

**DIRECTIVE 2008-20**

February 4, 2008

To: All County Boards of Elections

Re: Withdrawn candidates

**First Choice for President of Delegates and Alternates to the National Convention**

The Secretary of State's office has received written notice of withdrawal for the March 4 Presidential Primary Election from the following persons who were first choice for President of Delegate and Alternates to the National Convention:

**Democratic ballot:** For District Delegate and Alternate to the National Convention - Dennis J. Kucinich (withdrawal filed January 28, 2008)

**Republican ballot:** For Delegate-at-Large and Alternate-at-Large to the National Convention **and** For District Delegate and Alternate to the National Convention (all districts) - Rudy Giuliani (withdrawal filed February 4, 2008)

R. C. 3513.30 (C) provides that boards of election **shall not remove** the name of the first choice for President from the ballot if the person withdrew after the 45<sup>th</sup> day before the day of a presidential primary (January 19, 2008).

Additionally, in accordance with R.C. 3513.30 (C) all boards of elections shall do the following:

1. **Post a notice** at each polling place on the day of the primary election stating:  
(Name of candidate) has withdrawn as first choice for President for (District Delegate and Alternate to the National Convention) and/or (Delegate-at-Large and Alternate-at-Large) to the National Convention) whichever is applicable. Votes cast for the withdrawn candidate will not be counted.
2. **Provide or enclose a notice** with each absentee ballot provided to a voter that communicates that:  
(Name of candidate) has withdrawn as first choice for President for District Delegate and Alternate to the National Convention and/or Delegate-at-Large and Alternate-at-Large to the National Convention (whichever is applicable). Votes cast for the withdrawn candidate will not be counted.
3. **Provide a notice** with each provisional ballot provided to a voter that communicates that:  
(Name of candidate) has withdrawn as first choice for President for District Delegate and Alternate to the National Convention and/or Delegate-at-Large and Alternate-at-Large to the National Convention (whichever is applicable). Votes cast for the withdrawn candidate will not be counted.

If you have any questions, please call the election attorney assigned to your county at (614) 466-2585.

Sincerely,

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