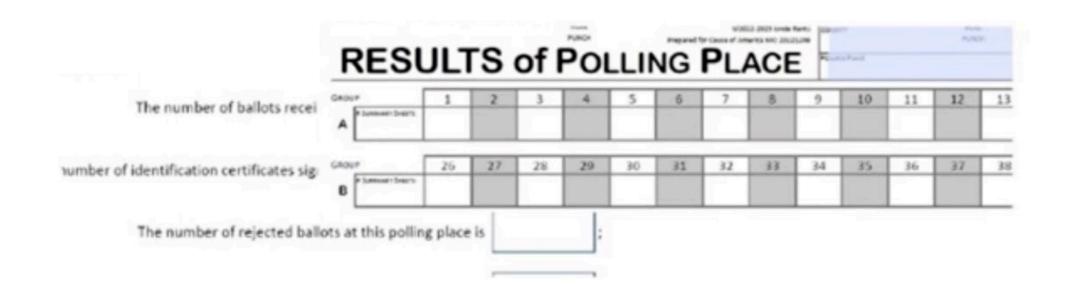


Hand Counting **Tasks**

	Judges
	Hand Counting Tasks Hand Counting Tasks Recording
heck	
	header down with votes
	for empty
	pallots lany
	One ballot at a Tally votes on Ballots Tally form Tally votes on Ballots Tally form Tally votes on Ballots Tally form Recording For valid write-in votes, place arrow flag next to candidate name Recording Recording
	d of the batter
	At end of a Ballots Tally form Ballots Tally form Calculate the sum of the Row Total Calculate the sum of the Row Total Counting
	iid write-Ins, co
	in enveloper of cast ballots, more than the front side
1	Enter total ballots
	Enter total ballots in batch in the low Enter total ballots in batch in the low the Ballots Tally form the Ballots Tally form Compare column totals on the Ballots Tally form of both Recording Compare column totals on the Ballots Tally form of both Recording Recording
	When agreement on totals is
	"unofficient of Ballots Tally form"
	hatch end time of the Pallots Tally to Batter
	Write the bottom
\	Summary of Summary, Write and "unofficial" Countries
	Batches with
	Ballots Tally in the Tally in t
	Place on elanual

Chain of Custody





To Begin Counting, Receive the Ballot Box

All four judges are seated and ready: 2 Counting Judges (from 2 major political parties) and 2 Recording Judges (from 2 major political parties). An empty ballot box is in the possession of the Counting Judges.

when counting is ready to begin, a **Receiving Judge** delivers the ballot box to the **Counting Judges** who, in turn, give the Receiving Judge their empty ballot box.

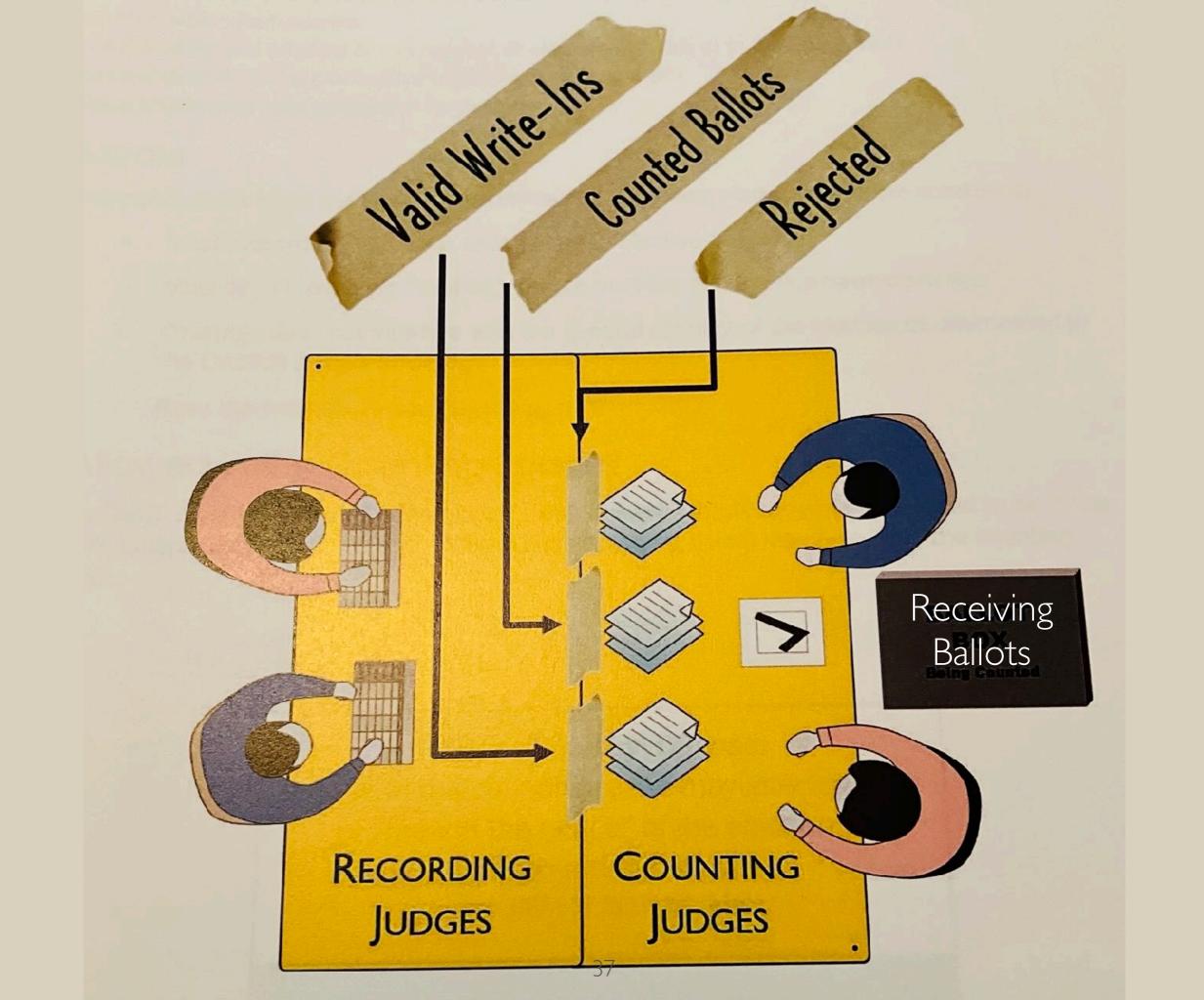
The Receiving Judge shows that the box is empty, locks it, and it remains in public view until the polls close or it is removed for counting another batch.

Ballots pulled from Ballot Box One at a Time

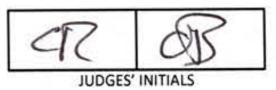
"One Counting Judge closely observed by the other Counting Judge," takes a single ballot from the ballot box and holds it so that both Counting Judges can see it.

Check for the Initials of Election Judges

Missing initials mean the ballot shall be rejected, although there is an exception. See the topic for "Rejected" ballots (pg. 109) section.



MOCK BALLOT GENERAL ELECTION FREEDOM COUNTY NOVEMBER 8, 2022



INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS Use ink to mark the ballot. No pencils.

- Indicate your preference by making a "distinguishing mark." For example:









- Write-in: To vote for a valid write-in candidate, indicate your preference with a distinguishing mark and write the person's name on the line provided.
- Questions on the ballot: If you are in favor of the submitted question, mark "YES". If you are opposed to a submitted question, mark "NO".
- Mistakes: If you spoil your ballot, return it to the election judge to receive a new ballot.
- Numbers in Left Columns: Small numbers in left column are assigned numerically and used when ballots are tallied.

REPUBLICAN (REP) DEMOCRAT (DEM) LIBERTARIAN (LIB) CONSTITUTION (CST)

FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR Vote For One JAMES HEIRSON REP ANDREW CARLSON DEM

	STATE REP. DIST. 02 Vote For One	25
14	LIAM GRELLS	REP
15	OLIVIA HUTTELS	DEM
16		
54	WRITE IN	-

	FOR STATE REP. DISTRICT 119 Vote For One	
17	BRAD JENSEN	REP
18	ELIJAH PANCILLI	LIB
19		
	WRITE IN	

FOR ASSOCIATE CIRCUIT JU	DGE
Vote For One	
20 HEATHER INGLES	REP

FOR CIRCUIT COURT CLER Vote For One	К
31 RANDALL QUINCE	REP
32 AVA RINCER	DEM
33	
WRITE IN	ACCUSED ON
FOR RECORDER OF DEED: Vote For One	S
34 HAROLD HARRISON	DEM

FOR TREASURER	est of the second
Vote For One	
PRESTON WRIGHT	REF
37	

HAROLD HARRISON

WRITE IN

WRITE IN

35

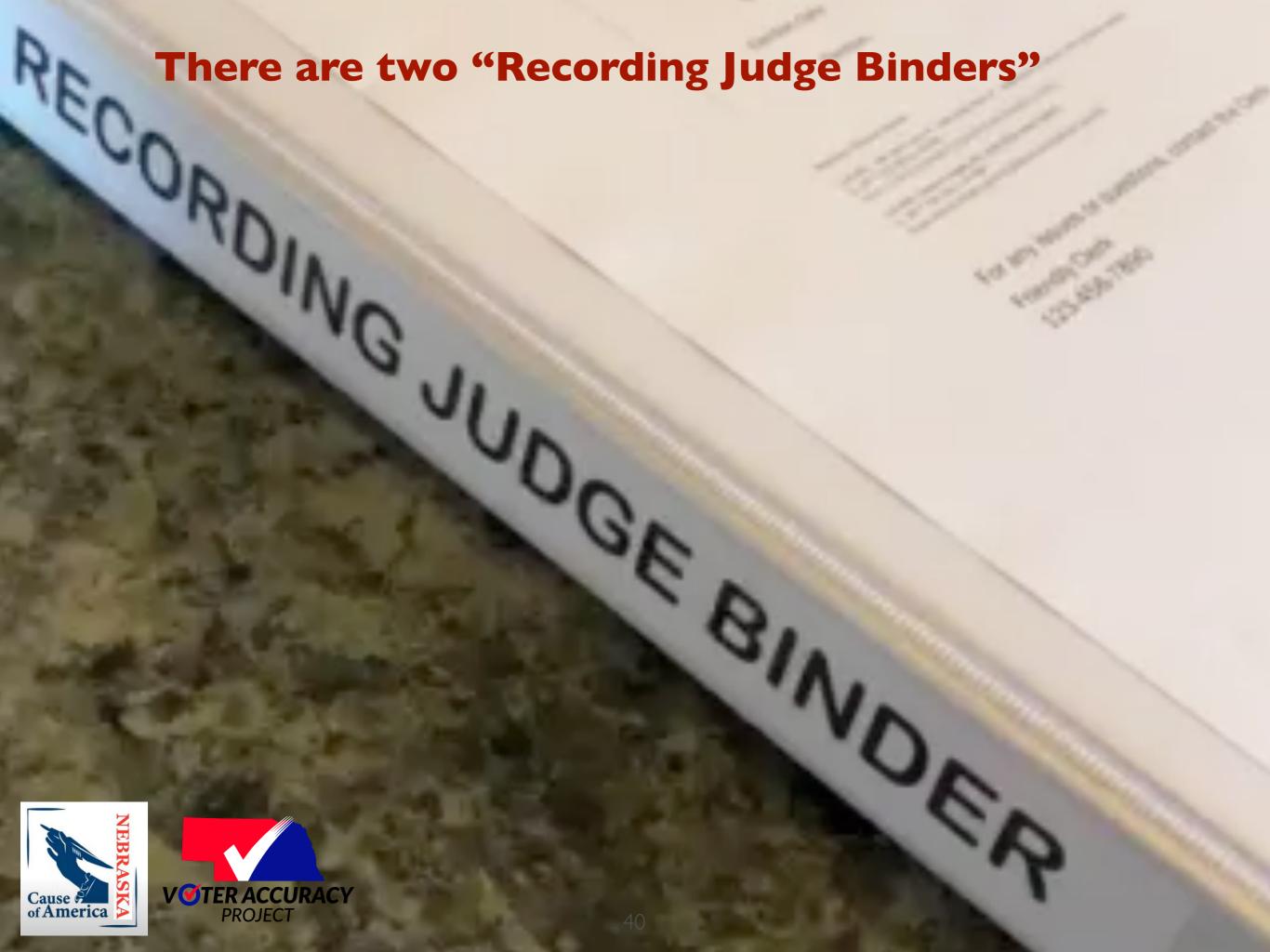
Counting Judge calls the vote next to the distinguishing mark

Begin to call out each vote, starting on the front page (candidates), leftmost column, and going down to the bottom of the column before beginning the next column.

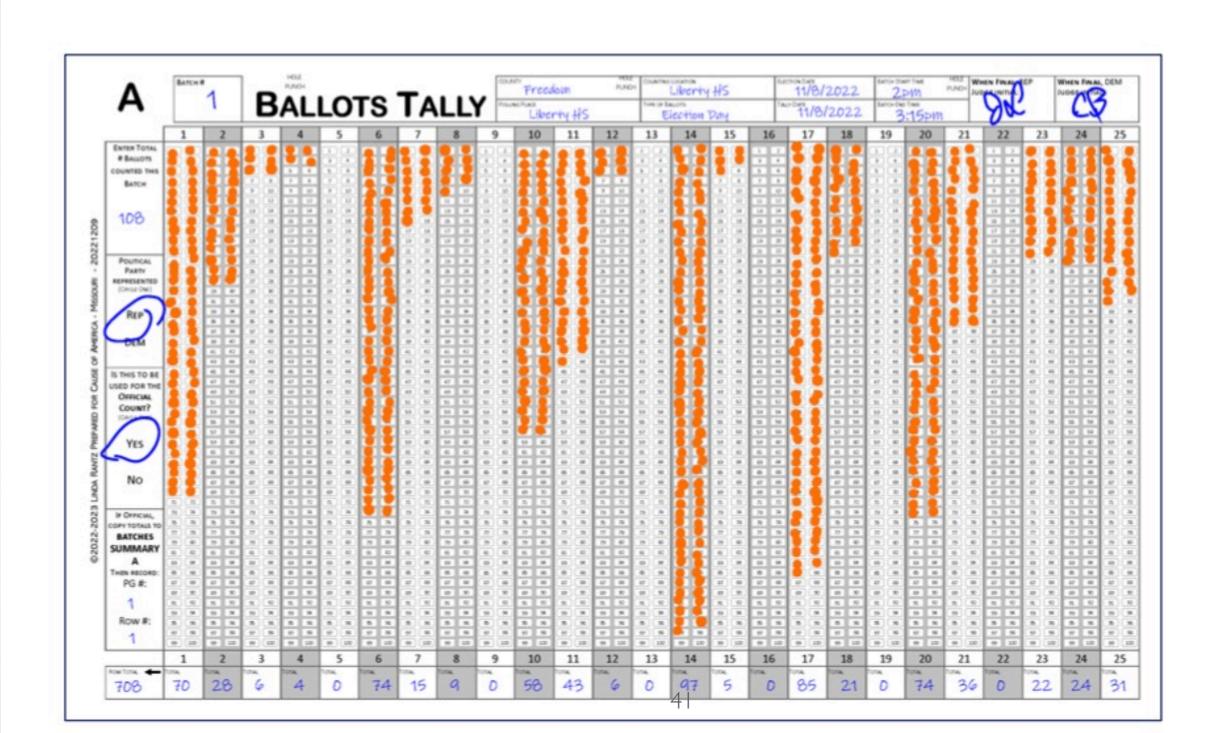
When the front page is done, flip the ballot over and call votes on the back page.

READ THE NUMBER NEXT TO THE BOX, THEN read the name of the candidate and office sought, or question and preference.

