



Alaskans Have Much to Lose

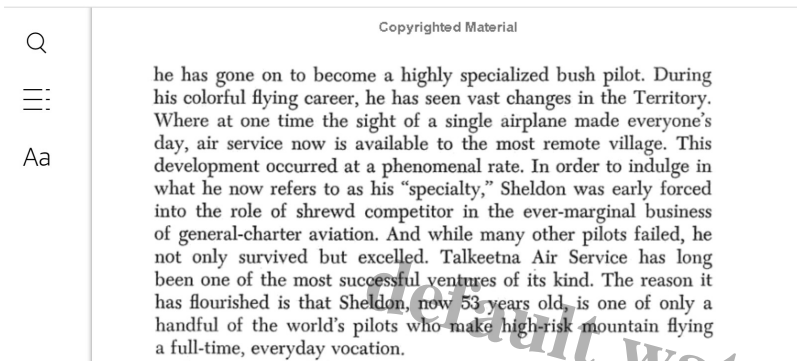
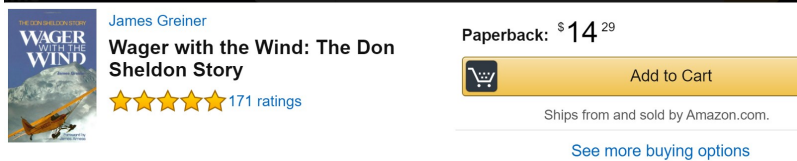
Description



Spring Denali climbers are arriving in Talkeetna now, to be flown to the basecamp, where they will begin their torturous ascent to the highest mountain in North America. **Holly Sheldon-Lee** is again busy managing a business that goes back to her father, pioneer *Wager with the Wind* pilot **Don Sheldon**. He established the business flying Piper Cubs with great precision and made the

business successful with his renowned skill and determination.[1]

“That Cub has 72 patches but it still passes annuals,” laughed Sheldon-Lee.



Fast-forward to today: The Covid-19 pandemic of the last year has been very difficult for **Talkeetna Air Service**, and during that time the Alaska Election of 2020 has been a source of alarm for Sheldon Lee and others, who think something fishy is going on. *I was able to interview Sheldon-Lee during this busy time for this story.*

These Matanuska Valley Alaskans don't trust using machines to count ballots and don't think the State of Alaska should be using anything but paper ballots. They want their Matanuska elected officials to do something about it. A previous DONN LISTON COMPANY posting explains why:
<https://donnliston.net/2021/03/alaska-election-questions.html>

To make the point, they established an **Alaska Election Reform** group prior to Covid, and on February 11, 2020 established some expectations for the coming elections. Primarily, the group produced an Executive Order it wanted Gov. **Michael Dunleavy** to implement and pushed for an elections meeting to talk to both Gov. Dunleavy and Lt. Gov. **Kevin Meyer** about concerns regarding election machines the **State of Alaska** was about to purchase.[2] Mostly they wanted the option of a hand-count of ballots in addition to any machine count. During the first quarter of 2020 they asked for an audit of State voter rolls. In the second quarter they conducted Teleconferences and built camaraderie to promote election integrity. In the fourth quarter they aspired to promote voting, carpooling to voting, watching election polls and the count, including escort of paper ballots to headquarters. This was a serious coordinated effort.

Ultimately the State used voting machines anyway. The election reform group doesn't trust the results of the election because of the machines.

But before the election, on March 6, 2020, the **2020 Alaska Election Integrity** group met with Gov. Dunleavy and Lt. Gov. Meyer. They presented information by IT professional **Brian Endle** on Voting Machine Corruptibility.[3] **Jim Pазint** testified on personal experience in 2014 of election corruptibility.[4] **Mike Alexander** spoke on courage. **Loy Thurman** explained why a

hand count was necessary in the coming election, and Ms. Sheldon Lee presented the proposed Executive Order the group wanted Gov Dunleavy to sign.

On August 9, 2020 Sheldon Lee sent an email to Lt. Gov. Meyer outlining â??Serious Concernsâ?• about the newly acquired voting machines after review of a KTOO training video explaining election procedures.[5]

On August 17, 2020, Lt. Gov. Meyer responded to concerns in a way that was not clear and convincing to Sheldon Lee, and her Mat-Su Conservative Coalition.[6]

On September 2, 2020 Lt. Gov. Meyer reiterated his requirement to follow state election law and referenced the need for election reform through the Alaska Legislature, to which he would be submitting legislation for consideration.

Following the election using the machines Mat-Su Valley activists raised a chorus of concerns. These concerns were articulated in a November 17, 2020 memo to Lt. Gov. Meyer from Alaska Independent Party Chairman and talk radio host **Robert Bird**. In an email from Bird a number of circumstantial examples are listed, but â??first and foremost, the shocking and dismaying revelation that Alaska is using the Dominion voting machinesâ?• is listed as a reason to question the integrity of Alaskaâ??s 2020 election before certification.[8]

Of course, after some various election challenges, the 2020 election WAS certified.

Legislative Reform Efforts

Leading the effort in the legislature to assure Alaska election integrity is Sen.Mike Showersâ?? SB 39, *An Act relating to elections*â? It is currently in State Affairs and must go to Judiciary next.

