County of Henrico



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Honorable Members:

My name is Mark J Coakley and I am the Director of Elections in Henrico, VA. We have 238,300 registered voters in our locality. I received Ms. Tammy Patrick's email to provide a statement that demonstrates the typical correspondence I receive throughout the year.

This example was sent from the local political party chair. He forwarded me a harassing email describing an Electoral Board meeting a citizen recently attended.

Hi Bryan,

I went to my first meeting yesterday. What a waste of time. It lasted 15 minutes and they had no information about "Same Day Registration", that we've known about since last year, and "Early Voting tabulation by Precinct". They said they were waiting for guidance from the state. We start voting in 4 1/2 months!

I also found out that one of the board members, Bob Shippee, a Dem, retired at the end of the meeting. I understand that you will recommend the new member. Do you have a name? We need an Election Integrity reformer to clean up elections in Henrico County. We have to replace the Registrar. We can't have a Registrar with a spouse that is a Dem operative, working for Dem candidates, like her role with the Spanberger campaign.

When will we know the new appointee? The board did not schedule their next meeting. Thank you.

Ned

The party chair was ashamed and annoyed he received this message and said it was his duty to bring it to

my attention since this individual was investigating my wife's activities outside our home.

After the 2020 November Presidential Election, I had to temporality pause my social media accounts due

to comments left by or written directly to me.

I truly appreciate your interest in our stories and wish you the best of health.

Respectfully,

Mark J Coakley