## PUBLIC INTEREST — LEGAL FOUNDATION—

VIA USPS and EMAIL

March 22, 2019

ATTN: Deborah Clark Supervisor of Elections, Pinellas County Election Service Center Starkey Lakes Corporate Center 13001 Starkey Road Largo, FL 33773

**RE:** Evidence of potential double voting

Dear Ms. Clark:

We write today offering information regarding an individual who may have voted in Pinellas County and in another county in the same federal election. The Public Interest Legal Foundation is a nonprofit law firm dedicated to election integrity that also promotes common-sense reforms that preserve the Constitutional framework of American elections.

The nonprofit organization Project Veritas released a video on March 20, 2019, detailing its investigation of an individual who may be registered in both your county and Erie County, New York. The video shows that organization's efforts to verify publicly available information, including voter history. The video also includes conversations with a man purporting to be the individual himself. The man in the video appears to state that he voted both in *your county's* 2018 federal general election and in *Erie County, New York's* 2018 federal general election. Project Veritas, "NY Republican Votes Twice in 2018 Elections, Casts Mail Ballot in Florida", https://www.projectveritas.com/2019/03/20/ny-republican-votes-twice-in-2018-elections-casts-mail-ballot-in-florida/.

## Under federal law,

- (1) Whoever votes more than once in an election referred to in paragraph (2) shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than five years, or both.
- (2) The prohibition of this subsection applies with respect to any general, special, or primary election held solely or in part for the purpose of selecting or electing any candidate for the office of President, Vice President, presidential elector, Member of the United States Senate, Member of the United States House of Representatives, Delegate from the District of Columbia, Guam, or the Virgin Islands, or Resident Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

52 U.S.C.S. § 10307.

Under Florida law, "A person may become a registered voter only if that person:...3. Is a legal resident of the State of Florida...." Fla. Stat. Ann. § 97.041(a). "A person who willfully submits any false voter registration information commits a felony of the third degree...." Fla. Stat. Ann. § 104.011. Further, "[t]he supervisor of elections is authorized to investigate fraudulent registrations and illegal voting and to report his or her findings to the local state attorney and the Florida Elections Commission." Fla. Stat. Ann. § 104.42.

Thank you very much for your attention to these matters. Could someone please contact us regarding what steps were taken in regards to this referral? The Public Interest Legal Foundation looks forward to providing your offices with any additional help and information it can.

Sincerely,

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Cc:

Laurel M. Lee, Florida Secretary of State