1	FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
2	REGULAR MEETING
3	1700 Morse Road
4	Columbus, Ohio 43229
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8	Monday, May 6, 2024
9	3:00 p.m.
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13	BEFORE:
L 4	Douglas J. Preisse, Chairman
15	Meredith Freedhoff
16	Michael E. Sexton
L7	Kimberly E. Marinello
18	Anton White, Director
19	Erin Gibbons, Executive Manager
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10	ALSO PRESENT:
11	Carla Patton Sara Ziemba
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- 1 DIRECTOR WHITE: So I'll call the
- 2 May 6 regular meeting, the Franklin Board of
- 3 Elections to order. We'll start by taking roll.
- 4 Kim Marinello.
- 5 MEMBER MARINELLO: Here.
- 6 DIRECTOR WHITE: Michael Sexton?
- 7 MEMBER SEXTON: Here.
- 8 DIRECTOR WHITE: Meredith Freedhoff?
- 9 MEMBER FREEDHOFF: Here.
- 10 DIRECTOR WHITE: Doug Preisse?
- 11 MEMBER PREISSE: Here.
- 12 DIRECTOR WHITE: Mr. Chairman, we
- 13 have a quorum. First item on the agenda is the
- 14 approval of minutes from the April 15 meeting of
- 15 the Franklin County Board of Elections. I believe
- 16 Erin sent those out ahead of time.
- 17 MEMBER MARINELLO: Mr. Chairman, I
- 18 move the board approve the minutes of the April 15
- 19 meeting of the Franklin County Board as submitted.
- 20 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Second.
- 21 DIRECTOR WHITE: Properly moved and
- 22 seconded. All of those in favor of the motion
- 23 signify by saying aye.
- 24 (All board members voted unanimously

- 1 by saying aye.)
- 2 DIRECTOR WHITE: All of those
- 3 opposed, same sign.
- 4 Motion carries.
- 5 Next item on the agenda is a report
- 6 of the March 19 primary election, post-election
- 7 audit. I'll call on Carla Patton, our Operations
- 8 Manager, to give that report.
- 9 MS. PATTON: Good afternoon.
- 10 Pursuant to Revised Code 3505.331, we were required
- 11 to do an audit of the ballots cast at the March 19,
- 12 2024, primary election.
- As a part of that audit, you're
- 14 required to count at least five percent of the
- 15 ballots cast in the election.
- There were three races being
- 17 audited. Two of the races were dictated by the
- 18 Secretary of State. The third race that we had
- 19 chosen, that was countywide, was the Judge of
- 20 Common Pleas, full term commencing 1-7-2025, which
- 21 was the Richard Brown, Stephanie Hanna race.
- Franklin County had 142,988 ballots
- 23 cast on election day. Five percent of that number
- 24 is 7,149 ballots. At the meeting of our

- 1 certification, you selected 12 voting locations for
- 2 us to audit the ballots from. That ended up being
- 3 7,323 ballots.
- 4 Before you is a copy of the report
- 5 that was submitted to the Secretary of State that
- 6 was outlining the results of our audit. We are
- 7 pleased to say that we were 100 percent accurate in
- 8 the results that were certified based on the audit.
- 9 So before you, you have the
- 10 breakdown of Republican delegates at large and
- 11 alternates at large, the Republican National
- 12 Convention. You also have the Justices of the
- 13 Supreme Court, unexpired term ending in 12-31-2026
- 14 on the Democratic side that was counting as part of
- 15 the Secretary of State's directive.
- So we just want to let you know this
- 17 report has been submitted to the Secretary of
- 18 State, and we had 100 percent accurate results
- 19 reporting for the March 19, 2024, primary election.
- DIRECTOR WHITE: Thank you, Carla.
- 21 Any questions from the board members?
- 22 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Questions? Okay.
- 23 MEMBER SEXTON: Mr. Chairman of the
- 24 Board, accept the final official audit of the