FOR UNITED STATES SENAT	OR
Vote For One	- 1
1 JAMES HEIRSON	REP
2 ANDREW CARLSON	DEM
3 MARGARET BILLINGTON	LIB
WES REMISINGER	CST
5	
WRITE IN	



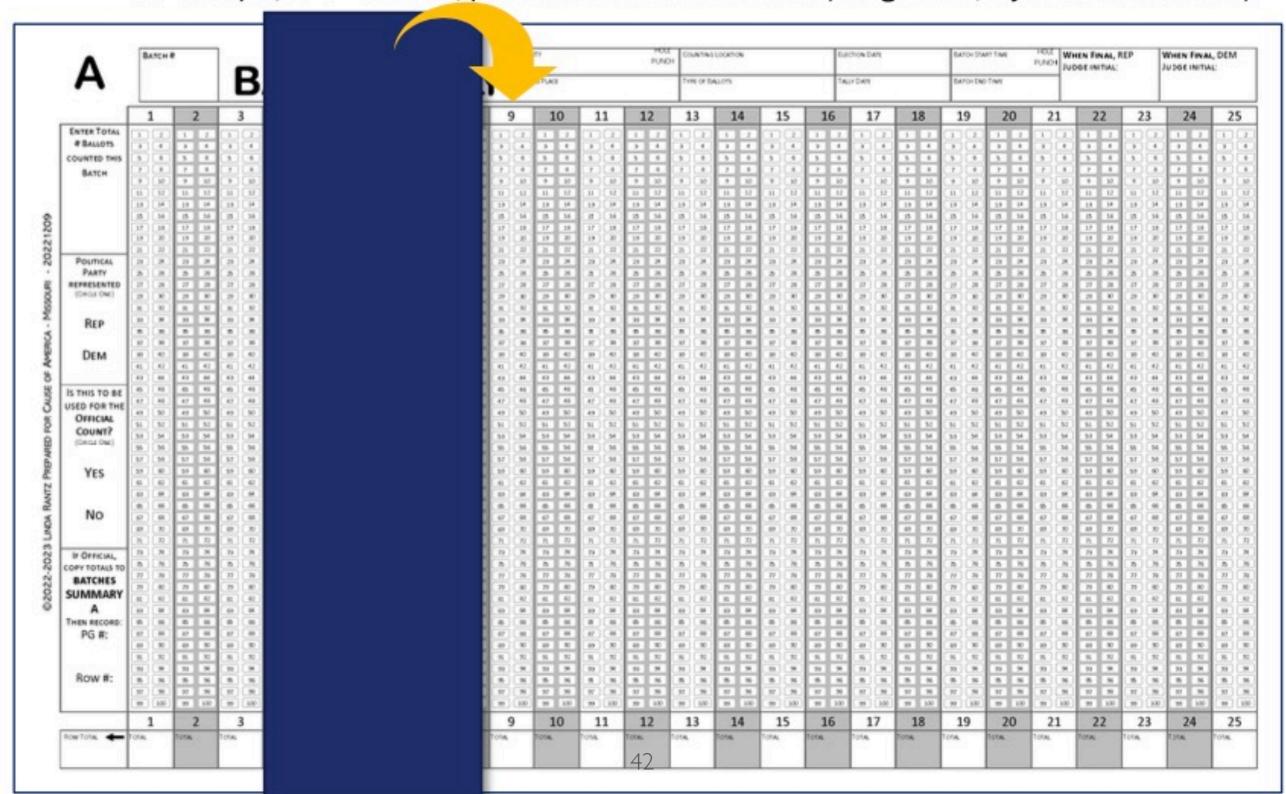
Using the Ballots Tally form



Tip for Locating the Correct Column

Colored cardstock is cut to create a sort of "column guide" that is 8.5" long and about 3" wide. When the vote ballot ID number is called, move the card to the left of the column (if you are right-handed), or the right side (if you are left-handed).

For example, if "9" is called, place the card to the left of 9 (or right side, if you are left-handed).



Marking Votes on the Ballots Tally form

This form is a 2-sided document. The front side has identification information and is used to tally the votes. The back side is for the signatures of the Recording Judges.

Hat tip to the Louisiana team (see pg. 202) for the idea to use a pitch count sheet to tally votes in their "Cajun Clothesline" ballot counting model. If you have never seen a pitch count sheet, we put an example in the footnote.⁵

The Ballots Tally form is adapted from a pitch count sheet, except the columns are vertical rather than horizontal.

Also, marking the form is a lot like marking a Bingo card – just a quick "dab" with a color marker.

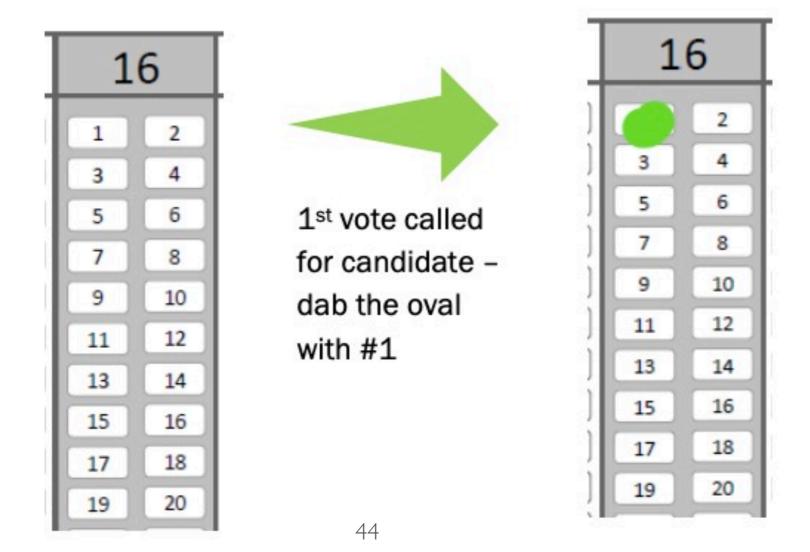
Marking Device to Use to Tally Votes

Tallies must be made in ink, in any color other than blue or black. No pencil marks for tallies. A fine tip marker with a rounded tip is a good choice for making the mark; It leaves a sufficient size dot by simply touching it to the paper. There is no need to fill in the entire oval.

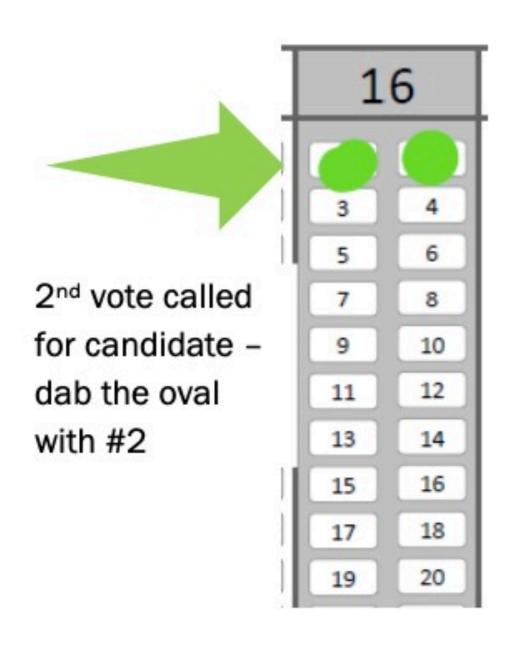
Tally the Vote When it is Called

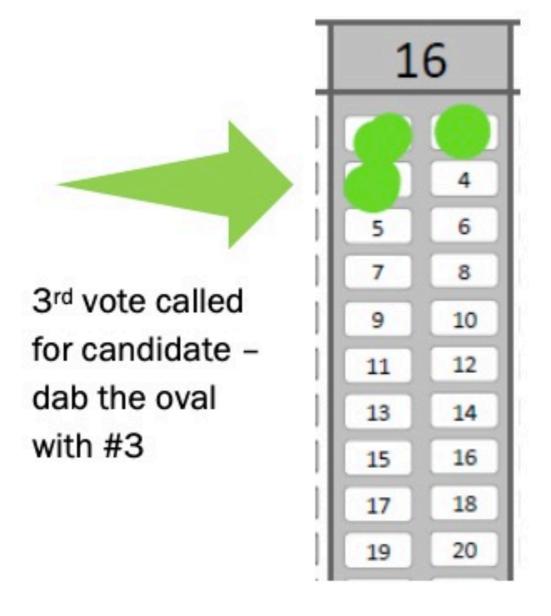
When the Counting Judge calls a vote, the column number is given that appears on the ballot next to the candidate's name or question preference.

On the Ballots Tally Form, go to the corresponding column for the number called. If the column is blank, "dab" on top of the number "1".



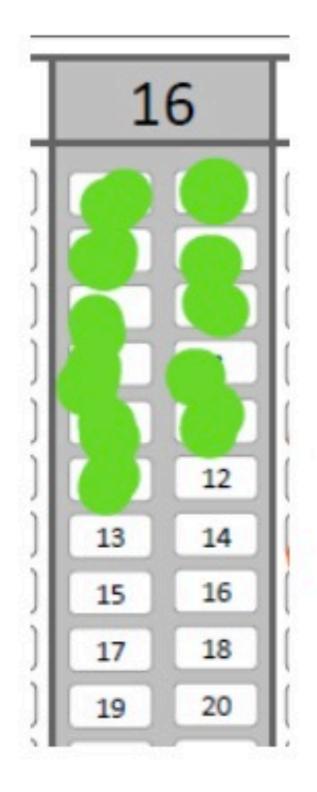
The next time that candidate is called, you will dab the oval with the number 2, which is to the right. Continue going left, right, left right, and down the column as that candidate receives more votes.

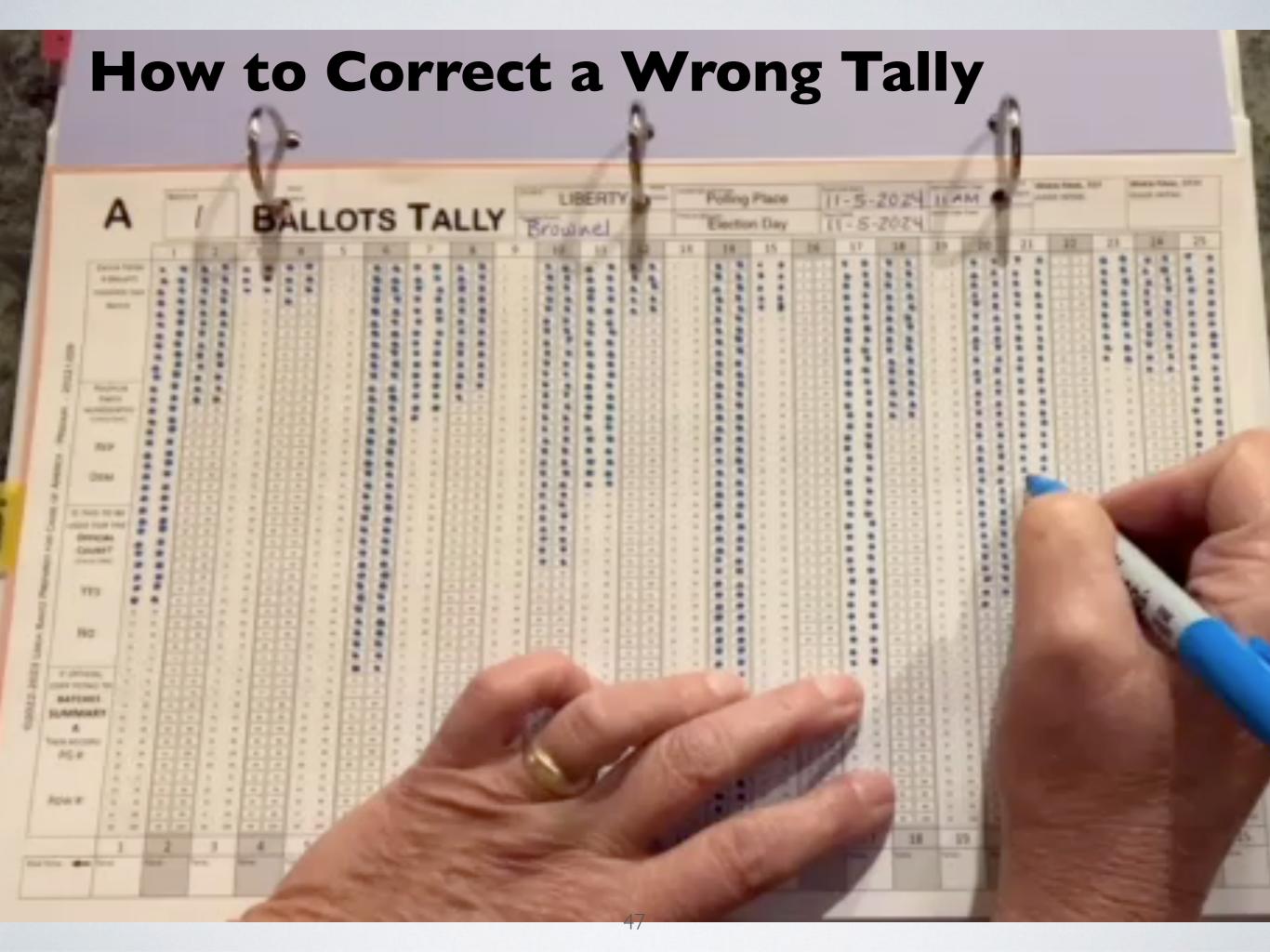




eManual pg 116

As more votes called for this candidate, continue dabbing left, right, left, right, as ovals are filled going down the column





Recording a Tally in the Wrong Column

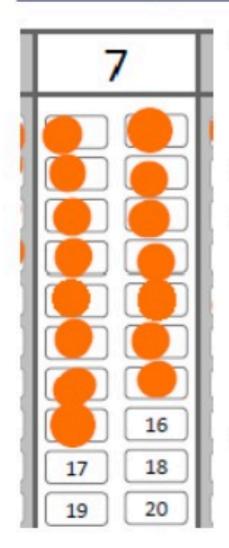
If accidentally marking a tally in the wrong column, use a pencil to circle the oval in which the mistaken tally was marked. Then follow one of these steps to correct the tally:

- If another vote is called for the column with the pencil-circled oval, use an eraser to remove the pencil marking. The mistakenly marked oval becomes the tally for the new vote.
- If there are no subsequent votes is called for the column with the pencil-circled oval during the remainder of the batch:
 - Leave the pencil marking as is.
 - Use a blue ballpoint pen and put an "X" on the oval circled in pencil.
 - Initial below the oval with the "X".
 - When recording the column total, disregard the oval with the "X" and use the number from the oval preceding it.

Continue Calling Votes until the Batch is Complete

Proceed to the next section to total the batch of ballots.

Totaling a Batch of Ballots



51 Ballots Tally form (example) - determining last oval dabbed

There are 2 circumstances that determine the completion of the batch:

- All ballots in the ballot box have been called and tallied; or,
- A column on any of the Ballots Tally forms reaches 100. When any
 candidate or question has received 100 votes. Finish counting the
 remaining votes on the ballot. DO NOT PULL ANY MORE BALLOTS FROM THE
 BALLOT BOX.

