

Minutes
State Election Commission Meeting
May 4, 2015

The State Election Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Judy Blackburn at 12:10 p.m., Central Standard Time, May 4, 2015. The following members and staff were present: Chairman Blackburn; Commissioners Barrett, Duckett, McDonald, Wallace, Wheeler and Younce; Coordinator of Elections Mark Goins, Assistant Coordinator of Elections Beth Henry-Robertson and Kathy Summers, Elections Specialist.

Commissioner Wheeler made a motion to adopt the minutes from April 6, 2015, Commissioner Duckett seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved. (Aye votes: Barrett, Blackburn, Duckett, McDonald, Wallace, Wheeler and Younce; No votes: None; Abstention: None.)

Commissioner Barrett made a motion pursuant to T.C.A. § § 2-12-101 and 2-12-106, seconded by Commissioner Wheeler and unanimously approved by the commission to accept the nomination(s) for county election commission appointments as submitted, and to leave the nomination process open until 4:30 p.m. Central Standard Time Monday, May 12, 2015. (Aye votes: Barrett, Blackburn, Duckett, McDonald, Wallace, Wheeler and Younce; No votes: None; Abstention: None.) **(See attached list of appointments made.)**

Old Business

- **Review State Election Commission Policy for Certifying Voting Machines** – The commission discussed proposed revisions to the policy. **(Copy of proposed revision and amended revision are attached to the minutes.)**

Commissioner Barrett made a motion to change the voting machine policy from a jurisdiction with 25,000 in population to a population with at least 10,000 in population. Commissioner Wallace seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved. (Aye votes: Barrett, Blackburn, Duckett, McDonald, Wallace, Wheeler and Younce; No votes: None; Abstention: None.)

- **Certification of voter registration systems for use and purchase in TN** – Commissioner Younce discussed the previous review of voter registration systems for use and purchase in Tennessee, as reviewed at the State Election Commission meeting on January 12, 2015.

Commissioner Younce made a motion to certify all voter registration systems for use and purchase in Tennessee with the exception of Kidd and Kidd. Commissioner Duckett seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved. (Aye votes: Barrett, Blackburn, Duckett, McDonald, Wallace, Wheeler and Younce; No votes: None; Abstention: None.)

Commissioner Younce amended his motion to give the county election commissions six (6) months to find another vendor.

New Business

- **Unisyn OpenElect 1.3** – Eric Champagne, of Unisyn, discussed the upgrade of OpenElect 1.2 to OpenElect 1.3, which has received certification by the EAC.
- **Johnson County** - State Election Commission members discussed the request made by Mike Long, Administrator of Elections for Johnson County Election Commission. Mr. Long would like to be excused from the Summer Seminar.

A motion was made by Commissioner Younce and seconded by Commissioner Duckett to excuse Mike Long from the seminar. The motion was unanimously approved. (Aye votes: Barrett, Blackburn, Duckett, McDonald, Wallace, Wheeler and Younce; No votes: None; Abstention: None.)

- **Returned Oaths with questions regarding TCA § 2-1-112** – Assistant Coordinator Beth Henry – Robertson discussed Attorney General Opinion 13-77 and county election commissioners oaths in question. Mrs. Henry - Robertson also provided a chart of the actions taken and pending status of several oaths. **(See attached chart and Attorney General Opinion 13-77.)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Duckett and seconded by Commissioner Barrett to follow the Attorney General's opinion, which does not allow someone to serve on the county election commission and also serve and be paid to sit on another paying city or county commission or board. The motion was unanimously approved. (Aye votes: Barrett, Blackburn, Duckett, McDonald, Wallace, Wheeler and Younce; No votes: None; Abstention: None.)

- **Set meeting for December 1, 2015 for receiving PPP Presidential Candidates**

The State Election Commission will meet on December 1, 2015, to receive the names of nationally recognized names of Presidential Candidates as provided by Secretary of State Tre Hargett.

- **Election of Chair – Term to begin June 1, 2015**

A motion was made by Commissioner Wallace and seconded by Commissioner Barrett to appoint Kent Younce as Chairman of the State Election Commission. The motion was unanimously approved to appoint Kent Younce as Chairman of the State Election Commission. (Aye votes: Barrett, Blackburn, Duckett, McDonald, Wallace, Wheeler and Younce; No votes: None; Abstention: None.)

- **Election of Secretary – Term to begin June 1, 2015**

A motion was made by Commissioner Duckett and seconded by Commissioner McDonald to appoint Tom Wheeler as Secretary of the State Election Commission. The motion was unanimously approved to appoint Tom Wheeler as Secretary of the State Election Commission. (Aye votes: Barrett, Blackburn, Duckett, McDonald, Wallace, Wheeler and Younce; No votes: None; Abstention: None.)

Coordinator Update

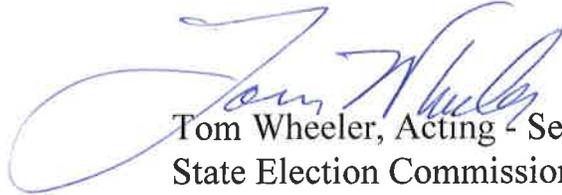
- **Awaiting county election commission oaths**– In the meeting packet there is a list of County Election Commission appointments made at the April 6, 2015, meeting whose oaths have not been received. Each commissioner needs to determine if they want to reappoint the member whose oaths have not been received.
- **Legislative Update** – The legislation allowing corporations the right to designate voters to vote on annexation was sent to Budget Subcommittee and the bill did not make it out of Budget Subcommittee.
- **TACEO Seminar** – The Tennessee Association of County Election Officials will meet in Nashville on June 8-10, 2015 at the Music City Sheraton.
- **Standard Press Release** – A standard press release has been prepared regarding the State Election Commission and their new term of appointment.

