



Registrar of Voters

Bob Page
Registrar of Voters

April 1, 2020

Ray Lutz, Executive Director
Citizens' Oversight Projects
771 Jamacha Rd 148
El Cajon, CA 92019

RE: Public Records Act Request

Mr. Lutz,

On March 23, 2020, the County of San Bernardino Registrar of Voters received your request for records dated March 22, 2020.

Specifically, you have requested:

1. Ballot images from the March 3, 2020 Presidential Primary Election
2. The set of "cast-vote records"
3. The "voted/non-voted" file
4. The ballot text for each contest on the ballot
5. A file containing SHA-256 message digests of each ballot image
6. Ballot images and "cast-vote records" used in the Logic and Accuracy test

After reviewing your request, the Registrar of Voters requires additional clarification for the following items:

- The "voted/non-voted" file, sometimes also called the "poll list" ...
 - Are you referring to the voter list posted on our website on election day and updated hourly? You may review this list here:
<https://www.sbcountyelections.com/Elections/2020/0303/VoterList.aspx>

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- ... a file containing SHA-256 message digests of each ballot image as originally scanned by the ballot scanner device...
 - The Registrar of Voters is unfamiliar with the term “SHA-256 message digests.” Please provide more information about this file and what information is included.

Regarding request No. 1 and request No. 2 for ballot images and “cast-vote records”, enclosed with this letter is a March 26, 2020, memorandum from the California Secretary of State who states, “the Secretary of State is of the opinion that a ballot image is a cast vote record, and as such, a copy should not be provided to a requestor.” The Registrar of Voters will follow the direction of the Secretary of State and not provide these documents.

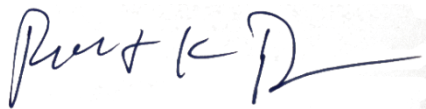
Please be advised that pursuant to California Government Code section 6250, et seq., it is the intention of the County to comply with your requests No. 3 through 6, unless during the course of the search of our records, in an effort to comply with such request, we discover records that are exempt from disclosure under Government Code section 6254, or are subject to some other privilege. If only a portion of a requested record is exempt from disclosure, the record will be provided for your inspection or copying with the confidential information redacted.

After the canvass of the 2020 Presidential Primary Election is complete, staff will review the available records. We anticipate that we should be able to respond to you with information within the next 30 days. If additional time is needed to review the potentially responsive records, we will advise you of that fact.

If non-privileged records responsive to your request are identified, we will contact you about their availability and the cost to provide such documents, if applicable.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bob Page", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Bob Page
Registrar of Voters