

Andrea Gyger

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Sent: Thursday, July 28, 2011 2:16 PM
To: Andrea Gyger
Cc: Jean Alberico; Teak Simonton; Stella Dominguez
Subject: NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING - August 2, 2011

Andrea,

I have reviewed the Preliminary Draft of Proposed Rules distributed on Jun3 30th and appreciate all changes made.

In particular, I would like to express my support regarding changes made to Rule 27.4. Having experienced a contentious write-in race the past general election, I think the changes clarify processes for future write-in races and avoids the potential of being dragged into court. Every ballot, in one format or another, clearly states the instructions; e.g., INSTRUCTION TO VOTERS: To vote, you must completely fill in the oval to the LEFT of your choice WITH A BLUE OR BLACK PEN. To vote for a write-in candidate, blacken the oval to the left of the line provided and write the candidate's name on the line. ● you tear, deface, or wrongly mark this ballot, return it and request a replacement. **VOTE LIKE**

THIS:

In reference to a write-in vote, to place the burden of interpretation on election judges, county staff and/or SOS staff -- individuals other than the actual voter -- to interpret what is actually meant beyond a clearly marked ballot with a legible name is unreasonable.

Individuals are very serious about completing their SAT tests, why not their ballot?

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