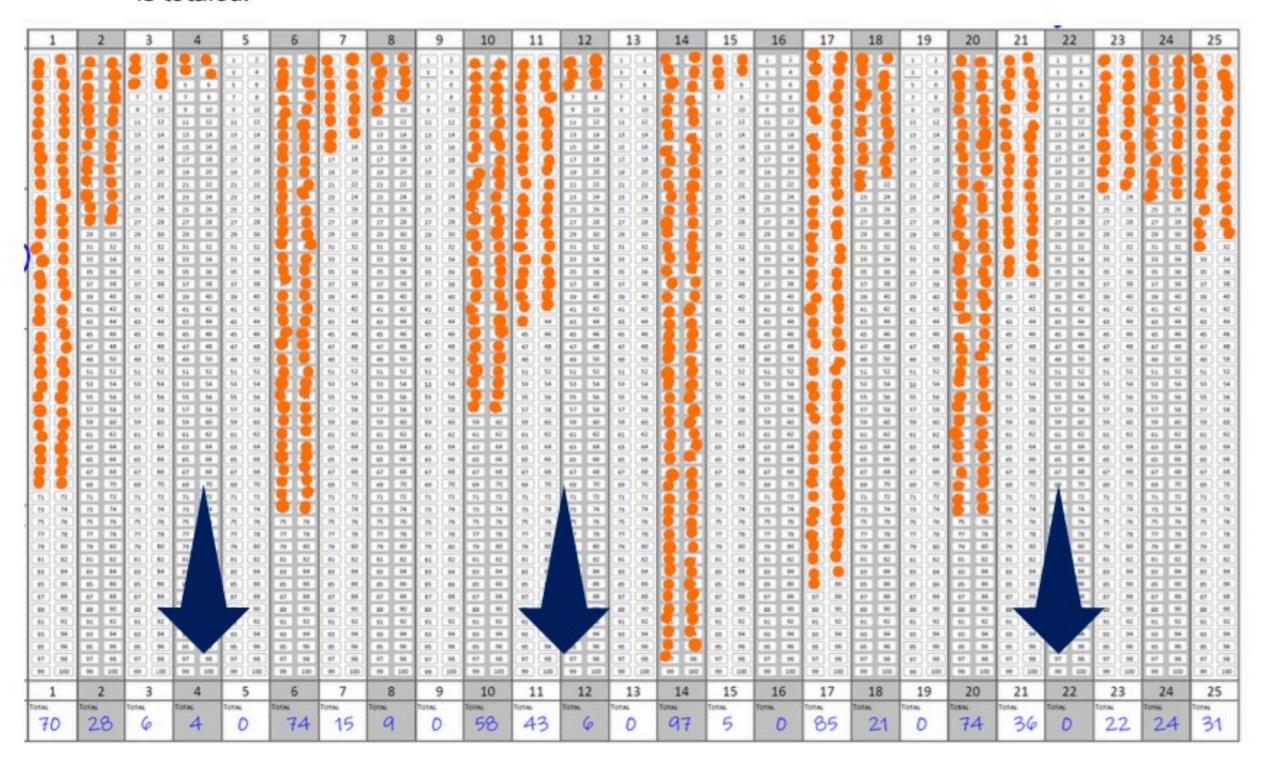
Note: If a batch is completed before the ballot box is empty, close the ballot box and leave it in its place at the counting table. At all times, a minimum of 2 Election Judges (1 REP, 1 DEM) must remain at the table with the ballot box and ensure there is no tampering.

Determine and Record Column Totals

For each column, find the last oval that was "dabbed." In the example to the left, the next visible number is 16, so that means the last number dabbed was 15, so 15 is the correct total for this column.

Record column totals in the Bottom Row Totals

When a batch is complete, the number of votes cast in the batch for each candidate or question is totaled.

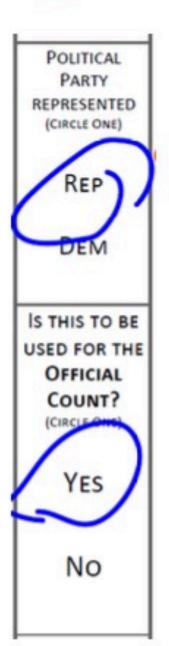


Row Total Sum

Calculate the sum of the totals and write it in the Row Total box on the left end of the row.



53 Ballots Tally form (example): Sum of row total



Recording Judges Must Agree on Totals

The Recording Judges compare the totals on each Group form from the batch. Follow the Clerk's guidelines on how to work out discrepancies.

Once the Recording Judges have reached an agreement, they decide which form (either the REP or DEM version) for each group will be submitted as "official."

- The "official" version will be placed in the Tally Book
- The "unofficial" version will be packed with the ballots.

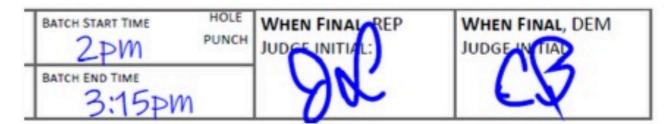
In the left sidebar, each Recording Judge marks their political affiliation on their own form.

Each Recording Judge marks YES or NO to indicate whether or not their Ballots Tally form is the official version.

55 Ballots Tally form (example): Recording Judges mark party affiliation and official status

Recording Judges Initial forms and Ending Time

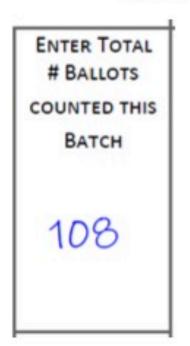
In the top right corner of the header row, the Recording Judges initial their own and each other's Ballots Tally forms. They also enter the time that the batch was completed.



54 Ballots Tally form (example): Recording Judges initial the forms and record the ending time of the batch.

Total Number of Ballots in Batch

The Counting Judges, together, will count the quantity of ballots for which votes had been called and tallied. The ballots to be counted are those in the piles for "Counted Ballots" and "Valid Write-Ins." (combine the 2 numbers for a total). When they agree on the total number of ballots, they announce the number to the Recording Judges who enter it in the top of the left sidebar of their Ballots Tally form.



Correcting Mistakes on the Ballots Tally form

Mistakes on the Top Header, Left Column, or Bottom Totals Row

Use a blue ballpoint pen to cross out mistakes to information in either the top header, left column, or bottom Totals Row.

Initial near the crossed-out mistakes without making any marks inside the tally area.

<u>Information Left Blank on the Front or Back Page of the Ballots Tally form</u>

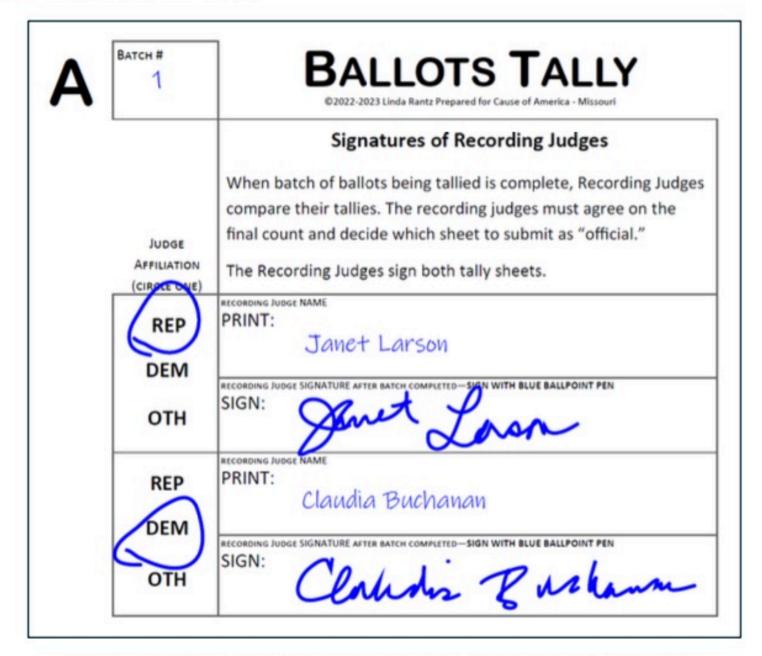
Election Judges return to complete.

Election Judge(s) forget to Sign or Initial Ballots Tally form

Election Judges return to sign or initial.

Signatures on the Ballots Tally form

For each Group form (i.e., A, B, Q.A, etc.), the Recording Judges sign the back of their own and each other's Ballots Tally form.



57 Ballots Tally form (example): the back of the form, signatures of Recording Judges

At this point, the only incomplete information on the Ballots Tally form is the Page Number and Row at the bottom of the left sidebar. That information will be completed in the next step, which is to transfer the Row Total to the Batches Summary sheet.

eManual pg 120

IF OFFICIAL,
COPY TOTALS TO
BATCHES
SUMMARY
A
THEN RECORD:
PG #:

Row #:

Statutes for Totals of Ballots Counted

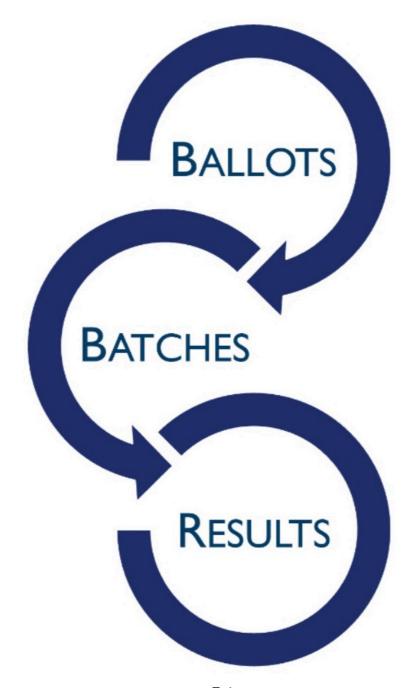
For Each Batch of Ballots, Compare Tallies, Agree on The Count:

When counting is completed (end of a batch), the 2 Recording Judges compare their tally totals. When they agree on the Count. They both sign each other's Ballots Tally form. (see pg. 236)

Write the Batch Totals on the Batches Summary sheet

For each batch completed, the Row Totals are written on the Batches Summary sheet

The Hand Counting Process: Ballots, Batches, Results



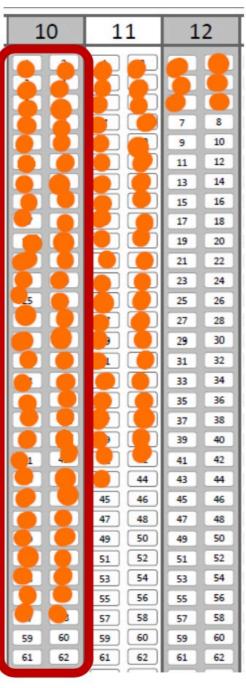




Batches Summary sheet

Α	or # Pos 4										Freedom PANN					Liberty HS The or Bacon (Surviva Section Assessed, Pro.) Election Day				11/8/2022 PURCH NOSE IN THE NO					
ara poste	-		<u>٠</u>			-	-	_	_													_		Ø	T
NOW #	1	2	- 3	4	5	6	1	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	ł
708	70	28	6	4	0	74	15	9	0	58	43	6	0	97	5	0	85	21	0	74	36	0	22	24	L
713	82	17	8	7	0	65	22	8	0	39	52	12	-1	96	14	0	79	24	0	81	28	0	24	26	I
ICH Tytel		100000		100							1000		,											26	t
699	64	30	3	3	1	93	14	6	0	41	36	7	0	98	7	0	68	32	0	62	41	0	31	35	ļ
637	59	28	3	4	0	69	14	4	0	26	27	13	1	99	10	0	76	38	0	65	16	0	31	26	ŀ
KOW Turnel	-			닏				<u>. </u>	_										ll l				_		ļ
- T																									ı
IOM Total	0 0										i c				Ϋ́						1 85				Γ
fore Time																									ł
	-				_				_												_		_		Į.
NOW THIS																									ı
KOW TUNE																									t
IOW Total									\vdash														\vdash		ł
				<u> </u>				L.			<u> </u>				Į.										L
OWTHE																									ı
IOWTotal															7										t
KOWTHW			-		_			li i	\vdash	- 3			-									1 .	-		ŀ
																									1
IOW Total																									Γ
1041/06															7										t
iow tuni					_																				1
																			II j					2	
IOW Turbal	-																		litti						ſ
Commune Total		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	İ
7 2757		102	20	18	1	301	65	27	0		158	38	2	390	36	0	308	115	O	282	121	D	108	111	ľ

Count a Batch of Ballots



eManual pg 72

16 Ballots Tally form: combine baseball pitch count with Bingo for an easy method of tallying votes

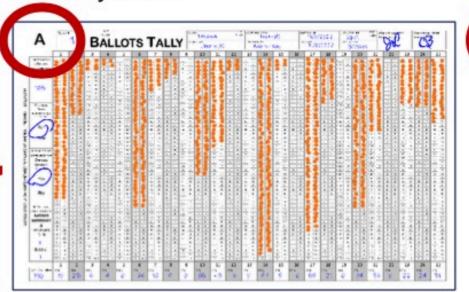


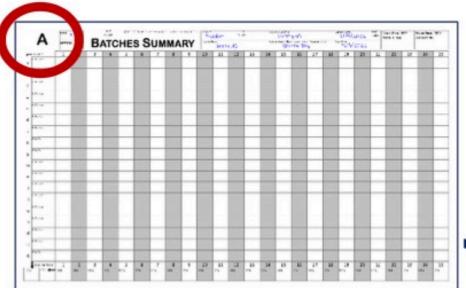


Column totals go a summary of batches

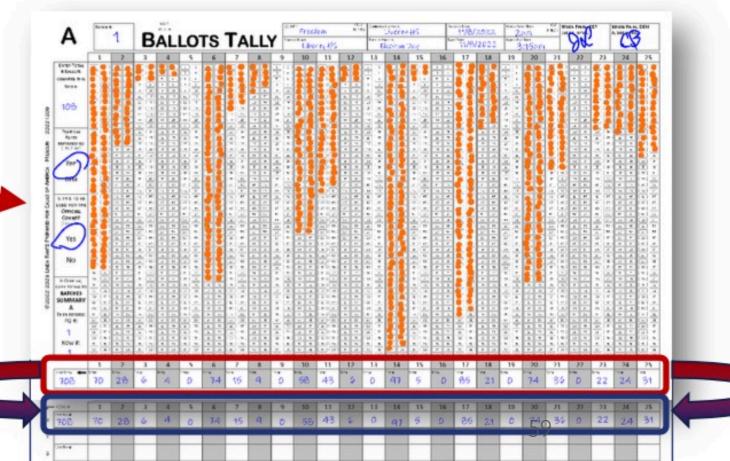
Record Batch Row Total to the Batches Summary sheet

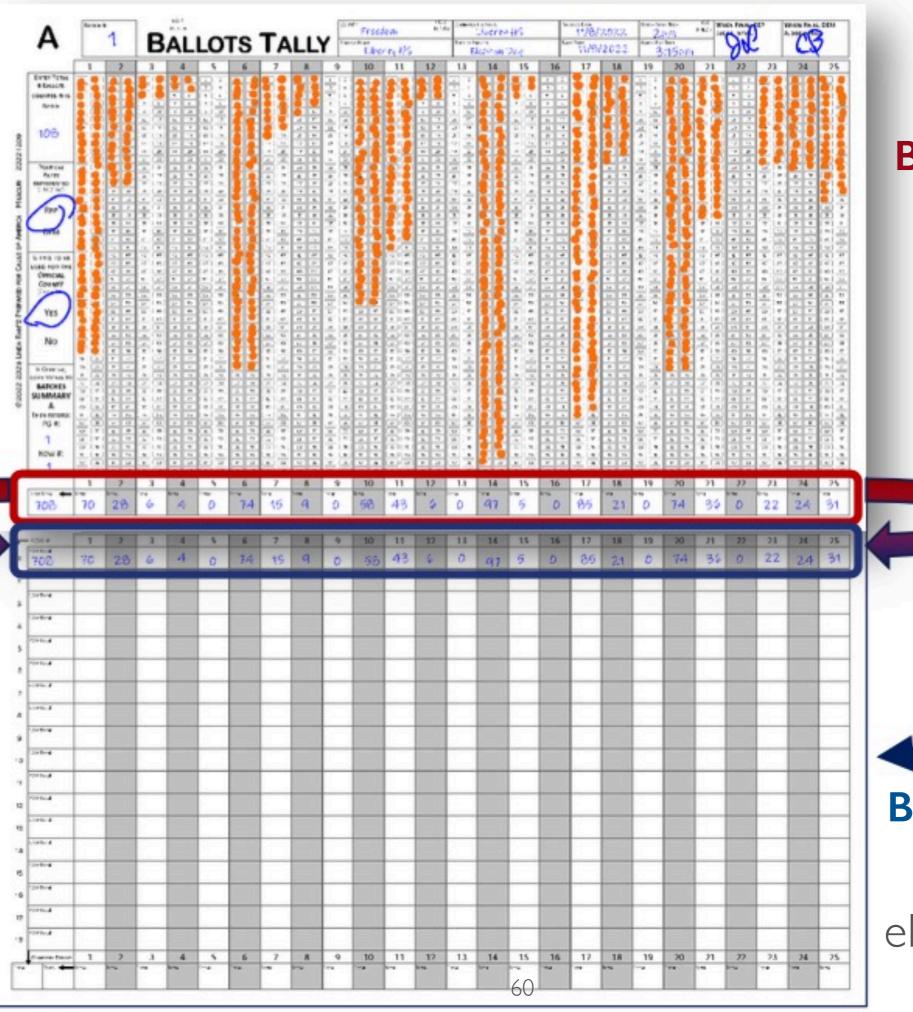
Using the version of the Ballots Tally form that the Recording Judges indicate as "official." Match the Group (e.g., A, B, C, etc.) of the Ballots Tally form to the corresponding Batches Summary sheet.





