**MINUTES**
**November 13, 2020**
**11:00 A.M.**
**Wake County Board of Elections**

Chair Greg Flynn called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Wake County Board of Elections to order at 11:03 a.m. Present for the meeting were Greg Flynn, Erica Porter, Gerry Cohen, Angela Hawkins, Keith Weatherly, Director Gary Sims, Deputy Director Olivia McCall, and staff members Shanya Scott and Evan Wingate.

The Board led the Pledge of Allegiance.

On motion by Erica Porter, second by Gerry Cohen, the Board approved the Agenda as presented.

Director Gary Sims presented 42 emergency bin ballots from provisionals that have been replicated for Board review.

After review, on motion by Gerry Cohen, second by Erica Porter, the Board unanimously approved the 42 emergency bin replicated ballots.

On motion by Erica Porter, second by Angela Hawkins, the Board unanimously directed staff to begin scanning the 42 emergency bin replicated ballots through the DS850 High Speed Tabulator.

Director Gary Sims presented 13 emergency bin ballots from early voting that have been replicated for Board review.

After review, on motion by Angela Hawkins, second by Erica Porter, the Board unanimously approved the 13 emergency bin replicated ballots and directed staff to begin scanning through the DS850 High Speed Tabulator.

Director Gary Sims presented 3 Civilian absentee ballot container applications, 5 Overseas replicated e-mail ballots, 1 voter signature cure certification, and 23 incomplete witness information cure certifications received by the November 12, 2020, deadline.

After review, on motion by Angela Hawkins, second by Erica Porter, the Board unanimously approved 3 Civilian absentee ballot container applications and 5 Overseas replicated e-mail ballots and directed staff to directed staff to open, flatten, sort, and scanned through the DS850 High Speed Tabulator.

After review, on motion by Gerry Cohen, second by Keith Weatherly, the Board unanimously approved the 1 additional Civilian absentee ballot container envelope applications with cure certificate due to missing voter signature.

After review, on motion by Erica Porter, second by Gerry Cohen, the Board approved the 23 additional Civilian absentee ballot container envelope applications with cure certificates due to missing witness information. Keith Weatherly and Angela Hawkins opposed the motion.

Chair Greg Flynn introduced the Elections Protest submitted by Kim Coley. Protest attached.

After discussion and review, on motion by Gerry Cohen, second by Erica Porter, the Board unanimously moved to dismiss the protest due to lack of probable cause and the facts stated, even if true, do not rise to a claim of relief that the Board could grant. Motion to dismiss order attached.

Chair Greg Flynn introduced the Elections Protest submitted by Paul Newby. Protest attached.

Keith Weatherly stated that the issues raised in the protest rise to a probable cause and should be heard.

Gerry Cohen stated his proposed findings.

Gerry Cohen motioned to dismiss the protest due to lack of probable cause. Erica Porter seconded.

During discussion, Angela Hawkins stated that the protest should be heard at a full hearing based on the Board not being unanimous on the cure certification process. She stated that the state law requires a witness address to be verifiable and the cure affidavit never confirmed the missing information.

Gerry Cohen stated that the Board must follow the law provided. The petitioner can appeal to the NC State Board of Elections to hear the matter.

Greg Flynn stated that the matters raised in the protest do not have any discrepancy with the laws that currently stand.

Erica Porter stated that the Board has not acted outside the law and does not see probable cause in the protest.

After discussion and review, the Board moved to dismiss the protest due to lack of probable cause. Keith Weatherly and Angela Hawkins opposed the motion. Motion to dismiss order is attached.

On motion by Erica Porter, second by Angela Hawkins, the Board unanimously went into recess at 1:00 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 4:00 p.m.

The Board reviewed the Canvass Abstract of Votes.

On motion by Erica Porter, second by Gerry Cohen, the Board motioned to approve the Canvass Abstract of Votes.

During discussion, Angela Hawkins recited Judge Osteen's ruling regarding the cure affidavit process for absentee ballots as the county board of elections are using a cure affidavit process that does not seek any witness information even though the affidavit is being use to cure missing witness information. State law requires printed name, address, and signature of the witness on absentee container envelopes as required by NC session law 2020-17 House Bill 1169.

Keith Weatherly agreed with Angela Hawkins' comments, stating that some votes contained in this abstract were not legally cast and that the Board is required to uphold state law.

Gerry Cohen stated the Board is required by Article 6 section 7 in addition to state statute, higher precedence is the NC Constitution and US Constitution and NC Supreme Court in interpreting previsions of the NC Constitution.

Greg Flynn agreed with Judge Osteen's statements but also agreed with his decision to allow the cure certification process to be used as the legal procedure under state and federal law, stating the Board faithfully followed the law as obligated to follow.

Angela Hawkins stated that the majority of the decisions made by the Board have been unanimous aside from this matter which her stance has been consistent from the beginning of this process.

Keith Weatherly stated that Judge Osteen stated due to the constraint of time was the cure certification held in place.

Greg Flynn stated that Judge Osteen allowed the process to continue as the legal process for this election.

Gerry Cohen stated that the voters followed the legal process of the cure certification that was in place.

Erica Porter stated that the Board has followed the law as given and carried out the Board's duties on a county level and the they as a Board cannot oversee state matters.

After discussion, Angela Hawkins and Keith Weatherly planned to add comments of dissention to the Abstract.

The Board unanimously voted to approve the Canvass Abstract of Votes.

The Board signed the Canvass Abstract of Votes.

The Board approved and signed the Abstract for Supplemental Absentee ballots.

The Board approved and authorized the Chair to sign the Supplemental Military and Civilian Absentee Certificate of Oath.

Secretary Keith Weatherly presented the resolution relating to the Canvass of the returns of the Bond Referendum held in the City of Raleigh, North Carolina.

On motion by Keith Weatherly, second by Angela Hawkins, the Board approved the resolution and certified the Bond Referendum results.

Chair Greg Flynn declared Wake County nominees.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Flynn
CHAIR

Keith H. Weatherly, Secretary
Wake County Board of Elections

**08 NCAC 02 .0111 ELECTION PROTEST FORM**

All persons bringing an election protest under Part 4 of Article 20 shall complete and timely file the following form. For the purposes of this Rule, "timely" means within the time required by G.S. 163A-1177(b). Please note this form shall not be used to challenge the registration of an individual voter or to report an incident other than an irregularity affecting the outcome of an election.

**ELECTION PROTEST**

(Use of this form is required by G.S. 163A-1177(c))

This form must be filed with the county board of elections within the timeframes set out in G.S. 163A-1177(b)(4). Please print or type your answers. Use additional sheets if needed to answer the below questions fully. Number the pages of all additional sheets. Please note that filings will be a public record. Please redact all confidential information, such as date of birth, Social Security number, and driver's license number.

Respond to all prompts. Failure to complete this form as required may result in the dismissal of your protest. Attach additional sheets as necessary, including all exhibits and supplemental documents. All attachments are deemed incorporated and covered under the Protest Certification.

PROTESTOR

1. Provide your preferred contact information:

Name: Tim Coley County of Residence: Wake

Email: Conservative Coley@gmail.com Phone: 919-291-0660

Mailing Address: 37187 (P.O. Box) Rol. NC 27627

NOTE: You will be deemed to consent to service at all of the above addresses (including email), unless you attach an addendum indicating otherwise.

2. Are you represented by counsel? ☐ Yes ☐ No

NOTE: If you answered *Yes*, above, your counsel must complete and you must attach the Counsel Certification Addendum.

3. Mark all that describe you:

☐ Candidate for the office of House District 36

☐ Registered voter eligible to participate in the protested election contest

☐ Neither of the above*

**If you select this option, you are not eligible to file a protest.*

PROTEST SCOPE

4. List all election contests subject to your protest and calculate the margin of votes separating the apparent winner from the runner-up as of the date of filing. Your response does not waive your right to contest the validity of the current vote count. If your protest concerns all contests on the ballot, you must include the vote margin for each contest.

| **Protested Contest(s)** | **Current Vote Margin** (subtract runner-up totals from apparent winner's totals) |
|---|---|
| ***Example: Mayor of Townsville*** | *75* |
| Absentee/Mail-in | 8,535 |

5. This protest alleges (*select at least one*):

□ A defect in the manner by which votes were counted or results tabulated sufficient to cast doubt on the apparent results of the election.

X A violation of election law, irregularity, or misconduct sufficient to cast doubt on the apparent results of the election.

FACTUAL BASIS & LEGAL ARGUMENT

6. Provide all factual allegations in support of your protest. If any fact you allege is outside the scope of your personal knowledge, you may attach affidavits from those who have personal knowledge of that fact. All facts you allege in connection with this protest must be true and accurate to the best of your knowledge, and brought in the sincere belief that the facts alleged form a good faith basis to protest the conduct and results of the election.

Fact NCSBE 11/6/16 - 75.35% Wk Voter 36HD % of 701K
11/6/18 59.26% Vk voter 724K
11/3/20 79.60% Wk voter 794.494
but 36HD % uses 97%?
I am requesting an audit on behalf of the 25,617 voters of HD36-

7. List all individuals, if any, you may call as witnesses to substantiate facts listed in Prompt 6. If there are multiple individuals, summarize the facts of which the individual has personal knowledge.

8. Cite any statute or case, administrative rule or decisions, and election policy or procedure that supports your claim set out under Prompt 5.
The numbers don't add up and percentage are irregular & inconsistant

RELIEF

9. What effect do you believe the facts alleged in response to Prompt 6, if proven, will have on the electoral outcome in the protested contest(s)? Your response should account for the current vote margin calculated in response to Prompt 4.

□ The electoral outcome of the protested contest(s) will change.
□ The electoral outcome of the protested contest(s) will not change.
□ I am uncertain whether the outcome of the contest(s) will change.
□ Other transparency

10. What relief do you seek?

X Correct the vote count
□ A new election
□ Other: _____

ASSISTANCE

11. List all persons who assisted you in preparing the contents of this protest and indicate the nature of the assistance provided:

Note: For protestors represented by an attorney, this protest is the initial filing in a proceeding as defined by N.C. State Bar Rules. *See* 27 N.C.A.C. 02 Rule 1.00(n).

12. Has any candidate, political party, organization, or person acting on behalf of the same requested that you bring this protest?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

I do not know this answer. I'm acting on my own behalf.

13. Have you received any financial or other benefit or promise of future financial or other benefit in exchange for filing this protest?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

AFFECTED PARTIES & SERVICE

You must serve copies of all filings on every person with a direct stake in the outcome of this protest ("Affected Parties"). Affected Parties include every candidate seeking nomination or election in the protested contest(s) listed under Prompt 4, not only the apparent winner and runner-up. If a protest concerns the eligibility or ineligibility of particular voters, all such voters are Affected Parties and must be served. Address information for registered voters is available from the county board of elections or using the Voter Lookup at www.ncsbe.gov.

Materials may be served by personal delivery, transmittal through U.S. Mail or commercial carrier service to the Affected Party's mailing address of record on file with the county board of elections or the State Board, or by any other means affirmatively authorized by the Affected Party. If you know the Affected Party is represented by an attorney, service must be made on his or her counsel. Service must occur within one (1) business day of filing materials with the county board of elections. If service is by transmittal through the U.S. Mail or commercial carrier service, service will be complete when the properly addressed, postage-paid parcel is deposited into the care and custody of the U.S. Mail or commercial carrier service. It is your responsibility to ensure service is made on all Affected Parties.

14. List all Affected Parties, including their service address:

| *Affected Party* | *Service Address* |
|---|---|
| Wake GOP | 1200 Spring Forest Rd Raleigh, NC |

PROTESTOR CERTIFICATION

15. By signing this protest application, you affirm the following:

I _____ (*full name*), swear, under penalty of perjury, that the information provided in this protest filing is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that I have read and understand the following:

(*initial*)

I have reviewed the statutes and administrative rules governing election protests, including all deadlines.