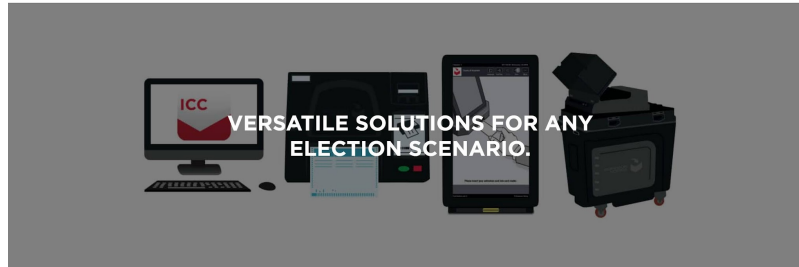
From the Sponsor Statement: Senate Bill 39, updates Alaskaâ??s decades-old election statutes, strengthening voter access and improving integrity so Alaskans may regain confidence in our election system. We sometimes disagree with election results, but rarely in our history have we refused to accept them. A troubling trend has emerged where entire segments of our nation not only disagree with election results but refuse to acknowledge them as legitimate. It happened in 2016, and again in 2020. Whether these concerns are real or perceived, we must find a way to restore all peopleâ??s faith in our election system as it is a cornerstone to our Constitutional Republic.

The rest of the explanation can be found here:

http://www.akleg.gov/basis/get_documents.asp?session=32&docid=14743

Description of other introduced legislation relating to the 2020 Alaska Election is documented in this previous DONN LISTON COMPANY story: <https://donnliston.net/2021/04/what-if-alaskas-election-was-hacked.html>

We Still Shouldnâ??t give a Damn how they do it Outside



<https://www.dominionvoting.com/>

After discovery of the Prudhoe Bay oil bonanza, the U.S. Congress was able to pass the *Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of December 31, 1971*, and environmental extremists began to organize against construction of the proposed 800-mile Trans-Alaska Pipeline. Two bumper stickers were seen frequently on cars around the state. One said “**Let the Bastards Freeze in the Dark!**” and the second said “**We don’t give a Damn how they do it Outside!**” That Alaskan sentiment seems to have been lost over the decades since.

People on their Alaskan Adventures have come and gone.

In a defamation lawsuit filed Outside against *FOX News Networks, LLC* and various other individuals, following the company and the nature of its compl

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

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COMPLAINT

1. Fox, one of the most powerful media companies in the United States, gave life to a manufactured storyline about election fraud that cast a then-little-known voting machine company called Dominion as the villain. After the November 3, 2020 Presidential Election, viewers began fleeing Fox in favor of media outlets endorsing the lie that massive fraud caused President Trump to lose the election. They saw Fox as insufficiently supportive of President Trump, including because Fox was the first network to declare that President Trump lost Arizona. So Fox set out to lure viewers back—including President Trump himself—by intentionally and falsely blaming Dominion for President Trump’s loss by rigging the election.

2. Fox endorsed, repeated, and broadcast a series of verifiably false yet devastating lies about Dominion. These outlandish, defamatory, and far-fetched fictions included Fox falsely claiming that: (1) Dominion committed election fraud by rigging the 2020 Presidential Election; (2) Dominion’s software and algorithms manipulated vote counts in the 2020 Presidential Election; (3) Dominion is owned by a company founded in Venezuela to rig elections for the dictator Hugo Chávez; and (4) Dominion paid kickbacks to government officials who used its machines in the 2020 Presidential Election.

The bar for proving defamation is high for news agencies protected under the constitution. Any case must prove not only that defamation occurred but that it was done with intent and malice. In this suit Plaintiffs allege that circumstances established above prove Fox News knew the statements were false and did what it did for ratings.

As proof, the suit states: *Fox also knew that these lies were being rebutted by an increasingly long list of bipartisan election officials, election security experts, judges, then-Attorney General Bill Barr, then-United States Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency Chris Krebs, Election Assistance Commissioner Ben Hovland, Republican Georgia Governor Brian Kemp, Republican Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger, and Republican former Colorado Secretary of State Wayne Williams, to name a few—not to mention some within Fox itself.*

Further, the legal brief states: *Yet even after Fox was put on specific written notice of the facts, it stuck to the inherently improbable and demonstrably false preconceived narrative and continued broadcasting the lies of facially unreliable sources—which were embraced by Fox’s own on-air personalities—because the lies were good for Fox’s business.*

The Dominion Company is described as follows: *Dominion is a voting machine company that was founded in 2002 in John Poulos’s basement. Poulos’s objective of accurate, transparent, and accessible elections motivated him to create Dominion. He went on to build what was, until recently, one of the fastest-growing technology companies in North*

America. While Dominion was known within the voting machine industry and supplied machines in 28 states. it was little known to the public at large.

6. These lies transformed Dominion into a household name. As a result of Fox's orchestrated defamatory campaign, Dominion's employees, from its software engineers to its founder and Chief Executive Officer, have been repeatedly harassed. Some have even received death threats. And of course, Dominion's business has suffered enormous and irreparable economic harm.

following:

7. The truth matters. Lies have consequences. Fox sold a false story of election fraud in order to serve its own commercial purposes, severely injuring Dominion in the process. If this case does not rise to the level of defamation by a broadcaster, then nothing does. Dominion brings this lawsuit to set the record straight, to vindicate its rights, and to recover damages for the devastating economic harm done to its business.

The suit establishes that Fox has been the leading news source in the US for 19 years and alleges the company did not inform its audience of the plausibility of a loss for businessman President Trump given certain political dynamics in the country with Covid-19.

