

Appendix A

**DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY
TO SERVE ON CANVASSING BOARD**

I, _____, Pierce County _____, hereby designate
_____, to act in my place on the Pierce County
Canvassing Board for the _____ Election to be held on
_____. My designee is _____
and will serve for the time frame stated below.

Name of Designee: _____

Title: _____

Time Frame of Delegation: _____

Signed by: _____

Such delegation is made under the authority of RCW 29A.60.140 and WAC 434-262-015, in accordance with Washington State Law.

Appendix B

Oath of County Auditor or Supervisor of Elections

STATE OF WASHINGTON)
) ss.
COUNTY OF PIERCE)

I solemnly swear that the returns of the Election held on _____, in Pierce County, State of Washington, have been in no way altered and that they are the same as when they were deposited in my office.

County Auditor or Supervisor of Elections

Subscribed and sworn to me this ___ of _____, ____.

Chairman, County Legislative Authority

Appendix C

Certification of the Canvassing Board

STATE OF WASHINGTON)
) ss.
COUNTY OF PIERCE)

The undersigned officers designated by law as constituting the Canvassing Board for the County of Pierce, State of Washington, hereby certify that this is a full, true and correct copy of the Abstract of Votes including the cumulative results, precinct results, and a reconciliation report of votes cast at the _____ Election held on _____, in Pierce County, State of Washington, and that the following are the true and reconciled numbers of voters and votes counted.

Witness our hands and official seal this ___ day of _____, ____

County Auditor or Supervisor of Elections

Chairman, County Legislative Authority

County Prosecuting Attorney

Special Election May 20, 2008



The Canvassing Board of Pierce County, pursuant to chapter 29A.60 RCW, will hold public meetings at the dates and times listed below. These meetings of the Canvassing Board are open, public meetings, and shall be continued until the activity for which the meetings are held has been completed. A record of the proceedings of the County Canvassing Board shall be made and maintained in the County Auditor's Office, and shall be available for public inspection and copying. The record shall be retained for the same time period required by law for the retention of absentee ballots. The following events will take place at the **Pierce County Election Center, 2501 South 35th Street, Suite C, Tacoma, Washington.**

Canvassing Board Meeting
May 30, 2008, 1:00 p.m.

Certification of Election
June 4, 2008 11:00 a.m.

Pat McCarthy

Pierce County Auditor

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Appendix E

April 4, 2008

XXXXXXXXXX
Pierce County Party Chairperson
XXXXXXXXXX
XXXXXXXXXX

Dear _____:

The May 20, 2008 Special Election is fast approaching and I wanted to take this opportunity to provide you with our timelines so that you may schedule your observers accordingly.

Observers should report to the Auditor's Election Center at 2501 South 35th Street, Suite C at the beginning of their shift and identify themselves as party observers. Observers should enter through the Employee Entrance door on the east side of the building. All observers are expected to be scheduled for a four-hour shift. You must send a schedule of observers with hours and dates assigned. **Remember, each observer must have been certified at one of our recent observer classes in order to work this spring.**

We will begin the initial processing of ballots on Monday, May 5, 2008 in the Auditor's Election Center. Ballots will be processed weekdays from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., up to certification; however, there may be days when staff hours may be adjusted to accommodate workflow. On Election Day, May 20, 2008 we will be working in the Auditor's Election Center from 7:00 a.m. until finished. Depending upon the volume of ballots that are returned, it may be necessary to add or cancel some shifts. We will notify you immediately of any schedule changes so that you may notify your observers.

You are encouraged to send an observer to these events as well:

- Logic & Accuracy Test of Disability Access Touch Screen voting machine Monday, April 28, 2008 at 10:00 am
- Logic & Accuracy Test of the Tabulation System Thursday, May 8, 2008 at 10:00 am
- Canvassing Board Meeting Friday, May 30, 2008 at 1:00 pm
- Certification Meeting Wednesday, June 4, 2008 at 11:00 am

We appreciate your participation in this program. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Rebecca Brauhn, Pierce County Auditor's Observer Coordinator at 253-798-2110.

Sincerely,

Pat McCarthy
Pierce County Auditor

c: Lead Party Observer

Appendix F

Re: Unsigned Affidavit

Your ballot for the upcoming election has been received by this office. Unfortunately, you neglected to sign the affidavit on the return envelope, as required by Washington State law.

Please sign the affidavit below and return this letter to us in the postage paid envelope provided. In order for your ballot to be counted, the signed affidavit must be returned to this office no later than 4:30 p.m. on June 3, 2008.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Elections Division at 253-798-3203 or 1-800-446-4979 if you have any questions.

I do solemnly swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that: I am a citizen of the United States; I am a legal resident of the state of Washington; I will be at least 18 years old on or before election day; I am not presently denied my voting rights as a result of being convicted of a felony; I have not been judicially declared mentally incompetent; I have not already voted in this election; and I understand it is illegal to cast a ballot or sign a ballot envelope on behalf of another voter. Attempting to vote when not qualified, attempting to vote more than once, or falsely signing this oath is a felony punishable by a maximum imprisonment of five years, a maximum fine of \$10,000, or both.

Phone Number (Optional)

Date

Signature

1. Two witnesses required if using a mark (X)

2. Two witnesses required if using a mark (X)

Appendix G

SUBJECT: Signature Does Not Match

This letter is regarding the absentee ballot which was returned to our office for the current election. Washington State law requires our office to verify the signature on every absentee ballot with the signature on each registration record. The signature on your absentee ballot does not match the signature on your voter registration record. Your ballot for this election cannot be counted until we receive an updated signature.

