## RECORDER'S NOTES By Pamela Bacon Logan County Clerk and Recorder

## ELECTION INFORMATION: KNOW THE FACTS FOR COLORADO!

Have you noticed a write-in line on your ballot? Do you know what that is for?

Is the write-in line so you can write whomever you want to write in on that line? NO, it is not just to write-in whomever you want.

To be a valid write-in candidate, the person must file an affidavit of intent with the proper designated election official prior to the deadline.

If I write-in a name that is not a valid write-in person (real or fictional) on the write-in line, am I wasting my vote? A non-valid write-in will not be counted as a valid vote.

## Requirements to be a valid write-in candidate on a ballot:

Colorado Revised Statutes 1-4-1101 (1) A person who wishes to be a write-in candidate for an office in an election shall file an affidavit of intent stating that he or she desires the office and is qualified to assume its duties if elected.

Colorado Revised Statutes 1-4-1101 (2) No write-in vote for an office in an election shall be counted unless the person for whom the vote was cast filed the affidavit of intent required by subsection (1) of this section within the time prescribed by section 1-4-1102.

<u>Time of filing a write-in affidavit:</u> Colorado Revised Statutes 1-4-1102 (1) The affidavit of intent shall be filed by the close of business on the sixty-seventh day before a primary election and by the close of business on the one hundred tenth day before any other election.

Colorado Revised Statutes 1-4-1102 (2) In a nonpartisan election, the affidavit of intent shall be filed by the close of business on the sixty-fourth day before the election.

<u>Write-in candidate on a ballot:</u> Colorado Revised Statutes 1-12-115 no write-in vote for any office shall be counted unless an affidavit of intent has been filed no later than twenty-five calendar days before the date for holding the election.

Have election questions? Call us, we will be happy to explain procedures, rules or laws.

## County Offices will be closed on Monday, February 20, 2023, for Presidents Day.

The Election and Recording Department can be reached at 522-1544 for voter and election questions or recording information. The Motor Vehicle Department can be reached at 522-1158 for license plates/renewals or titling a vehicle. You can also reach

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