

# COUNTY OF MERCER NEW JERSEY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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## N.J.S.A. 19:61-9 AUDITS OF ELECTION RESULTS

#### 2021 GENERAL ELECTION

Audit Date: November 20, 22 & 23, 2021

The Mercer County Board of Elections (MC BOE) performed an audit consistent with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:61-9.

The General Election held November 2, 2021 was conducted with Nine (9) days of early voting using the Dominion ICX Ballot Marking Devices and ICP2 Tabulators w/ paper ballots, Vote-By Mail Ballots, Provisional Ballots, Emergency Ballots and the Dominion ICP1 w/ paper ballots on Election Day.

Pursuant to the statute 2 Units of the paper ballot batches for each Legislative District within Mercer County were to be audited. Mercer County is comprised of three (3) Legislative Districts; 14, 15 & 16.

The MC BOE conducted a hand-to-eye count of the paper records for the General Election held November 2, 2021 for the following offices: Governor, State Senate, General Assembly, County Surrogate and Municipal Council or Mayor.

Audit units were comprised of early voting ballots, election day machine ballots, vote-by-mail ballots, and provisional ballots. Based on less than 100 voting districts in each of the 3 Legislative Districts, 2 Units were required to be audited in LD16, and 2% from LD14 & LD15.

The following batches were randomly selected for the audit:

## **LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 14:**

ROBBINSVILLE PROVISIONALS – SCANNER ICC04-BATCH 31
HAMILTON PROVISIONALS – SCANNER ICC05-BATCH 8
ROBBINSVILLE MIB – ICC02-BATCH 67
EAST WINDSOR MIB – ICC03-BATCH 2
HIGHTSTOWN MIB – ICC01-BATCH 33
EAST WINDSOR DISTRICT 9 -- MACHINE BALLOTS
HAMILTON DISTRICT 26 – MACHINE BALLOTS

## **LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 15:**

TRENTON WEST PROVISIONALS – SCANNER ICC05-BATCH 15
EWING PROVISIONALS – SCANNER ICC04-BATCH 8
PENNINGTON MIB – ICC02-BATCH 72
HOPEWELL TWP MIB – ICC02-BATCH 31
PENNINGTON MIB – ICCO3-BATCH 38
LAWRENCE MIB – ICCO4-BATCH 48
EWING DISTRICT 17 – MACHINE BALLOTS
WEST WINDSOR DISTRICT 5 – MACHINE BALLOTS
LAWRENCE DISTRICT 18 – MACHINE BALLOTS

## **LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 16:**

PRINCETON PROVISIONALS – SCANNER ICC05-BATCH 21
PRINCETON PROVISIONALS – SCANNER ICC05-BATCH 22
PRINCETON MIB – SCANNER ICC03-BATCH 17
PRINCETON MIB – SCANNER ICC03-BATCH 68
PRINCETON DISTRICT 18 – MACHINE BALLOTS
PRINCETON DISTRICT 21 – MACHINE BALLOTS

## **EARLY VOTING**

TRENTON EARLY VOTING TABULATOR 130
PENNINGTON EARLY VOTING TABULATOR 113
PRINCETON EARLY VOTING TABULATOR 134

In LD 14, East Windsor, Robbinsville and Hamilton Twp, each Municipality hand to eye audit was 100% consistent with the scanned tally report except Hightstown was 01-50, where the circle was not completed entirely and it was considered an undervote.

In LD 15, Ewing, Hopewell Twp, Trenton West and West Windsor, each Municipality also was 100% consistent with the hand to eye count compared to the scanner tally report, with the exception of 1 Batch of Pennington was 01-100, a write in was an undervote and 1 Batch of Lawrence Twp was 01-60, the voter drew a light line along the edge of the circle and it was not detected.

In LD 14, all 6 of the Princeton Batches were 100% consistent with the hand to eye count compared to the scanner tally report.

Lastly, we completed 3 Early Voting Site Tabulator audits, Princeton, Pennington and Trenton and all 3 tabulators selected were 100% consistent with the hand to eye count compared to the scanner tally report.

If a voter did not complete an oval significantly enough to be detected by the tabulation equipment the result in not assigned a vote. Any paper ballot which contained an overvote for a contest recorded it as an overvote and did not count the vote.

Respectfully Submitted November 23, 2021 by:

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