

From: Stefanie Mann [mailto:Stefanie.Mann@SOS.STATE.CO.US]
Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2014 12:10 PM
To: Al Kolwicz
Subject: Election Complaints

Mr. Kolwicz:

The Secretary of State's Office received the election complaints you filed on September 11, 2014, and September 15, 2014. We appreciate you bringing these matters to our attention.

In the first complaint you allege that the Secretary of State has failed to implement reliable safeguards online to prevent false voter registration. But you do not provide sufficient detail in your complaint as to what reliable safeguards our office has failed to implement. As such, our office is not in a position to respond to the conclusory allegations.

In your second complaint you allege that the Secretary of State is failing to protect elections because Broomfield will have two unaffiliated canvass board members for the upcoming general election.

The upcoming November election in Broomfield is both a general election and a coordinated election. *See* section 1-1-104(6.5), (17), C.R.S. As such, both sections 1-10-101 and 1-10-202, C.R.S. govern the composition of Broomfield's canvass board. Because Broomfield's intergovernmental agreements with the coordinating political subdivisions provides that Broomfield's mayor may appoint two unaffiliated canvass board members to canvass the coordinated portions of the ballot, Broomfield is in compliance with section 1-10-202, C.R.S. Broomfield is also in compliance with section 1-10-101, C.R.S., because Broomfield's canvass board will also consist of members appointed by major political parties to canvass the partisan and statewide portions of the ballot. Therefore, Broomfield has not violated Article 10 of Title 1 with the composition of its canvass board. The Secretary of State's office will work with the City and County of Broomfield Clerk and Recorder to develop bifurcated canvass board processes that comply with both of the applicable statutes.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any other questions.

Sincerely,
Stefanie Mann