Chairman Blackburn advised that Coordinator Goins was elected to the EAC Executive Committee Standards Board.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is set for July 13, 2015 and will be held in the William R. Snodgrass – Tennessee Tower, Nashville Room - 3rd floor at 12:00 Noon Central Standard Time.

Chairman Blackburn adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tom Wheeler", is written over the typed name and title.

Tom Wheeler, Acting - Secretary
State Election Commission

Awaiting Oath Letters

04-May-15

PARTY STATUS APPOINTMENT RE-APPOINTMENT

Hamblen

(D) Tom Wheeler
(R) Judy Blackburn

E. C. Reed, Jr.	R		4/1/2013	4/6/2015
Gayle H. Bruce	D		4/2/2001	4/6/2015
Tim W. Woodard	D	N	4/6/2015	4/6/2015
Betty J. Shuck	R		6/16/2009	4/6/2015
Lyle A. Doty	R		4/4/2005	4/6/2015

Lawrence

(D) Greg Duckett
(R) Donna Barrett

Randy L. Giles	R		4/15/2013	4/6/2015
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McNairv

(D) Greg Duckett
(R) Jimmy Wallace

Janice Maness	R		4/6/2009	4/6/2015
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Perry

(D) Greg Duckett
(R) Donna Barrett

Billy F. Tucker	R		5/17/2005	4/6/2015
Robert J. Erisman	R		2/19/2003	4/6/2015

Polk

(D) Tom Wheeler
(R) Judy Blackburn

Anna Clark	R	N	4/6/2015	4/6/2015
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Oath Letters Not Returned: 10

Holdover Status

04-May-15

		Appointment	Reappointment
Benton			
D	Greg Duckett		
R	Jimmy Wallace		
D	Dinah S. (Diane) Latimer	10/8/2012	10/8/2012
D	Ronnie Pruiett	6/17/2008	4/11/2011
Carroll			
D	Greg Duckett		
R	Jimmy Wallace		
R	Joyce A. Scates	8/15/1995	4/1/2013
R	Dennis R. Coleman	4/1/1991	4/1/2013
R	Billy J. Smith	4/6/2009	4/1/2013
Coffee			
D	Mike McDonald		
R	Donna Barrett		
R	Bill Bates	4/15/2013	4/15/2013
R	Larry McIntosh	4/20/2009	4/15/2013
R	Sandra Soesbe	5/16/1995	4/15/2013
Davidson			
D	Mike McDonald		
R	Donna Barrett		
D	Tricia R. Herzfeld	4/1/2013	4/1/2013
Fayette			
D	Greg Duckett		
R	Jimmy Wallace		
D	Maxine K. Middlecoff	4/3/1985	4/15/2013
D	Ernestine Brown	6/13/2011	4/15/2013
Fentress			
D	Tom Wheeler		
R	Kent Younce		
D	Rodney W. Foy	9/17/2002	5/13/2013
D	Yvonne McDaniel Gernt	5/9/2011	5/13/2013
Gibson			
D	Greg Duckett		
R	Jimmy Wallace		
D	Kathleen Smith	6/22/2007	5/27/2009
D	Robert S. Phelan	4/3/1995	5/27/2009

		Appointment	Reappointment	
Giles				
D	Greg Duckett			
R	Donna Barrett			
	D	Judy C. Mitchell	2/19/2002	6/14/2013
	D	Henry A. Inman	4/3/1995	6/14/2013
Hardeman				
D	Greg Duckett			
R	Jimmy Wallace			
	D	Janet Wellons	4/7/2003	4/1/2013
	D	James Earl Hicks	4/7/2003	4/1/2013
Hardin				
D	Greg Duckett			
R	Jimmy Wallace			
	D	Maribeth Long	7/16/1991	4/1/2013
	D	David Jerrolds	5/16/2006	4/1/2013
Henderson				
D	Greg Duckett			
R	Jimmy Wallace			
	D	Cornelia T. Morris	4/3/1995	4/1/2013
	D	Pope Thomas	4/17/2001	4/1/2013
Henry				
D	Greg Duckett			
R	Jimmy Wallace			
	D	Sylvia C. Humphreys	5/19/1998	4/1/2013
	D	Steven Wright	1/14/2013	4/1/2013
Jackson				
D	Mike McDonald			
R	Kent Younce			
	R	Roger E. Price	4/6/2009	4/1/2013
Lawrence				
D	Greg Duckett			
R	Donna Barrett			
	D	Dan Hancock	1/13/2014	1/13/2014
	D	Roger D. Jackson	1/13/2014	1/13/2014
Montgomery				
D	Mike McDonald			
R	Donna Barrett			
	D	Walter E. Head	4/3/1985	4/1/2013