Overlap the sheets, Ballots Tally on top of Batches Summary, and copy the Row Total of the Ballot Tally onto the Batches Summary.





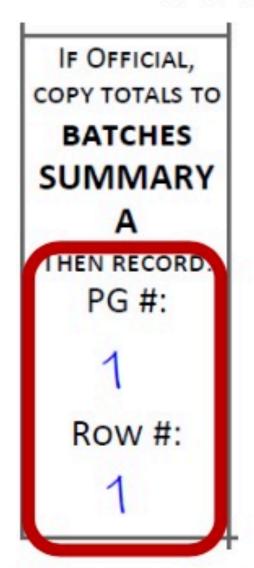
Ballots Tally

Batch Summary

Page and Row Numbers Written on Ballots Tally form

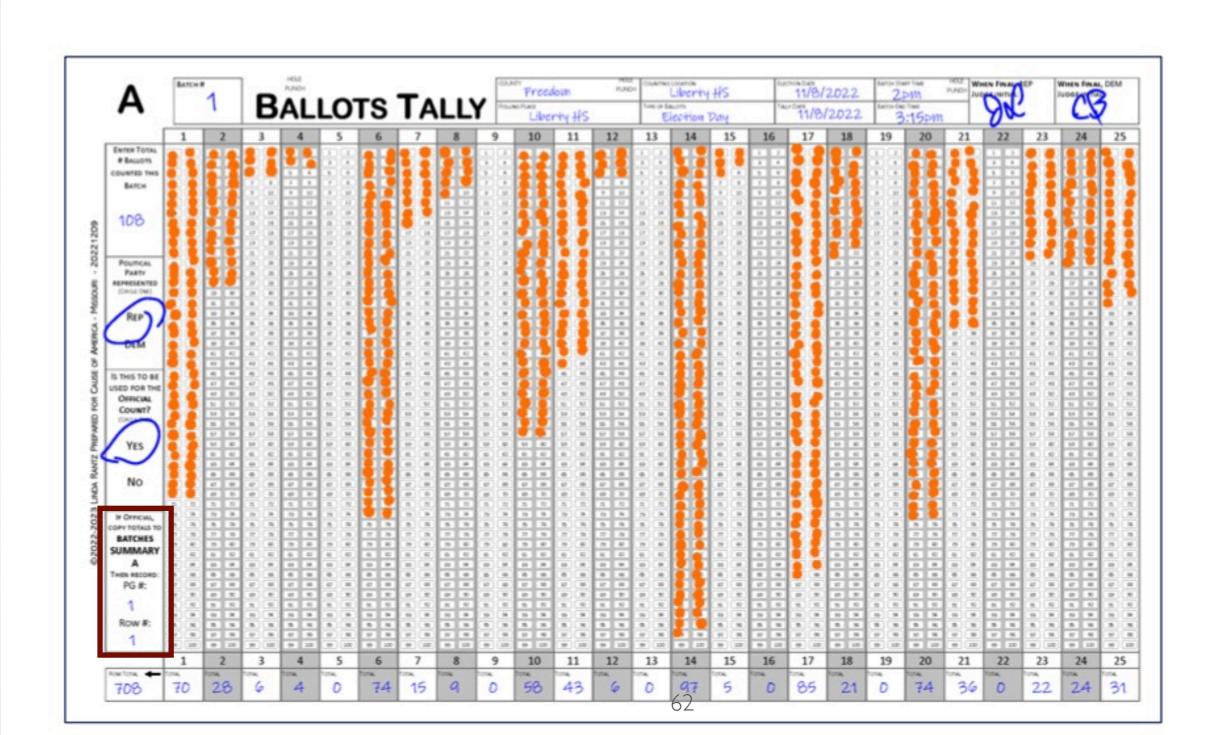
At the bottom of the left sidebar of the Ballots Tally form, write the page number and row number from the Batches Summary sheet where the totals were recorded.

The Ballots Tally form is placed in the Tally Book behind the Batches Summary sheet.



61 Ballots Tally form, enter the page and row number for Batches Summary sheet

Using the Ballots Tally form



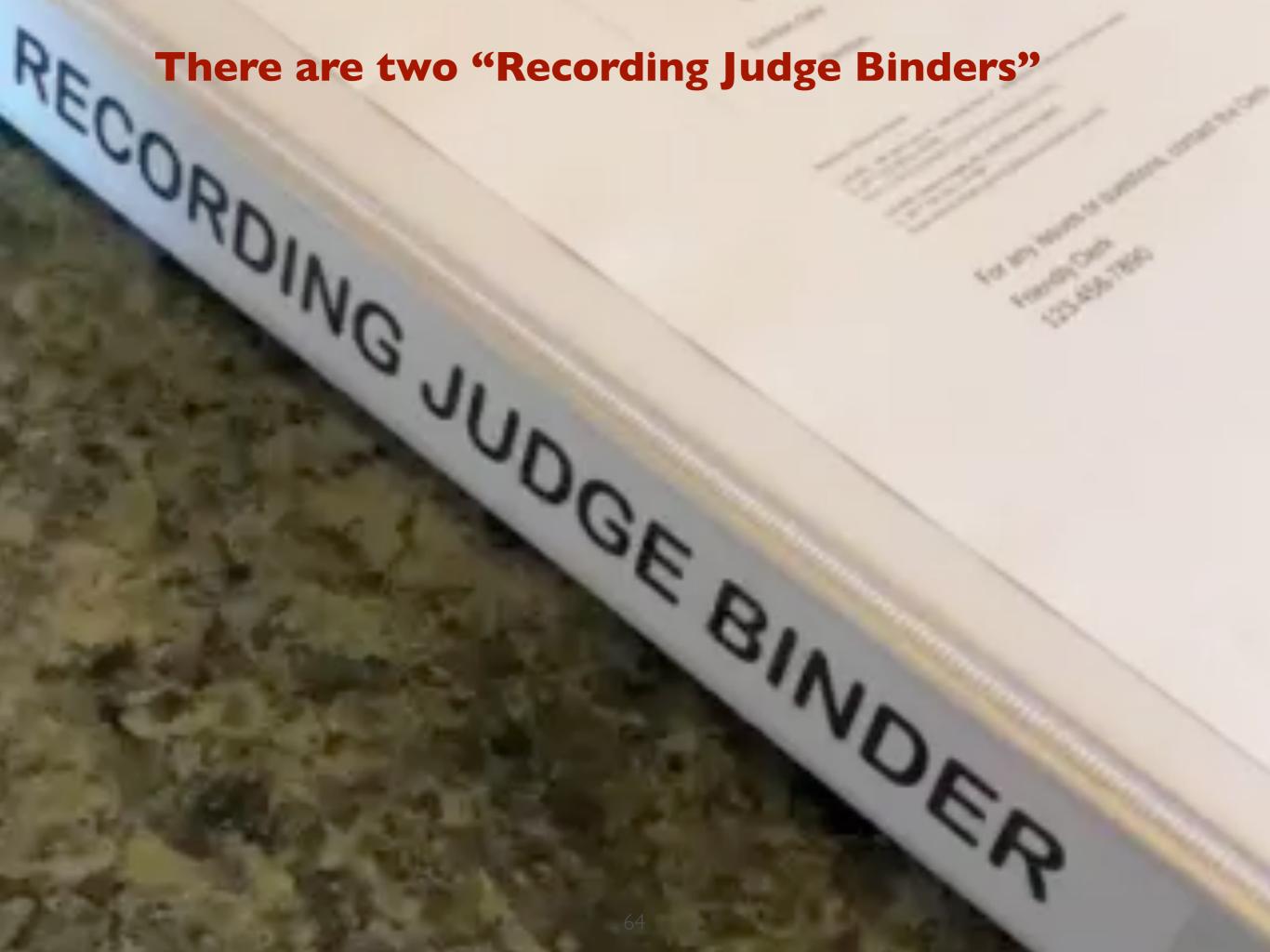
Transfer Tally Sheets to Batches Summary

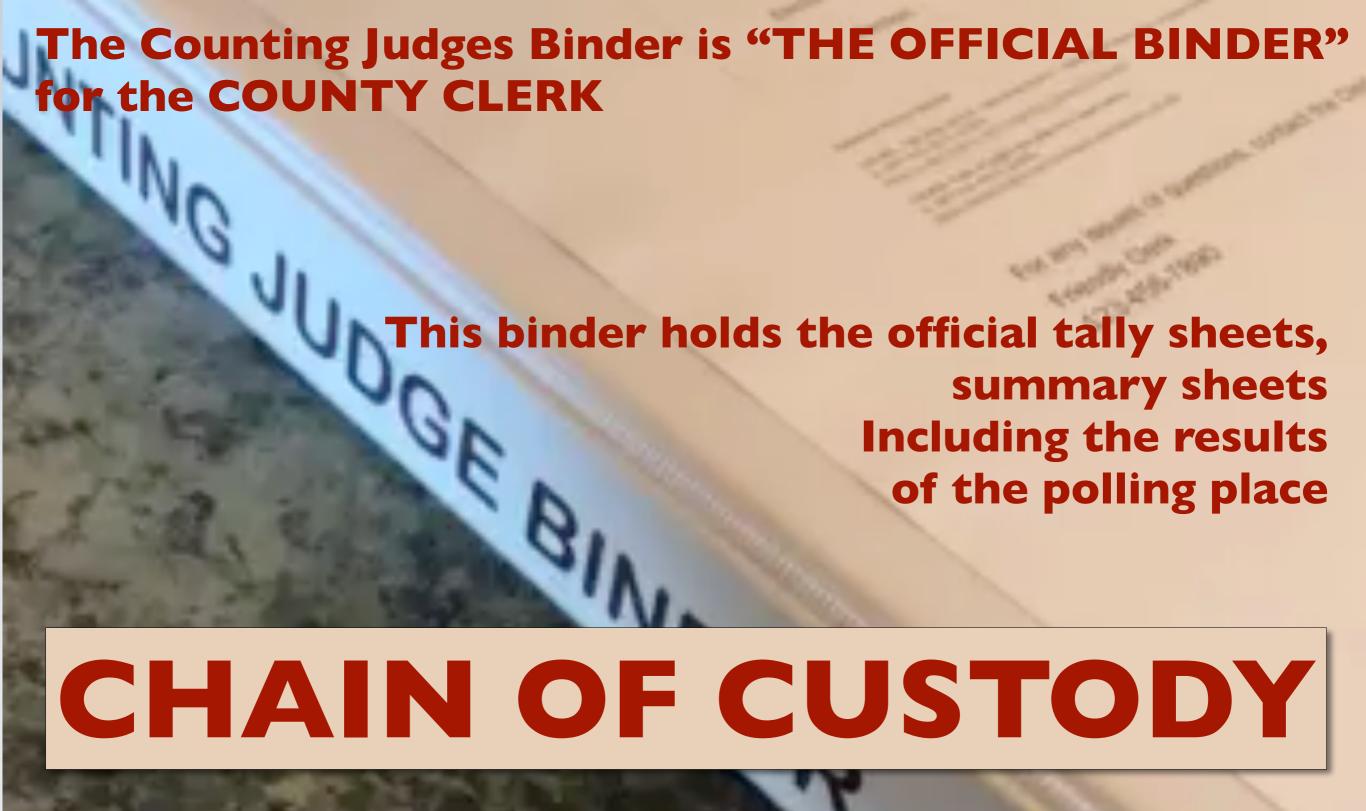
Now that we know how the **tally sheet** is filled out <u>after</u> a batch has been completed...

Let's show how the official tally sheet is then entered into the counting judges/county clerk's binder.

After **Recording Judges** have agreed on the <u>totals</u> and the **official tally sheets** (Group A, B, etc. QA, QB, etc) have been signed, those sheets are <u>removed</u> from the **Recording Judges Binder** and those totals are entered onto the **Batches Summary Sheet** located in in the **Counting Judges Binder**.

Once those <u>numbers are transferred</u>, those **Tally Sheets** are placed behind the **Batches Summary Sheets** in the official binder aka Counting Judges/County Clerks Binder.





Transfer Tally Sheets to Batches Summary

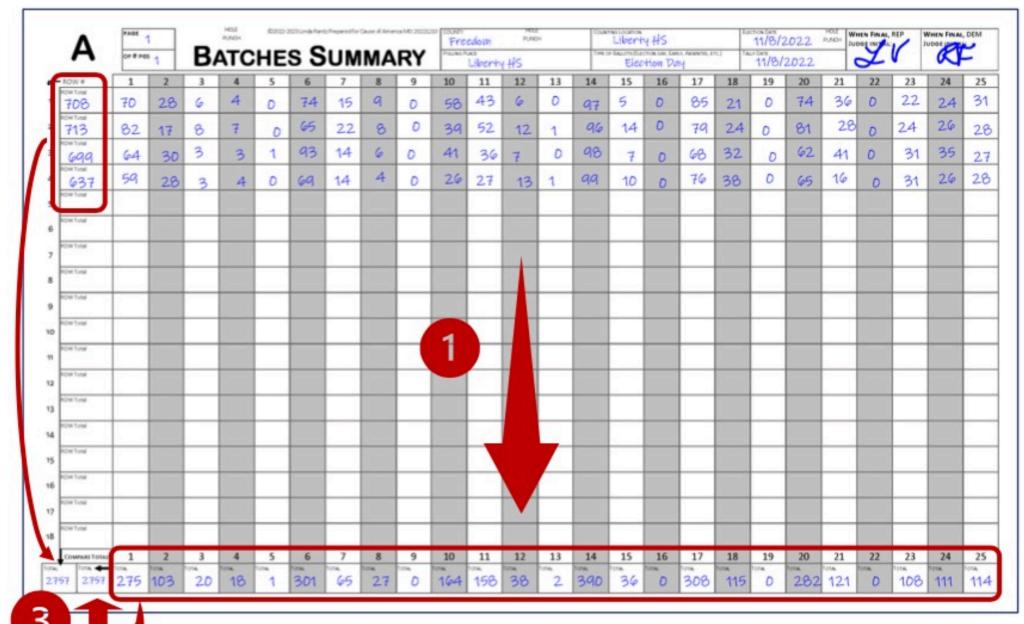
The un-official Tally Sheets at the end of the day are kept with the envelopes of counted, write-in and rejected ballots.

After Final Batch, Sum & Reconciliation

After final batch is recorded, using a calculator, Recording Judges run the following calculations:

- 1. SUM of each column
- 2. SUM of the bottom row of column totals
- SUM of the left column of Row Totals

The totals of items 2 and 3 must match.