28. In the months leading up to the 2020 election, President Trump drew a line in the sand: either he would win or the election would be fraudulently stolen from him. His supporters must either agree with him or face his wrath. In his own words: "the only way we're gonna lose this election is if the election is rigged"³⁴ and there "is massive fraud."³⁵

29. At the same time, news organizations—including Fox—widely reported that election officials were expecting record-shattering mail-in voting because of concerns over the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. News organizations—again including Fox—also reported that this mail-in voting was widely expected to

be much more heavily weighted in favor of Democrats than the overall electorate, in significant part because prominent Republicans, including President Trump, were consistently encouraging supporters to avoid voting by mail and instead vote in person on Election Day.

30. Not surprisingly, given these trends, the head of the Fox News Decision Desk correctly predicted that “on election night, we may be looking at states where it seems that President Trump is in the lead, but there’s still 20 or 30 percent of the vote outstanding ... so we’re not [going to be] able to make the call in those states.”³⁶ He correctly recognized—and Fox widely and repeatedly reported before the election—that this would occur because President Trump had criticized mail-in voting and encouraged Republicans to vote in person whereas Democrats had encouraged their supporters to vote by mail.³⁷ In fact, Maria Bartiromo discussed this very phenomenon with President Trump in an October 11, 2020 interview, with President Trump lamenting that mail-in votes would likely be counted “two weeks after the vote comes in,” and stating that “Republicans are going out to vote—they don’t want to do the [mail-in] ballot thing, they don’t trust it. Republicans are going out to vote.”³⁸

31. In other words, well before any false claim that Dominion machines had switched votes, Fox understood the phenomenon the country would later experience come the first week of November: early vote tallies would lean in favor of then-President Trump, whereas later vote tallies would favor now-President Biden.

32. Despite this knowledge, Fox spent considerable airtime before the election searching for and discussing voter fraud that might occur during the election. As one Fox employee stated at the time about one such endeavor, “it feels like [] an attempt to push more baseless conspiracy theories and scare the viewers into thinking the election is being ‘stolen.’ It isn’t.”³⁹ In other words, even prior to any claim about Dominion, Fox News already had a preconceived storyline and was on the lookout for “baseless conspiracy theories.”

These arguments are now in the courts and will either be settled between the parties or will go to trial. States that use Dominion machines, including Alaska will be impacted.

One of my favorite conservative blogs, *American Thinker* has posted stories alleging Dominion machine vote manipulation and a retraction and an apology for publishing false claims against Dominion. I read those stories and believed them at the time.



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January 15, 2021

Retraction

By Thomas Lifson

We received a lengthy letter from Dominion's defamation lawyers explaining why they believe that their client has been the victim of defamatory statements. Having considered the full import of the letter, we have agreed to their request that we publish the following statement:

American Thinker and contributors Andrea Widburg, R.D. Wedge, Brian Tomlinson, and Peggy Ryan have published pieces on www.AmericanThinker.com that falsely accuse US Dominion Inc., Dominion Voting Systems, Inc., and Dominion Voting Systems Corporation (collectively "Dominion") of conspiring to steal the November 2020 election from Donald Trump. These pieces rely on discredited sources who have peddled debunked theories about Dominion's supposed ties to Venezuela, fraud on Dominion's machines that resulted in massive vote switching or weighted votes, and other claims falsely stating that there is credible evidence that Dominion acted fraudulently.

These statements are completely false and have no basis in fact. Industry experts and public officials alike have confirmed that Dominion conducted itself appropriately and that there is simply no evidence to support these claims.

It was wrong for us to publish these false statements. We apologize to Dominion for all of the harm this caused them and their employees. We also apologize to our readers for abandoning 9 journalistic principles and misrepresenting Dominion's track record and its limited role in tabulating votes for the November 2020 election. We regret this grave error.

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All Politics is Local

In his book *Man of the House*, former Speaker of the U.S. House of representatives **Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.** explains how he learned this political truism in his first campaign for public office, after he lost.

From the book: *This was the only race I ever lost in my life, but in the process I learned two extremely valuable lessons. During the campaign, my father had left me to my own devices, but when it was over, he pointed out that I had taken my own neighborhood for granted. He was right: I had received a tremendous vote in the other sections of the city, but I hadn't worked hard enough in my own backyard. Let me tell you something I learned years ago,* he said. *All politics is local.* [10]

For Alaskans our state and local politics can be downright absurd. Many Alaskans were disappointed in the 2020 Alaska election given inconsistency of voting patterns, but we know Trump won and Biden lost here. There may be some aspect of the use of voting machines that allows corruption to happen, but the Dominion lawsuit will likely determine if true corruption occurred or promoting the election fraud narrative at the national level was just a business decision for Fox News. I hope Alaska election reform may be possible but have a low expectation for elected officials to seriously consider changing a system that elected them to go to backwater Juneau to make laws in a place closer to Seattle than to the population centers of Alaska.

My latest conversation with staff to Sen. Showers is hopeful that election reform might be possible. One possibilityâ??which Democrats rejectâ??is the security platform known as Blockchain, which was developed to guaranty security for Bitcoin exchanges.

In its most basic form, blockchain is a digital ledger. The technology draws its power from the peersâ??or nodesâ??on its network to verify, process, and record all transactions across the system. This ledger is never stored, but rather exists on the â??chainâ?• supported by millions of nodes simultaneously. Thanks to encryption and decentralization, blockchainâ??s database of transactions is incorruptible, and each record is easily verifiable. The network cannot be taken down or influenced by a single party because it doesnâ??t exist in one place.[10]

As it stands now, a person can apply on line, get a ballot emailed to wherever, and they vote absentee in Alaska. With all the hacked data, there is NO firewall to verify they are who they say they are, because the identifiers were stolen.

