



OBSERVER PANEL PLAN General Election November 2, 2010

I. County and System Information

1. Name of County: San Bernardino County
2. Name of Contact: Kari Verjil, Registrar of Voters
3. Contact's Phone Number: (909) 387-2083
4. Vendor: Dominion Voting Systems
Voting System: Dominion 400C Central Count Optical Scan System/AVC Edge II with Verivote
5. Date: October 14, 2010

II. Purpose

The purpose of an Election Observer Panel is to:

1. Provide an avenue for public observation of and input into the election process.
2. Assist in ensuring the integrity of the election process.
3. Encourage participation and build voter confidence in the election process.

III. Invite

Between E-60 and E-30, send letters of invitation to the following:

1. County Grand Jury
2. Political Party Central Committee Members
3. League of Women Voters
4. San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors
5. City Clerks
6. Media

IV. Appointment Letters (for introduction to precinct workers)

Any group or individual desiring to be provided a letter of introduction for presentation to precinct board members at a polling site, may obtain one by providing the Registrar of Voters a signed written request no later than 10 days prior to Election Day. Any requests for polling place location information must be made at the same time.

V. General Rules for Observers

Observers are responsible for:

1. Checking in at each site, whether polling place or central counting site.
2. All observers must wear ID badges.
3. Maintaining a professional manner while observing the election processes.
4. Ensuring they do not interfere with the elections process.

Observers MAY:

1. Observe the proceedings at the polls, including the opening and closing procedures.
2. Obtain information from the precinct index that is posted near the entrance.
3. Make notes and watch all procedures.
4. View all activities at the central counting site on election day.
5. View the canvass of the vote activities following the election.
6. View vote-by-mail and provisional ballot processing.
7. Ask questions of staff or voters at the polls.
8. Ask questions of supervisors at the central counting site.

Observers may not:

1. Interfere in any way with the conduct of the election.
2. Touch any voting materials or equipment or sit at the official worktables.
3. Converse with voters (within 100 feet of the entrance to a polling place) regarding the casting of a vote, or speak to a voter regarding his or her qualifications to vote.
4. Display any election material or wear campaign badges, buttons or apparel.
5. Wear the uniform of a peace officer, a private guard, or security personnel.
6. Use cellular phones, pager, two-way radios, cameras, audio or video recording devices, or camera phones inside the polling place and/or within 100 feet of the entrance to the polling place.
7. Talk to central counting site workers while they are processing ballots.
8. Use the telephones, computers or other polling place facilities at polling places or the central counting site.
9. Touch election personnel.
10. Eat or drink in the polls or the central counting site.
11. Assist in operations at any polling place or central counting site.