My protest must originate with a filing at the county board of elections.

I must timely serve all Affected Parties.

I must prove by *substantial evidence* either the existence of a defect in the manner by which votes were counted or results tabulated or the occurrence of a violation of election law, irregularity, or misconduct, either of which were sufficient to cast doubt on the apparent results of the election.

It is a crime to interfere unlawfully with the conduct and certification of an election.

It is a crime to interfere unlawfully with the ability of a qualified individual to vote and to have that vote counted in the election.

The facts I allege in connection with this protest are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and I have a good faith basis to protest the conduct and results of the election.

**Submitting fraudulently or falsely completed declarations is a Class I felony under Chapter 163A of the General Statutes. This notice is provided pursuant to S.L. 2013-381, s. 5.4.**

Signature of Protestor: _____ Date: 11/12/2020

(*This signature must be signed in the presence of a notary.*)

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State of North Carolina, County of Wake

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this the 12th day of November, 2020.

E ELAINE ELLIS NOTARY MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 7-26-2021 PUBLIC DURHAM COUNTY, NC

(Official Seal)

E. Elaine Ellis

Official Signature of Notary

E. Elaine Ellis, Notary Public

Printed Name

My commission expires: 11-12-2020

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Date/Time Filed with County Board

_____

(completed by the county board)

**NOTE:** The county board must provide the State Board with a complete copy of a filed protest within one business day after it is filed. In addition, the county board shall provide a copy of the election audit with this copy of the protest.

Please direct any questions to your county board of elections or the North Carolina State Board of Elections & Ethics Enforcement, PO Box 27255, Raleigh, NC 27611-7255.

COUNSEL OF RECORD ADDENDUM

*If you answered Yes to Prompt 2 on the above, your attorney must complete this form and you must file it with your Election Protest Application.*

Attorney Must complete all of the following:

Protestor Name: _____ Protestor County: _____
Attorney Name: _____
Attorney Email: _____ Attorney Phone: _____

□ I am a member in good standing with the North Carolina State Bar
□ I am not licensed to practice law in North Carolina but am a member in good standing in _____ (State or District of Columbia), and do hereby apply to appear *pro hac vice* and certify that I have or will file all appropriate documents required under G.S. 84-4.1.

Law Firm: _____
Bar Number: _____

I (choose one) □ am □ am not:
Subject to any order of any court or administrative agency disbarring, suspending, enjoining, restraining, or otherwise restricting me in the practice of law. If you are subject to any orders, explain in the space below.

_____
_____
_____
_____

I represent the Protestor whose name is provided above. I have read and understand the laws governing election protests in North Carolina General Statutes Chapter 163A and Title 8 of the N.C. Administrative Code. I swear/attest that the information I have provided in this Addendum is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

_____ _____
Attorney Signature Date

*History Note:* *Authority G.S. 163A-741; 163A-1177;*
*Temporary Adoption Eff. April 15, 2002;*
*Eff. August 1, 2004;*
*Readopted Eff. September 1, 2018.*

I have contacted an attorney but feel at this time I can't handle this request from my Wake BOE in my own at this time -
Ken Coley

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# 11/03/2020 UNOFFICIAL GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS - WAKE

## NC HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 036 (VOTE FOR 1)

20 of 20 Precincts Reporting

Contest Details | Results by Voting Method | Results by Precinct

| Choice | Total Votes | Percent | Election Day | Absentee One-Stop | Absentee By-Mail | Provisional |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Julie Von Haefen | 31,619 | 53.20% | 2,503 | 15,680 | 13,436 | 0 |
| Kim Coley | 25,617 | 43.10% | 5,110 | 15,606 | 4,901 | 0 |
| Bruce Basson | 2,197 | 3.70% | 536 | 1,098 | 563 | 0 |

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Contest Details | Results by Voting Method | Results by Precinct

| Precinct | Reporting Status | Julie von Haefen | Kim Coley | Bruce Basson |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 04-06 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 153 | 178 | 27 |
| 04-07 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 107 | 296 | 15 |
| 04-10 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 125 | 204 | 24 |
| 04-12 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 98 | 145 | 14 |
| 04-14 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 107 | 147 | 27 |
| 04-16 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 160 | 150 | 33 |
| 04-19 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 51 | 110 | 10 |
| 06-07 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 187 | 362 | 45 |
| 12-05 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 194 | 426 | 40 |
| 12-07 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 97 | 269 | 29 |
| 15-02 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 122 | 248 | 27 |
| 18-02 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 112 | 433 | 34 |
| 18-03 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 124 | 224 | 20 |
| 18-04 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 90 | 241 | 21 |
| 18-05 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 124 | 347 | 27 |
| 18-07 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 114 | 314 | 39 |
| 18-08 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 118 | 243 | 12 |
| 20-01 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 152 | 224 | 39 |
| 20-05 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 129 | 305 | 27 |
| 20-09 | Final Election Night Results (unofficial) | 139 | 244 | 26 |
| ABSEN 1-40 | | 9,889 | 3,575 | 380 |
| ABSEN 41-80 | | 3,181 | 1,245 | 164 |
| ABSEN 81-120 | | 366 | 81 | 19 |
| OSAB 1-40 | | 20 | 13 | 1 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| OSAB 41-80 | 8 | 10 | 0 |
| OSAB 81-120 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| OSAP 1-40 | 2,376 | 2,595 | 163 |
| OSAP 41-80 | 772 | 584 | 52 |
| OSAP 81-120 | 10 | 13 | 0 |
| OSAV 1-40 | 58 | 59 | 2 |
| OSAV 41-80 | 218 | 242 | 16 |
| OSAV 81-120 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| OSBR 1-40 | 39 | 11 | 1 |
| OSBR 41-80 | 24 | 3 | 0 |
| OSBR 81-120 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| OSCA 1-40 | 3,237 | 2,598 | 185 |
| OSCA 41-80 | 474 | 380 | 33 |
| OSCA 81-120 | 104 | 76 | 12 |
| OSCM 1-40 | 65 | 30 | 6 |
| OSCM 41-80 | 33 | 23 | 3 |
| OSCM 81-120 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| OSCS 1-40 | 956 | 737 | 62 |
| OSCS 41-80 | 81 | 78 | 9 |
| OSCS 81-120 | 240 | 150 | 20 |
| OSGR 1-40 | 27 | 21 | 3 |
| OSGR 41-80 | 21 | 6 | 0 |
| OSGR 81-120 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| OSHS 1-40 | 766 | 842 | 39 |
| OSHS 41-80 | 317 | 228 | 26 |
| OSHS 81-120 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| OSKD 1-40 | 4 | 7 | 1 |
| OSKD 41-80 | 2 | 5 | 0 |
| OSKD 81-120 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| OSLH 1-40 | 224 | 155 | 16 |
| OSLH 41-80 | 71 | 47 | 3 |
| OSLH 81-120 | 8 | 1 | 0 |
| OSLL 1-40 | 24 | 24 | 3 |
| OSLL 41-80 | 18 | 6 | 2 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| OSLL 81-120 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| OSNR 1-40 | 4 | 6 | 0 |
| OSNR 41-80 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| OSNR 81-120 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| OSOP 1-40 | 39 | 26 | 1 |
| OSOP 41-80 | 25 | 6 | 4 |
| OSOP 81-120 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| OSRB 1-40 | 77 | 26 | 1 |
| OSRB 41-80 | 76 | 9 | 3 |
| OSRB 81-120 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| OSTA 1-40 | 656 | 267 | 38 |
| OSTA 41-80 | 296 | 159 | 19 |
| OSTA 81-120 | 9 | 9 | 2 |
| OSWA 1-40 | 1,772 | 2,411 | 136 |
| OSWA 41-80 | 1,982 | 2,749 | 193 |
| OSWA 81-120 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| OSWN 1-40 | 24 | 14 | 1 |
| OSWN 41-80 | 7 | 7 | 1 |
| OSWN 81-120 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| OSWO 1-40 | 336 | 674 | 24 |
| OSWO 41-80 | 162 | 287 | 16 |
| OSWO 81-120 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| OSZB 1-40 | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| OSZB 41-80 | 6 | 4 | 0 |
| OSZB 81-120 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| PROVI 1-40 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| PROVI 41-80 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| PROVI 81-120 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TRANS 1-40 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TRANS 41-80 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TRANS 81-120 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

# N.C. Absentee Ballot Requests for 2020 General Election

**Published 11/02/2020**

*Includes data through 11/01/2020*

**Contents:**



**Total Number of Requests:** **1,455,328**

Number of requests received through 11/01/2020 (2 days before election)

**Total Number of Requests Meeting Request Deadline:** **1,453,458**

The deadline for civilian voters to request an absentee ballot by mail was 10/27/2020

**Total Number of Voters with Request(s) Meeting Request Deadline:** **1,361,339**

The deadline for civilian voters to request an absentee ballot by mail was 10/27/2020

**2016 General Election Comparison**

**Total number of requests received this time in 2016:** **238,618**

Number of requests received through 11/6/2020 (2 days before election)

***NOTE: Data in the following tables reflect the total number of requests received.***

**Table 1. Number of Requests by Voter Party Affiliation (2020)**

| Party | Requests |
|---|---|
| CONSTITUTION | 501 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 669,052 |
| GREEN | 938 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 6,839 |
| REPUBLICAN | 288,169 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 489,829 |
| **Grand Total** | **1,455,328** |

**Table 2. Number of Requests per County (2020)**

| County | Requests |
|---|---|
| ALAMANCE | 22,189 |
| ALEXANDER | 2,508 |
| ALLEGHANY | 977 |
| ANSON | 1,405 |
| ASHE | 2,678 |
| AVERY | 1,290 |
| BEAUFORT | 4,463 |
| BERTIE | 1,421 |
| BLADEN | 2,076 |
| BRUNSWICK | 26,503 |
| BUNCOMBE | 56,686 |
| BURKE | 7,732 |
| CABARRUS | 31,170 |
| CALDWELL | 6,544 |
| CAMDEN | 743 |
| CARTERET | 7,523 |
| CASWELL | 1,995 |
| CATAWBA | 15,050 |
| CHATHAM | 16,901 |
| CHEROKEE | 2,766 |
| CHOWAN | 1,187 |
| CLAY | 1,042 |
| CLEVELAND | 8,181 |
| COLUMBUS | 3,791 |
| CRAVEN | 13,083 |
| CUMBERLAND | 37,273 |
| CURRITUCK | 2,478 |
| DARE | 5,180 |
| DAVIDSON | 16,314 |
| DAVIE | 4,216 |
| DUPLIN | 3,353 |
| DURHAM | 70,229 |
| EDGECOMBE | 3,992 |
| FORSYTH | 67,685 |
| FRANKLIN | 7,369 |
| GASTON | 24,008 |
| GATES | 872 |
| GRAHAM | 484 |
| GRANVILLE | 6,584 |
| GREENE | 1,276 |
| GUILFORD | 76,872 |
| HALIFAX | 4,227 |
| HARNETT | 12,369 |
| HAYWOOD | 8,281 |