Three options are available to you to have your ballot counted:

1. Appear in person at the Pierce County Auditors Office, Election Division, located at 2501 South 35th St., Suite C to sign a new voter registration form. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, except holidays. This will enable us to use the new signature for **this and future elections.**
2. In order to count your ballot for **this election only**, sign the affidavit below **and** provide a copy of a valid government identification that includes your signature. For example, you can make a copy of a driver's license, state, student, or tribal identification. The signature on the affidavit and the identification provided must match the signature on your ballot envelope.
3. In order for your ballot to be counted for **this election only**, sign the affidavit below in front of **two witnesses**, who also must sign. Your signature must match the signature on your ballot envelope.

The deadline for all options is 4:30 pm, June 3, 2008.

I do solemnly swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that: I am a citizen of the United States; I am a legal resident of the state of Washington; I will be at least 18 years old on or before election day; I am not presently denied my voting rights as a result of being convicted of a felony; I have not been judicially declared mentally incompetent; I have not already voted in this election; and I understand it is illegal to cast a ballot or sign a ballot envelope on behalf of another voter. Attempting to vote when not qualified, attempting to vote more than once, or falsely signing this oath is a felony punishable by a maximum imprisonment of five years, a maximum fine of \$10,000, or both.

Signature

Date

Witness No. 1

Witness No. 2

If you have any questions, please call The Elections Division at 253-798-3695 or (800)446-4979.

Appendix H

Delegation of Authority
(Staff and Volunteers)

We, the members of the Pierce County Canvassing Board, authorize the staff and volunteers to _____ (Describe Activity) _____ as stated in the County Canvassing Board Policies & Procedures manual for the _____ calendar year.

ADOPTED BY THE Pierce County Canvassing Board this ____ day of _____, ____.

Pierce County Auditor

Pierce County Council, Chair

Pierce County Prosecuting Attorney

Appendix I

Special Election May 20, 2008



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Preparation of Voting Systems

April 21 - May 8, 2008 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (extended hours, if necessary)

Logic and Accuracy Test of Disabled Access Voting Units

April 28, 2008, 10:00 a.m.

Logic and Accuracy Test of Voting System

May 8, 2008, 10:00 a.m.

Election Results

May 20, 2008 after 8:30 p.m.

Processing of Ballots

May 5 - June 3, 2008
7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
(extended hours, if necessary)

Pat McCarthy
Pierce County Auditor

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Pierce County
Ranked Choice Voting Advancement Table

	Before Advancement			After Advancement			Conditions	Intpretation
	1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice	1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice		
1	Blank	Blank	Blank	No advancement			All Blank - Under voted	Under voted ballot, exhausted
2	Ant/Cat	Bird	Dog	No advancement			Over vote 1st Choice	Over voted ballot, exhausted
3	Bird	Ant/Dog	Cat	Bird			Over vote 2nd Choice	Count Bird, exhausted
4	Dog	Bird	Ant/Cat	Dog	Bird		Over vote 3rd Choice	Dog, then Bird, exhausted
5	Ant	Ant	Dog	Ant	Dog		Duplicate 1st and 2nd	Ant, then Dog, exhausted
6	Bird	Ant	Bird	Bird	Ant		Duplicate 1st and 3rd	Bird, then Ant, exhausted
7	Bird	Ant	Ant	Bird	Ant		Duplicate 2nd and 3rd	Bird, then Ant, exhausted
8	Ant	Ant	Ant	Ant			Duplicate All	Ant, exhausted
9		Dog	Cat	Dog	Cat		No 1st Choice	Dog to 1st, Cat to 2nd, exhausted
10	Cat		Bird	Cat	Bird		No 2nd Choice	Count Cat, Bird to 2nd, exhausted
11		Ant		Ant			No 1st or 3rd	Ant to 1st, exhausted
12	Bird			Bird			No 2nd or 3rd	Count Bird, exhausted
13	Ant	Bird		Ant	Bird		No 3rd	Ant, then Bird, exhausted
14			Cat	Cat			No 1st or 2nd	Cat to 1st, exhausted

Note: This advancement table displays advancement, overvotes, undervotes, skipped rankings and exhausted ballots.

Appendix K
Signature Verification Oath

Per WAC 434-379-020, a signature will be matched to the signature on file in the voter registration record using the following methods.

1. Agreement in style and general appearance, including basic construction, skill, alignment, fluency, and a general uniformity and consistency between signatures;
2. Agreement in the proportions of individual letters, height to width, and heights of the upper to lower case letters;
3. Irregular spacing, slants, or sizes of letters that are duplicated in both signatures;
4. After considering the general traits, agreement of the most distinctive, unusual traits of the signatures.

A single distinctive trait is insufficient to conclude that the signatures are by the same writer. There must be a combination or cluster of shared characteristics. Likewise, there must be a cluster of differences to conclude that the signatures are by different writers.

I will analyze, compare and evaluate the signature as it appears on the return envelope with the signature as it appears on the voter registration record. I will validate the ballot if in my judgment the same person signed both. I understand that a variation of the signature due to the substitution of initials or the use of common nicknames is permitted so long as the handwriting is clearly the same. I will challenge any ballot which does not meet the above requirements or appears to have been signed by someone other than the voter to whom it was issued. In making this determination, I will take into account the natural variations and characteristics inherent in all signatures.

I understand the above requirements and by signing below I acknowledge that I have received training in the ACE method of signature verification and agree to uphold this oath:

Print Name	Signature	Date

Appendix L

Delegation of Authority
(Staff and Volunteers)

We, the members of the Pierce County Canvassing Board, authorize and give the Pierce County Auditor, at any time a recount is called, to continue to work, to set costs for the recount and to complete the election, as designated in the County Canvassing Board Policies & Procedures Manual for the ____ calendar year.

ADOPTED BY THE Pierce County Canvassing Board this ____ day of _____, ____.

Pierce County Auditor

Pierce County Council Chair

Pierce County Prosecuting Attorney