Sheldon-Lee has sounded the alarm and is organizing among long-time Alaskans to address concerns about voting systems. The pandemic has opened up new ways to harvest ballots for selection of elected officials, while many businesses are struggling to stay alive. Election reform at its most basic level could be cleaning up voter rolls, using paper ballots so only valid voters cast ballots, or installing a Blockchain system. Perhaps this is possible but in the meantime state spending continues unabated and the next excuse for not changing a broken system will be costs.

Future generations will pay the Piper, and it wonâ??t be a *Cub*.

References:

[1] James Greiner, â??Wager with the Wind,â?• Rand McNally Company, 1974 revised 1982.

[2] Proposed Administrative Order

| ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. _____ |
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| I, Michael J. Dunleavy, Governor of the State of Alaska, under the authority of Article III, Sections 1 and 24, of the Constitution of the State of Alaska, issue this order to establish a procedure that ensures that the State of Alaska honors the due process and equal protection guarantees of the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments, by protecting the integrity of elections and voting by its citizens. |
| BACKGROUND |
| Increasing numbers of citizens have grown concerned about the integrity of voting within the State of Alaska as a result of the high-profile 2010 U.S. Senate election; numerous sworn statements of citizens who have observed illegal and fraudulent voting practices throughout the State; the use of antiquated Diebold (Accu-Vote) voting machines in most precincts; numerous discrepancies in precinct registries; numerous chain of custody issues including the use of private agencies, controlled by political activists, to provide ballot security and transportation; the ability of precinct officials to access, handle, and destroy excess ballots with no oversight or centralized accountability; broad discretion of voting officials to store ballots, transcribe ballots, destroy ballots, and to otherwise determine validity of votes with little to no oversight; the use of electronic means (optical scanning) for recounts; and the complete inability of citizens, or even candidates, to conduct or otherwise demand full hand counts of ballots in the event of questioned elections. |
| PURPOSE |
| This Order implements the protections of the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments, ensuring the integrity of the vote in the State of Alaska, and restoring citizens' faith in the legitimacy of elections and elected officials. |
| ORDER |
| Under the authority of Article III, Sections 1 and 24, Constitution of the State of Alaska, I, Michael J. Dunleavy, Governor of the State of Alaska, order the following effective immediately: |

1. Any poll watcher at any precinct, immediately upon the conclusion of voting hours of any election, may demand that the precinct vote totals for any candidate, initiative, referendum, and/or recall be validated by a hand count conducted by the election board and observed by any poll watcher. If there is a discrepancy between such hand count and the Accu-Vote precinct tabulator or any other electronic summary of precinct votes, then the hand count shall be transmitted by the election board to the regional elections office.
2. Immediately before the beginning of voting hours, the election board must comply with any poll watcher's demand to open and view the storage compartment of any Accu-Vote or other ballot counting machine.

[3] Voting Machines Security Statement

Voting Machines Security

The most secure form of voting

The most secure form of voting is paper ballots. Any other solution adds a layer of complexity that requires additional security measures.

Which Voting machines are the State/Borough using?

- Per the Director, Division of Elections, Gail Fenumiai, the State is using ImageCast [Precinct Tabulator 320-c, see McKechnie below] and ImageCast X optical scanning machines
- Per the Borough Clerk, Lonnie McKechnie, the Borough piggy-backs off the state and uses the ImageCast Precinct Tabulator (320-C) and the ImageCast X (touchscreens) at two of the early/absentee sites in Wasilla and the Division of Elections building in Wasilla. For the Image Cast Precinct models, there will be a central tabulating system that will accumulate votes.
- The AccuVote optical scanner was previously used.

Minimum Necessary Security Measures

1. Hand Count option available upon request by either party through the clerk Two Person handling of memory cards at all times
2. Original memory card instructions (code) backed up and available for inspection by either party upon request to clerk.
3. Video Cameras on any vault with tapes available for viewing upon request
4. Supervision of voting machines being distributed with two person installation of machines
5. No contract handling of machines/cards
6. Verification of code/software on machines available to any candidate upon request to clerk
7. Backups taken of all files on any central database before and after the election also available for verification by any candidate with final election results available on the second.
8. Paper ballot filled by voter available until election certified.
9. Tabulated results from voting machines need to be viewable by both parties upon request to clerk.

Importance of Hand Counting ballots run through an electronic voting machine

The only way to effectively determine if a machine has been compromised or is malfunctioning is to perform a hand count of ballots. Machines are programmed to do the same thing each time. It is counter-intuitive to think that running ballots through a machine the second time will produce different results unless the machines instructions are faulty. A counting of ballots by hand will provide evidence for a malfunctioning or compromised machine. The ability to re-count ballots by hand has been blocked in the Mat-Su by the Clerk. I have personal experience on this one. Hand counting has also been blocked in other areas like Racine Wisconsin by a clerk even when enough evidence was provided to put the machine's count in question [see <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D1284ARxFagI>]. The preventing of a hand count should not be an option with an electronic machine that could malfunction or be compromised.

<https://freedom-to-tinker.com/2018/10/22/an-unverifiability-principle-for-voting-machines/>
Any voting machine [Image Cast X being one] whose physical hardware can print votes onto the ballot *after the last time the voter sees the paper*, is not a voter verified paper ballot system, and is not acceptable.