Finalize the Batches Summary sheets

Recording Judges Initial and Sign

When the Recording Judges agree on the totals, both will:

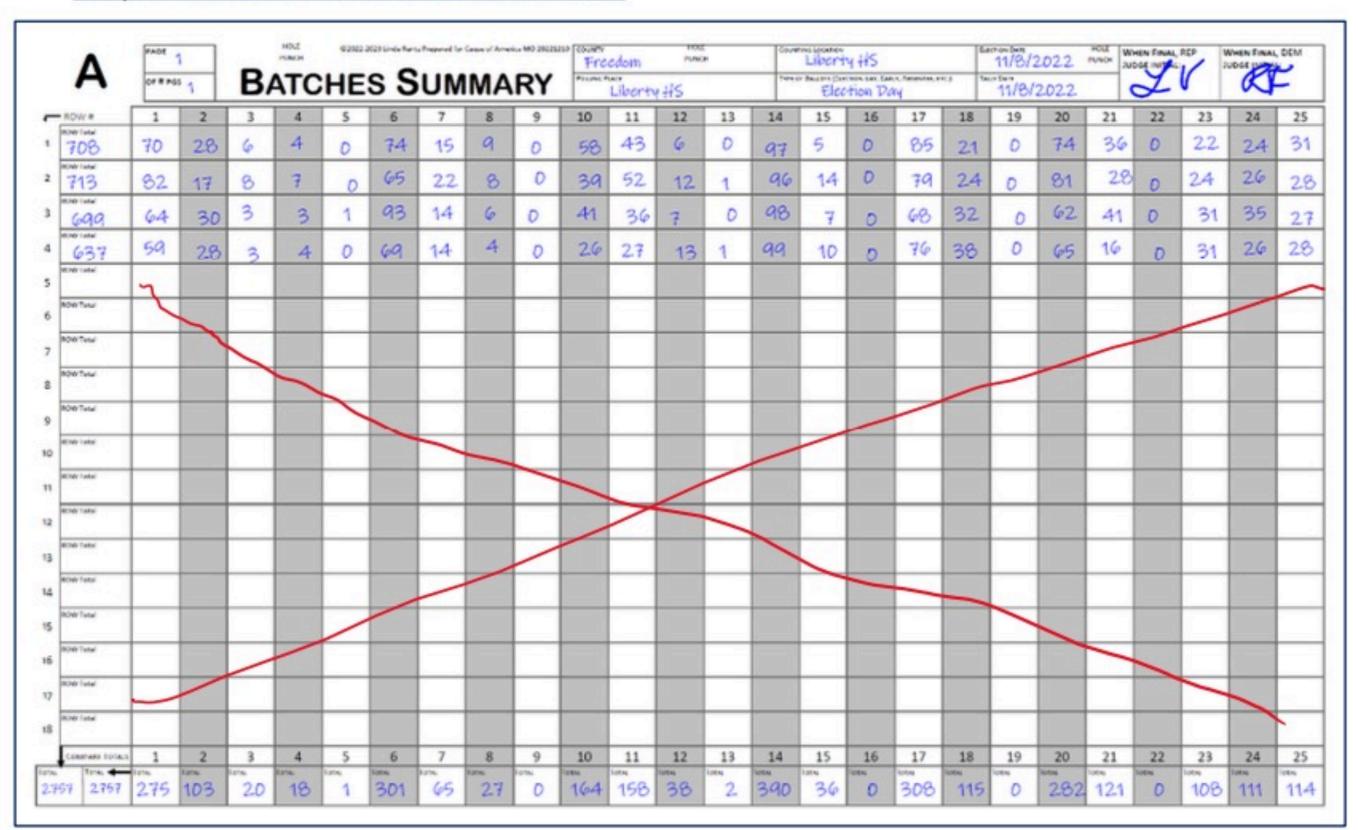
- Initial the front side of the sheet in the upper right corner; and,
- · Sign the back of the sheet.



63 Batches Summary (example): Election Judges initial top-right corner, front page

	© 2022-2023 Linda Rantz Prepared for Cause of America - Missouri
	Signatures of Recording Judges
	At the completion of each Ballots Tally, the totals are entered onto this Batches Summary. When counting of ballots is
AFFILIATION (CIRCLE ONE)	completed and all Ballots Tally sheets are recorded on this Summary, Recording Judges sign this Batches Summary sheet
REP	PRINT: Lana Vengell
ОТН	SIGN:
REP	PRINT: Richmond Fields
DEM	RECORDING JUDGE SIGNATURE AFTER BATCH COMPLETED—SIGN WITH BLUE BALLPOINT PEN
отн	SIGN: A TIMA

Any unused rows are crossed out.

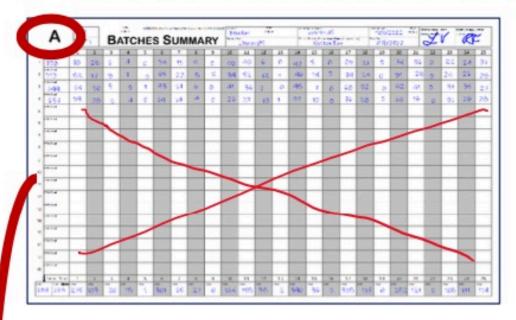


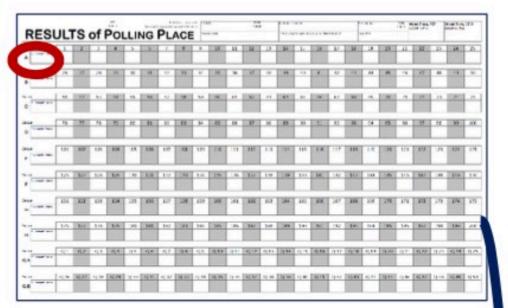
Figuring Results of Polling Place eManual pg 129

				RADI	DK Proprietly Case of America NO 2020200						n	P.740		Liberty #S					Nov B.	22	DO BATTLE	HEN FINAL, DOE OUTUAL		WHEN FINAL, DEM PLOGE INITIAL:		
ESL	ULTS of Po				OLLING PLACE						Liberty HS					Election Day					2.5			6		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
1	275	103	20	18	1	301	65	27	0	164	158	38	2	390	36	0	308	115	0	282	121	0	108	111	11	
	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	-427	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	-6	
1	4	209	99	75	12	209	217	0	404	0	418	0	379	4	401	6	t	\sim					_			
ONE	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	7	
	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	10	
IONE	70 0			-																						
NONE	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	1	
ONE	126	127	128	129	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	1	
	151	152	153	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	173	174	1	
IONE																									L	
IONE	176	177	178	179	180	181	182	183	184	185	186	187	188	189	190	191	192	193	194	195	196	197	198	199	21	
Tanah lara	Q.1	Q,2	Q.3	Q.4	Q,5	Q.6	Q.7	Q.8	Q.9	Q.10	Q.11	Q.12	Q.13	Q.14	Q.15	Q.16	Q.17	Q.18	Q.19	Q.20	0,21	Q,22	(Q2)	0.24	0	
1	360	58	25	406	118	302	111	275	210	211	416	5	389	26	275	105	299	112	318	107	390	26	<			
	Q.26	Q.27	Q.28	0,29	Q.30	0.31	Q.32	Q.33	Q.34	Q.35	Q.36	Q.37	Q,38	Q.39	Q.40	Q.41	Q.42	Q.43	0.44	0,45	0,46	Q.47	Q.48	Q.49	Q	

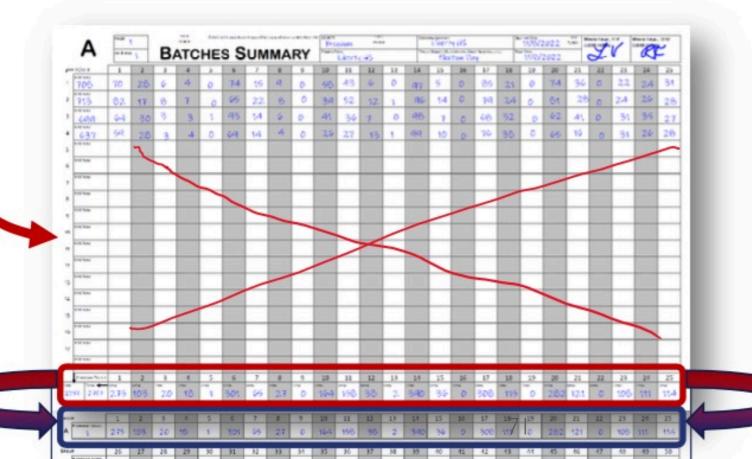
Post Batches Summary totals to Results of Polling Place

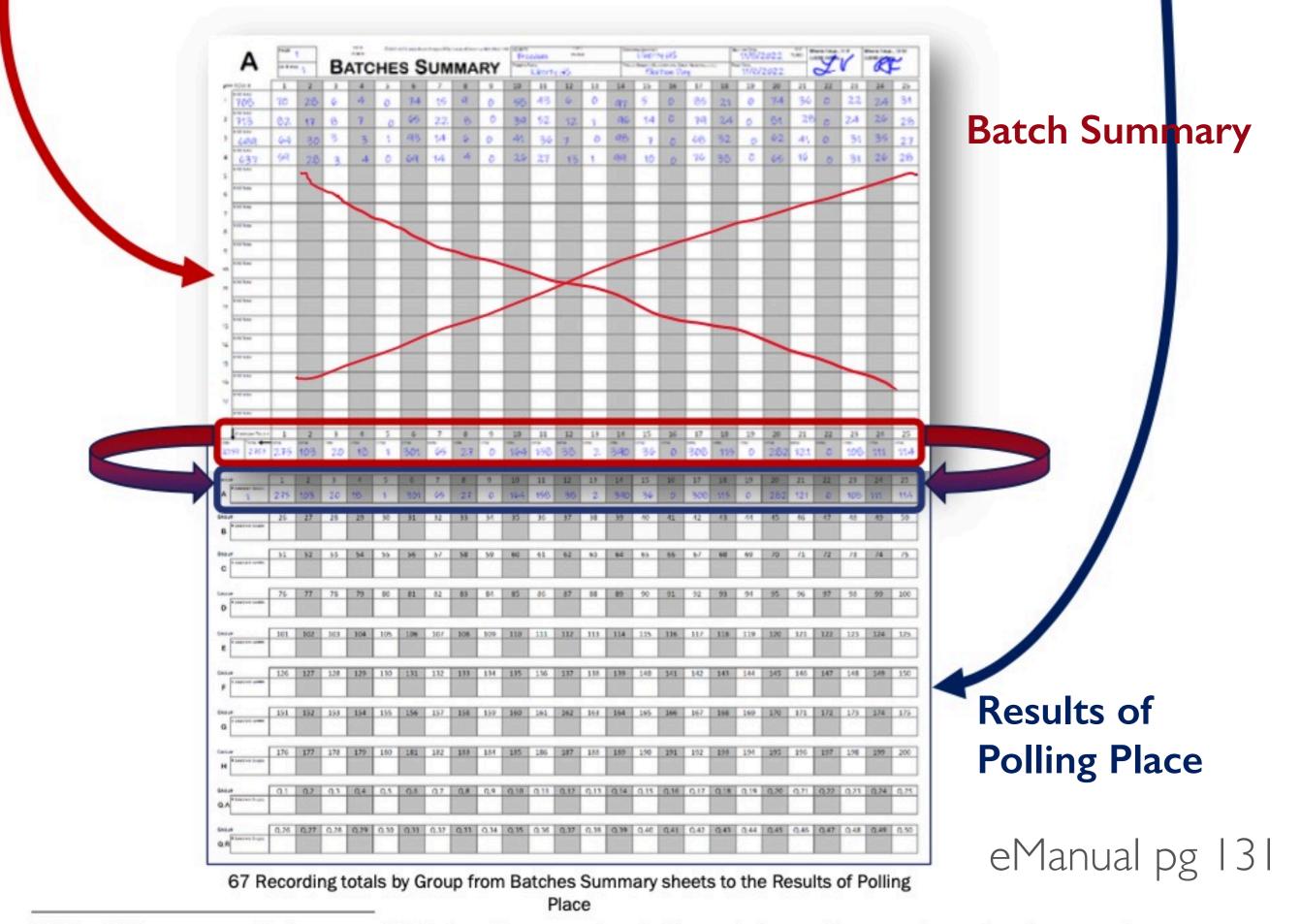
Using the Batches Summary sheet for each Group, match the Group (e.g., A, B, C, etc.) to the corresponding row on the Results of Polling Place report (both forms are in the Tally Book).⁶





Overlap the sheets, Batches Summary on top of the Results of Polling Place, align the Batches Summary Row Totals to the corresponding Group on the Results of Polling Place, and copy the Row Total from the Batches Summary to the Results.





⁶ Note: If there are multiple pages of Batches Summary sheets for each Group, the sum for each column must be calculated from the pages and then entered on the Results of Polling Place worksheet.

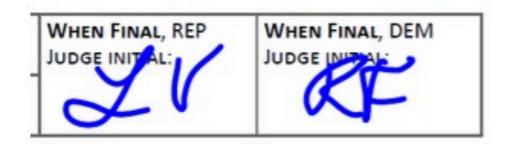
HOLE HOLE POLLING PLACE ©2022-2023 Linda Rantz COUNTY **PUNCH** Prepared for Cause of America MO 20221209 **PUNCH RESULTS of POLLING PLACE** POLLING PLACE TYPE OF BALLOTS (ELECTION DAY, EARLY, ABSENTEE, ETC.) GROUP # SUMMARY SHEETS GROUP # SUMMARY SHEETS В GROUP # SUMMARY SHEETS C GROUP # SUMMARY SHEETS D GROUP # SUMMARY SHEETS E GROUP # SUMMARY SHEETS GROUP # SUMMARY SHEETS G GROUP # SUMMARY SHEETS Н Q.1 Q.2 Q.5 Q.7 Q.9 Q.11 Q.12 Q.13 Q.14 Q.15 Q.18 Q.3 Q.6 Q.8 Q.10 Q.16 Q.17 GROUP Q.4 # SUMMARY SHEETS Q.A

Finalize the Results of Polling Place Worksheet

eManual pg 131

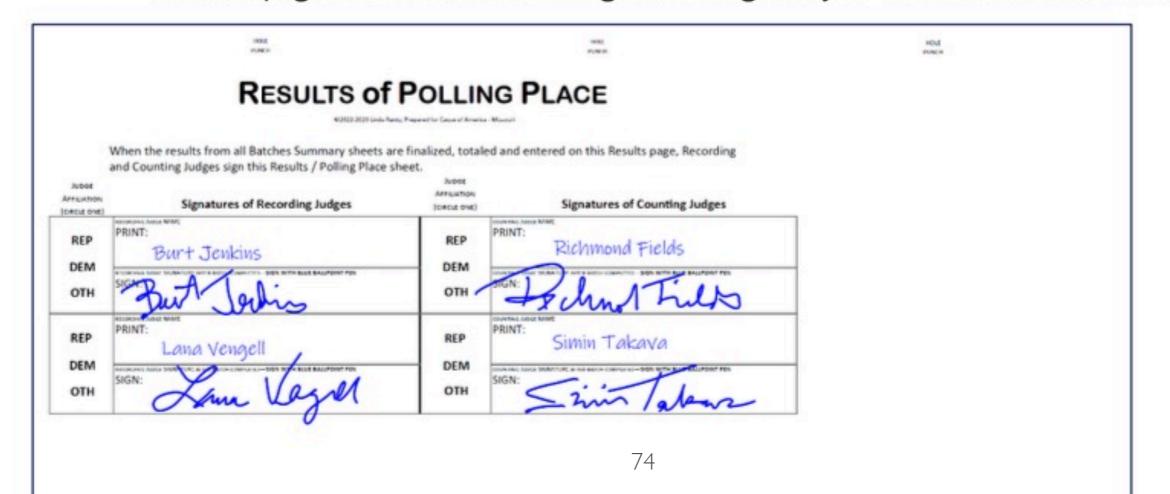
Recording Judges Initial Front Page

When all totals have been entered on the Results of Polling Place worksheets, the Recording Judges initial in the upper right corner of the front page.



Recording and Counting Judges sign Back Page

The back page of the Results of Polling Place is signed by all 4 members of the Counting Team.