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|---|---|
| HENDERSON | 20,875 |
| HERTFORD | 1,546 |
| HOKE | 4,537 |
| HYDE | 324 |
| IREDELL | 22,478 |
| JACKSON | 3,968 |
| JOHNSTON | 23,378 |
| JONES | 659 |
| LEE | 5,982 |
| LENOIR | 4,995 |
| LINCOLN | 8,380 |
| MACON | 4,606 |
| MADISON | 2,597 |
| MARTIN | 1,912 |
| MCDOWELL | 3,719 |
| MECKLENBURG | 204,194 |
| MITCHELL | 1,314 |
| MONTGOMERY | 1,550 |
| MOORE | 14,878 |
| NASH | 8,144 |
| NEW HANOVER | 41,412 |
| NORTHAMPTON | 1,451 |
| ONSLOW | 14,453 |
| ORANGE | 36,671 |
| PAMLICO | 1,325 |
| PASQUOTANK | 4,239 |
| PENDER | 6,089 |
| PERQUIMANS | 1,044 |
| PERSON | 3,657 |
| PITT | 17,740 |
| POLK | 3,370 |
| RANDOLPH | 11,704 |
| RICHMOND | 2,805 |
| ROBESON | 6,500 |
| ROCKINGHAM | 6,996 |
| ROWAN | 13,094 |
| RUTHERFORD | 6,097 |
| SAMPSON | 4,340 |
| SCOTLAND | 2,564 |
| STANLY | 4,749 |
| STOKES | 3,658 |
| SURRY | 7,127 |
| SWAIN | 977 |
| TRANSYLVANIA | 5,344 |
| TYRRELL | 153 |
| UNION | 27,422 |
| VANCE | 3,601 |

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|---|---|
| WAKE | 245,218 |
| WARREN | 1,924 |
| WASHINGTON | 901 |
| WATAUGA | 7,544 |
| WAYNE | 10,157 |
| WILKES | 5,809 |
| WILSON | 7,037 |
| YADKIN | 2,905 |
| YANCEY | 2,249 |
| **Grand Total** | **1,455,328** |

**Table 3. Number of Requests per County, broken down by Voter Party Affiliation (2020)**

| County, Party | Requests |
|---|---|
| **ALAMANCE** | **22,189** |
| CONSTITUTION | 7 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 10,565 |
| GREEN | 8 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 87 |
| REPUBLICAN | 4,887 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 6,635 |
| **ALEXANDER** | **2,508** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 991 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 6 |
| REPUBLICAN | 763 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 748 |
| **ALLEGHANY** | **977** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 440 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 247 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 283 |
| **ANSON** | **1,405** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 952 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 183 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 266 |
| **ASHE** | **2,678** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,053 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 7 |

| | |
|---|---|
| REPUBLICAN | 838 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 778 |
| **AVERY** | **1,290** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 305 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 7 |
| REPUBLICAN | 556 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 419 |
| **BEAUFORT** | **4,463** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,235 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 16 |
| REPUBLICAN | 964 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,241 |
| **BERTIE** | **1,421** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,128 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 109 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 181 |
| **BLADEN** | **2,076** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,263 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 8 |
| REPUBLICAN | 315 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 490 |
| **BRUNSWICK** | **26,503** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 10,019 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 88 |
| REPUBLICAN | 6,867 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 9,523 |
| **BUNCOMBE** | **56,686** |
| CONSTITUTION | 15 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 29,561 |
| GREEN | 59 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 242 |
| REPUBLICAN | 6,615 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 20,194 |
| **BURKE** | **7,732** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,359 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 37 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,023 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,305 |

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| **CABARRUS** | **31,170** |
| CONSTITUTION | 9 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 12,314 |
| GREEN | 27 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 164 |
| REPUBLICAN | 7,606 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 11,050 |
| **CALDWELL** | **6,544** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,368 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 32 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,250 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,887 |
| **CAMDEN** | **743** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 257 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 6 |
| REPUBLICAN | 183 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 296 |
| **CARTERET** | **7,523** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,787 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 29 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,129 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,570 |
| **CASWELL** | **1,995** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,116 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 394 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 483 |
| **CATAWBA** | **15,050** |
| CONSTITUTION | 7 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,335 |
| GREEN | 8 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 63 |
| REPUBLICAN | 4,431 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 5,206 |
| **CHATHAM** | **16,901** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 7,790 |
| GREEN | 8 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 45 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,364 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 6,689 |
| **CHEROKEE** | **2,766** |

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|---|---|
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 926 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 15 |
| REPUBLICAN | 974 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 850 |
| **CHOWAN** | **1,187** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 661 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 7 |
| REPUBLICAN | 211 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 307 |
| **CLAY** | **1,042** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 357 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 315 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 367 |
| **CLEVELAND** | **8,181** |
| CONSTITUTION | 7 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,951 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 35 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,127 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,059 |
| **COLUMBUS** | **3,791** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,361 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 7 |
| REPUBLICAN | 594 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 826 |
| **CRAVEN** | **13,083** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,623 |
| GREEN | 7 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 67 |
| REPUBLICAN | 3,202 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 4,179 |
| **CUMBERLAND** | **37,273** |
| CONSTITUTION | 22 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 20,382 |
| GREEN | 27 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 248 |
| REPUBLICAN | 6,174 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 10,420 |
| **CURRITUCK** | **2,478** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 745 |

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|---|---|
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 30 |
| REPUBLICAN | 707 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 992 |
| **DARE** | **5,180** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,021 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 26 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,173 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,956 |
| **DAVIDSON** | **16,314** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,498 |
| GREEN | 7 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 71 |
| REPUBLICAN | 6,102 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 4,631 |
| **DAVIE** | **4,216** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,229 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 23 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,579 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,383 |
| **DUPLIN** | **3,353** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,983 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 12 |
| REPUBLICAN | 576 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 778 |
| **DURHAM** | **70,229** |
| CONSTITUTION | 9 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 40,202 |
| GREEN | 47 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 256 |
| REPUBLICAN | 5,541 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 24,174 |
| **EDGECOMBE** | **3,992** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,013 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 5 |
| REPUBLICAN | 467 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 505 |
| **FORSYTH** | **67,685** |
| CONSTITUTION | 21 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 32,245 |

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|---|---|
| GREEN | 38 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 197 |
| REPUBLICAN | 14,862 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 20,322 |
| **FRANKLIN** | **7,369** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,575 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 47 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,520 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,220 |
| **GASTON** | **24,008** |
| CONSTITUTION | 14 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 9,787 |
| GREEN | 18 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 117 |
| REPUBLICAN | 6,755 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 7,317 |
| **GATES** | **872** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 536 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 139 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 195 |
| **GRAHAM** | **484** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 167 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 4 |
| REPUBLICAN | 192 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 121 |
| **GRANVILLE** | **6,584** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,394 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 32 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,233 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,920 |
| **GREENE** | **1,276** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 870 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 155 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 246 |
| **GUILFORD** | **76,872** |
| CONSTITUTION | 20 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 39,454 |
| GREEN | 36 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 291 |

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|---|---|
| REPUBLICAN | 14,391 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 22,680 |
| **HALIFAX** | **4,227** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,035 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 7 |
| REPUBLICAN | 391 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 792 |
| **HARNETT** | **12,369** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,338 |
| GREEN | 11 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 75 |
| REPUBLICAN | 3,243 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 3,697 |
| **HAYWOOD** | **8,281** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 4,121 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 35 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,625 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,496 |
| **HENDERSON** | **20,875** |
| CONSTITUTION | 7 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 7,124 |
| GREEN | 21 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 72 |
| REPUBLICAN | 4,979 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 8,672 |
| **HERTFORD** | **1,546** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,186 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 103 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 252 |
| **HOKE** | **4,537** |
| CONSTITUTION | 6 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,394 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 41 |
| REPUBLICAN | 710 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,381 |
| **HYDE** | **324** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 189 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 26 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 105 |

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|---|---|
| **IREDELL** | **22,478** |
| CONSTITUTION | 7 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 7,635 |
| GREEN | 12 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 119 |
| REPUBLICAN | 6,735 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 7,970 |
| **JACKSON** | **3,968** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,890 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 17 |
| REPUBLICAN | 724 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,331 |
| **JOHNSTON** | **23,378** |
| CONSTITUTION | 19 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 9,914 |
| GREEN | 14 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 148 |
| REPUBLICAN | 5,481 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 7,802 |
| **JONES** | **659** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 327 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 4 |
| REPUBLICAN | 167 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 158 |
| **LEE** | **5,982** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,016 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 30 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,187 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,742 |
| **LENOIR** | **4,995** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,332 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 12 |
| REPUBLICAN | 758 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 891 |
| **LINCOLN** | **8,380** |
| CONSTITUTION | 8 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,744 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 43 |

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|---|---|
| REPUBLICAN | 2,736 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,845 |
| **MACON** | **4,606** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,719 |
| GREEN | 6 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 20 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,396 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,462 |
| **MADISON** | **2,597** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,330 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 4 |
| REPUBLICAN | 379 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 881 |
| **MARTIN** | **1,912** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,290 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 250 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 367 |
| **MCDOWELL** | **3,719** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,608 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 18 |
| REPUBLICAN | 968 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,121 |
| **MECKLENBURG** | **204,194** |
| CONSTITUTION | 67 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 94,655 |
| GREEN | 122 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1,041 |
| REPUBLICAN | 35,365 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 72,944 |
| **MITCHELL** | **1,314** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 289 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 605 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 418 |
| **MONTGOMERY** | **1,550** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 691 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 9 |
| REPUBLICAN | 417 |

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|---|---|
| UNAFFILIATED | 430 |
| **MOORE** | **14,878** |
| CONSTITUTION | 6 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,034 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 82 |
| REPUBLICAN | 4,438 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 5,313 |
| **NASH** | **8,144** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 4,706 |
| GREEN | 6 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 34 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,569 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,829 |
| **NEW HANOVER** | **41,412** |
| CONSTITUTION | 12 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 18,169 |
| GREEN | 43 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 231 |
| REPUBLICAN | 8,408 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 14,549 |
| **NORTHAMPTON** | **1,451** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,019 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 5 |
| REPUBLICAN | 118 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 308 |
| **ONSLOW** | **14,453** |
| CONSTITUTION | 15 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,232 |
| GREEN | 23 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 169 |
| REPUBLICAN | 4,058 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 4,956 |
| **ORANGE** | **36,671** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 20,864 |
| GREEN | 28 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 123 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,407 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 13,244 |
| **PAMLICO** | **1,325** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 659 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 6 |
| REPUBLICAN | 277 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 381 |

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| **PASQUOTANK** | **4,239** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,289 |
| GREEN | 6 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 18 |
| REPUBLICAN | 673 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,252 |
| **PENDER** | **6,089** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,432 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 37 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,578 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,037 |
| **PERQUIMANS** | **1,044** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 489 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 210 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 340 |
| **PERSON** | **3,657** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,986 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 14 |
| REPUBLICAN | 665 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 992 |
| **PITT** | **17,740** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 9,809 |
| GREEN | 14 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 97 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,844 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 4,973 |
| **POLK** | **3,370** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,300 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 11 |
| REPUBLICAN | 705 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,350 |
| **RANDOLPH** | **11,704** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,923 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 64 |
| REPUBLICAN | 4,423 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 3,286 |

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| **RICHMOND** | **2,805** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,647 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 8 |
| REPUBLICAN | 462 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 687 |
| **ROBESON** | **6,500** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 4,108 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 17 |
| REPUBLICAN | 842 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,528 |
| **ROCKINGHAM** | **6,996** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,351 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 26 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,857 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,754 |
| **ROWAN** | **13,094** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,004 |
| GREEN | 12 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 60 |
| REPUBLICAN | 3,987 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 4,026 |
| **RUTHERFORD** | **6,097** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,441 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 25 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,794 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,833 |
| **SAMPSON** | **4,340** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,449 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 15 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,045 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 827 |
| **SCOTLAND** | **2,564** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,520 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 376 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 665 |
| **STANLY** | **4,749** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |

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|---|---|
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,788 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 14 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,637 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,303 |
| **STOKES** | **3,658** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,234 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 11 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,454 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 955 |
| **SURRY** | **7,127** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,090 |
| GREEN | 6 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 23 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,269 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,738 |
| **SWAIN** | **977** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 444 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 6 |
| REPUBLICAN | 207 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 315 |
| **TRANSYLVANIA** | **5,344** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,081 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 11 |
| REPUBLICAN | 990 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,259 |
| **TYRRELL** | **153** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 96 |
| REPUBLICAN | 17 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 40 |
| **UNION** | **27,422** |
| CONSTITUTION | 8 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 9,650 |
| GREEN | 20 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 151 |
| REPUBLICAN | 7,479 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 10,114 |
| **VANCE** | **3,601** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,502 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 19 |

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|---|---|
| REPUBLICAN | 462 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 616 |
| **WAKE** | **245,218** |
| CONSTITUTION | 81 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 104,480 |
| GREEN | 145 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1,343 |
| REPUBLICAN | 40,686 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 98,483 |
| **WARREN** | **1,924** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,322 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 5 |
| REPUBLICAN | 263 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 334 |
| **WASHINGTON** | **901** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 657 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 94 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 147 |
| **WATAUGA** | **7,544** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,009 |
| GREEN | 9 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 31 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,359 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 3,136 |
| **WAYNE** | **10,157** |
| CONSTITUTION | 6 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,525 |
| GREEN | 8 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 68 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,233 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,317 |
| **WILKES** | **5,809** |
| CONSTITUTION | 8 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,107 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 24 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,289 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,379 |
| **WILSON** | **7,037** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 4,026 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 23 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,338 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,645 |
| **YADKIN** | **2,905** |

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|---|---|
| CONSTITUTION | 6 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 849 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 9 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,204 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 835 |
| **YANCEY** | **2,249** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,116 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 4 |
| REPUBLICAN | 494 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 634 |
| **Grand Total** | **1,455,328** |

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# N.C. Absentee Ballot Requests for 2020 General Election

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**Total Number of Requests: 758,057**

Number of requests received through 09/10/2020 (54 days before election)

**2016 General Election Comparison**

**Total number of requests this time in 2016: 50,425**

Number of requests received through 09/15/2016 (54 days before election)

**Table 1. Number of Requests by Voter Party Affiliation (2020)**

| Party | Requests |
|---|---|
| CONSTITUTION | 159 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 388,711 |
| GREEN | 333 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2,303 |
| REPUBLICAN | 127,226 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 239,325 |
| **Grand Total** | **758,057** |

**Table 2. Number of Requests per County (2020)**

| County | Requests |
|---|---|
| ALAMANCE | 12,635 |
| ALEXANDER | 1,369 |
| ALLEGHANY | 547 |
| ANSON | 744 |
| ASHE | 1,415 |
| AVERY | 667 |
| BEAUFORT | 2,608 |
| BERTIE | 641 |
| BLADEN | 1,111 |
| BRUNSWICK | 16,741 |
| BUNCOMBE | 30,673 |
| BURKE | 4,082 |

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|---|---|
| CABARRUS | 15,176 |
| CALDWELL | 3,532 |
| CAMDEN | 353 |
| CARTERET | 3,825 |
| CASWELL | 1,074 |
| CATAWBA | 8,587 |
| CHATHAM | 10,315 |
| CHEROKEE | 1,558 |
| CHOWAN | 703 |
| CLAY | 641 |
| CLEVELAND | 4,410 |
| COLUMBUS | 1,769 |
| CRAVEN | 7,691 |
| CUMBERLAND | 19,593 |
| CURRITUCK | 959 |
| DARE | 1,843 |
| DAVIDSON | 9,051 |
| DAVIE | 2,368 |
| DUPLIN | 1,259 |
| DURHAM | 41,549 |
| EDGECOMBE | 1,885 |
| FORSYTH | 28,079 |
| FRANKLIN | 3,712 |
| GASTON | 11,977 |
| GATES | 447 |
| GRAHAM | 271 |
| GRANVILLE | 3,422 |
| GREENE | 733 |
| GUILFORD | 38,392 |
| HALIFAX | 1,374 |
| HARNETT | 4,858 |
| HAYWOOD | 5,379 |
| HENDERSON | 13,440 |
| HERTFORD | 814 |
| HOKE | 1,858 |
| HYDE | 133 |
| IREDELL | 12,989 |
| JACKSON | 2,218 |
| JOHNSTON | 12,263 |
| JONES | 311 |
| LEE | 3,146 |
| LENOIR | 2,899 |
| LINCOLN | 4,739 |
| MACON | 3,155 |
| MADISON | 1,561 |
| MARTIN | 1,033 |
| MCDOWELL | 1,690 |

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|---|---|
| MECKLENBURG | 103,155 |
| MITCHELL | 814 |
| MONTGOMERY | 794 |
| MOORE | 8,418 |
| NASH | 4,559 |
| NEW HANOVER | 23,606 |
| NORTHAMPTON | 821 |
| ONSLOW | 7,025 |
| ORANGE | 25,158 |
| PAMLICO | 842 |
| PASQUOTANK | 1,994 |
| PENDER | 3,392 |
| PERQUIMANS | 67 |
| PERSON | 1,704 |
| PITT | 10,040 |
| POLK | 2,203 |
| RANDOLPH | 5,686 |
| RICHMOND | 1,417 |
| ROBESON | 2,992 |
| ROCKINGHAM | 3,420 |
| ROWAN | 7,193 |
| RUTHERFORD | 3,180 |
| SAMPSON | 1,746 |
| SCOTLAND | 1,397 |
| STANLY | 2,643 |
| STOKES | 2,042 |
| SURRY | 4,093 |
| SWAIN | 550 |
| TRANSYLVANIA | 3,621 |
| TYRRELL | 52 |
| UNION | 13,371 |
| VANCE | 1,931 |
| WAKE | 115,353 |
| WARREN | 1,132 |
| WASHINGTON | 554 |
| WATAUGA | 3,299 |
| WAYNE | 5,689 |
| WILKES | 3,305 |
| WILSON | 3,630 |
| YADKIN | 1,572 |
| YANCEY | 1,330 |
| **Grand Total** | **758,057** |

**Table 3. Number of Requests per County, broken down by Voter Party Affiliation (2020)**

| County, Party | Requests |
|---|---|
| **ALAMANCE** | **12,635** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 6,582 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 33 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,403 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 3,612 |
| **ALEXANDER** | **1,369** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 619 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 365 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 383 |
| **ALLEGHANY** | **547** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 257 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 130 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 158 |
| **ANSON** | **744** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 555 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 72 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 114 |
| **ASHE** | **1,415** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 662 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 4 |
| REPUBLICAN | 366 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 383 |
| **AVERY** | **667** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 192 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 4 |
| REPUBLICAN | 266 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 204 |
| **BEAUFORT** | **2,608** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,426 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 8 |
| REPUBLICAN | 489 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 681 |
| **BERTIE** | **641** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 533 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |

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|---|---|
| REPUBLICAN | 32 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 75 |
| **BLADEN** | **1,111** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 730 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 6 |
| REPUBLICAN | 145 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 230 |
| **BRUNSWICK** | **16,741** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 7,134 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 39 |
| REPUBLICAN | 3,714 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 5,851 |
| **BUNCOMBE** | **30,673** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 17,583 |
| GREEN | 14 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 67 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,890 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 10,114 |
| **BURKE** | **4,082** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,089 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 9 |
| REPUBLICAN | 904 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,078 |
| **CABARRUS** | **15,176** |
| CONSTITUTION | 4 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 6,955 |
| GREEN | 10 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 41 |
| REPUBLICAN | 3,253 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 4,913 |
| **CALDWELL** | **3,532** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,401 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 13 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,145 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 971 |
| **CAMDEN** | **353** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 141 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 80 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 128 |

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|---|---|
| **CARTERET** | **3,825** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,665 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 10 |
| REPUBLICAN | 928 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,217 |
| **CASWELL** | **1,074** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 656 |
| REPUBLICAN | 190 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 228 |
| **CATAWBA** | **8,587** |
| CONSTITUTION | 4 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,427 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 25 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,349 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,777 |
| **CHATHAM** | **10,315** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,283 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 15 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,142 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 3,871 |
| **CHEROKEE** | **1,558** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 581 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 8 |
| REPUBLICAN | 510 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 458 |
| **CHOWAN** | **703** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 424 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 107 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 169 |
| **CLAY** | **641** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 259 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 174 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 207 |
| **CLEVELAND** | **4,410** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,371 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 15 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,017 |

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|---|---|
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,005 |
| **COLUMBUS** | **1,769** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,221 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 4 |
| REPUBLICAN | 216 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 327 |
| **CRAVEN** | **7,691** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,669 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 25 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,648 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,343 |
| **CUMBERLAND** | **19,593** |
| CONSTITUTION | 12 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 11,751 |
| GREEN | 9 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 75 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,749 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 4,997 |
| **CURRITUCK** | **959** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 371 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 7 |
| REPUBLICAN | 251 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 329 |
| **DARE** | **1,843** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 856 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 8 |
| REPUBLICAN | 354 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 624 |
| **DAVIDSON** | **9,051** |
| CONSTITUTION | 4 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,525 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 31 |
| REPUBLICAN | 3,079 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,408 |
| **DAVIE** | **2,368** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 797 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 6 |
| REPUBLICAN | 793 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 770 |
| **DUPLIN** | **1,259** |

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|---|---|
| DEMOCRATIC | 778 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 191 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 285 |
| **DURHAM** | **41,549** |
| CONSTITUTION | 4 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 25,265 |
| GREEN | 14 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 112 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,576 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 13,578 |
| **EDGECOMBE** | **1,885** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,539 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 157 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 187 |
| **FORSYTH** | **28,079** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 15,147 |
| GREEN | 15 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 44 |
| REPUBLICAN | 5,257 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 7,615 |
| **FRANKLIN** | **3,712** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,043 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 20 |
| REPUBLICAN | 614 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,035 |
| **GASTON** | **11,977** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,483 |
| GREEN | 9 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 39 |
| REPUBLICAN | 3,036 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 3,405 |
| **GATES** | **447** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 288 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 64 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 94 |
| **GRAHAM** | **271** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 111 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 87 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 72 |

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|---|---|
| **GRANVILLE** | **3,422** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,975 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 11 |
| REPUBLICAN | 493 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 940 |
| **GREENE** | **733** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 533 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 78 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 118 |
| **GUILFORD** | **38,392** |
| CONSTITUTION | 7 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 21,862 |
| GREEN | 11 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 90 |
| REPUBLICAN | 5,987 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 10,435 |
| **HALIFAX** | **1,374** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,050 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 107 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 216 |
| **HARNETT** | **4,858** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,506 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 17 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,060 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,272 |
| **HAYWOOD** | **5,379** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,963 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 19 |
| REPUBLICAN | 895 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,501 |
| **HENDERSON** | **13,440** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,015 |
| GREEN | 13 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 34 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,867 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 5,509 |
| **HERTFORD** | **814** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 662 |

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|---|---|
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 44 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 105 |
| **HOKE** | **1,858** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,100 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 9 |
| REPUBLICAN | 232 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 515 |
| **HYDE** | **133** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 82 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 12 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 37 |
| **IREDELL** | **12,989** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 4,968 |
| GREEN | 8 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 52 |
| REPUBLICAN | 3,550 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 4,408 |
| **JACKSON** | **2,218** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,161 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 4 |
| REPUBLICAN | 346 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 705 |
| **JOHNSTON** | **12,263** |
| CONSTITUTION | 7 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,843 |
| GREEN | 6 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 47 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,539 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 3,821 |
| **JONES** | **311** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 156 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 81 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 73 |
| **LEE** | **3,146** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,814 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 12 |
| REPUBLICAN | 510 |

