

#### 2020 Montana Election Certification Concerns

#### 1. 2020 Election Results

- a. The election results provided by the ES&S machines are not credible: the Secretary of State in her first election, and the Attorney General received more certified votes than the President or any other candidate for office.
- b. The marijuana vote passed within 2500 votes of Trump (out of 612,075), and while the strong gun ballot issue passed by only 11,000 votes, it generated more "no" votes than did any of the losing candidates, in the state with the highest household gun ownership in the country.
- c. The voting trends indicate an unnatural narrowing of the gap between Republican and Democrat votes in the 2020 presidential race.

## 2. ES&S Machines

- a. Contractually locked source code prevents citizens, election officials, county commissioners, and those charged with certifying the elections from seeing how the votes are tabulated.
- b. The Election Assistance Commission recently certified machines with erroneous code, so it is not a reliable participant in election certification.

## 3. Estimated Excess Votes

- a. Former military intelligence officer Seth Keshel, using historic voting trends and population changes, estimated that Montana had between 46,000 and 70,000 excess votes certified in the 2020 election, including 6,000 in Missoula County alone.
- b. Citizens in Missoula County counted signature affirmation envelopes in 31 boxes from the 2020 election on January 4, 2021 and found that 4,592 votes were certified without corresponding envelopes indicating chain of custody to an actual voter. They presented this information as well as notice of 28 envelopes from a nursing home with similar signatures, and other anomalies, to the Secretary of State and the State Election Director on April 6, 2021, but never received a response. A recount in March 2022 funded by the Missoula County Republican Party found the discrepancy to be only 71 envelopes but in 33 boxes provided by the County.

# 4. Illegal CTCL Zuckerberg Funds

- a. Nearly \$2.5 million dollars were accepted illegally by 28 Montana counties from Mark Zuckerberg, a billionaire and Democratic CEO of Facebook/Meta through the Center for Tech and Civic Life (CTCL). One of the strategic advisors was David Plouffe, Obama's first campaign manager, and author of "A Citizen's Guide to Beating Donald Trump." CTCL's predecessor organization, the New Organizing Institute (NOI), was described by the Washington Post as the "Democratic Party's Hogwart's of Digital Wizardry." Tiana Epps-Johnson, CTCL's Founder and Executive Director, and who signed the Montana award letters, was the Election Administrator Director of NOI. The funds were used to permanently change the election infrastructure in Montana to support mail in voting with machine tabulation. Election clerks continue to receive free monthly newsletters from this Democratic organization.
- b. Some Montana election clerks illegally applied for and accepted the CTCL funds because they recognized CTCL from online cyber security training courses provided by the Montana Secretary of State. It is not known for how many years Montana election clerks have been taking cyber security training from this Democratic organization at the recommendation of Republican Secretaries of State. It is curious that the election clerks and the Secretary of State insist that the ES&S machines are not connected to the internet, yet are interested in cyber security training.

## 5. Who Influences Montana Elections?

- a. Montana's Secretary of State and the State Election Director belong respectively to the National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS) and the National Association of State Election Directors (NASED), both of which are funded at high levels by ES&S, the manufacturer of the voting machines used in Montana. NASS also accepts high level funding from Facebook/Meta, the source of the illegal funds used in the 2020 election. The Montana Association of Clerks and Recorders belongs to the International Association of Government Officials which also accepts funding from ES&S.
- b. The Montana Clerks & Recorders and the Montana Association of Counties are lobbying organizations which requested that Governor Bullock issue the directive allowing mail in voting in the 2020 election. That directive conflicts with MCA 13-19-104 (3a) "The following elections may not be conducted by mail ballot: (a) a regularly scheduled federal, state, or county election;..." In addition the authority of the legislature for elections was usurped by the executive branch.
- c. These organizations were involved in conducting and certifying the 2020 Montana general election yet had a clear conflict of interest. In addition, local and national non-governmental organizations (NGO's) play a significant role in Montana's elections.

## 6. Outside Analysis of US and Montana Election Data

- a. Former military intelligence officer Seth Keshel's work is described above. He has generated a map of Montana showing the 6 counties with the highest likelihood of fraud, 19 counties with likely fraud, and the remainder which do not indicate fraud based on historic voting trends, but may have other election problems. He has also generated a map showing likely evidence of ballot harvesting mules as described in the recent movie, "2000 Mules." Montana shows one such area around Missoula.
- b. Dr. Douglas Frank,, a PhD physicist was able to predict the election results of every county in the country based on the relationship between the number of registered voters and voter turnout by age. This relationship by age is the same for every county in the state. Different states have different relationships by age, but every county within a state has the same relationships. It is nearly impossible for this to happen naturally, but is a strong indication that the certified results were manipulated in every state including Montana. Dr. Frank has suggested that there is massive election corruption in Montana, especially in Missoula.
- c. Draza Smith, is a control systems engineer with advanced degrees in computer and electrical engineering. She discovered that the Edison Research election reporting results were halted in every state including Montana, and reset to zero as the machine tabulating algorithms were apparently changed to achieve a predetermined outcome for the 2020 general election. She is quoted as saying, "The (2020) election was not counted, it was calculated." She has analyzed Montana's election data and finds indications that the state may flip to blue via machine manipulation in the next election cycle. It is an interesting theory given the fact that there have been no objections from the Montana Democratic Party about machine problems in spite of the fact that no Democrats won any of the top 8 positions in the 2020 election. In the 2016 election, Democrats around the country raised loud objections to the potential of tabulators being connected to the internet resulting in election manipulation.

The real question is why none of the Republican winners in the top 8 state races in the 2020 election, any of the state election officials or staff, any county commissioners or election clerks, any county party chairs with the exception of Ravalli and Lewis & Clark counties, or most of the media have acknowledged there are problems with the election in spite of repeated questions from citizens. The Secretary of State has written that the acceptance of the CTCL funds was legal, contrary to the clear language of MCA 13-1-302.

Will Draza Smith's warning be heeded today? Or simply allowed to be proven true through inaction, when our state flips blue through the use of machines and inflated voter rolls? Could that have happened in other western states like Colorado, Washington, Oregon and California? If the Montana 2020 election is not decertified, will it become the standard for future elections, and the questionable results allowed to remain?