



## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT *of* STATE

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July 6, 2017

The Honorable Kris W. Kobach  
Secretary of State  
Memorial Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
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Dear Secretary Kobach,

The right to vote is one of the most sacred rights available in the democratic process. Any efforts to dilute its importance cannot be taken lightly. As you know, people have died for the right to vote and we must ensure we preserve it. Of course, the responsibility for the accuracy and fairness of our election process in Florida lies on us, not with the federal government in Washington.

As Governor Scott often says, in Florida, our goal for each election is to have 100 percent participation of eligible voters with zero fraud. We take this mission extremely seriously and work each day to ensure that Floridians can participate in fair, honest elections. In fact, in 2016, we are proud that Florida had record turnout and a smooth, secure election which reflected the will of the people of Florida.

The Department of State constantly works with Florida's 67 independent Supervisors of Elections to increase access to voting for Floridians. This includes legislation in 2013 that gave Supervisors of Elections more flexibility in setting early voting hours and locations to fit their communities' needs and limiting the length of ballots in Florida to help prevent long lines at the polls.

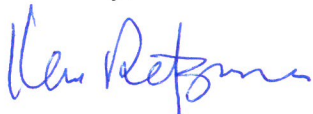
On June 28, 2017, you requested certain voter roll information, much of which is publicly available to you under the Florida Public Records Law, Chapter 119 of Florida Statute. In fact, each year, our office already fulfills hundreds of public records requests for some of the same information that you have requested. We are glad to continue following Florida's Public Records Law by providing the requested information to you that is publicly available.

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Although most of the information you've requested is available to the public in Florida, we cannot fully comply with your entire request. Driver's license information and social security numbers are not, and cannot be provided under section 97.0585, Florida Statutes. We will also not release any information that is exempt or confidential under Florida law, including certain information regarding law enforcement officers, judges, prosecutors, and victims of stalking and domestic violence. Additionally, Florida's public record voter database does not capture information on felonies.

We are hopeful that the public information provided, in accordance with Florida law, will be useful to your efforts.

Sincerely,



Ken Detzner  
Florida Secretary of State