<https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/syseexam/jan2019-mechler.pdf>

Texas evaluation of ImageCast X and ImageCast Precinct.

- ImageCast X uses smart cards. Votes are tabulated on attached USB storage and in internal memory.
- Conclusion...."There was not a single component examined that I would recommend for use in elections in the State of Texas. Even devices that only had minor issues such as the ICC and ICX Classic BMDs require the use of either the EMS or ICP which did not receive my recommendation." - Brian Mechler, Technical Examiner

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D1284ARxFag>

Racine County - Optical Scanner counting issues. Denied hand count by County Clerk in 2016 election.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hvOKWeW_Fog

Election results on Dominion machines called backwards. Election results had to go to court even when enough witnesses were available to testify that system had erred. Can't trust Election process without paper trail. Election re-run after errors with electronic voting machines

https://www.usenix.org/legacy/event/evt07/tech/full_papers/feldman/feldman_html/index.html

AccuVote OS and TS Machine Hardware and Software Security issues and attack types. This article is lengthy and descriptive. Most any programmer could pick this up and know how to hack the AccuVote OS machine.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qs6w5lhNbtY>

AccuVote TS voting machine hacked on Fox News segment

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PiaBqwkXs>

Accu-Vote Memory Card ability to be compromised, even based on a given date

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R5yH78elt7I>

How to break into Accu-Vote machine

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wm4SbSJ9wPo>

Hacking an E-voting system by Symantec - buy machines, chip cards, and things that program chip cards and manipulate machine. Although the example uses a different machine, it applies to any E-Voting machine that is not brand new.

Fraction Magic

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fob-AGgZn44>

Fraction Magic (black box voting) - example of manipulating voting databases by using decimals or percent allocation. GEMS databased - Shelby County TN

Other places mentioned: Tuscon, AZ, Saratsota County FL - 18000 missing votes
Shelby County TN shows they can use WebEx or a remote login through an internet connection on some machines.

<https://www.wired.com/story/iowa-democratic-caucus-app-tech-meltdown-warning/>

Iowa Caucus problems - this year's example. Since the original instructions were coded, a virus can easily be coded to cause the machine to malfunction and/or produce manipulated results.

"As part of our investigation, we determined with certainty that the underlying data collected via the app was sound," Iowa Democratic Party chair Troy Price said in a statement. "While the app was recording data accurately, it was reporting out only partial data. We have determined that this was due to a coding issue in the reporting system. This issue was identified and fixed."

From: JAMES PAZSINT <hollyberry45@mtaonline.net>
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Subject: Re: Stand For Alaska Election Reform.

Joe, Talkeetna Holly called me this evening to tell me she had forwarded to you the six or so comments/recommendations of those in attendance at our meeting Friday. And she suggested I also send you my report of the corruption seven of us witnessed a few days after your 2014 US Senate election at the Wasilla elections office. I've told you what happened there in detail several times but I'll outline this here if it will help you with your efforts ongoing. We had an approved appointment with several days notice to observe, scrutinize, and verify the ballot counting. We were required to swear, sign, and have notarized a non-disclosure agreement, NDA. So my report here may already be legally "dead." The boss lady did not let us touch, count, record, photo, or even know how many ballots she had already processed with two incompetent temporary young girl hires. She said she knew we were coming of course and made certain to begin the counting process long before we arrived. We asked each other why we were there if we couldn't see all the ballots processed. Obviously, anything could have happened with the ballots with no witnesses in attendance. The two hires each had a counting machine and three piles of ballots: the uncounted pile, the counted machine accepted pile, and the machine rejected pile which the boss said could be as high as 10 to 12 percent of the total to be counted. When I saw one of the hires run a ballot and put it on the wrong pile, the boss agreed with me and reminded the hire that she was to place that type of ballot on the correct pile. I caught this, not the boss who was not keeping track of every ballot. I asked the boss to run 100 ballots through the machines and get the result reported from the machines. And then we would compare the machine's work with an actual, physical count of those ballots in order to verify the accuracy of the machines and her programming. She said "absolutely not." This really raised my suspect alert alarm. The boss told us that "I program the machines to count the ballots the way I want them counted." She told us that no one witnessed her programming the machines and she became miffed when we objected. When asked about hacking her programming and she agreed that a hack for \$12.50 could purchase an adapter that she uses and with knowledge about the working of the machines, could re-program the machine counting. When asked about the machine rejected ballots she said that she herself, with no witnesses, determined how each voter wanted to vote and then she would complete a new ballot and run it after destroying the original. She explained that Juneau always sends her more than 100% of ballots for registered voters should all of them vote. Because of Alaska's record of low voter participation, there are thousands of extra ballots in existence throughout the system during every election. When you put this availability together with the boss re-voting for voters with no witness verification, you lose the election integrity. And this loss is not recoverable when you add the fact that the boss told us she immediately destroys the ballots when she re-votes them. I told her that she just admitted to us that she violates the election rules that no ballot is to be destroyed until the Lt. Governor certifies the election. She said she knew that but she did it this way so that she could give an "accurate" report to election central with no remaining ballots in question. At this point Ron Johnson turned to me and said quietly that "Man, this is like Nazi Germany." The boss said "I heard that" and we found out later that she made an official complaint to Juneau on us. With me were Ron, Amy Walker, the Zimmermans, and a couple others which stayed there for about eight and a half hours which was a total loss as to our purpose of verifying integrity. The upside is that the availability for corruption in the actual, physical counting of ballots in Alaska was there exposed and personally witnessed. A couple times during our presence there the boss made it clear that she was not happy we were there especially when we indicated that her system could not possibly pass simple scrutiny for integrity. She asked "Don't you trust me?" more than once. She didn't seem to understand or accept that complete and accurate ballot counting was crucial to the results of elections. It was obvious that voter ballot complete integrity was of little concern to her especially when she freely admitted violating a longstanding election's rule, above. Flippant, inaccuracy, and being downright brazen are words descriptive of what we witnessed that sad day in 2014. Joe, it is easy to physically establish and maintain integrity in our ballot counting. It all comes down to required, documented public verification of every single ballot, whatever that takes. And of course this includes eliminating the machines and people currently in the system that are causing the problem, and punishing those who violate the rules. Jim.