		Appointment	Reappointment
Morgan			
D	Tom Wheeler		
R	Kent Younce		
R	Alan S. Bradshaw	4/6/2009	4/1/2013
R	Billy R. Kries	5/17/2005	4/1/2013
R	Howard Human	4/3/1995	4/1/2013
Perry			
D	Greg Duckett		
R	Donna Barrett		
D	Margaret S. Rainey	12/7/2009	6/14/2013
D	Barbara Kirk	1/14/2003	6/14/2013
Stewart			
D	Greg Duckett		
R	Jimmy Wallace		
D	Nellie F. Settle	4/3/1995	4/15/2013
D	Martha A. Vaughn	4/3/1995	4/15/2013
Tipton			
D	Greg Duckett		
R	Jimmy Wallace		
D	Letitia P. Wilson	9/21/2011	4/1/2013
D	James L. Sneed	4/3/1995	4/1/2013
Weakley			
D	Greg Duckett		
R	Jimmy Wallace		
R	Kathleen (Kitty) Soder	4/6/2009	4/1/2013
R	William Wayne Chester	6/19/2001	4/1/2013
R	Dan Baker Powell	4/6/2009	4/1/2013
White			
D	Mike McDonald		
R	Kent Younce		
D	James Allen Simpson	2/17/2004	4/1/2013
Total Holdovers: 42			

Vacant Status

04-May-15

Cannon

D Mike McDonald
R Kent Younce

R

R

Clay

D Mike McDonald
R Kent Younce

R

Smith

D Mike McDonald
R Kent Younce

R

Total Vacancies: 4

Oath Letters Received

04-May-15

Anderson

D Robert A. Jameson
D Mary Matheny
R William Thomas Gallaher
R Debra Jane Miller
R Joseph F. Rainey

Bedford

D Connie Crafton
D David C. Lemmon
R Daniel Joe Robbins
R Karen E. Thrasher
R Bob Wayne York

Benton

R Jim Austin
R Susan H. Roth
R Ben Thompson

Bledsoe

D Edward L. Boring
D Charles T. (Tommy) Nipper
R Ralph Allen Angel
R Angela S. Hankins
R John Howard Hargis

Blount

D Robert L. Carroll
D Ben R. Rauhuff
R H. Larry Garner
R Sally G. Sayles
R William R. (Rick) Shepard

Bradley

D Dana C. Burgner
D Oscar Stanley Kelley
R Duane J. Gilbert
R Travis D. Henry
R Cristy Schuch

Campbell

D Lucy Lobertini
D Marshall McKamey
R Jerry L. Sharp
R Patsy M. Teague
R Charles Brian Younce

Cannon

D Andrew Duggin
D Sue H. Patrick
R Matthew C. Studd

Carroll

D Michael Corrado
D Nellie M. Hale

Carter

D Millard Garland
D Wayne Smith
R Doug Buckles
R Paul Souder
R Buddy B. Whitehead

Cheatham

D Wilson B. Bell
D Bruce Gibbs
R Elke McLeroy
R Robert W. Melton, III
R Stephen C. Sexton

Chester

D Kelly (KB) Doyle
D Sylvia Flowers
R Bill (Billy) J. Moore
R Stephen Morris
R Patsy Weatherington

Claiborne

D Dot Lewis
D James K. Loope
R Terry England
R Valerie Hill Moucha
R Robert Neil Walker

Clay

D Ronald D. Bailey
D Bart Cunningham
R Carrell Clements
R Richard Craighead

Cocke

D William L. Green
D Stephen V. Stokely
R Charlotte Leibrock
R Michael Arthur McCar
R Vaughn Lewis Moore

Coffee

D Barbara W. Arp
D Frances G. Powers

Crockett

D Jo Ann Hughes
D Fred Powers
R Catherine J. Dillon
R Karen Skelton
R Ruste Via

Cumberland

D Robert G. Austin
D Lisa H. Phillips
R Mary (Linda) Baher-Ca
R Shirley Carlyn Maynar
R James A. Petty

Davidson

D Ausbon J. Starling
R Ronald B. Buchanan
R James A. DeLanis
R Jennifer A. Lawson

Decatur

D Robert Lynn Brasher
D Janis Tolley
R Grafton Dodd
R Chelsey Sparks
R Mark D. Teague

Dekalb

D Harry Lasser
D Richard Hearon Pucket
R James F. Dean
R Walteen C. Parker
R Barbara J. Vanatta

Dickson

D Allen Curtis Johnson
 D Nancy Johnson
 R Jack L. Garton
 R Tammy E. Kilgore
 R Timothy Bryan White

Dyer

D George L. Mitchell
 D Larry G. Williams
 R Joe M. Enoch
 R Aleece Jackson
 R Eric Maupin

Fayette

R Harris Alexander Armour , I'
 R Gloria N. Jones
 R Sylvan Meyer

Fentress

R James Edward Stephens
 R Jack L. Upchurch
 R Roderic Sherwin Williams

Franklin

D Raymond Council
 D Patty Priest
 R Nancy Sue Brown
 R Andrew Thomas Knapper
 R A. L. Shasteen

Gibson

R Sam Gregory
 R Tim Luckey
 R Dwight Reasons

Giles

R Jimmy Alsup
 R Annelle Guthrie
 R David E. Rackley

Grainger

D Woody E. Nicely
 D Mary Vineyard
 R Ronnie Cabbage
 R Terry Johnson
 R James E. Stratton

Greene

D Ben Hankins
 D William (Willie) H. West
 R Avery Ayers
 R Richard S. Keller
 R Peggy A. McCamey

Grundy

D Judith H. Gunn
 D Louie R. Ladd
 R Daranda Kaye Hargis
 R Garry Dwight Miller
 R Robert C. Willems