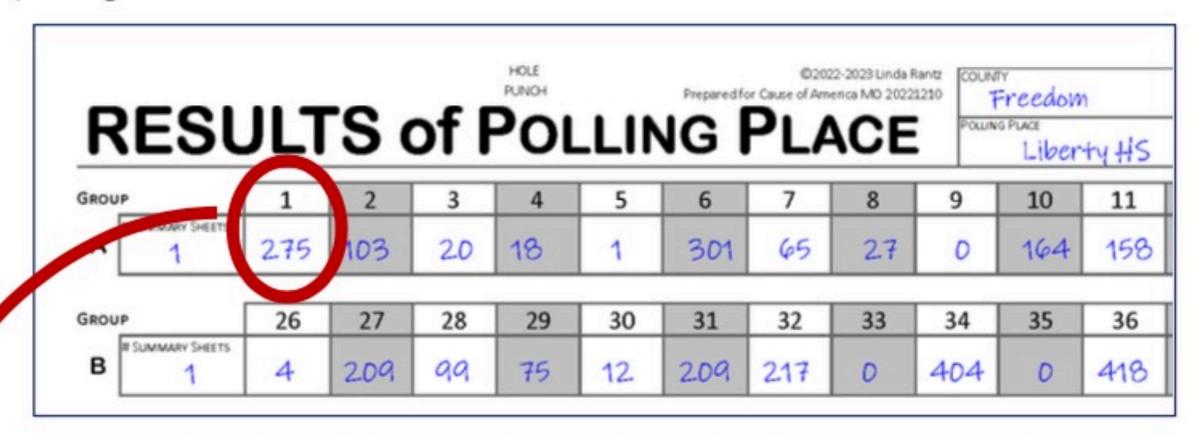


Copy Final Results to Statement of Returns

The Statement of Returns – Candidates and the Statement of Returns – Questions are in the Tally Book in the Poll Closing section.

The column numbers on the Results of Polling Place correspond to the Ballot ID numbers in the left column of the Statement of Returns.

Recording and Counting Judges copy the vote tallies from the Results of Polling Place to the corresponding Ballot ID on the Statement of Returns.



70 Results of Polling Place (example): screenshot of results written on the row for Group A

eManual pg 133

Statement of Returns & Certification

County	POLING PLACE	ELECTION	ELECTION DATE
FREEDOM	LIBERTY HS	GENERAL	NOV. 8, 2022

STATEMENT OF RETURNS - CANDIDATES

Statement of Returns – Candidates – We hereby certify that:

1	VOILS CAST:	FOR CANDIDATE:	FOR ONLICE ON:	
Г	275	JAMES HEIRSON		
	103	ANDREW CARLSON		
1	2.0	MARGARET BILLINGTON	United State Senator	
4	18	WES REMISINGER		
5	1	Write-in		
6	301	HOLLY KESTREL		
7	46	CYNTHIA BRAZELL	United State Representative	
8	2.7	JOSEPH GARLAND	District 8	
9	0	Write-In	1	
10	164	RACHEL ANDERSON		
15	198	PEDRO ARROYO	1000000	
12	36	BOB WESTERSON	State Auditor	
13	2	Write-in		
4	390	LIAM GRELLS		
15	34	OLIVIA HUTTELS	State Rep. Dist. 025	
6	0	Wilterin		
7	308	BRAD JENSEN		
18	115	ELIJAH PANCILIJ	State Rep. Dist. 119	
9	0	Write-In		
20	282	HEATHER INGLES		
21	121	EMMA GENONS	Associate Circuit Judge	
22	0	Writein	-	
23	108	JOACAN DANIELS	-	
4	111	CHARLOTTE WIJEINSON	Presiding Commissioner	
25	114	AMEUA FETTERMAN		
26	4	Write-in		
27	209	BETHANY GLBERT	_	
-	0,0		-	
28		JAMES MOXENDE	Clerk of the County Commission	
29	76	LUCAS CONSTELL	-	
10	12	Write-In	_	
15	2.08	RANDAUL QUINCE	4-25-25-2	
5	217	AVA RINCER	Circuit Court Clark	
13	0	Write-in		
14	404	HAROLD HARRISON	Recorder of Deeds	
15	0	Write-In		
16	418	PRESTON WRIGHT	Treasurer	
17	0	Write-In		
18	379	BLAKE JENSTON	Prosecuting Attorney	
10	4	Write-in	-	
60	401	JANET BECK	Collector of Revenue	
1	6	Write-in		
2			1	
3	1			
4				
15	1			
46				
47				
48				
49				
0				

eManual pg 132

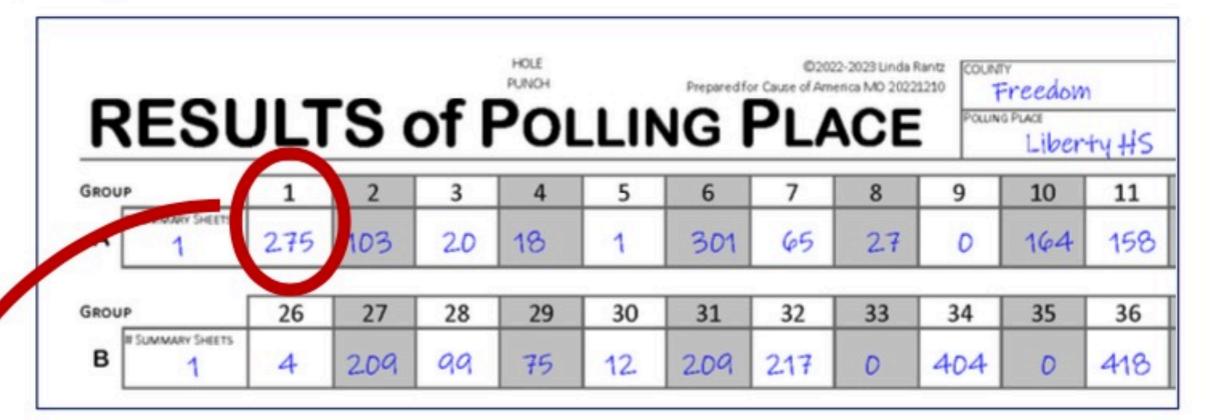
Statement of Returns & Certification eManual pg 150

COUNTY POLLING PLACE ELECTION ELECTION DATE
FREEDOM LIBERTY HS GENERAL NOV. 8, 2022

STATEMENT OF RETURNS - CANDIDATES

Statement of Returns - Candidates - We hereby certify that:

BALLOT ID	VOTES CAST:	FOR CANDIDATE:	FOR OFFICE OF:
1	275	JAMES HEIRSON	
2	103	ANDREW CARLSON	
3	2.0	MARGARET BILLINGTON	United State Senator
4	18	WES REMISINGER	
5	1	Write-in	
6	301	HOLLY KESTREL	
7	65	CYNTHIA BRAZELL	United State Representative
8	27	JOSEPH GARLAND	District 3
9	0	Write-in	
10	164	RACHEL/ANDERSON	
11	158	PEDRO ARROYO	State Auditor



70 Results of Polling Place (example): screenshot of results written on the row for Group A

eManual pg 133

COUNTY	POLLING PLACE	ELECTION	ELECTION DATE
FREEDOM	LIBERTY HS	GENERAL	NOV. 8, 2022

STATEMENT OF RETURNS - CANDIDATES

Statement of Returns - Candidates - We hereby certify that:

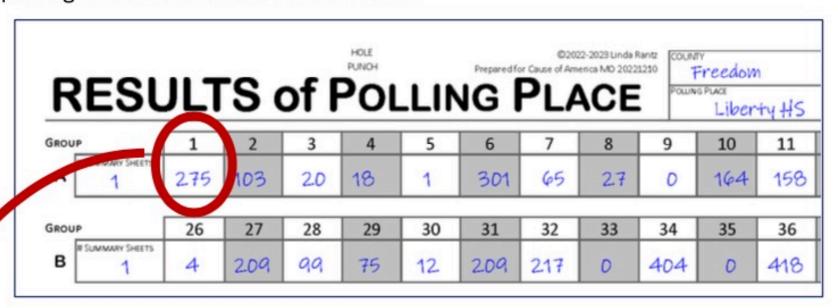
1			FOR OFFICE OF:
-	275	JAMES HEIRSON	
	100	ANDREW CARLSON	
3	20	MARGARET BILLINGTON	United State Senator
4	18	WES REMISINGER	
5	1	Write-in	
6	301	HOLLY KESTREL	
7	65	CYNTHIA BRAZELL	United State Representative

Copy Final Results to Statement of Returns

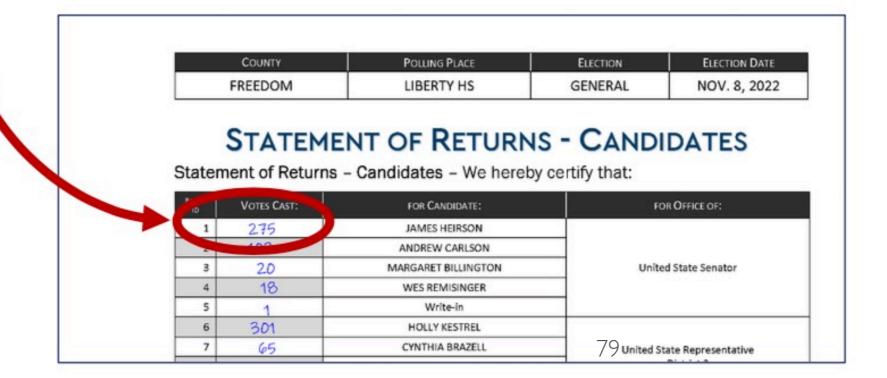
The Statement of Returns – Candidates and the Statement of Returns – Questions are in the Tally Book in the Poll Closing section.

The column numbers on the Results of Polling Place correspond to the Ballot ID numbers in the left column of the Statement of Returns.

Recording and Counting Judges copy the vote tallies from the Results of Polling Place to the corresponding Ballot ID on the Statement of Returns.



70 Results of Polling Place (example): screenshot of results written on the row for Group A



eManual pg 133

Record Totals for Candidates & Questions



Column totals of batches are finalized and recorded on Statement of Returns for Candidates and Questions

10	164	RACHEL ANDERSON	
11	158	PEDRO ARROYO	State Auditor
12	38	BOB WESTERSON	State Auditor
13	2	Write-in	

20 Statement of Returns: totals are transferred from Results of Polling Place, once confirmed, and signed by judges

eManual pg 76

Sign the Certification of Statement of Returns

Four members of the counting team(s) sign the Certification of the Statement of Returns.

COUNTY	POLLING PLAC	E	ELECTION	ELECTION DAT
FREEDOM	LIBERTY H	s	GENERAL	NOV. 8, 202
	TON OF STATEME			
We, the duly qualified an named, held on the date				the election abo
do hereby certify that the				
and consisting of a total				
return of all votes cast at	this polling place for a	all candida	tes.	
JUDGE		JUDGE		
(CIRCLE ONE) Signatures (of Recording Judges	(CIRCLE ONE)	Signatures of	Counting Judges
RECORDING JUDGE NAME PRINT:		T	COUNTING JUDGE NAME PRINT:	
Lana Ve	enaell	REP	Richmond:	Fields
RECORDING JUDGE SIGNATURE—\$	IGN WITH BLUE BALLPOINT PEN	DEM	COUNTING JUDGE SIGNATURE—SIGN WITH	•
OTH SIGN:	Vagel	отн	SIGN fue Com	Field
RECORDING JUDGE NAME PRINT:	•		COUNTING JUDGE NAME PRINT:	
REP Burt 3	tenkins	REP	Simin Ta	kaya
DEM	The state of the s	DEM	COUNTING JUDGE SIGNATURE—SIGN WITH	
RECORDING JUDGE SIGNATURE—S	IGIA VALLE DE CE CALLE CHALLE			

COUNTY	POLLING PLACE	ELECTION	ELECTION DATE

STATEMENT OF RETURNS - QUESTIONS

Statement of Returns - Questions - We hereby certify that:

Baself	VOTES CAST:	FOR OR AGAINST:	FOR QUESTION:
0.1		For (YES)	
Q.2		Against (NO)	
Q.3		For (YES)	
0.4		Against (NO)	
Q. 5		For (YES)	
Q.6	3 3	Against (NO)	
Q.7	2	For (YES)	
Q.8		Against (NO)	
Q. 9	3 3	For (YES)	
Q. 10		Against (NO)	
Q. 11		For (YES)	
Q. 12		Against (NO)	
Q. 13		For (YES)	
Q. 14		Against (NO)	
Q. 15		For (YES)	
Q. 16		Against (NO)	
Q. 17		For (YES)	
Q. 18		Against (NO)	
Q. 19		For (YES)	
Q. 20		Against (NO)	
Q. 21		For (YES)	
Q. 22		Against (NO)	
Q. 23		For (YES)	
Q. 24		Against (NO)	
Q. 25	. 0	For (YES)	
Q. 26	3 J	Against (NO)	82
Q. 27		For (YES)	

Sign the Certification of Statement of Returns

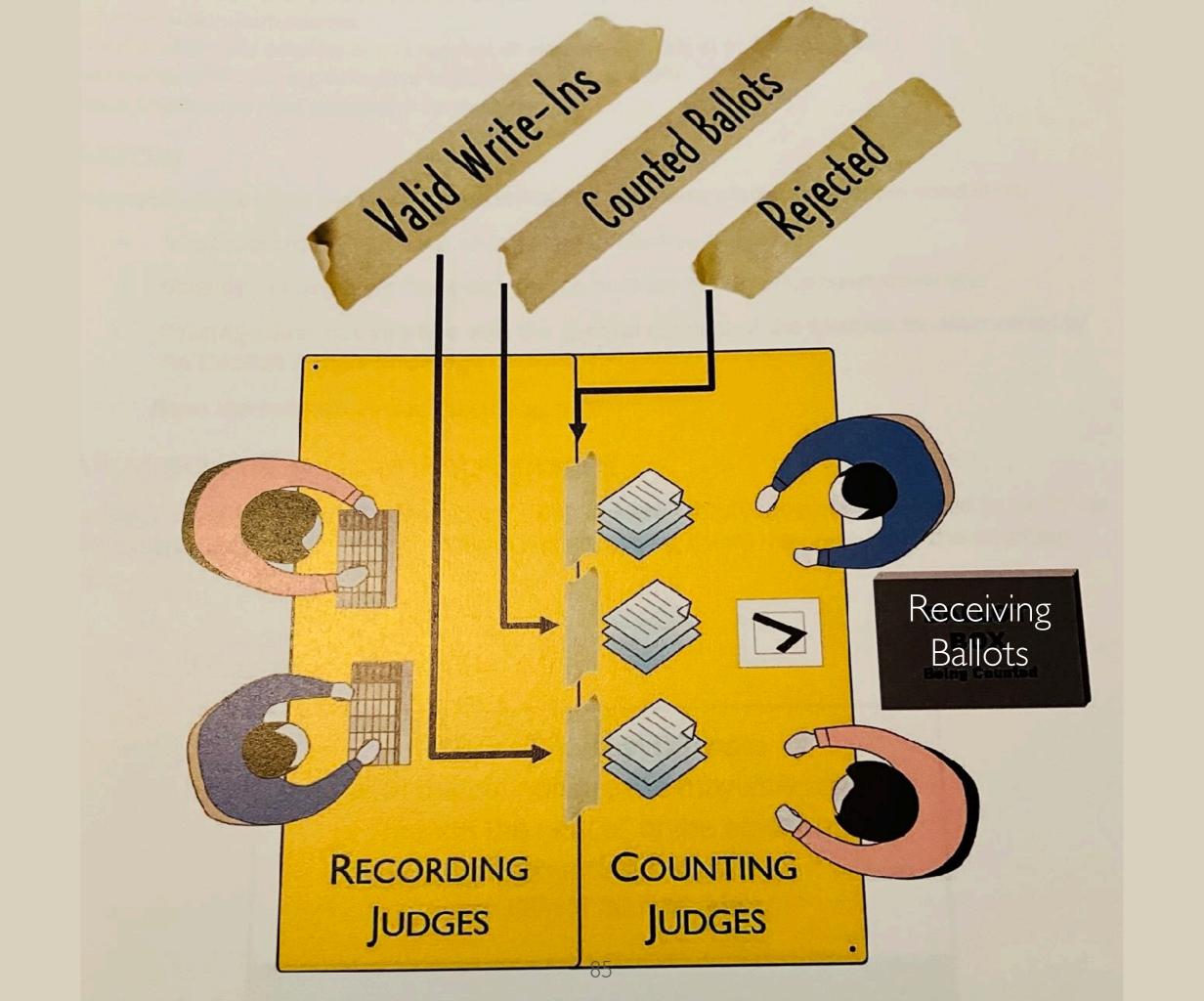
Four members of the counting team(s) sign the Certification of the Statement of Returns.