[5] Holly Sheldon Lee Memo to Lt. Gov Meyer RE: Serious Concerns

2020 Election Worker Training Video: Serious Concerns

Holly Sheldon Lee <hollysheldonlee5@gmail.com> Sun, Aug 9, 8:56 PM

Dear Lt. Governor Meyer,

Thank you very much for being receptive to our feedback about Alaska election integrity in 2020. Private citizens in Southcentral Alaska watched the SOA 2020 training videos and are highly concerned. Please watch the videos yourself. They are well done by KTOO though the contents reveal that the SOA policy and procedures invites voter fraud.

Observations:

1. Poll workers are allowed to help voters not only by spelling the candidates name for them, but actually writing the candidates name on the ballot for them. We do not remember this ever being allowed before. Can you please tell us when this rule was made and who made it?
2. Special needs voters protocol must be changed. If we understood the video presentation, special needs voters do not sign or even make a mark on the registry, and their ballots are kept in a separate compartment on the voting machine. Some of us have family with special needs and know that vanpools pick them up and bring them to the polls in Wasilla when they may not be clear about voting.
3. After the governor approved 2020 Hand Count double checks the accuracy of the new voting machines at each precinct this year, the vote count will be transmitted by modem over a phone line. The difference between now and ever before is the technology available that can threaten the accuracy of the information transferred over modem. Not to mention remote hacking, time-stamped virus for a day and good old fashioned electrical interference in the voting area.
4. People are highly concerned about the rule stating that any registered voter can vote (even if they do not speak english or native Alaskan language). Most Alaskans believe that it is critical to read, speak and understand our language in order to vote here. We need to change this. We are trying to protect Alaska.
5. Please note that the voting machines on the new 2020 video do not have the identification numbers that you provided for our voting machines.

Questions:

1. We want to know if our votes are transferred to District or any other place prior to sending them to Juneau?
2. We want to poll watch and view the hand counts in the large population areas. May you please tell us the protocol to supervise the hand count this year?
3. May you please also tell us how to address and change the concerning observations mentioned above.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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[6] Response to Sheldon inquiry from Lt. Gov. Meyer and reiteration of expectations from Sheldon

Lieutenant Governor Kevin Meyer (GOV sponsored) Mon, Aug 17, 10:11 AM

Holly,

Many of your concerns are covered and how we can deal with your concerns are dictated in State law. We have to follow statute and plan to do so to conduct the election. I am in the process of drafting and proposing a suite of bills next legislative session that specifically deal with election integrity.

Please see my responses below to the concerns you raised in your email. Thanks for contacting our office.

-Kevin

1. We want to know if our votes are transferred to District or any other place prior to sending them to Juneau?

On Election Night all unofficial results are sent to Juneau. Some voted ballots come directly to the Juneau Director's office (from outlying precincts). Some go to the regional offices (Mat-Su/Anchorage/Fairbanks/Juneau) and then are shipped to Juneau.

2. We want to poll watch and view the hand counts in the large population areas. May you please tell us the protocol to supervise the hand count this year?

Any recount or hand count is a responsibility of the division of elections. Recount procedures are outlined in statute and we have procedures in place also for the hand count verification that follows each election during part of the state review board process. You may be a poll observer if you are representing a candidate or party (AS 15.10.170).

3. May you please also tell us how to address and change the concerning observations mentioned above.

1. Poll workers are allowed to help voters not only by spelling the candidates name for them, but actually writing the candidates name on the ballot for them. We do not remember this ever being allowed before. Can you please tell us when this rule was made and who made it?

A voter is allowed to have assistance throughout any stage of the voting process by a person of their choice (AS 15.15.240) which was last changed by the Legislature in 2000.

2. Special needs voters protocol must be changed. If we understood the video presentation,

special needs voters do not sign or even make a mark on the registry, and their ballots are kept in a separate compartment on the voting machine. Some of us have family with special needs and know that vanpools pick them up and bring them to the polls in Wasilla when they may not be clear about voting.

The representative must complete their portion of the special needs envelop and sign before they are provided a ballot for a voter. The voter must sign the special needs envelope following voting as well as the representative. If the special needs ballots are returned to the precinct on Election Day, they are stored in either the emergency bin of the ballot box or a specific bag which has a lock on it. Any changes to this law (AS 15.20.072) will need to be made by the legislature.

Special needs voting is when a voter requests someone to bring them a ballot because due to a disability they are unable to go to the polls. Additionally, these votes are reviewed in the same manner as all absentee ballots before being opened and counted.