- 1 March 19, 2024, primary election, as reported by
- 2 board staff.
- 3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Second the
- 4 motion.
- 5 DIRECTOR WHITE: Been properly moved
- 6 and seconded. All of those in favor, signify by
- 7 saying aye.
- 8 (All board members voted unanimously
- 9 by saying aye.)
- 10 DIRECTOR WHITE: All of those
- 11 opposed, same sign. Motion carries.
- The next item on our agenda are
- 13 voter challenges. Today, I believe we have three
- 14 voter challenges for the board to review.
- 15 I'll call on Sara Ziemba, the
- 16 supervisor of our Motor Services Department, to
- 17 provide the report. I think we're going to take
- 18 these one at a time?
- MS. ZIEMBA: Uh-huh.
- DIRECTOR WHITE: Okay.
- 21 MS. ZIEMBA: Thank you, Director.
- 22 We are going to do three voter challenges today.
- 23 The first one on the agenda is the challenge
- 24 brought to us by Mr. Roderick Sullivan of 1707 Sale

- 1 Road, Columbus, Ohio 43224. The challenge is
- 2 against Mr. Abdullahi F. Noor of 1707 Sale Road,
- 3 Columbus, Ohio 43224.
- 4 And I believe Mr. Sullivan is here
- 5 today. So I think typically in the past, I'll give
- 6 a brief overview of what we saw in our registration
- 7 side, and then Mr. Sullivan will be able to come up
- 8 and tell you a little bit about the situation and
- 9 just affirm what he put on his challenge form.
- 10 So your first packet there should be
- 11 his challenge form, and then the little brief
- 12 overview that voter services prepared.
- 13 All right. So the first document
- 14 that you have for Mr. Noor is going to be his
- 15 original registration form. It's a handwritten
- 16 form from 2019 that he filled out when he became a
- 17 naturalized citizen, and that is the only
- 18 handwritten form -- registration form that we have
- 19 for Mr. Noor.
- The address update that came through
- 21 was from the BMV, that moved his address to 1707
- 22 Sale Road, and that came to us on March 11, 2024.
- 23 It's on the back side of your first page of the
- 24 overview there.

- 1 So when Mr. Noor's address was
- 2 updated from that BMV form to 1707 Sale Road, we
- 3 sent an acknowledgment letter to that address with
- 4 Mr. Noor's name on it; and Mr. Sullivan got that
- 5 letter at his residence, brought it to us and said
- 6 that he does not have a Mr. Noor living there at
- 7 that address.
- 8 So from there, we had him fill out
- 9 the challenge form that is included in your packet.
- 10 And because this came from the BMV, I wanted to
- 11 make sure that we reached out to our contact at the
- 12 BMV, who is Brandon Hammond. He's our contact and
- 13 investigator there that helps us out with
- 14 registration issues.
- 15 And so your other document in this
- 16 packet is the email that I sent to Mr. Hammond at
- 17 the BMV, just asking, does he have any more
- 18 information about Mr. Noor, since this came from
- one of their transactions at the deputy registrar's
- 20 office. And in that, he gave me the information
- 21 that the 1707 Sale Road address was used by
- 22 Mr. Noor to have a vehicle registration, and that
- 23 he actually had a more recent transaction on
- 24 March 28, 2024, and that was to a new address, 2235

- 1 Parkville Court in Columbus.
- 2 So that's where I believe Mr. Noor
- 3 probably lives now. I sent a voter registration
- 4 form to that address to try and get him to send
- 5 that back and update his registration address with
- 6 us. So far we haven't received it, but that has --
- 7 I took that step so we could try to get Mr. Noor
- 8 registered where he actually lives.
- 9 Based off that information from the
- 10 BMV, saying he most recently gave an address on
- 11 Parkville, and Mr. Sullivan's testimony in his
- 12 challenge form that that gentleman does not live at
- 13 his address on Sale Road, that leads voter services
- 14 to recommend to the board to listen to Mr.
- 15 Sullivan, and then uphold his challenge because we
- 16 have no evidence that Mr. Abdullahi F. Noor lives
- 17 at 1707 Sale Road.
- DIRECTOR WHITE: Thank you.
- 19 MEMBER MARINELLO: What is the Brent
- 20 Boulevard address?
- 21 MS. ZIEMBA: Brent Boulevard is
- 22 where he initially registered to vote in 2019. And
- 23 so in -- that's how he originally became a
- 24 registered voter, and then in 2024, he got that BMV