Hamilton

D Kelvin Scott
 D Jerry H. Summers
 R Ruth H. Braly
 R Joseph Christopher Clem
 R Michael S. Walden

Hancock

D Geneva Anderson
 D Robert W. Greer
 R Tommy Belcher , Sr.
 R Eddie R. Buttry
 R Harold Ramsey

Hardeman

R Carl Gibson
 R Kreg Hamm
 R Mildred (Joan) W. Henderso

Hardin

R Rhonda K. Newman
 R John H. White, III
 R Bruce Wayne Williams

Hawkins

D Teresa Greer
 D Judy Woods Trent
 R Nancy Heck
 R Joyce A. Simon
 R Ralph Trent

Haywood

D John Ashworth
 D Ida Ruth Bradford
 R Samuel E. Gardner, Jr.
 R Jody Thomas Lea, Sr.
 R Jan McAdams

Henderson

R William "Bill" R. Mart
 R Margaret D. Milam
 R Kenneth D. Scott

Henry

R Lorri Dalton
 R Steve Goggans
 R Tommy Townsend

Hickman

D Faye Burton
 D Lena Frazier
 R Roy L. Cochran
 R Roy M. A. Crews
 R Ronald Steven Hethcot

Houston

D Nora DeJuliis
 D John Nichols
 R John Bennett Millard
 R Annette H. Pulley
 R Ann Young

Humphreys

D Jess S. Bowen, III
 D Billy Hugh Link
 R Dyan M. Farmer
 R Charlie Musick
 R Chad Vaughn

Jackson

D Judy Neal Hardegree
 D Barbara Hix
 R Nell Anderson
 R John Vanhooser

Jefferson

D Arlie C. Carr
 D Betty Watkins
 R Carolyn M. Etherton
 R John F. (Jack) Kramer,
 R Phyllis Mc Cracken

Johnson

D Charles M. McQueen
 D Terry S. Thompson
 R Mike J. Fritts
 R Michael J. Pleasant
 R Eric Taylor

Knox

D Andrew J. Roberto
 D Cassandra McGee Stuart
 R Robert (Bob) Bowman
 R Christopher Dunn Heagerty
 R Hannah Lee Parker

Lake

D Oma Gardner
 D Kent F. Patterson
 R Ronnie Hays
 R Pat Leake
 R Stephen Parks

Lauderdale

D Roy Lee Bonds , Sr.
 D Tracie Horner Canfield
 R William (Billy) Harmon
 R Alexis Hurt
 R Deborah S. Jenkins

Lawrence

R Darryl Watson
 R W. L. Wright

Lewis

D Melody Eddins
 D Ronnie James
 R Jimmie Earl Hatchett
 R Rebecca Lynne Rawdon
 R David Lee Thomas, Jr.

Lincoln

D Joan B. Massey
 D Eddie Wilson
 R Dan Earl Long
 R Donald E. Schoenrock
 R Roger Dale Thomas

Loudon

D Betty E. Brown
 D Sue Jane Hartsook
 R David M. Choate
 R James L. Davis
 R Darlene E. Schrub

Macon

D Georgia Ann Boles
 D Sherri Sircy
 R Brenda Gale Coley
 R Glen Harold Donoho
 R Harold M. Kemp

Madison

D Murinell (Nell) Huntspoon
 D David K. Johnson
 R William M. (Mike) Bledsoe
 R Phil Bryant
 R Jeanie M. Todd

Marion

D Jerry D. Dempsey
 D C. Shawn Henson
 R Steven "Steve" A. Franklin
 R Connie Griffitts
 R Yvonne Wilson

Marshall

D Chundra (Cee Cee) Davis
 D Barbara Woods
 R Fred Fleischer
 R Janet R. Heckle
 R Lisa Laster

Maury

D Jerry C. Colley, Jr.
 D Lynn Charles Nelson
 R Maurice M. (Bill) Anderson
 R Alpha B. (Tiny) Jones
 R Samuel Jason Whatley

McMinn

D Bobby J. Goodman
 D Brenda Ratledge
 R Jordan Curtis
 R Amber Robinson
 R Matthew Todd Watson

McNairy

D Wayne Elam
 D Eddie Smith
 R Paul Estes
 R Dwight Garner

Meigs

D Thomas E. Creasman
 D Patricia S. Harris
 R Johnny R. Aikman
 R Vance William Hughes
 R Kyle E. Rains

Monroe

D David Hester
 D Pamela Weston
 R Alan Hawkins
 R Dwayne Martin
 R Charles E. Ridenour

Montgomery

D Hyburnia E. Williams
 R Donald L. Beck
 R Charles N. Boehms , Sr
 R Rita S. Wilson

Moore

D LeEllen Bedford Carter
 D Benjamin (Benji) Caub
 R Daniel P. Boshers
 R Rudy T. Elam
 R Gerald Hinkle

Morgan

D Vera Scarbrough
 D Ronald W. Trout

Obion

D John Algee
 D Paige Burcham Dennis
 R Catherine Sue Jackson
 R Robert C. Joyner
 R David K. Parks

Overton

D Elizabeth Marie Bush
 D Hershel Wilson
 R Bethel J. Cox
 R John Houser
 R Sharon L. Ott

Perry

R John Elkins

Pickett

D Frank C. Capps
D Johnny E. Lee
R Jeffery W. Massiongale
R Rex Melton
R Gary Thomas Winningham