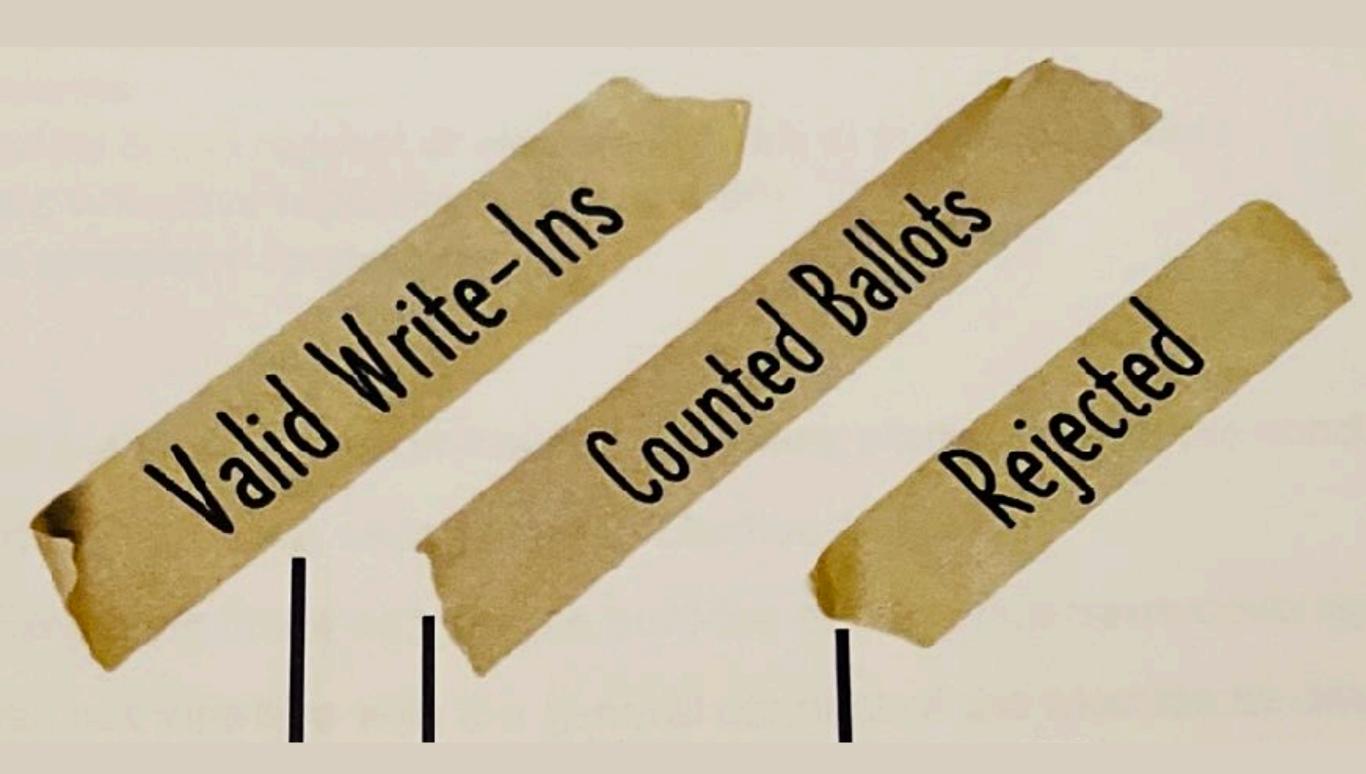
	POLLING PLACE	ļ.	ELECTION	ELECTION DATE
FREEDOM	LIBERTY HS		GENERAL	NOV. 8, 202
			RETURNS - Que	
We, the duly qualified and named, held on the date a			The state of the s	the election abo , Misso
do hereby certify that the				
and consisting of a total of	70 N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N			
return of all votes cast at t				
JUDGE AFFILIATION		JUDGE AFFILIATION		
(CIRCLE ONE) Signatures of	Recording Judges	(CIRCLE ONE)	Signatures of (Counting Judges
RECORDING JUDGE NAME PRINT:			COUNTING JUDGE NAME PRINT:	
Lana Ver	naell	REP	Richmond 7	Fields
DEM RECORDING JUDGE SIGNATURE—SIGN		DEM	COUNTING JUDGE SIGNATURE—SIGN WITH	The state of the s
OTH SIGN:	- 41	ОТН	SIGN	
June	Lagos		the know	- College
RECORDING JUDGE NAME PRINT:			COUNTING JUDGE NAME PRINT:	
Burt Je	enkins	REP	Simin Ta	Lava
DEM RECORDING JUDGE SIGNATURE—SIGN	Santa Tut subtract Team	DEM	COUNTING JUDGE SIGNATURE—SIGN WITH	
OTH SIGN:		отн	SIGN:	_

County Clerks creates a Duplicate Set of Statement of Returns and Certifications

Two copies of the Statement of Returns for Candidates and Questions, along with the Certifications signed by the Election Judges, need to be created.

When ballots and other election items are returned to the clerk, they are returned separately by Election Judges, each of whom will have a set of Statement of Returns and Certifications.





Counted Ballots

A "counted ballot" is one on which votes were cast and counted on some or all the candidates and questions races without any valid write-in candidates.

When the ballot has been read by the Counting Judges and tallied by the Recording Judges, place it on the pile on the counting table labeled, "Counted Ballots."



40 "Counted Ballots" masking tape example

Rejected Ballots

A ballot is considered rejected if:

- it is missing initials of Election Judges; or,
- it is overvoted ALL candidates and questions; or,
- the voter is deemed to be unqualified by Election Judges; or,
- it is an absentee ballot without a completed and signed affidavit; or,
- the ballot was voted with unlawful assistance.

When the Counting Judges deem a ballot to be Rejected, it is placed on a pile on the counting table near the label, "Rejected."



Ballots

Spoiled Ballot

A "spoiled ballot" is a ballot accidentally spoiled by the voter, who takes it to an Election Judge and has it replaced.

Defective Ballot

When ballots are hand counted, a "defective ballot" is what would be called an "overvote" in that the votes cast for a candidate or question exceeded what was allowed by law.

Rejected Ballot

- A "rejected ballot" is a ballot for which no votes are counted for any candidate or questions, because:
- the initials of proper Election Judges are missing;
- the number of votes for all office and on all questions exceed the number authorized by law; or,
- because the ballot was voted with unlawful assistance.

A ballot cannot be rejected because it had fewer marks on it than authorized by law. (

Valid Vote for a Write-In Candidate

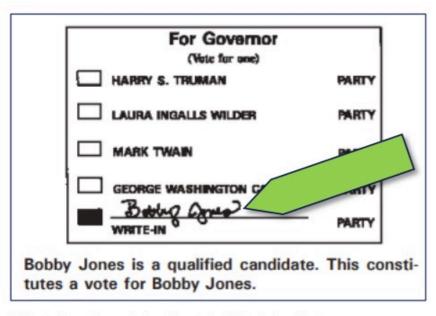
To be considered as a write-in candidate, the candidate must have filed a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate with the proper election authority.

If that was properly accomplished, the candidate will appear on the list of authorized write-in candidates given by the Clerk to the Election Judges with their supplies.

If a candidate is an authorized write-in candidate, then the following criteria must <u>all</u> be present for a vote for a write-in candidate to be considered valid.

- distinguishing mark in the square adjacent to the name of the candidate;
- name of the candidate (misspelled does not disqualify, needs only to be similar);
- name of the office for which the candidate is to be elected.

Example of Valid Vote for Write-In Candidate





42 Arrow Flags: example of product type

43 Voter Intent (example): valid vote for Write-In Candidate

"Flag" Valid Write-In Candidates

If a valid vote is cast for a write-in candidate, place a removable arrow "flag" pointing directly at the name of the candidate. This will make it possible for the team that counts write-in votes to quickly identify which write-in candidates were counted at the polling place.

Ballots with Valid Write-In Candidates are Kept Separate

Continue calling votes for other candidates and questions on the ballot with the write-in candidate. When the tallying for this ballot is complete, place it on the counting table next to the tape for "Valid Write-Ins."



eManual pg 109

Secure Ballots from Counting Table

After the Ballots Tally form totals are transferred and the forms are completed, the batch of ballots and tally sheets should be secured.

Rejected Ballots

"Rejected" ballots are added to the envelope marked "rejected ballots" which should be on the Counting Table. Only 1 envelope is used for the entire day for rejected ballots.

Valid Write-In Ballots

Take a "Valid Write-In Envelope" provided by the Clerk. Complete the information on the envelope's label, which includes Counting, Counting Location, Election Date, Tally Date, Batch, etc.

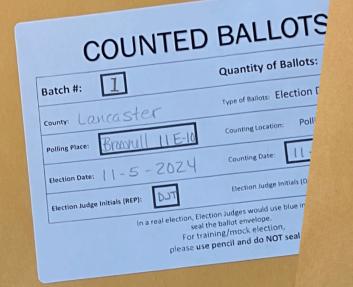
Count the quantity of ballots from the batch in the Valid Write-in pile on the counting table. Enter the quantity on the label, place the ballots in the envelope and close the envelope.

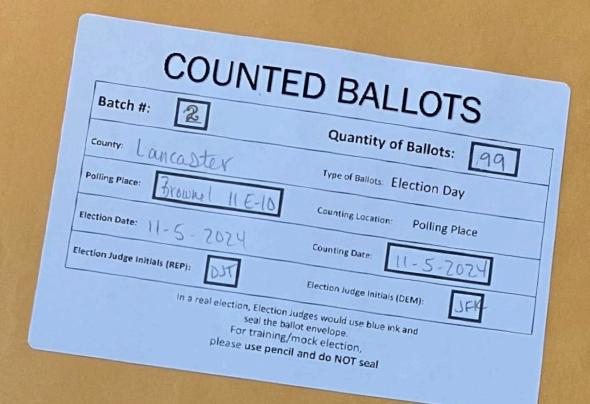
<u>Unofficial Version of Ballots Tally form</u>

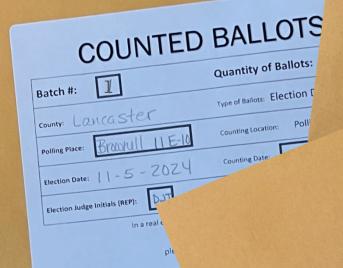
The Counted Ballots, including Valid Write-in Ballots in the envelope, and the <u>unofficial</u> copy of the Ballots Tally form are "bound" as instructed by the Clerk (e.g., large binder clip) and held in the secure container or space designated for voted ballots.

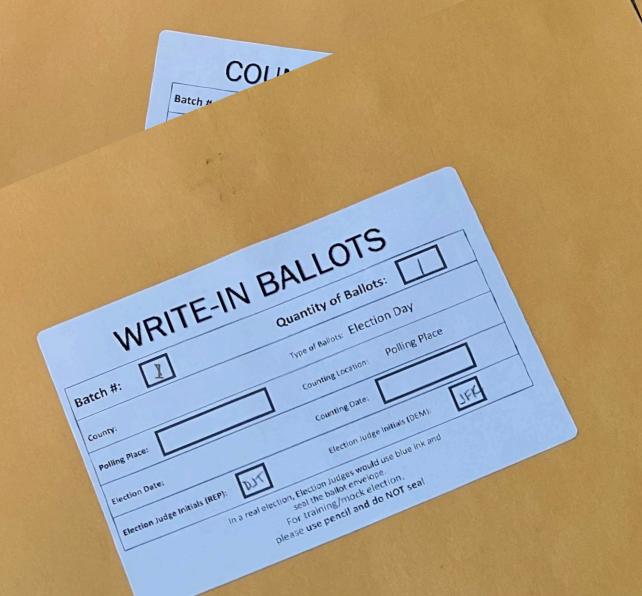
Official Version of Ballots Tally form

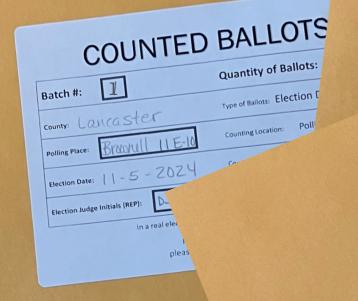
	DALLOTS
COUNTED	BALLO10
Batch #: 1	Quantity of Ballots: 5 Type of Ballots: Election Day Precinct
county: Lancaster	Type of Ballots: Electronic Polling Place
Polling Place: Bravall [1 E-10	Counting Date: 11 - 5 - 2024
Election Date: -5 - 2024	Election Judge Initials (DEM):
Election Judge Initials (REP):	on Judges would use blue ink and
seal the For train please use t	e ballot election, ling/mock election, pencil and do NOT seal





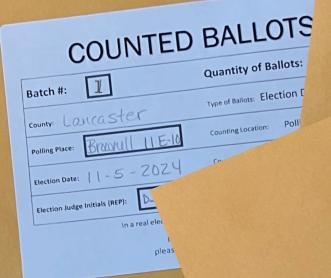








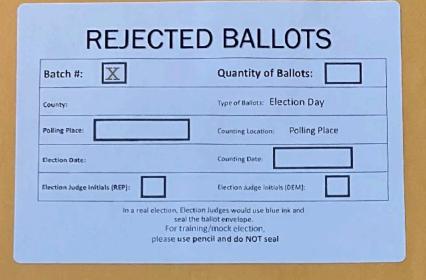
WR	ITE-IN BALLOTS
Batch #: 2	BALLOTS
County:	Quantity of Ballots:
Polling Place:	Type of Ballots: Election Day
Election Date:	Counting Location: Polling Place
Election Judge Initials (REP):	Counting Date:
	Election Judge Initials (DEM):
Plea	seal the ballot envelope. See use pencil and do NOT seal
	o.i zeal







7	VRIT	LE-IN	-
Batch #:			
Politing Pi		initials (REP): D	al al



COUNTED BALLOTS

Batch #: 1 /	Quantity of Ballots: 6
county: Lancaster	Type of Ballots: Election Day Precinct
Polling Place: Brawull 11E-10	Counting Location: Polling Place
Election Date: 11-5-2024	Counting Date: 11-5-2024
Election Judge Initials (REP):	Election Judge Initials (DEM);

In a real election, Election Judges would use blue ink and seal the ballot envelope.

For training/mock election, please use pencil and do NOT seal

Poll Closing Certification

COUNTY	POILING PLACE	ELECTION	Election Date
FREEDOM	LIBERTY HS	GENERAL	NOV. 8, 2022

CERTIFICATION OF BALLOT COUNTS

After the poll has closed and the counting of votes cast is complete, the below-named Election Judges were present and certify as follows:



The number of ballots received at this polling place is

650

The number of identification certificates signed at this polling place is

432

The number of rejected ballots at this polling place is

4

The number of spoiled ballots at this polling place is

2

The number of ballots received at this polling place which were not cast at this election is

212

ELECTION JUDGE NAME (PRINT)	AFFILIATION (CIRCLE ONE)	ELECTION JUDGE SIGNATURE
Claudia Buchanan	REP (DEM) OTH	Clardin Brokena
1921	0	/

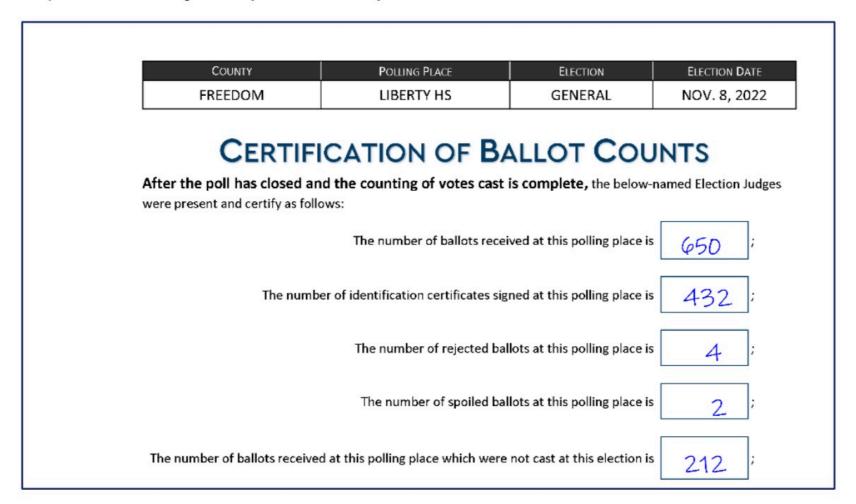
At 8pm or as soon as the final voter who was in line at 8pm has cast their ballot. The polling place is considered closed.