- 1 update, which you see right below it.
- 2 MEMBER FREEDHOFF: But he's never
- 3 registered to vote from that address?
- 4 MS. ZIEMBA: He's never voted at
- 5 all, from any address, since he registered in 2019.
- 6 And so it's -- the documents lead you through his
- 7 address changes. So the first place he registered
- 8 was Brent Boulevard. The updated 1707 Sale Road is
- 9 the one that's being challenged today.
- 10 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Which was just in
- 11 March?
- 12 MS. ZIEMBA: In March. And then the
- 13 email came from Brandon Hammond at the BMV, it says
- 14 that the BMV's most recent address they have for
- 15 him is 2235 Parkville Court.
- 16 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Not a
- 17 registration address.
- MS. ZIEMBA: Yes. He registered a
- 19 vehicle there. So I attempted to reach out to him
- 20 at that address and get a new form, but we haven't
- 21 received one yet.
- 22 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: That was also in
- 23 March?
- MS. ZIEMBA: Correct. So March 11

- 1 he put in something at the BMV that was 1707 Sale;
- 2 and then March 28, he put in something at the BMV
- 3 that was 2235 Parkville.
- 4 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. Do we want
- 5 to hear from Mr. Sullivan, if he wishes to address
- 6 the Board? Unless there's more questions for Sara.
- 7 You don't have to address the board, but we
- 8 would --
- 9 MR. SULLIVAN: I'm not going to take
- 10 up your time. I appreciate you all doing
- 11 everything.
- 12 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: What we normally
- do is swear in the witness for the record. Do you
- 14 want to do that?
- 15 RODERICK SULLIVAN
- being first duly sworn, testifies as follows:
- 17 MR. SULLIVAN: There's not too much
- 18 I want to say. This has got to stop because if
- 19 he's using my address now, he's got another address
- 20 where he registered. How many addresses is this
- 21 young man using? And this ain't the first time
- 22 that has happened. I've been getting papers from
- 23 him since last year.
- MS. SULLIVAN: This is our bills,

- 1 our mortgage bills.
- 2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Hold on just a
- 3 second. I know there wasn't enough testimony
- 4 there, was there, to hear from her to be sworn?
- 5 MS. HUMMER: We need to -- if she's
- 6 going to speak, if the court reporter put anything
- 7 in the record, she has to be put under oath.
- 8 SHERRY SULLIVAN
- 9 being first duly sworn, testifies as follows:
- 10 MS. SULLIVAN: I'm Sherry Sullivan,
- 11 his wife. I live at 1707 Sale Road as well. And
- 12 these are our mortgage bills, utilities bills. I
- 13 know he's not been receiving anything at our
- 14 address for utilities or anything like that. And
- 15 you did tell Clinton Township --
- MR. SULLIVAN: I got ahold of
- 17 Clinton Township. BMV is supposed to send me some
- 18 forms so I can fill them out. I called them
- 19 Friday. They're supposed to send me forms, and I'm
- 20 supposed to send them back in when they send them.
- I just want this to stop. There's
- 22 got to be a reason this young man is doing this.
- 23 Either he's hiding from somebody, or he's going to
- 24 start doing something. I just don't want the law

- 1 to come knocking on my door and busting my door
- 2 down because this kid has done something illegal.
- 3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Well, it looks
- 4 like you've done the right thing here by offering
- 5 the challenge. Thank you both for coming in. Are
- 6 there any questions for our guests?
- 7 Thank you very much.
- 8 MR. SULLIVAN: Thank you for your
- 9 time and everything. I really appreciate it. You
- 10 guys all have a good day.
- 11 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I don't have
- 12 anything further.
- 13 MEMBER FREEDHOFF: Mr. Chairman, I
- 14 move that the board approve the challenge, right to
- 15 vote filed by Roderick Sullivan, 1707 Sale Road,
- 16 Columbus, Ohio against Abdullahi Noor of the same
- 17 address, and to order that Mr. Noor's
- 18 registration -- Noor, I believe it's Noor -- it's
- 19 Noor -- that his registration be removed from the
- 20 Franklin County BOE voter file.
- 21 MEMBER SEXTON: I'll second.
- 22 DIRECTOR WHITE: Been properly moved
- 23 and seconded. All those in favor, signify by
- 24 saying aye.