3. After the governor approved 2020 Hand Count double checks the accuracy of the new voting machines at each precinct this year, the vote count will be transmitted by modem over a phone line. The difference between now and ever before is the technology available that can threaten the accuracy of the information transferred over modem. Not to mention remote hacking, time-stamped virus for a day and good old fashioned electrical interference in the voting area.

Hand counts for accuracy will be conducted after the election to check for the accuracy of the voting machines, not at the precinct level. The machines have all been tested prior to deployment and are locked until the election date (AS 15.15.032). It has been a major challenge to get workers this year. They certainly don't want to work more than the 14 hours they are already required to serve. And the accuracy of their counts after such a long day would be challenged. And by statute we are not required to do so.

4. People are highly concerned about the rule stating that any registered voter can vote (even if they do not speak english or native Alaskan language). Most Alaskans believe that it is critical to read, speak and understand our language in order to vote here. We need to change this. We are trying to protect Alaska.

State law outlines the requirements for being a registered voter (AS 15.07.070). Any changes to this law will need to be made by the legislature. Our state law must also comply with Federal law as well (National Voter Registration Act of 1993). Additionally, although a 1998 ballot initiative passed in the State, it was struck down as unconstitutional in March of 2002. In 2014, the State added 19 native Alaskan languages as official languages of the state in addition to English. (AS 44.12.310)

5. Please note that the voting machines on the new 2020 video do not have the identification

numbers that you provided for our voting machines.

The voting machines used in the videos are the exact machines that will be used in the precincts on Election Day. We keep them secure. They have been tested and are programmed in-house and kept in a very secure area.

Kevin Meyer

Lt. Governor for the State of Alaska
Lieutenant Governor Kevin Meyer (GOV sponsored)

Hand Count Vote Promise

Holly Sheldon Lee <hollysheldonlee5g@gmail.com> Mon, Aug 31, 6:45 PM (13 days ago)

Dear Lt. Governor Meyer,

Thank you very much for taking the time to reply to my previous email about our Alaska election vote counting. Though you answered my email with "recount" information and that is not what we wanted or we were promised. Ever since the State of Alaska purchased the new voting machines (that multiple reliable sources have labeled "compromisable") Alaskans have asked for a HAND COUNT of our votes in 2020.

At the Alaska Republican Women's Club meeting at the Sunrise Grill in Palmer this summer we asked you again if we could look forward to a HAND COUNT of our election votes. The people at the meeting were elated when you announced that the Governor said that he will HAND COUNT the precincts after the Primary, to check the accuracy of the new voting machines. The announcement was music to our ears after a year of meeting and working hard on ALASKA ELECTION INTEGRITY in south central.

We look forward to you and the Governor keeping your words. We want a HAND COUNT (not an expensive, inconclusive machine "recount") of House District 9 and a HAND COUNT of Senate District I Primary election votes. Please let us know when this will happen. Thank you for the time and energy it takes to do the right thing.

Respectively,

Holly Sheldon Lee
Mat-Su Conservative Coalition
Alaska Integrity Committee

[7] Final response from Lt. Gov. Kevin Meyer, September 2, 2020.



Lieutenant Governor Kevin Meyer (GOV sponsored) Wed, Sep 2, 12:49 PM (11 days ago)

Holly,

Thank you again for writing. To be clear, I am bound by State law in what can and cannot be done either before or after an election.

As you know, the Division and myself have been barraged by lawsuits ranging from issues arising from the two ballot initiatives to the decision to send out absentee applications to our residents over the age 65. There seems to be a good business in suing the State over any action or even any inaction.

I mention that in the context of your request for a hand count. As I previously wrote to you, the statute is very directive on recounts, when and how they can be conducted. I am sure you looked over the pages attached to the email. Under the law, there is no provision permitting a recount – hand count or otherwise, unless requested by the candidate or a group of 10 qualified registered voters. By not following the law, we open up this office and the Division of Elections to additional legal challenges to the elections process and the end result.

I am sure you would agree - election integrity begins with following the law. If an election, and any subsequent review or recount process is not conducted legally by following the statutes duly passed by the legislature there can be no basis to believe in the election's integrity. Granting exceptions to the law, even on a piecemeal basis erodes the foundation and further jeopardizes the faith Alaskans have in the process.

As I stated in an earlier email, under the law, if a recount is requested, I have directed the Division to make a hand count option available if asked for by the candidate or group of 10 qualified registered voters. There will be no additional charge for the hand count as the costs are outlined in statute.

I mentioned at both the Zoom meeting and the Republican Women's meeting that the Governor and I hope, if resources are available, to do a statewide hand count after the general election to confirm the accuracy of our vote tabulation machines. Even though we have no reason to believe they are not accurate.

I hope this helps clarify the situation.

Thanks again for all you do and for your interest in Alaska elections.

Kevin Meyer

Lt. Governor for the State of Alaska

[8] Robert Bird email challenging 2020 Election before certification

From: Bob Bird bob.bird@hotmail.com
To: Lieutenant Governor Kevin Meyer (GOV sponsored) lt.governor@alaska.gov
Date: Tuesday, 17 November 2020, 11:57AM -09:00
Subject: From Bob Bird

Lt. Gov. Meyer:

We the undersigned are requesting a full audit by your office, under your authority, and hopefully with an independent observation team, to assuage concerns that Alaskans have over the integrity of the general election of 2020. This is not a new issue. There is a record of questionable elections in the past that have avoided scrutiny, specifically the 1978 Republican Primary, the 1982 attack on an electrical substation, and the write-in of Lisa Murkowski in 2010.