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|---|---|
| UNAFFILIATED | 809 |
| **LENOIR** | **2,899** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,082 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 5 |
| REPUBLICAN | 343 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 469 |
| **LINCOLN** | **4,739** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,798 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 24 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,381 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,533 |
| **MACON** | **3,155** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,332 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 10 |
| REPUBLICAN | 856 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 953 |
| **MADISON** | **1,561** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 872 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 185 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 503 |
| **MARTIN** | **1,033** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 751 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 107 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 174 |
| **MCDOWELL** | **1,690** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 872 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 6 |
| REPUBLICAN | 371 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 441 |
| **MECKLENBURG** | **103,155** |
| CONSTITUTION | 19 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 52,768 |
| GREEN | 39 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 320 |
| REPUBLICAN | 15,140 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 34,869 |
| **MITCHELL** | **814** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 200 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 344 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 269 |
| **MONTGOMERY** | **794** |

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|---|---|
| DEMOCRATIC | 376 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 195 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 220 |
| **MOORE** | **8,418** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,217 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 41 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,199 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,958 |
| **NASH** | **4,559** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,876 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 14 |
| REPUBLICAN | 740 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 927 |
| **NEW HANOVER** | **23,606** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 12,129 |
| GREEN | 14 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 70 |
| REPUBLICAN | 3,853 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 7,537 |
| **NORTHAMPTON** | **821** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 589 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 63 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 166 |
| **ONSLOW** | **7,025** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,121 |
| GREEN | 8 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 51 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,745 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,097 |
| **ORANGE** | **25,158** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 15,247 |
| GREEN | 13 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 68 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,268 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 8,559 |
| **PAMLICO** | **842** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 462 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |

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|---|---|
| REPUBLICAN | 143 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 236 |
| **PASQUOTANK** | **1,994** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,176 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 267 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 546 |
| **PENDER** | **3,392** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,546 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 11 |
| REPUBLICAN | 765 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,070 |
| **PERQUIMANS** | **67** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 26 |
| REPUBLICAN | 21 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 20 |
| **PERSON** | **1,704** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,056 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 247 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 398 |
| **PITT** | **10,040** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 6,070 |
| GREEN | 6 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 38 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,375 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,550 |
| **POLK** | **2,203** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 934 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 384 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 881 |
| **RANDOLPH** | **5,686** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,197 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 24 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,912 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,550 |
| **RICHMOND** | **1,417** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 879 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 4 |
| REPUBLICAN | 204 |

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|---|---|
| UNAFFILIATED | 329 |
| **ROBESON** | **2,992** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,049 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 5 |
| REPUBLICAN | 327 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 610 |
| **ROCKINGHAM** | **3,420** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,842 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 8 |
| REPUBLICAN | 770 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 797 |
| **ROWAN** | **7,193** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,018 |
| GREEN | 10 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 26 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,001 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,135 |
| **RUTHERFORD** | **3,180** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,415 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 15 |
| REPUBLICAN | 846 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 900 |
| **SAMPSON** | **1,746** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,110 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 350 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 283 |
| **SCOTLAND** | **1,397** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 894 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 169 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 332 |
| **STANLY** | **2,643** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,130 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 5 |
| REPUBLICAN | 832 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 675 |
| **STOKES** | **2,042** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 790 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 4 |

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|---|---|
| REPUBLICAN | 744 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 502 |
| **SURRY** | **4,093** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,977 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 9 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,175 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 931 |
| **SWAIN** | **550** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 275 |
| REPUBLICAN | 97 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 177 |
| **TRANSYLVANIA** | **3,621** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,558 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 5 |
| REPUBLICAN | 575 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,482 |
| **TYRRELL** | **52** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 35 |
| REPUBLICAN | 6 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 11 |
| **UNION** | **13,371** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,582 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 48 |
| REPUBLICAN | 3,166 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 4,570 |
| **VANCE** | **1,931** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,419 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 8 |
| REPUBLICAN | 196 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 308 |
| **WAKE** | **115,353** |
| CONSTITUTION | 26 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 55,861 |
| GREEN | 43 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 418 |
| REPUBLICAN | 14,916 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 44,089 |
| **WARREN** | **1,132** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 807 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 126 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 196 |

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|---|---|
| **WASHINGTON** | **554** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 413 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 57 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 83 |
| **WATAUGA** | **3,299** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,555 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 5 |
| REPUBLICAN | 517 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,219 |
| **WAYNE** | **5,689** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,452 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 20 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,069 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,142 |
| **WILKES** | **3,305** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,349 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 14 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,209 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 731 |
| **WILSON** | **3,630** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,276 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 9 |
| REPUBLICAN | 585 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 758 |
| **YADKIN** | **1,572** |
| CONSTITUTION | 4 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 537 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 604 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 422 |
| **YANCEY** | **1,330** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 732 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 4 |
| REPUBLICAN | 237 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 357 |
| **Grand Total** | **758,057** |

# N.C. Absentee Ballot Requests for 2020 General Election

**Published 10/30/2020**

*Includes data through 10/29/2020*

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**Total Number of Requests:** 1,453,182

Number of requests received through 10/29/2020 (5 days before election)

**Total Number of Requests Received Through 10/27/2020:** 1,451,748

The deadline for civilian voters to request an absentee ballot by mail was 10/27/2020

**Total Number of Voters with Request(s) Received Through 10/27/2020:** 1,359,775

**2016 General Election Comparison**

**Total number of requests received this time in 2016:** 238,618

Number of requests received through 11/3/2020 (5 days before election)

**Total number of requests received through 11/1/2016:** 236,991

The 2016 deadline for civilian voters to request an absentee ballot was 11/1/2016

***NOTE: Data in the following tables reflect the total number of requests received.***

**Table 1. Number of Requests by Voter Party Affiliation (2020)**

| Party | Requests |
|---|---|
| CONSTITUTION | 500 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 668,269 |
| GREEN | 934 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 6,814 |
| REPUBLICAN | 287,552 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 489,113 |
| **Grand Total** | **1,453,182** |

**Table 2. Number of Requests per County (2020)**

| County | Requests |
|---|---|
| ALAMANCE | 22,161 |
| ALEXANDER | 2,501 |
| ALLEGHANY | 977 |
| ANSON | 1,401 |
| ASHE | 2,674 |
| AVERY | 1,287 |
| BEAUFORT | 4,453 |
| BERTIE | 1,416 |
| BLADEN | 2,067 |
| BRUNSWICK | 26,487 |
| BUNCOMBE | 56,658 |
| BURKE | 7,725 |
| CABARRUS | 31,131 |
| CALDWELL | 6,530 |
| CAMDEN | 739 |
| CARTERET | 7,512 |
| CASWELL | 1,992 |
| CATAWBA | 15,023 |
| CHATHAM | 16,875 |
| CHEROKEE | 2,764 |
| CHOWAN | 1,183 |
| CLAY | 1,041 |
| CLEVELAND | 8,167 |
| COLUMBUS | 3,753 |
| CRAVEN | 13,056 |
| CUMBERLAND | 37,157 |
| CURRITUCK | 2,474 |
| DARE | 5,177 |
| DAVIDSON | 16,306 |
| DAVIE | 4,211 |
| DUPLIN | 3,227 |
| DURHAM | 70,169 |
| EDGECOMBE | 3,985 |
| FORSYTH | 67,607 |
| FRANKLIN | 7,359 |
| GASTON | 23,986 |
| GATES | 847 |
| GRAHAM | 484 |
| GRANVILLE | 6,576 |
| GREENE | 1,273 |
| GUILFORD | 76,796 |
| HALIFAX | 4,224 |
| HARNETT | 12,335 |

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| HAYWOOD | 8,273 |
| HENDERSON | 20,863 |
| HERTFORD | 1,543 |
| HOKE | 4,520 |
| HYDE | 323 |
| IREDELL | 22,445 |
| JACKSON | 3,965 |
| JOHNSTON | 23,343 |
| JONES | 655 |
| LEE | 5,970 |
| LENOIR | 4,990 |
| LINCOLN | 8,372 |
| MACON | 4,599 |
| MADISON | 2,594 |
| MARTIN | 1,907 |
| MCDOWELL | 3,716 |
| MECKLENBURG | 203,998 |
| MITCHELL | 1,314 |
| MONTGOMERY | 1,549 |
| MOORE | 14,852 |
| NASH | 8,133 |
| NEW HANOVER | 41,370 |
| NORTHAMPTON | 1,447 |
| ONSLOW | 14,424 |
| ORANGE | 36,629 |
| PAMLICO | 1,325 |
| PASQUOTANK | 4,229 |
| PENDER | 6,086 |
| PERQUIMANS | 1,035 |
| PERSON | 3,651 |
| PITT | 17,702 |
| POLK | 3,364 |
| RANDOLPH | 11,675 |
| RICHMOND | 2,798 |
| ROBESON | 6,482 |
| ROCKINGHAM | 6,851 |
| ROWAN | 13,079 |
| RUTHERFORD | 6,087 |
| SAMPSON | 4,321 |
| SCOTLAND | 2,562 |
| STANLY | 4,742 |
| STOKES | 3,651 |
| SURRY | 7,115 |
| SWAIN | 977 |
| TRANSYLVANIA | 5,332 |
| TYRRELL | 153 |
| UNION | 27,380 |

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|---|---|
| VANCE | 3,597 |
| WAKE | 244,971 |
| WARREN | 1,919 |
| WASHINGTON | 901 |
| WATAUGA | 7,532 |
| WAYNE | 10,135 |
| WILKES | 5,801 |
| WILSON | 7,018 |
| YADKIN | 2,905 |
| YANCEY | 2,246 |
| **Grand Total** | **1,453,182** |

**Table 3. Number of Requests per County, broken down by Voter Party Affiliation (2020)**

| County, Party | Requests |
|---|---|
| **ALAMANCE** | **22,161** |
| CONSTITUTION | 7 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 10,550 |
| GREEN | 8 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 87 |
| REPUBLICAN | 4,883 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 6,626 |
| **ALEXANDER** | **2,501** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 990 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 6 |
| REPUBLICAN | 760 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 745 |
| **ALLEGHANY** | **977** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 440 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 247 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 283 |
| **ANSON** | **1,401** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 952 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 180 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 265 |
| **ASHE** | **2,674** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,050 |

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|---|---|
| LIBERTARIAN | 7 |
| REPUBLICAN | 837 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 778 |
| **AVERY** | **1,287** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 305 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 7 |
| REPUBLICAN | 556 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 417 |
| **BEAUFORT** | **4,453** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,229 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 16 |
| REPUBLICAN | 962 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,239 |
| **BERTIE** | **1,416** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,125 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 109 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 179 |
| **BLADEN** | **2,067** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,258 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 8 |
| REPUBLICAN | 314 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 487 |
| **BRUNSWICK** | **26,487** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 10,018 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 88 |
| REPUBLICAN | 6,859 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 9,516 |
| **BUNCOMBE** | **56,658** |
| CONSTITUTION | 15 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 29,550 |
| GREEN | 59 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 241 |
| REPUBLICAN | 6,605 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 20,188 |
| **BURKE** | **7,725** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,358 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 36 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,019 |

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|---|---|
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,304 |
| **CABARRUS** | **31,131** |
| CONSTITUTION | 9 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 12,304 |
| GREEN | 27 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 164 |
| REPUBLICAN | 7,597 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 11,030 |
| **CALDWELL** | **6,530** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,364 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 31 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,248 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,880 |
| **CAMDEN** | **739** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 255 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 6 |
| REPUBLICAN | 183 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 294 |
| **CARTERET** | **7,512** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,785 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 29 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,126 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,564 |
| **CASWELL** | **1,992** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,114 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 394 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 482 |
| **CATAWBA** | **15,023** |
| CONSTITUTION | 7 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,330 |
| GREEN | 8 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 63 |
| REPUBLICAN | 4,418 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 5,197 |
| **CHATHAM** | **16,875** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 7,776 |
| GREEN | 7 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 45 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,360 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 6,682 |

