

DIRECTIVE 2009-20

December 28, 2009

TO: Cuyahoga, Franklin, Hamilton, Lucas, Mahoning, Montgomery, Stark, and Summit Counties

RE: Precinct Reporting Requirement

The provisions of the final court agreement of the *League of Women Voters, et al. v. Brunner [formerly Blackwell]*, Case No. 3:05-CV-7309, United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio, necessitates that the Secretary of State issue a directive requiring the boards of elections from Cuyahoga, Franklin, Hamilton, Lucas, Mahoning, Montgomery, Stark, and Summit Counties to report precinct-level data in the same categories as were reported in connection with the EAC November 2008 Election Data Collection Grant Program (i.e., data concerning voters, provisional ballots, votes cast, votes cast for President, and votes cast for U.S. Congressional Representatives). The Secretary of State's office previously provided a copy of this settlement agreement to county boards of elections on July 23, 2009.

This precinct-level data is required to be reported to the Secretary of State's office for every general election and presidential primary election. Therefore, in accordance with the final court agreement, your county board of elections is required to report certain precinct-level data for the November 3, 2009 general election.

Consistent with Directive 2009-17 issued on November 13, 2009, all county boards of elections are already required to provide an abstract with precinct by precinct data for the November 3, 2009 general election on the following:

- Number of registered voters in each precinct
- Number of persons voting in each precinct
- Results by precinct for each of the three state issues

To comply with the court agreement, additional precinct-level data listed below is also required to be reported by the above named counties for the November 3, 2009 general election:

- Number of provisional ballots cast
- Number of provisional ballots counted
- Number of provisional ballots rejected
- Number of votes cast by absentee ballot
- Number of votes cast at polling place

Accompanying this directive is your county's additional precinct-level data report form which lists each precinct in your county as well as provides the appropriate categories mentioned above to enter your data. The Secretary of State's office must receive each board's properly completed precinct-level data report **no later than the close of business on Friday,**

January 15, 2010. The completed form is to be submitted electronically to Kathy Malott at kmalott@sos.state.oh.us.

If you have any questions concerning this report, please contact one of the election administrators.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Brunner

Enclosure