County Boards Ignore GA6 Recanvass Petitions

ATLANTA GA – In the last three days citizens have submitted recanvass petitions in accordance with State Election Board rules to Election Boards for all three counties involved in the 6th District Special Election Runoff (GA6). The petitions requested the counties to recanvass parts or all of their vote tabulation prior to results certification. During the opening public comments, all boards were presented with a letter from VoterGA and a letter from a dozen national election integrity experts explaining how the reported results are suspect. But all three boards ignored the petitions and certified the questionable election results anyway.

Recanvassing entails procedures that attempt to validate correctness of the vote tabulation that shows Karen Handel defeating Jon Ossoff by a 52-48% margin. Mr. Ossoff won the verifiable mail-in and provisional votes by landslide margins but lost on Election Day according to the unverifiable electronic voting machines.

On Saturday, attorney Adrienne Hobbs presented a signed, notarized version of a recanvass petition to the Fulton County Election Board according to State Election board rules. Although received before the certification hearing started at 10am, the board ignored it and certified the results without considering it. 183-1-12-.01

On Monday morning, Jorge Balbona presented a similar petition with three signatures to the Cobb County Election Board in opening public comments. Board legal counsel Greg Litchfield told the board they were required by law to certify the election regardless of the petition. Board member Jessica Brooks explained to Litchfield that they are to vote on certification and only 3 of 5 members voted to certify. When Elections Director Janine Eveler was asked what would be the purpose of a recanvass if the results were already certified she could not answer. Litchfield was asked the same question but he fled the room, falsely implying that the petition did not have 3 petitioner's. The deliberations are captured on video.

That afternoon Balbona presented another similar recanvass petition to the Dekalb County Election Board during opening public comments. Board chairman Samuel Tillman would not discuss the petition and stated afterward that the board has the option of recanvassing before certification or not. But the language of regulation 183-1-12-.01 requires the board to recanvass upon receipt of a petition. It only allows for an option to pick a date and time prior to certification. When board legal counsel Bennett Bryan was asked if his interpretation of the regulation was the same as that of Tillman he refused to reply and scurried out of the building.