Reconciling Ballot Quantities

The Counting Team determines the quantity of counted ballots (which includes Valid Write-in Ballots) and Rejected Ballots.

Certification of Ballot Counts

Working with the Supervisory Judges who determine the number of spoiled ballots and unused (not cast) ballots, they complete the top section of the Certification of Ballot Counts.



74 Certification of Ballot Counts (example): ballot quantities entered

eManual pg 136

<u>Signature of Election Judges at Closing of Polling Place</u>

COUNTY	POILING PLACE	ELECTION	ELECTION DATE
FREEDOM	LIBERTY HS	GENERAL	NOV. 8, 2022

CERTIFICATION OF BALLOT COUNTS

After the poll has closed and the counting of votes cast is complete, the below-named Election Judges were present and certify as follows:

	_		_
	The number of ballots received at this polling place is	650] ;
Т	he number of identification certificates signed at this polling place is	432];
	The number of rejected ballots at this polling place is	4];
	The number of spoiled ballots at this polling place is	2];
The number of ballot	is received at this polling place which were not cast at this election is	212	;

ELECTION JUDGE NAME (PRINT)	AFFILIATION (GROLE ONE)	ELECTION JUDGE SIGNATURE
Claudia Buchanan	REP (DEM) CITH	Clarkin Brokena
Ginger Sullivan	REP DEM OTH	Congre Gullion
Richmond Fields	REP DEM DTH	River Fields
Andre Rees	СЕРОЕМ СТН	Charles Con
Betty Wishton	RDP DEM COH	Bothy Widow
Simin Takava	ССРОСМ ОТН	Sain toture
Harrison Besting	REP DEM OTH	Harrison Bestin
Lana Vegell	REP DEM DTH	Jana Vengell
	REP DEM CTH	
	REP DEM DIR	100

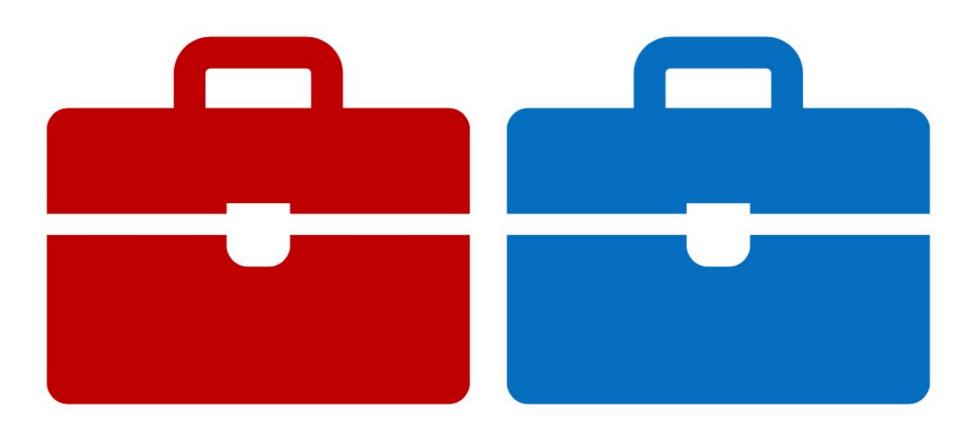
Manual pg 136

<u>Signature of Election Judges at Closing of Polling Place</u>

When all information has been entered into the Tally Book, all Election Judges who are present at the conclusion sign the Poll Closed Certification. There are spaces for 12 Election Judges, so if others are still present, they do not need to sign.

ELECTION JUDGE NAME (PRINT)	AFFILIATION (GROLE ONE)	ELECTION JUDGE SIGNATURE
Claudia Buchanan	REP (DEM) DTH	Clarkin Brokena
Ginger Sullivan	REP DEM OTH	Congre Gullion
Richmond Fields	REP DEM DTH	Rime Fields
Andre Rees	REP DEM DTH	dohe Ros
Betty Wishton	RDP DEM CTH	Betty Wishton
Simin Takava	RDP DEM DTH	Sain tofuse
Harrison Besting	REP DEM DTH	Harrison Bestin
Lana Vegell	REP DEM DTH	Hava Venzell
	REP DEM DIN	

Return Ballots & Tally Book to Clerk



eManual pg 78

One Election Judge returns the Tally Book and forms to the Clerk,

Another Election Judge returns the ballots and the unofficial tally forms to the Clerk.

The Clerk then combines the results from the county onto a spreadsheet.

The final step of the day is sending the county results to the SoS.

SAFE * SECURE * TRANSPARENT

For All Americans

eManual pg 65

Results

When polls are closed and all ballots are counted and tabulated, the calculations are done and entered on the Results worksheet. The bipartisan team of counting judges reviews and double-checks results again. When the agreement is reached on the results, the Statement of Returns is completed, and the Certification is signed by the Election Judges.



Anyone still at the polling place will see the results, which offers transparency.

One Election Judge returns the Tally Book and forms to the Clerk, another returns the ballots.

All the Clerk needs to do when receiving ballots and results from polling places is to combine the results into county-wide results (probably on a spreadsheet). No more USB drives or flash cards to download into a PC and print results pages. That's all done.

The final step of the day is sending the county results to the Secretary of State.

Results

When polls are closed and all ballots are counted and tabulated, the calculations are done and entered on the Results worksheet. The bipartisan team of counting judges reviews and double-checks results again. When the agreement is reached on the results, the Statement of Returns is completed, and the Certification is signed by the Election Judges.



Anyone still at the polling place will see the results, which offers transparency.

One Election Judge returns the Tally Book and forms to the Clerk, another returns the ballots.

All the Clerk needs to do when receiving ballots and results from polling places is to combine the results into county-wide results (probably on a spreadsheet). No more USB drives or flash cards to download into a PC and print results pages. That's all done.

The final step of the day is sending the county results to the Secretary of State.

Sort Ballots and Election Materials

Following the Clerk's instructions for returning ballots and other election materials by the Supervisory Judges, the Counting Team sorts, as follows:

Group 1: Items to Return to Clerk

- All counted ballots (including Valid Write-In ballots) are organized as described on pg. 125.
- A duplicate set of Statement of Returns and Certifications as described on pg. 134.

Group 2: Items to Return to Clerk

Tally Book (this contains copies of tally sheets, statements of returns, and certifications)

Group 3: Pack Supplies for Return to Clerk

Repack any ballot boxes, the small table, and supplies.

Work with the Supervisory Judges to hand over Counting Team items.

Security and Controls

There are multiple inherent controls in hand counting.

- 1. Sharpies bleed, photoshopped and printed ballots do not!
- 2. What color Sharpie is used can be a control
- Initials & signatures are hard to duplicate when on the front and back of documents
- 4. Fingerprints are holistic evidence and not on counterfeit documents
- Team swapping and observers

It is Extremely Important to get better Hand Counting laws in place to Secure Our Elections!



Voter Accuracy Project is a great place to

GET CONNECTED

for

Legislation here in Nebraska!

Hand Counting Sessions Available

Moving forward in 2024 zoom sessions as well as in-person sessions Will be available upon request ONLY.

or email me at

NeReturnToHandCounting@gmail.com



Hand Count Summary

- · It Saves Time
- It Saves Money
- Can Produce Election Day Results
- Fully Transparent & Secure
- Hand Counting is Easy!



www.25kMIA.US







If you are fighting for election integrity YOU ARE A SUPERHERO!!!

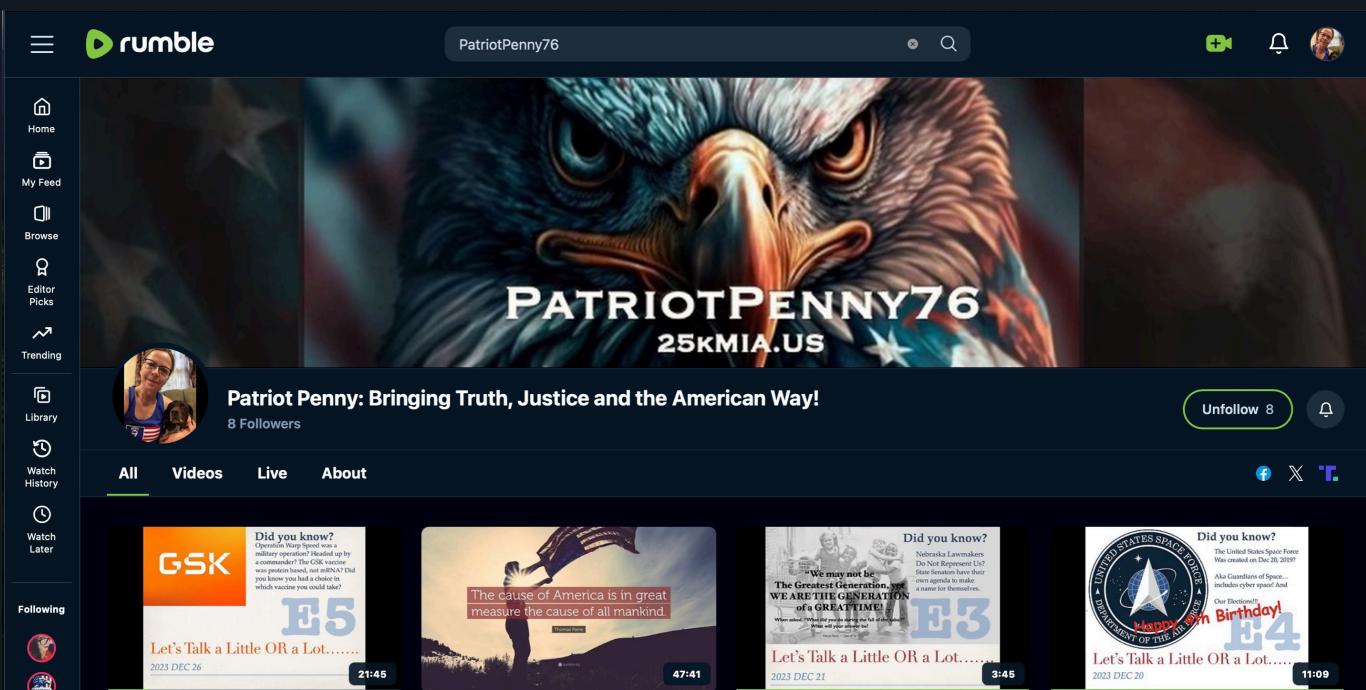
.....and fighting criminals is a full time gig!

So if you want us to create a Recording Judge Binder as well as a Mock County Clerk Binder, we would love to serve you and your county by putting together these binders for the cost of supplies.



Ballots in Nebraska

www.25kMIA.US



Let's Talk a Little OR a Lot... E3 Are we

11 days ago • 9 views

being represented here in our Nebrask...

Let's Talk a Little OR a Lot... E4

11 days ago • 36 views

Hand Counting Paper Chain of Custody

(48min)

9 days ago • 12 views

Let's Talk a Little OR a Lot... E5 "Tweets,

GSK & Gaslighting"

6 days ago • 13 views

RSBN



TACTICAL CIVICS

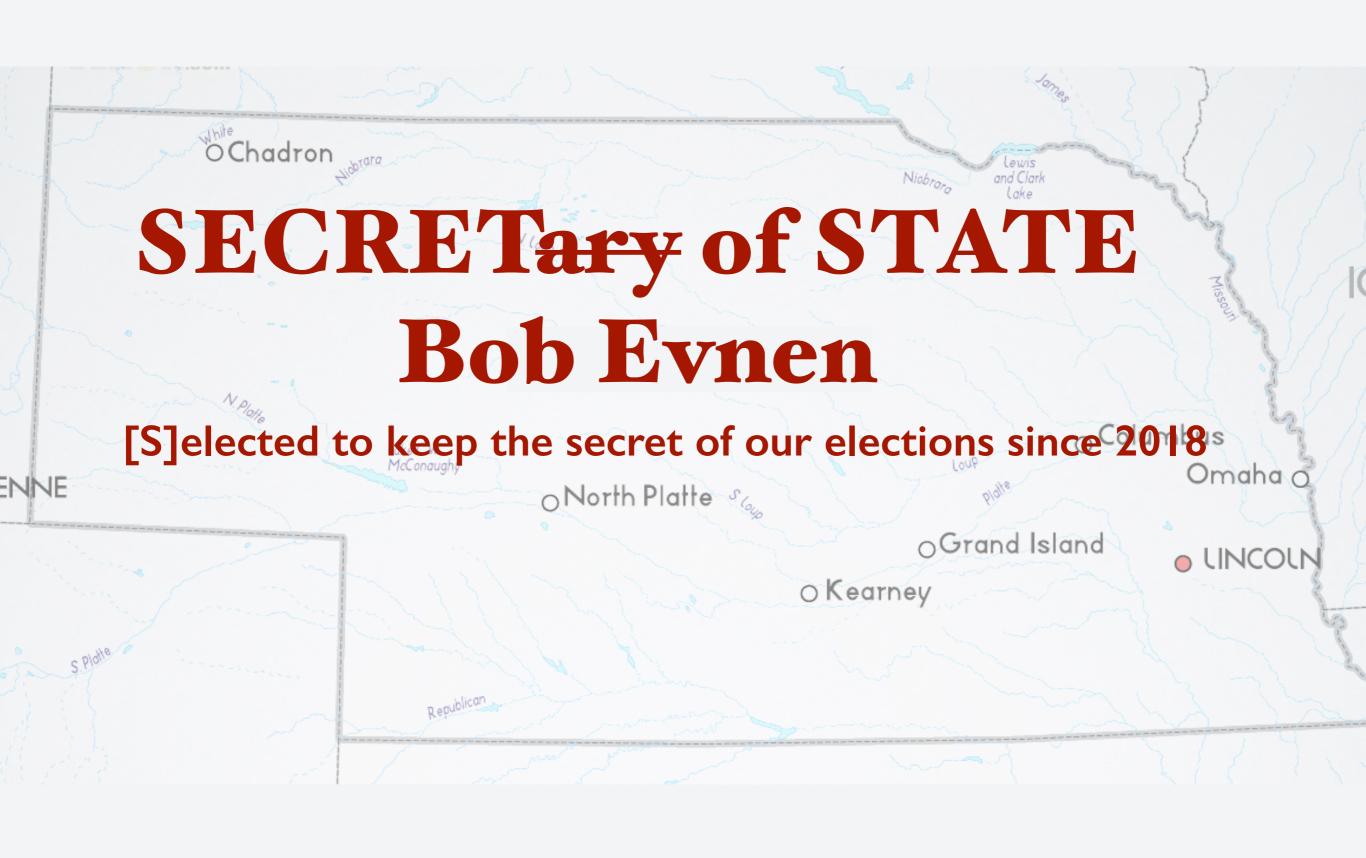
Taking America back, One county at a time.

TacticalCivics.com

The Patriot Playbook for All Americans



stateofdenial.com



"We may not be The Greatest Generation, yet WE ARE THE GENERATION of a GREATTIME!"

When asked, "What did you do during the fall of the cabal?" What will your answer be?