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| **CHEROKEE** | **2,764** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 925 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 15 |
| REPUBLICAN | 974 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 849 |
| **CHOWAN** | **1,183** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 659 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 7 |
| REPUBLICAN | 210 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 306 |
| **CLAY** | **1,041** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 357 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 315 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 366 |
| **CLEVELAND** | **8,167** |
| CONSTITUTION | 7 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,944 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 35 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,122 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,057 |
| **COLUMBUS** | **3,753** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,337 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 7 |
| REPUBLICAN | 588 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 818 |
| **CRAVEN** | **13,056** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,614 |
| GREEN | 7 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 67 |
| REPUBLICAN | 3,195 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 4,168 |
| **CUMBERLAND** | **37,157** |
| CONSTITUTION | 22 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 20,349 |
| GREEN | 27 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 244 |
| REPUBLICAN | 6,133 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 10,382 |
| **CURRITUCK** | **2,474** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |

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|---|---|
| DEMOCRATIC | 745 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 30 |
| REPUBLICAN | 705 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 990 |
| **DARE** | **5,177** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,020 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 26 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,173 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,954 |
| **DAVIDSON** | **16,306** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,497 |
| GREEN | 7 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 71 |
| REPUBLICAN | 6,097 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 4,629 |
| **DAVIE** | **4,211** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,229 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 23 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,576 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,381 |
| **DUPLIN** | **3,227** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,915 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 11 |
| REPUBLICAN | 547 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 750 |
| **DURHAM** | **70,169** |
| CONSTITUTION | 9 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 40,179 |
| GREEN | 46 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 255 |
| REPUBLICAN | 5,535 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 24,145 |
| **EDGECOMBE** | **3,985** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,009 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 5 |
| REPUBLICAN | 465 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 504 |
| **FORSYTH** | **67,607** |
| CONSTITUTION | 21 |

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|---|---|
| DEMOCRATIC | 32,214 |
| GREEN | 38 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 197 |
| REPUBLICAN | 14,840 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 20,297 |
| **FRANKLIN** | **7,359** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,572 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 47 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,513 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,220 |
| **GASTON** | **23,986** |
| CONSTITUTION | 14 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 9,780 |
| GREEN | 18 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 117 |
| REPUBLICAN | 6,749 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 7,308 |
| **GATES** | **847** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 522 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 135 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 188 |
| **GRAHAM** | **484** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 167 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 4 |
| REPUBLICAN | 192 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 121 |
| **GRANVILLE** | **6,576** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,390 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 32 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,231 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,918 |
| **GREENE** | **1,273** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 868 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 155 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 245 |
| **GUILFORD** | **76,796** |
| CONSTITUTION | 20 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 39,416 |
| GREEN | 36 |

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|---|---|
| LIBERTARIAN | 291 |
| REPUBLICAN | 14,374 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 22,659 |
| **HALIFAX** | **4,224** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,032 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 7 |
| REPUBLICAN | 390 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 793 |
| **HARNETT** | **12,335** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,327 |
| GREEN | 11 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 75 |
| REPUBLICAN | 3,231 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 3,686 |
| **HAYWOOD** | **8,273** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 4,116 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 35 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,624 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,494 |
| **HENDERSON** | **20,863** |
| CONSTITUTION | 7 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 7,122 |
| GREEN | 21 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 72 |
| REPUBLICAN | 4,976 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 8,665 |
| **HERTFORD** | **1,543** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,184 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 103 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 251 |
| **HOKE** | **4,520** |
| CONSTITUTION | 6 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,385 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 41 |
| REPUBLICAN | 706 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,377 |
| **HYDE** | **323** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 189 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 26 |

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|---|---|
| UNAFFILIATED | 104 |
| **IREDELL** | **22,445** |
| CONSTITUTION | 7 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 7,630 |
| GREEN | 12 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 118 |
| REPUBLICAN | 6,720 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 7,958 |
| **JACKSON** | **3,965** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,889 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 17 |
| REPUBLICAN | 722 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,331 |
| **JOHNSTON** | **23,343** |
| CONSTITUTION | 19 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 9,903 |
| GREEN | 14 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 147 |
| REPUBLICAN | 5,473 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 7,787 |
| **JONES** | **655** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 323 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 4 |
| REPUBLICAN | 167 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 158 |
| **LEE** | **5,970** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,013 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 30 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,184 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,736 |
| **LENOIR** | **4,990** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,330 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 12 |
| REPUBLICAN | 755 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 891 |
| **LINCOLN** | **8,372** |
| CONSTITUTION | 8 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,744 |
| GREEN | 4 |

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|---|---|
| LIBERTARIAN | 43 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,731 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,842 |
| **MACON** | **4,599** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,719 |
| GREEN | 6 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 20 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,391 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,460 |
| **MADISON** | **2,594** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,328 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 4 |
| REPUBLICAN | 378 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 881 |
| **MARTIN** | **1,907** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,288 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 249 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 365 |
| **MCDOWELL** | **3,716** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,606 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 18 |
| REPUBLICAN | 967 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,121 |
| **MECKLENBURG** | **203,998** |
| CONSTITUTION | 67 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 94,582 |
| GREEN | 122 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1,037 |
| REPUBLICAN | 35,316 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 72,874 |
| **MITCHELL** | **1,314** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 289 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1 |
| REPUBLICAN | 605 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 418 |
| **MONTGOMERY** | **1,549** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 691 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 9 |

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|---|---|
| REPUBLICAN | 416 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 430 |
| **MOORE** | **14,852** |
| CONSTITUTION | 6 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,031 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 82 |
| REPUBLICAN | 4,428 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 5,300 |
| **NASH** | **8,133** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 4,701 |
| GREEN | 6 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 34 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,565 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,827 |
| **NEW HANOVER** | **41,370** |
| CONSTITUTION | 12 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 18,160 |
| GREEN | 43 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 231 |
| REPUBLICAN | 8,401 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 14,523 |
| **NORTHAMPTON** | **1,447** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,016 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 5 |
| REPUBLICAN | 118 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 307 |
| **ONSLOW** | **14,424** |
| CONSTITUTION | 15 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,226 |
| GREEN | 23 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 168 |
| REPUBLICAN | 4,050 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 4,942 |
| **ORANGE** | **36,629** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 20,842 |
| GREEN | 28 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 121 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,404 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 13,229 |
| **PAMLICO** | **1,325** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 659 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 6 |
| REPUBLICAN | 277 |

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|---|---|
| UNAFFILIATED | 381 |
| **PASQUOTANK** | **4,229** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,289 |
| GREEN | 6 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 18 |
| REPUBLICAN | 669 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,246 |
| **PENDER** | **6,086** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,432 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 37 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,578 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,034 |
| **PERQUIMANS** | **1,035** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 484 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 2 |
| REPUBLICAN | 210 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 336 |
| **PERSON** | **3,651** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,985 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 13 |
| REPUBLICAN | 662 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 991 |
| **PITT** | **17,702** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 9,792 |
| GREEN | 14 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 96 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,830 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 4,967 |
| **POLK** | **3,364** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,299 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 11 |
| REPUBLICAN | 704 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,346 |
| **RANDOLPH** | **11,675** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,918 |
| GREEN | 5 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 63 |
| REPUBLICAN | 4,405 |

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| UNAFFILIATED | 3,281 |
| **RICHMOND** | **2,798** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,644 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 8 |
| REPUBLICAN | 458 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 687 |
| **ROBESON** | **6,482** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 4,100 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 18 |
| REPUBLICAN | 834 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,525 |
| **ROCKINGHAM** | **6,851** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,303 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 25 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,798 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,717 |
| **ROWAN** | **13,079** |
| CONSTITUTION | 5 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 4,999 |
| GREEN | 12 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 60 |
| REPUBLICAN | 3,984 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 4,019 |
| **RUTHERFORD** | **6,087** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,440 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 25 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,791 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,827 |
| **SAMPSON** | **4,321** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,435 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 15 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,041 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 826 |
| **SCOTLAND** | **2,562** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,518 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 376 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 665 |
| **STANLY** | **4,742** |

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| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,787 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 14 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,632 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,302 |
| **STOKES** | **3,651** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,233 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 11 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,450 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 953 |
| **SURRY** | **7,115** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,085 |
| GREEN | 6 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 23 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,262 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,738 |
| **SWAIN** | **977** |
| CONSTITUTION | 1 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 444 |
| GREEN | 4 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 6 |
| REPUBLICAN | 207 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 315 |
| **TRANSYLVANIA** | **5,332** |
| CONSTITUTION | 3 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,080 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 11 |
| REPUBLICAN | 983 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,255 |
| **TYRRELL** | **153** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 96 |
| REPUBLICAN | 17 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 40 |
| **UNION** | **27,380** |
| CONSTITUTION | 8 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 9,638 |
| GREEN | 20 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 151 |
| REPUBLICAN | 7,464 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 10,099 |
| **VANCE** | **3,597** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,499 |

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| LIBERTARIAN | 19 |
| REPUBLICAN | 461 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 616 |
| **WAKE** | **244,971** |
| CONSTITUTION | 80 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 104,404 |
| GREEN | 144 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 1,339 |
| REPUBLICAN | 40,626 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 98,378 |
| **WARREN** | **1,919** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,319 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 5 |
| REPUBLICAN | 263 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 332 |
| **WASHINGTON** | **901** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 657 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 3 |
| REPUBLICAN | 94 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 147 |
| **WATAUGA** | **7,532** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 3,005 |
| GREEN | 9 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 31 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,357 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 3,130 |
| **WAYNE** | **10,135** |
| CONSTITUTION | 6 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 5,515 |
| GREEN | 8 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 68 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,226 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 2,312 |
| **WILKES** | **5,801** |
| CONSTITUTION | 8 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 2,105 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 24 |
| REPUBLICAN | 2,284 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,378 |
| **WILSON** | **7,018** |
| CONSTITUTION | 2 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 4,013 |
| GREEN | 3 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 23 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,335 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 1,642 |

| | |
|---|---|
| **YADKIN** | **2,905** |
| CONSTITUTION | 6 |
| DEMOCRATIC | 849 |
| GREEN | 2 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 9 |
| REPUBLICAN | 1,204 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 835 |
| **YANCEY** | **2,246** |
| DEMOCRATIC | 1,116 |
| GREEN | 1 |
| LIBERTARIAN | 4 |
| REPUBLICAN | 493 |
| UNAFFILIATED | 632 |
| **Grand Total** | **1,453,182** |

WAKE COUNTY OF NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

BEFORE THE WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

IN RE: PROTEST OF KIM COLEY )
)
) **ORDER**
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THIS MATTER CAME BEFORE THE WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS ("Board") for a preliminary hearing on November 13, 2020 in an election protest ("Protest") filed pursuant to G.S. 163-182.9, by Kim Coley ("Protestor"), a candidate for office in the NC House District 36, to determine whether there was probable cause sufficient to schedule a protest hearing in the NC House District 36 contest ("Contest").

The Board having considered the written submissions from the Protestor hereby finds, concludes, and orders as follows:

FINDINGS OF UNDISPUTED FACTS

1. Protestor is one of three candidates for the election of NC House District 36 in the November 3, 2020 general election and is a registered voter in Wake County, North Carolina.

2. Protestor filed an election protest with the Board on November 12, 2020, pursuant to G.S. 163-182.9. In Section 5 of the Protest form, the Protestor generally contends a violation of election law, irregularity, or misconduct sufficient to cast doubt on the apparent results of the election.

3. In Section 6 of the Protest form where Protestor is to provide the actual basis and legal argument supporting the protest, the Protestor provided voter percentages for the 2016, 2018 and 2020 elections and requested an audit on behalf of the voters of House District 36. In Section 8 of the Protest form, Protestor stated the numbers do not add up and the percentages are irregular and inconsistent.