Polk

D Arthur Freeman Curbow
D J. M. York
R Tommie J. Davis
R Ronnie O' Neal

Putnam

D Perry L. Bartlett
D Linda Daniel
R Philip Duane Adams
R Jean G. Cody
R Joseph Terry Herrin

Rhea

D Kathleen Garrison
D Hurley Marsh
R Ray W. Griffin
R Linda Pendergrass
R Frank Stephen Snyder

Roane

D Celia Simon
D Geraldine (Vickie) Watts
R Ralph Gordon DePorter
R Lowell (Pete) Malmquist
R James R. Ryans

Robertson

D Andrew C. Heard
D Patricia A. Morris
R Sharron Hargraves
R Raymond E. Knowles
R Marie O. Mobley

Rutherford

D Carolyn E. Peebles
D John H. Taylor
R Felicia Hix
R William Ransom Jones
R Richard Reeves

Scott

D Richard B. Smith
D Jerry W. Thompson
R Charles Duvall
R Fred Marcum
R James R. Potter

Sequatchie

D Benny J. Barker
D Jan Baxter Johnson
R Rickey L. Hickman
R Mary Frances Hixson
R Quay B. Tate

Sevier

D Michael P. Fitzgibbons
D Thomas L. Wagner
R Carl (Ray) Mull
R Joe Fred Newman
R C. W. "Jack" Ogle

Shelby

D Norma Lester
D Anthony Tate
R Robert David Meyers
R Denice (Dee) Nollner
R Stavro (Steve) Stamson

Smith

D Jimmy A. Kemp
D Dwight (Rusty) D. Williams
R Nicky Frederick Cassity
R Janice Lynch

Stewart

R James E. Adcock
R Betty Gibbs
R J. Ray Sexton

Sullivan

D Leslie B. Carr
D Elizabeth M. Shine
R Gerald H. Cassell
R James W. Holmes
R George T. Morton

Sumner

D Kaye Kemnitz
D Beverly R. Staten
R Barbara W. Brake
R Miles Allen Ehmling
R Patricia L. Polston

Tipton

R Mary Kay Bergen
R Maurine (Mickey) Can
R Theta K. Rone

Trousdale

D Tammy Dixon
D Craig Moreland
R David R. Baldwin
R Allison Barton
R Sherry Baxley

Unicoi

D Bill Beckman
D Marvin H. Rogers
R Roland D. Bailey
R Paul Monk
R Thomas M. Reeves

Union

D Rodney Malone
D J. V. Waller
R Carl (Jack) Effler
R Tammy Maria Merritt
R Kyle Richardson

Van Buren

D Shirley M. Hitchcock
D William S. Jones
R Joseph F. Crosby
R Leon Deweese
R Kurt Powers

Warren

D Patricia J. Davis
D M. Preston Huckleby
R W. S. (Bill) Lee
R Bulon (Ben) E. Nixon,
R Bill Webb

Washington

- D Charles B. Kinch
- D Leslie R. Lacy
- R Patti Gayle Jarrett
- R Jon Ruetz
- R Janet Greene Willis

Wayne

- D Gene Davidson
- D Bonnie J. Merriman
- R Joe Paul Bryant
- R Norma Sue Creasy
- R Jerry D. Pigg

Weakley

- D Warner R. Pace, III
- D Beau Pemberton

White

- D James C. Leftwich
- R Charles Edward Greene
- R Teresa Sergio
- R John William Shaffield, Jr.

Williamson

- D Naomi T. Drake
- D Dana M. Smyth
- R Ray Barrett
- R Robert D. Brown
- R Phyllis Ann Streiff

Wilson

- D Ronnie D. Kelley
- D Don Simpson
- R Ann Calabria
- R Sherrie G. Orange
- R Jan Williams

Oaths Received: 419

New Appointment Status

06-May-15

		Appointment
Cannon	D Mike McDonald / R Kent Younce	
	R Thomas W. Ganoe	5/4/2015
	R George Ronnie Orville Pittman	5/4/2015
Carroll	D Greg Duckett / R Jimmy Wallace	
	R Billy J. Smith	5/4/2015
	R Ron Reiter	5/4/2015
	R Gary Hatch	5/4/2015
Clay	D Mike McDonald / R Kent Younce	
	R Vernon Groce	5/4/2015
Coffee	D Mike McDonald / R Donna Barrett	
	R Bill Bates	5/4/2015
	R Larry McIntosh	5/4/2015
	R Sandra Soesbe	5/4/2015
Davidson	D Mike McDonald / R Donna Barrett	
	D Tricia R. Herzfeld	5/4/2015
Favette	D Greg Duckett / R Jimmy Wallace	
	D Ernestine Brown	5/4/2015
	D Maxine K. Middlecoff	5/4/2015
Gibson	D Greg Duckett / R Jimmy Wallace	
	D James Kaleb Dinwiddie	5/4/2015
	D Joseph William Albright	5/4/2015
Greene	D Tom Wheeler / R Judy Blackburn	
	R Latasha Keller	5/4/2015
Hamblen	D Tom Wheeler / R Judy Blackburn	
	D Gayle H. Bruce	5/4/2015
	D Tim W. Woodard	5/4/2015
	R Betty J. Shuck	5/4/2015
	R Lyle A. Doty	5/4/2015
	R E. C. Reed, Jr.	5/4/2015
Henderson	D Greg Duckett / R Jimmy Wallace	
	D Pope Thomas	5/4/2015
	D Cornelia T. Morris	5/4/2015
Jackson	D Mike McDonald / R Kent Younce	
	R Ruby Faye Thompson	5/4/2015
Lawrence	D Greg Duckett / R Donna Barrett	
	D Dan Hancock	5/4/2015
	D Roger D. Jackson	5/4/2015
	R Randy L. Giles	5/4/2015