- 1 (All board members voted unanimously by saying
- 2 aye.)
- 3 DIRECTOR WHITE: All of those
- 4 opposed same sign. Motion carries.
- 5 I'll call on Sara Ziemba to give a
- 6 presentation on our second voter challenge.
- 7 MS. ZIEMBA: Yes. Thank you. Our
- 8 second voter challenge was filed with our office
- 9 from Christopher Heintz of 2946 Mark Andrew Drive,
- 10 Unit 107, Dublin, Ohio 43017.
- I think Mr. Heintz is here today.
- 12 So I'll continue. The challenge is against Nahit
- 13 Mohamed Sirelkhatim of 2946 Mark Andrew Drive, Unit
- 14 107, Dublin, Ohio 43017.
- 15 And just the background on
- 16 Mr. Sirelkhatim, he originally attempted to
- 17 register to vote at 2946 Mark Andrew Drive,
- 18 Apartment 107, after the deadline for the 2020
- 19 general election on 11-3-2020 through a BMV form,
- and you'll have that in your packet.
- 21 Additionally, he cast a provisional
- 22 ballot for the 11-3-2020 general election using
- 23 that address of the 2946 Mark Andrew Drive,
- 24 Apartment 107, in Dublin. And you'll see a copy of

- 1 the affirmation statement of his provisional with
- 2 that address in your packet as well.
- 3 The provisional was not counted in
- 4 2020 because he was not registered prior to casting
- 5 it, and that's why you're seeing under the vote
- 6 history that there was an attempt to vote, but it
- 7 was rejected because of him not being registered.
- 8 Other than that one registration
- 9 form in the rejected provisional affirmation, we
- 10 have no other vote history or documentation for Mr.
- 11 Sirelkhatim, and he has not had any other
- 12 additional voter activity since 2020 general
- 13 election when he cast that provisional ballot.
- 14 Mr. Heintz originally registered to
- vote at 2946 Mark Andrew Drive, Apartment 107 on
- 16 May 15, 2023 via the BMV; and Mr. Heintz has voted
- 17 from that address, both in the August 2023 special
- 18 election and the November 2023 general election.
- 19 Given the information on Mr. Heintz'
- 20 challenge form as well as any lack of activity
- 21 since December -- or November of 2020 from
- 22 Mr. Sirelkhatim, Voter Services will let you talk
- 23 to -- or hear from Mr. Heintz, but we would also
- 24 recommend based off of his testimony and the lack

- 1 of any evidence that Mr. Sirelkhatim still lives at
- 2 that address or has done anything from that address
- 3 in the last four years that the board should
- 4 approve or uphold the challenge of Mr. Heintz.
- 5 I'll let you -- unless there's any
- 6 questions, I will --
- 7 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Questions for
- 8 Sara?
- 9 MS. MARINELLO: No.
- 10 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: You are
- 11 Mr. Heintz?
- MR. HEINTZ: Yes.
- 13 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Similarly, could
- 14 we ask the court reporter to swear you in?
- 15 CHRISTOPHER HEINTZ
- 16 being first duly sworn, testifies as follows:
- 17 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. Thank you
- 18 for coming, and please go ahead and give us your
- 19 story.
- MR. HEINTZ: Sure. So I've lived at
- 21 this address since at least February 1, 2023. I've
- 22 never seen the individual in question. I was
- 23 included into that when I received mail soliciting
- 24 him to vote along with my own. So then I checked