4. At the time of the filing of the Protest, the (unofficial) vote totals for the election which was the subject of the protest and as provided by the Protestor was as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Julie von Haefen | 31,619 votes |
| Kim Coley | 25,617 votes |
| Bruce Basson | 2,197 votes |

5. The Protestor included with the Protest a number of printouts of unofficial election results from the NC State Board of Elections with results by voting method in House District 36, precinct results in House District 36 and NC Absentee Ballot Requests for the 2020 General Election.

6. The requested relief sought by the Protestor was "transparency" and to correct the vote count.

7. The Board held this preliminary consideration hearing on November 13, 2020 prior to finalizing its canvass for the November 3, 2020 general election.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

8. The Board has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to G.S. 163-182.9.

9. Pursuant to G.S. 163-182.10(a)(1), the Board shall, "...as soon as possible after the protest is filed, meet to determine whether the protest substantially complies with G.S. 163-182.9 and whether it establishes probable cause to believe that a violation of election law or irregularity or misconduct has occurred. If the board determines that one or both requirements are not met, the board shall dismiss the protest."

10. Pursuant to G.S. 163-182.10(a)(2), "If a protest was filed before the canvass and concerns the counting and tabulating of votes, the county board shall resolve the protest before the canvass is completed."

11. This Protest concerns the manner in which votes were counted and results tabulated, requiring it to be filed before the Board's canvass meeting scheduled for November 13, 2020. See G.S. 163-182.9(b)(4).

12. Pursuant to *Election Protest Procedures Guide* published by the North Carolina State Board of Elections ("SBOE") the Board's consideration at this preliminary setting is whether the Protest *on its face* establishes probable cause and the Board is not required to allow individuals to speak. See generally, *SBOE Election Protest Procedures Guide*, last updated November 6, 2020 and 08 NCAC 02 .0114 (2020).

13. Further, North Carolina Administrative Rule 08 NCAC 02 .0114 sets forth several grounds for dismissal of a protest, among which require the Board to dismiss this Protest if it fails to include evidence, which, if true, substantiates the probable occurrence of an outcome-determinative defect in the manner in which votes were counted or results tabulated, or fails to allege facts sufficient to constitute substantial evidence of an outcome-determinative violation of election law, irregularity or misconduct. *See* 08 NCAC 02 .0114 (a) (5) and (6) (2020).

14. The Board is constrained by the court ruling entered in *Moore v. Circosta* , US Supreme Court Docket No. 20A72, 592 U.S. ____ (October 26, 2020) and the SBOE Numbered Memo 2020-22 which extended the receipt deadline for absentee by mail (ABM) ballots until 5:00pm November 12, 2020, provided they were postmarked on or before November 3, 2020. *See also SBOE Numbered Memo 2020-19, revised on October 17, 2020 in light of orders in Democracy NC v. North Carolina State Bd. of Elections, No. 20-cv-457 (M.D.N.C.) and NC Alliance for Retired Americans v. North Carolina State Bd. of Elections, No 20-CVS-881.*

15. The Board is obligated to perform such duties under Chapter 163 of the General Statutes, including following directives promulgated by the SBOE or rules and orders of the SBOE. Protestor offered no factual evidence or allegation that the Board failed to adhere to directives or rules issued by the State Board of Elections in the 2020 General Election. *See* G.S.163-33 and G.S. 163-132.4.

16. Protestor offered no factual evidence to support its allegation that there was any irregularity in the vote count for House District 36 and the facts, even if stated as true, do not give rise to grounds for relief that the Board could grant.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, by unanimous vote of all five WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS members that the Protest be dismissed as lacking probable cause required in accordance with G.S. 163-182.10 and 08 NCAC 02 .0114 (2020).

This the 19th day of November, 2020.

WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Greg Flynn, Chair

**Certificate of Service**

I, Greg Flynn, Chair for the WAKE COUNTY Board of Elections, do hereby certify that that the foregoing materials were deposited to the care and custody of the U.S. Postal Service using certified mail, with an electronic copy also delivered to:

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This the 19th day of November, 2020.

Greg Flynn

**08 NCAC 02 .0111 ELECTION PROTEST FORM**

All persons bringing an election protest under Part 4 of Article 20 shall complete and timely file the following form. For the purposes of this Rule, "timely" means within the time required by G.S. 163A-1177(b). Please note this form shall not be used to challenge the registration of an individual voter or to report an incident other than an irregularity affecting the outcome of an election.

## ELECTION PROTEST

(Use of this form is required by G.S. 163A-1177(c))

This form must be filed with the county board of elections within the timeframes set out in G.S. 163A-1177(b)(4). Please print or type your answers. Use additional sheets if needed to answer the below questions fully. Number the pages of all additional sheets. Please note that filings will be a public record. Please redact all confidential information, such as date of birth, Social Security number, and driver's license number.

Respond to all prompts. Failure to complete this form as required may result in the dismissal of your protest. Attach additional sheets as necessary, including all exhibits and supplemental documents. All attachments are deemed incorporated and covered under the Protest Certification.

PROTESTOR

1. Provide your preferred contact information:

Name: Paul Martin Newby ("Protestor") County of Residence: Wake
Email: paulnewby2020@gmail.com Phone: 919-782-6376
Mailing Address: 6108 Chowning Court, Raleigh, NC 27612

NOTE: You will be deemed to consent to service at all of the above addresses (including email), unless you attach an addendum indicating otherwise.

2. Are you represented by counsel? X Yes □ No

NOTE: If you answered *Yes*, above, your counsel must complete and you must attach the Counsel Certification Addendum.

3. Mark all that describe you:

X Candidate for the office of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina
X Registered voter eligible to participate in the protested election contest
□ Neither of the above*
**If you select this option, you are not eligible to file a protest.*

PROTEST SCOPE

4. List all election contests subject to your protest and calculate the margin of votes separating the apparent winner from the runner-up as of the date of filing. Your response does not waive your right to contest the validity of the current vote count. If your protest concerns all contests on the ballot, you must include the vote margin for each contest.

| **Protested Contest(s)** | **Current Vote Margin** (subtract runner-up totals from apparent winner's totals) |
|---|---|
| ***Example: Mayor of Townsville*** | *75* |
| Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina | ***842 as of 10:22 a.m. on November 12, 2020*** |
| North Carolina Attorney General | ***13,748 as of 10:22 a.m. on November 12, 2020*** |

5. This protest alleges (*select at least one*):

X A defect in the manner by which votes were counted or results tabulated sufficient to cast doubt on the apparent results of the election.

X A violation of election law, irregularity, or misconduct sufficient to cast doubt on the apparent results of the election.

FACTUAL BASIS & LEGAL ARGUMENT

6. Provide all factual allegations in support of your protest. If any fact you allege is outside the scope of your personal knowledge, you may attach affidavits from those who have personal knowledge of that fact. All facts you allege in connection with this protest must be true and accurate to the best of your knowledge, and brought in the sincere belief that the facts alleged form a good faith basis to protest the conduct and results of the election.

North Carolina law requires that election protests concerning the manner in which votes were counted or results tabulated to be filed "before the beginning of the county board of election's canvass meeting." Due to, *inter alia*, the increased number of absentee by mail ("ABM") ballots this year and the State Board of Elections' ("SBOE") decision to allow counties to approve ABMs the day before canvass, candidates are unable to know details about the election results prior to canvass. This protest is being filed in good faith to bring before the Board the violation of election law or other irregularity or misconduct described herein which the Protestor believes, based on the information reasonably available to the protestor at the time of submission of this protest, may be sufficient to cast doubt on the apparent results of the election.

This protest concerns ABM ballots which have been inappropriately approved and tabulated by the Wake County Board of Elections ("County Board") that fall into the following categories: First, it appears that at least 118 ABM ballots received after the statutory deadline for the receipt of such ballots of November 6, 2020 ("Statutory Receipt Deadline") may have been approved by the County Board and added to the vote count.

Second, it appears that ABM ballots received after November 3, 2020 without a postmark stamped by the United States Postal Service ("Statutory Postmark Requirement") were approved by the County Board and added to the vote count.

The Wakes County Board of Elections is in possession of information regarding ballots that violated the Statutory Receipt Deadline and the Statutory Postmark Requirement.

Third, it appears that at least approximately 86 ABM ballots contained in envelopes that do not meet statutory requirements for such ballots ("Noncompliant ABM Votes") were approved by the County Board. The deficiencies range among issues such as, deficient witness signatures, printed names, and addresses, among others. Information about specific votes can be produced upon request. Because of time limitations and constraints on the County Board of Elections, a review and identification of all deficiencies with ABM Votes may not have been possible. The Protestor reserves the right to modify or supplement this protest as additional information becomes available.

7. List all individuals, if any, you may call as witnesses to substantiate facts listed in Prompt 6. If there are multiple individuals, summarize the facts of which the individual has personal knowledge

a Protestor may call as witnesses certain members and staff of the County Board who participated in or observed the decisions to count the noncompliant ballots. Protestor may call members or staff of the State Board of Elections who also participated in or offered guidance relevant to the decisions to count the noncompliant ballots The Protestor may call Dalton Temple, who managed the review of ABM ballots referred to in this protest. Protestor may also rely upon the individuals who reviewed the ABM envelopes. A list of such individuals can be produced upon request.

8. Cite any statute or case, administrative rule or decisions, and election policy or procedure that supports your claim set out under Prompt 5.

U.S. Constitution, 14th Amendment (Equal Protection Clause);
U.S. Constitution, Art. I, §4;
N.C. Constitution, Art. I, § 19;
N.C. Gen. Stat. § 163-231(a)(1)–(6)
N.C. Gen. Stat. § 163(b)(1) and (b)(2)b; and
Orders of the Court in *Democracy NC v. N.C. State Board of Elections*, No. 20CV457 (MDNC (2020)).

RELIEF

9. What effect do you believe the facts alleged in response to Prompt 6, if proven, will have on the electoral outcome in the protested contest(s)? Your response should account for the current vote margin calculated in response to Prompt 4.

□ The electoral outcome of the protested contest(s) will change.
□ The electoral outcome of the protested contest(s) will not change.
X I am uncertain whether the outcome of the contest(s) will change.
□ Other _____

The outcome of this protest will change the vote totals for the protested elections. Given that canvass has not occurred yet, it is uncertain whether the outcome of the protest will change the identity of who wins the protested elections. Protestor reserves the right to supplement this answer as additional information comes available from the state and county boards of election.

10. What relief do you seek?

X Correct the vote count
□ A new election
□ Other: _____

ASSISTANCE

11. List all persons who assisted you in preparing the contents of this protest and indicate the nature of the assistance provided:

Counsel and volunteers with the NCGOP assisted with the preparation of this protest, specifically gathering factual support concerning the ABM envelope deficiencies.

Note: For protestors represented by an attorney, this protest is the initial filing in a proceeding as defined by N.C. State Bar Rules. *See* 27 N.C.A.C. 02 Rule 1.00(n).

12. Has any candidate, political party, organization, or person acting on behalf of the same requested that you bring this protest?

□ Yes
X No

13. Have you received any financial or other benefit or promise of future financial or other benefit in exchange for filing this protest?

□ Yes
X No

AFFECTED PARTIES & SERVICE

You must serve copies of all filings on every person with a direct stake in the outcome of this protest ("Affected Parties"). Affected Parties include every candidate seeking nomination or election in the protested contest(s) listed under Prompt 4, not only the apparent winner and runner-up. If a protest concerns the eligibility or ineligibility of

particular voters, all such voters are Affected Parties and must be served. Address information for registered voters is available from the county board of elections or using the Voter Lookup at www.ncsbe.gov.