Appointment

McNairy	D Greg Duckett / R Jimmy Wallace R Janice Maness	5/4/2015
Montgomery	D Mike McDonald / R Donna Barrett D Elsie Markin	5/4/2015
Morgan	D Tom Wheeler / R Kent Younce R Billy R. Kries R Alan S. Bradshaw R Howard Human	5/4/2015 5/4/2015 5/4/2015
Perry	D Greg Duckett / R Donna Barrett D Margaret S. Rainey D Lena Joe Kidd R Billy F. Tucker R Robert J. Erisman	5/4/2015 5/4/2015 5/4/2015 5/4/2015
Polk	D Tom Wheeler / R Judy Blackburn R Anna Clark	5/4/2015
Smith	D Mike McDonald / R Kent Younce R James Neal Hall	5/4/2015
Stewart	D Greg Duckett / R Jimmy Wallace D Martha A. Vaughn D Nellie F. Settle	5/4/2015 5/4/2015
Tipton	D Greg Duckett / R Jimmy Wallace D Letitia P. Wilson D James L. Sneed	5/4/2015 5/4/2015

Total New Commissioners: 41

PROCEDURES FOR CERTIFYING VOTING MACHINES BY THE TENNESSEE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION

All voting machines/vendors must receive certification from the state election commission and the coordinator of elections before any voting machines or systems may be sold in the State of Tennessee.

First Step:

Any interested vendor should submit a written request to the coordinator of elections and the state election commission requesting certification of your company together with the EAC certification number, a financial report and a list of all states that have already bought your voting machines or systems. If you would like to demonstrate your product at a meeting of the state election commission, please make that request in your letter. You will be notified of the date, time, and place of the meeting where you may make your presentation.

Second Step:

A. Voting Machine Procedure

Following verification of EAC certification and an initial presentation of your product and/or services, you would need to arrange for at least two (2) State Election Commissioners (of opposite parties) and the coordinator of elections (or designee) to view your machines or system in use in an election of a substantial size in another state. An election of a substantial size involves at the minimum the following characteristics:

- The jurisdiction has a population of at least 25,000 persons;
- The jurisdiction has at least two (2) or more district races on the ballots; and
- There are at least two (2) contested races involving both at large and district races on the ballot.

B. Voting Machine Software Systems Upgrade

- EAC Certification;
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You may send any correspondence for both the state election commission and the coordinator of elections to the following address:

312 Rosa L.Parks Avenue, 7th Floor
William R. Snodgrass Tower
Nashville, Tennessee 37243
(615) 741-7956

If you have any further questions regarding certification of your company, please feel free to contact the office of the state election coordinator at the phone number listed above.

PROCEDURES FOR CERTIFYING VOTING MACHINES BY THE TENNESSEE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION

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Second Step:

A. Voting Machine Procedure

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- The jurisdiction has a population of at least ~~25,10,000~~ persons;
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State of Tennessee
PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 880

SENATE BILL NO. 1999

By Yager

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2320

By Powers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-137 and Section 2-2-138, relative to voter registration systems.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-137(c), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(c) Beginning January 1, 2015, the coordinator of elections and the state election commission shall certify each voter registration system for purchase and use in the state. Subject to the concurrence of the state election commission, the coordinator of elections may make rules and policies as are necessary to carry out this subsection (c). In determining whether a voter registration system may be certified, the coordinator of elections and the state election commission shall consider, at a minimum, the following:

- (1) The compatibility of the voter registration system with any statewide system being operated by the secretary of state's office;
- (2) The history of ethical conduct in the sales of the voter registration system by the manufacturer or seller; and
- (3) The ability of the manufacturer or seller of the voter registration system to provide adequate professional assistance and service to the counties of the state.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-138(b), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (b)(1) and by adding the following language:

(2) The list, and any other voter registration information, shall be the property of the county election commission and the state. Any vendor of the county election commission having access to the voter registration data shall only use such data to service the county election commission and shall be prohibited from using such data other than for purposes of assisting the county election commission and the coordinator of elections. Non-authorized use by the vendor of the data shall constitute a Class B misdemeanor and grounds for decertification by the state election commission.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.

SENATE BILL NO. 1999

PASSED: April 14, 2014



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 1st day of May 2014



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR

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April 7, 2015

Mr. Dave Embry
Embry Consulting
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Friendship, TN 38030

Dear Mr. Embry,

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Please contact me should you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

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Judy H. Blackburn
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Mr. Mac Beeson
ES&S
11208 John Gait Blvd
Omaha, Nebraska 68137

Dear Mr. Beeson,

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April 7, 2015

Mr. Jerry Kidd
Kidd & Kidd, Inc.
704 South Tennessee Avenue
Lafollette, TN 37766

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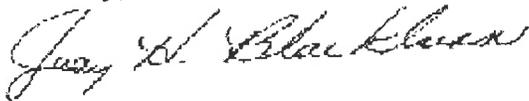
Ms. Becky Ray
Local Government Data Processing Corporation
714 Armstrong Lane
Columbia, TN 38401

Dear Ms. Ray,

The State Election Commission met April 6, 2015, and canceled their meeting for April 13, 2015. The State Election Commission will discuss certification of voter registration systems for use and purchase in Tennessee on May 4, 2015. You are receiving this letter notice since your company made a presentation on January 12, 2015, and is on the agenda to be discussed. The May 4, 2015 meeting will be in the Nashville Room and is set for Noon.