We list some of the concerns which, in light of the unfolding national events, we believe are not unreasonable to raise.

1. The inordinate erosion of leads held by Republican candidates for the state legislature that do not reflect the trends of election night, the August Primary nor the October Borough and Municipal elections.
2. The similar tendency towards the two ballot measures.
3. The results of "Judicial Retention", specifically for supreme court justice Susan Carney, who was specifically targeted for recall yet whose affirmative votes differ but little from those who were not a target of any non-retention campaign.
4. The inconsistent use of "Flair" or equivalent marking pens, as opposed to ball-point style in various areas throughout the state, which in the matter of other states, has resulted in warped results.
5. The decision by the Alaska Supreme Court to circumvent the requirement of Witnessed Signatures in mail-in ballots. What is the purpose of election laws if the whims of the court can negate them?
6. The need to purge the list of registered voters, reported by Judicial Watch at a nation-leading 111%.
7. But first and foremost, the shocking and dismaying revelation that Alaska is using the Dominion voting machines. If allegations currently being made hold true, the entire national and state election integrity is in question.

At this point, the answer "Trust us" will not hold wherever these machines are used. Notwithstanding, is there any reason why your office cannot require a publicly audited test of our voting machines, both before and after each election?

We are in uncharted waters at this juncture of Alaska and US History. It is our hope that confidence can be restored.

As the primary initiator of this email, I am willing to discuss this publicly --- on the air --- or privately and in-person, with perhaps one or two others in attendance --- BEFORE certification.

With best wishes,
Bob Bird
Chairman, Alaskan Independence Party
Radio Talk-Show Host

Charlie Pierce, Kenai Peninsula Borough Mayor
State Representative David Eastman
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Jake Libby, Publisher *Alaska Watchman*

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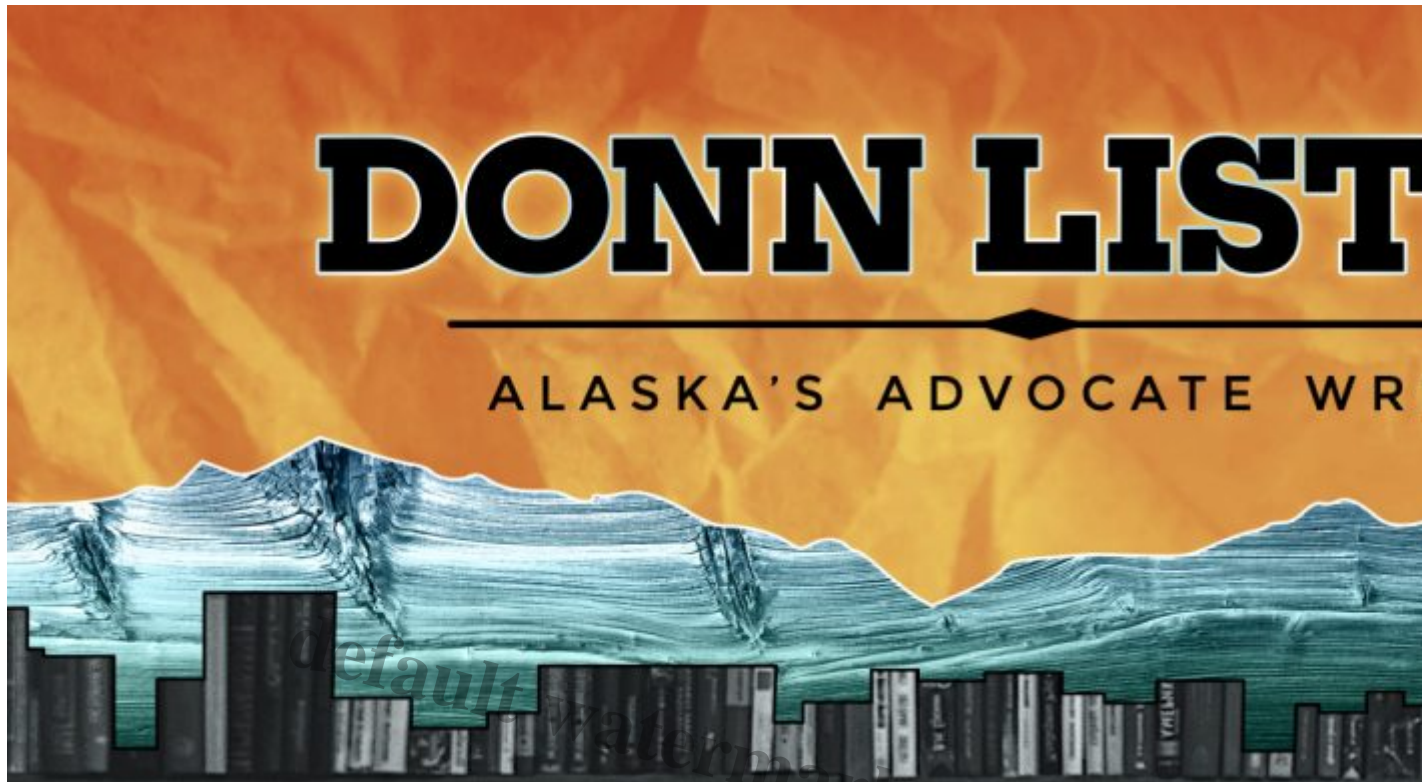
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