Materials may be served by personal delivery, transmittal through U.S. Mail or commercial carrier service to the Affected Party's mailing address of record on file with the county board of elections or the State Board, or by any other means affirmatively authorized by the Affected Party. If you know the Affected Party is represented by an attorney, service must be made on his or her counsel. Service must occur within one (1) business day of filing materials with the county board of elections. If service is by transmittal through the U.S. Mail or commercial carrier service, service will be complete when the properly addressed, postage-paid parcel is deposited into the care and custody of the U.S. Mail or commercial carrier service. It is your responsibility to ensure service is made on all Affected Parties.

14. List all Affected Parties, including their service address:

| *Affected Party* | *Service Address* |
|---|---|
| Cheri Beasley | 434 Fayetteville St., Ste 2020, Raleigh, NC 27601-3006 |
| Josh Stein | 434 Fayetteville St., Ste. 2020, Raleigh, NC 27601 |
| North Carolina Democratic Party | 220 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, NC 27603 |

PROTESTOR CERTIFICATION

15. By signing this protest application, you affirm the following:
I, Paul Martin Newby (*full name*), swear, under penalty of perjury, that the information provided in this protest filing is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that I have read and understand the following:

(*initial*)

PMN I have reviewed the statutes and administrative rules governing election protests, including all deadlines.

PMN My protest must originate with a filing at the county board of elections.

PMN I must timely serve all Affected Parties.

PMN I must prove by *substantial evidence* either the existence of a defect in the manner by which votes were counted or results tabulated or the occurrence of a violation of election law, irregularity, or misconduct, either of which were sufficient to cast doubt on the apparent results of the election.

PMN It is a crime to interfere unlawfully with the conduct and certification of an election.

PMN It is a crime to interfere unlawfully with the ability of a qualified individual to vote and to have that vote counted in the election.

PMN The facts I allege in connection with this protest are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and I have a good faith basis to protest the conduct and results of the election.

**Submitting fraudulently or falsely completed declarations is a Class I felony under Chapter 163A of the General Statutes. This notice is provided pursuant to S.L. 2013-381, s. 5.4.**

Signature of Protestor: Paul Martin Newby Date: 11/12/20
(*This signature must be signed in the presence of a notary*)

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State of North Carolina, County of WAKE

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this the 12th day of NOVEMBER, 2020.

(Official Seal)

GREGORY M. FORNSHELL NOTARY PUBLIC WAKE COUNTY, NC MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 11-28-2022

Gregory M. Fornshell
Official Signature of Notary

GREGORY M. FORNSHELL, Notary Public

Printed Name

My commission expires: NOVEMBER 28, 2022

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Date/Time Filed with County Board

_____

(completed by the county board)

**NOTE:** The county board must provide the State Board with a complete copy of a filed protest within one business day after it is filed. In addition, the county board shall provide a copy of the election audit with this copy of the protest.

Please direct any questions to your county board of elections or the North Carolina State Board of Elections & Ethics Enforcement, PO Box 27255, Raleigh, NC 27611-7255.

COUNSEL OF RECORD ADDENDUM

*If you answered Yes to Prompt 2 on the above, your attorney must complete this form and you must file it with your Election Protest Application.*

Attorney Must complete all of the following:

Protestor Name: Paul Martin Newby Protestor County: Wake
Attorney Name: Roger W. Knight
Attorney Email: roger@rogerknightlaw.com
Attorney Phone: (Knight) 919-414-4807

X I am a member in good standing with the North Carolina State Bar

□ I am not licensed to practice law in North Carolina but am a member in good standing in _____ (State or District of Columbia), and do hereby apply to appear *pro hac vice* and certify that I have or will file all appropriate documents required under G.S. 84-4.1.

Law Firm: Roger W. Knight, P.A.
Bar Number: 13010

I (choose one) □ am X am not:
Subject to any order of any court or administrative agency disbarring, suspending, enjoining, restraining, or otherwise restricting me in the practice of law. If you are subject to any orders, explain in the space below.

_____
_____
_____
_____
_____

I represent the Protestor whose name is provided above. I have read and understand the laws governing election protests in North Carolina General Statutes Chapter 163A and Title 8 of the N.C. Administrative Code. I swear/attest that the information I have provided in this Addendum is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

_____ 11/12/20
Attorney Signature Date

*History Note:* *Authority G.S. 163A-741; 163A-1177;*
*Temporary Adoption Eff. April 15, 2002;*
*Eff. August 1, 2004;*
*Readopted Eff. September 1, 2018.*

WAKE COUNTY OF NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

BEFORE THE WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

IN RE: PROTEST OF JUSTICE PAUL MARTIN NEWBY

**ORDER**

THIS MATTER CAME BEFORE THE WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS ("Board") for a preliminary hearing on November 13, 2020 in an election protest ("Protest") filed pursuant to G.S. 163-182.9, by Justice Paul Martin Newby ("Protestor"), a candidate in the Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court, to determine whether there was probable cause sufficient to schedule a protest hearing in two contests, the Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court and North Carolina Attorney General ("Contests").

The Board having considered the written submissions from the Protestor, interested parties as well as relevant statutes, hereby finds, concludes, and orders as follows:

FINDINGS OF UNDISPUTED FACTS

1. Protestor is one of two candidates for the election of Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court in the November 3, 2020 general election and is a registered voter in Wake County, North Carolina.

2. Protestor filed an election protest with the Board on November 12, 2020, pursuant to G.S. 163-182.9. The Protestor contends that: a) There was a defect in the manner by which votes were counted or results tabulated sufficient to cast doubt on the apparent results of the election, and b) a violation of election law, irregularity, or misconduct sufficient to cast doubt on the apparent results of the election.

3. At the time of the filing of the Protest, the vote totals for the elections which were the subject of the protest were as follows:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina | 842 | votes |
| North Carolina Attorney General | 13,748 | votes |

4. Protestor specifically alleged that absentee by mail ("ABM") ballots were inappropriately approved and tabulated in the following ways:

   i 118 ABM ballots were received after the statutory deadline of November 6, 2020 and may have been added to the vote count,

ii ABM ballots received after November 3, 2020 without a postmark stamped by the US Postal Service were approved and added to the vote count, and

iii The appearance of at least 86 noncompliant ABM ballots with deficiencies such as lack of witness signatures and printed names and addresses.

5. Protestor further alleged that given that canvass has not yet occurred, it was uncertain whether the Protest would alter the outcome of either or both of the elections subject to this protest.

6. Candidates Chief Justice Cheri Beasley and Josh Stein submitted a Response and Motion to Dismiss Election Protests on November 13, 2020, which was reviewed by the Board.

7. The Board held this preliminary consideration hearing on November 13, 2020 prior to finalizing its canvass for the November 3, 2020 general election.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

8. The Board has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to G.S. 163-182.9.

9. Pursuant to G.S. 163-182.10(a)(1), the Board shall, "...as soon as possible after the protest is filed, meet to determine whether the protest substantially complies with G.S. 163-182.9 and whether it establishes probable cause to believe that a violation of election law or irregularity or misconduct has occurred. If the board determines that one or both requirements are not met, the board shall dismiss the protest."

10. Pursuant to G.S. 163-182.10(a)(2), "If a protest was filed before the canvass and concerns the counting and tabulating of votes, the county board shall resolve the protest before the canvass is completed."

11. This Protest concerns the manner in which votes were counted and results tabulated, requiring it to be filed before the Board's canvass meeting scheduled for November 13, 2020. See G.S. 163-182.9(b)(4).

12. Pursuant to *Election Protest Procedures Guide* published by the North Carolina State Board of Elections ("SBOE") the Board's consideration at this preliminary setting is whether the Protest *on its face* establishes probable cause and the Board is not required to allow individuals to speak. *See generally, SBOE Election Protest Procedures Guide*, last updated November 6, 2020 and 08 NCAC 02 .0114 (2020).

13. Further, North Carolina Administrative Rule 08 NCAC 02 .0114 sets forth several grounds for dismissal of a protest, among which require the Board to dismiss this Protest if it fails to include evidence, which, if true, substantiates the probable occurrence of an outcome-determinative defect in the manner in which votes were counted or results

tabulated, or fails to allege facts sufficient to constitute substantial evidence of an outcome-determinative violation of election law, irregularity or misconduct. *See* 08 NCAC 02 .0114 (a) (5) and (6) (2020).

14. The Board is constrained by the court ruling entered in *Moore v. Circosta* , US Supreme Court Docket No. 20A72, 592 U.S. ____ (October 26, 2020) and the SBOE Numbered Memo 2020-22 which extended the receipt deadline for ABM ballots until 5:00pm November 12, 2020, provided they were postmarked on or before November 3, 2020. Protestor's allegation that the Board has improperly counted ABM ballots received after November 6, 2020 fails to allege irregularity or misconduct as the Board is compelled to accept and count ballots in accordance with the above. *See also SBOE Numbered Memo 2020-19, revised on October 17, 2020 in light of orders in Democracy NC v. North Carolina State Bd. of Elections, No. 20-cv-457 (M.D.N.C.) and NC Alliance for Retired Americans v. North Carolina State Bd. of Elections, No 20-CVS-881.*

15. Protestor offered no factual evidence to support its allegation that the ABM ballots received after November 3, 2020 without a postmark may have been improperly counted and added to the vote count by the Board. It is not a violation for the Board to approve an ABM received without a postmark stamped by the US Postal Service so long as there is information in the postal service tracking system and it otherwise complies with SBOE Numbered Memoranda. *See SBOE Numbered Memo 2020-22* (... "a ballot shall be considered postmarked by Election Day if it has a postmark affixed to it or if there is information in BallotTrax, or another tracking service offered by the USPS or a commercial carrier, indicating that the ballot was in the custody of USPS or the commercial carrier on or before Election Day.")

16. Protestor offered no factual basis and failed to identify any specific container return envelope to support its allegation that deficient ABM ballots were approved by the Board or that the Board failed to comply with SBOE Numbered Memo2020-19 and SBOE Numbered Memo 2020-29 in addressing deficiencies on ABM ballots.

17. The Board is obligated to perform such duties under Chapter 163 of the General Statutes, including following directives promulgated by the SBOE or rules and orders of the SBOE. Protestor offered no factual evidence or allegation that the Board failed to adhere to directives or rules issued by the State Board of Elections in the 2020 General Election. *See* G.S.163-33 and G.S. 163-132.4.

18. The Board's oath of office requires it to apply not just statutes, but the NC Constitution and the US Constitution as well as adhering to lawful orders of Courts of competent jurisdiction over the board and the election process. *See* G.S. 163-33.

19. The election canons set out by the NC Supreme Court requires the Board to give precedence to votes cast by voters in reliance on numbered memos and instructions provided to them by the SBOE. *See* G.S.163-33 and G.S. 163-132.4.

20. Voters postmarking their ballots on or before November 3, 2020 meeting the November 12, 2020 receipt deadline, might have instead of using first class mail have chosen to use priority mail or express mail if the deadline had been November 6, 2020. Voters relied on SBOE memos and guidance on the rules regarding the transmission of ballots.

21. The Protest fails to distinguish the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act ("UOCAVA") ballots which always had a November 12, 2020 deadline.

22. The Protest is essentially a series of improperly submitted voter challenges and voters would be entitled to a due process hearing if the Board were to take them up.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, by three to two vote of the WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS that the Protest be dismissed as lacking probable cause required in accordance with G.S. 163-182.10.

This the 19th day of November, 2020.

WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Greg Flynn, Chair

**Certificate of Service**

I, Greg Flynn, Chair for the WAKE COUNTY Board of Elections, do hereby certify that that the foregoing materials were deposited to the care and custody of the U.S. Postal Service using certified mail, with an electronic copy also delivered to:

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This the 19th day of November, 2020.

Greg Flynn