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May 5, 2015

Mr. Jerry Kidd
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704 South Tennessee Avenue
Lafollette, TN 37766

Dear Mr. Kidd,

As you are aware, on January 14, 2015, the State Election Commission reviewed all voter registration systems which are in use and for purchase in Tennessee at their meeting. The Election Commission met on May 4, 2015, and discussed the certification of all voter registration systems for use and purchase in Tennessee. Your voter registration system was not certified for use and purchase in Tennessee.

If you have additional questions please contact the Division of Election at: 615-741-7956.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judy H. Blackburn".

Judy H. Blackburn
Chairman, State Election Commission

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Kathy Summers

From: Kathy Summers
ent: Tuesday, May 05, 2015 1:46 PM
To: jdwaynekidd@aol.com
Subject: State Election Commission - Voter Registration Systems
Attachments: 2015 - Letter to Kidd and Kidd from SEC - May 5.pdf

Importance: High

Jerry-

I have attached a copy of a letter from the State Election Commission regarding your voter registration system. The original letter has been placed in the mail. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Kathy

Kathy Summers
Elections Specialist



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From: Kathy Summers
ent: Tuesday, May 05, 2015 1:47 PM
To: claibornecounty@gmail.com
Subject: State Election Commission - Voter Registration Systems
Attachments: 2015 - Claiborne Co - SEC Letter - Kidd and Kidd - May 5.pdf

Importance: High

Carolyn-

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Thank you.

Kathy

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May 5, 2015

Mrs. Carolyn O'Dell
Claiborne County Election Commission
P O Box 343
Tazewell, TN 37879-0343

Dear Carolyn,

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Sincerely,

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Mrs. Joyce Slagle
Cocke County Election Commission
Courthouse Annex Room 130
360 East Main Street
Newport, TN 37821-3121

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To: ccec@cockecounty.net
Subject: State Election Commission - Voter Registration Systems
Attachments: 2015- Cocke County - SEC Letter - Kidd and Kidd - May 5.pdf
Importance: High

Joyce-

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Thank you.

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May 5, 2015

Mrs. Kathy Winstead
Grainger County Election Commission
P O Box 28
Rutledge, TN 37861-0028

Dear Kathy,

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Importance: High

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May 5, 2015

Mrs. Sue Greer
Hancock County Election Commission
P O Box 423
Sneedville, TN 37869-0423

Dear Sue,

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To: Hancock Commission
Subject: State Election Commission - Voter Registration Systems
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Importance: High

Sue-

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May 5, 2015

Mrs. Jerrie Hickey
Sequatchie County Election Commission
68 Spring Street
Dunlap, TN 38327-3752

Dear Jerrie,

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judy H. Blackburn".

Judy H. Blackburn
Chairman, State Election Commission

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Kathy Summers

From: Kathy Summers
Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2015 1:48 PM
To: Jerrie Hickey (jerriehickey@gmail.com) (jerriehickey@gmail.com); sequelection@bledsoe.net
Subject: State Election Commission - Voter Registration Systems
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May 5, 2015

Mr. Ed Kuncitis
Sevier County Election Commission
P O Box 4690
Sevierville, TN 37864-4690

Dear Ed,

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May 5, 2015

Mrs. Debbie Viles
Union County Election Commission
P O Box 39
Maynardville, TN 37807-0039

Dear Debbie,

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May 4, 2015

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2015 CEC Appointees on other Government Boards with Pay as of 5/4/2015

Appointing SEC Member	County	CEC Member	Political Party	Contact Date	Other Boards	Follow-up
Donna Barrett	Cheatham	Elke Mcleroy	Republican	4/21/2015	County Board of Equalization	She resigned from the equalization board per 5/4/15 email.
Donna Barrett	Franklin	Andrew Knapper	Republican	4/22/2015	Franklin County Board of Equalization	Voluntarily serving on the county board of equalization per 4/24/15 email
Donna Barrett	Franklin	A. L. Shasteen	Republican	4/22/2015	Franklin County Soil Conservation Franklin County Regional Planning	He wants to stay on the other 2 county boards. He will just let the SEC remove him rather than resign
Donna Barrett	Rutherford	Richard Reeves	Republican	4/16/2015	Reassessment Board	Voluntarily serving on the county board of equalization per 4/23/15 letter
Judy Blackburn	Greene	Richard S. Keller	Republican	4/16/2015	Old Knoxville Highway Utility Board	He will just let the SEC remove him and appoint a new election commissioner.

