


5. I was elected by my peers to serve as President of the Ohio Association of Elections Officials (OAEO) during 2006. I am a Certified Elections and Registration Administrator through the Election Center.
6. During my many years at the Montgomery County Board of Elections, I have been involved in six presidential primary elections and managed in a supervisory position the local administration of four presidential primary elections (2000, 2004, 2008, and 2012). J. Kenneth Blackwell was the Secretary of State during the 2000 and 2004 presidential primary elections, Jennifer Brunner was the Secretary of State during the 2008 presidential primary election, and Jon Husted was Secretary of State during the 2012 presidential primary election. The 2016 presidential primary election will be my seventh at the Montgomery County Board of Elections.
7. Based on my experience administering three presidential primary elections at the local level under three different Secretaries of State from both major political parties, and with the local administration of the 2016 presidential primary election already underway, I understand the 2015 Election Official Manual issued by Secretary Husted in directive form, that provides instructions to boards of elections for the proper processing of ballots cast by a 17-year old in 2016 presidential primary, to be consistent with the instructions issued by Secretary Husted in the 2012 presidential primary election and by the previous two secretaries of state governing the administration of the 2008, 2004, and 2000 presidential primary elections and have put the same instructions, training, and procedures into practice each of them.
8. Based on my experience administering six presidential primary elections at the local level under three different Secretaries of State from opposite political parties, I understood the 2011 directive issued by Secretary Husted that provided instructions to boards of elections for the proper processing of ballots cast by a 17-year old in the 2012 presidential primary to be consistent with the instructions, training, and procedures issued by the previous two Secretaries of State.
9. During my tenure in a supervisory position, we did not count – and we are not now counting – the vote cast for election of a delegate to a national convention, member of state central committee, county central committee, or ballot question or issue when so marked by a 17-year-old voter at a presidential primary election.
10. If 17-year olds were permitted to vote on the election of delegates to a national convention at the March 15, 2016 presidential primary election, our office would have to reprint instructions that have already been printed and packed in precinct supply kits in time for this coming Tuesday's election. We would have to inform

precinct election officials—most of whom have already been trained for this election—that, contrary to their training, 17-year-old voters can indeed vote for election of delegates to a national convention.

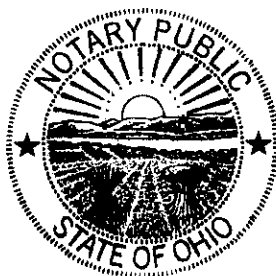
11. The weekend before an election is traditionally the busiest time for a local elections administrator.

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Steve Harsman

Sworn to and subscribed before me, a Notary Public, on this 10th day of March, 2016.



MARK MAZER, Notary Public
In and for the State of Ohio
My Commission Expires March 28, 2017



Notary Public