Appointing SEC Member	County	CEC Member	Political Party	Contact Date	Other Boards	Follow-up
Judy Blackburn	Hawkins	Nancy Heck	Republican	4/14/2015	Hawkins County Planning Commission Historical Zoning Commission	Voluntarily serving on the planning commission and the preservation commission per 4/28/15 letter
Judy Blackburn	Hawkins	Joyce Simon	Republican	4/27/2015	Rogersville Historical Preservation	Voluntarily serving on the preservation commission per 4/28/15 letter
Judy Blackburn	Monroe	Dwayne Martin	Republican	4/16/2015	Beer Board	He resigned from the beer board on 4/23/15
Judy Blackburn	Monroe	Charles Ridenour	Republican	4/14/2015 5/1/2015	Monroe County Beer Board (Law Firm contracts with county trustee to collect taxes)	Voluntarily serving on the beer board per 5/1/15 letter.
Greg Duckett	Lauderdale	Roy Lee Bonds, Sr.	Democratic	4/21/2015	Zoning and Appeal Lauderdale Planning Commission	Voluntarily serving on other boards per 4/27/15 letter

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Tommy Head	Cannon	Sue H. Patrick	Democratic	5/1/2015	Woodbury Planning Commission	She resigned from the city planning commission per 5/1/15 letter.
Tommy Head	Sequatchie	Jan Johnson	Democratic	4/21/2015	Sequatchie County Equalization Board	He resigned from the equalization board on 4/22/15
Jimmy Wallace	Chester	Bill Moore	Republican	4/16/2015	Planning Commission Henderson Bd of Education	Voluntarily serving on the city boards per 5/4/15 letter.
Jimmy Wallace	Decatur	Grafton Dodd	Republican	4/21/2015	Decatur-Benton Water District	Wants a ruling by the SEC before he decides.
Kent Younce	Campbell	Jerry L. Sharp	Republican	4/16/2015	Campbell County Planning Commission	He resigned from the planning com'n on 4/21/15
Kent Younce	Van Buren	N. Leon Deweese	Republican	4/21/2015	Van Buren County Planning Commission	He resigned from the planning com'n on 5/1/15

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October 17, 2013

Opinion No. 13-77

County Election Commissioner Serving on County Board of Public Utilities

QUESTION

May a member of the Roane County Election Commission also serve as a member of the Roane County Board of Public Utilities?

OPINION

No.

ANALYSIS

The provisions of Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-1-112 expressly prohibit a county or municipal employee from serving on a county election commission, stating in pertinent part as follows:

(a)(1) Neither an elected official nor an employee of a state, county, municipal or federal governmental body or agency or of an elected official may serve as a member of a county election commission or as a member of a county primary board or as an election official.

The statute does not define the term “employee.” However, according to the opinion request, the Roane County Commission is authorized pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 5-16-103(f)(7)(A) to provide for the compensation of the members of the Roane County Board of Utilities and members currently receive \$100 per month in compensation. This Office has previously opined that members of a county Civil Service Board were “employees” within the meaning of Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-1-112(a)(1), even though they were not full-time, because, pursuant to statutory authority, the county commission provided a salary or compensation for those members. *See* Tenn. Atty. Gen Op. 02-121, at 1-2 (Oct. 30, 2002). Similarly, the compensation authorized by Tenn. Code Ann. § 5-16-103(f)(7)(A) and provided to members of the Roane County Board of Public Utilities is sufficient to make them employees of the county within the meaning of Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-1-112(a)(1), even if they are not full-time. Accordingly, a member of the Roane County Election Commission may not serve as a member of the Roane County Board of Public Utilities.

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Requested by:

The Honorable Mark Goins
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1983 Tenn. AG LEXIS 144
83-349
July 15, 1983

Request By:

WILLIAM M. LEECH, JR., Attorney General (WILLIAM B. HUBBARD, Chief Deputy Attorney General; WILLIAM P. SIZER, Assistant Attorney General)

Opinion

Mr. David A. Collins
Coordinator of Elections
500 James K. Polk Building
Nashville, Tennessee 37219

You have requested an opinion on the following question:

QUESTION

Is a member of the **state executive committee** of a political party considered to be an "**elected official**" for purposes of T.C.A. § 2-1-112 and thereby disqualified from serving as an "election official?"

OPINION

It is the opinion of this office that a member of the **state executive committee** of a political party is an "**elected official**" for purposes of T.C.A. § 2-1-112 and is thereby prohibited from serving as an "election official."

ANALYSIS

Tennessee Code Annotated § 2-1-112 provides in relevant part: "Neither an **elected official** nor an employee of a state, county, municipal or federal government body or agency or of an **elected official** may serve as a member of a county election commission or as a member of a county primary board or as an election official...." The section goes on to exempt several classes of officials and employees from the prohibition contained therein. It does not exempt members of state executive committees of political parties.

Members of said committees are elected by the voters in each party's regular August primary election pursuant to T.C.A. § 2-13-103. Clearly, they are therefore "elected."

The question remains whether they are "officials." The primary factors in determining whether a person is a state official are whether he has a fixed term of office and whether he must take an oath of office. Members of state executive committees satisfy both requirements. Section 2-13-103 provides that they have terms of four years beginning September 15 following their election, and the final sentence of this section provides: "Persons elected shall qualify by taking the oath of office and filing it

with the coordinator of elections."

Also, as noted above, T.C.A. § 2-1-112 specifically exempts several classes of officials and employees but does not specifically exempt members of state executive committees. This would suggest that the legislative intent was to include the latter in the prohibition.

It should also be pointed out that the **state executive committee** of a political party serves ex officio as the state primary board for the party, pursuant to T.C.A. § 2-13-102 . In this capacity the **state executive committee** functions as an organ of the State and helps to administer primary elections, which are conducted under the auspices of the State.

All of these factors lead to the conclusion that members of state executive committees are to be considered "elected officials" under T.C.A. § 2-1-112 and are thereby prohibited from serving as "election officials."

If you have further questions or comments about this matter, please feel free to contact us.