- 1 and saw that he was registered at this address. I
- 2 called the board of elections on -- I guess that
- 3 would have been 10-23 of 2023. We've been in
- 4 contact leading up to finally this meeting. In
- 5 terms of proof of my residence, I have a subpoena.
- 6 I have the PEO check from the March 11 election,
- 7 which I worked, and also I did vote during that.
- 8 That was reflected online. So perhaps you pulled
- 9 the data.
- 10 DIRECTOR WHITE: Thank you for
- 11 serving as a poll worker.
- MR. HEINTZ: It was a very good
- 13 experience. Easier one than the general, I've
- 14 heard. Auto insurance, medical correspondence,
- more auto insurance and W2.
- MEMBER MARINELLO: Thank you.
- MR. HEINTZ: And Ohio driver's
- 18 license if you would like it.
- 19 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. Are there
- 20 questions for Mr. Heintz?
- 21 MEMBER FREEDHOFF: I don't have any.
- 22 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I don't have any
- 23 either.
- 24 Thank you for coming.

- 1 MR. HEINTZ: Of course.
- 2 MEMBER MARINELLO: Mr. Chairman, I
- 3 move that the Board approve the challenge of right
- 4 to vote filed by Christopher Heintz, at 2946 Mark
- 5 Andrew Drive, Apartment 107, Dublin, Ohio against
- 6 Nahit Mohamed Sirelkhatim of the same address, and
- 7 order that Nahit Mohamed Sirelkhatim's registration
- 8 be removed from the Franklin County BOE voter file.
- 9 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Second the
- 10 motion.
- 11 DIRECTOR WHITE: Been properly moved
- 12 and seconded. All of those in favor of the motion,
- 13 signify by saying aye.
- 14 (All board members unanimously voted by saying
- 15 aye.)
- 16 DIRECTOR WHITE: All of those
- 17 opposed, same sign. Motion carries.
- We'll call on Sara Ziemba once more
- 19 for our final voter challenge.
- 20 MS. ZIEMBA: All right. Last one.
- 21 The final challenge we have today was presented to
- 22 us by Stephen Homonnay, and I believe Stephen is
- 23 right here. And the challenge is against
- 24 Mr. Khaver Mehboob Siddiqi of 398 Northridge Road,

- 1 Columbus, Ohio 43214. And Mr. Homonnay has been
- 2 registered to vote since 1977 at this address. So
- 3 he's been registered. He's never been registered
- 4 at any other address in Franklin County, and he's
- 5 voted regularly from the 398 Northridge Road
- 6 address since the 70s.
- 7 Mr. Siddiqi originally registered
- 8 at 398 Northridge Road in 2013, via paper form from
- 9 the BMV. That's the first document that you'll see
- 10 on the registration document section.
- 11 Additionally, he put in an online
- 12 registration in October, 2016 and again affirmed
- 13 that he lived at 398 Northridge Road in Columbus.
- Mr. Siddiqi, in the time since 2016
- when he registered to vote at Northridge, has only
- 16 voted one time. He applied for and cast an absent
- 17 ballot in the 2016 general election.
- 18 And if you flip through the
- 19 documents there, you'll see the request for his
- 20 absentee ballot, then you'll also see the return ID
- 21 envelope. It's the last document there. If you'll
- 22 notice, Mr. Siddigi had his ballot mailed to 12611
- 23 Walnut Drive in Conneaut Lake, Pennsylvania.
- 24 So back in 2016, that is where the

- 1 board of elections mailed his absentee ballot. It
- 2 was received there in Conneaut Lake, Pennsylvania.
- 3 And then Mr. Siddiqi returned that to us in 2016
- 4 with his ballot. That's the only vote record that
- 5 we have for him on file.
- 6 Mr. Siddiqi went into confirmation
- 7 status after a lack of activity and was sent
- 8 confirmation notice asking him to confirm if he is
- 9 still living at 398 Northridge Road in 2021 as part
- 10 of our list maintenance process. And barring any
- 11 other voter activity on his part, he is on track to
- 12 be removed for inactivity.
- I did a little more research and
- 14 according to the Ohio BMV, Mr. Siddigi's Ohio
- 15 driver's license is currently cancelled. So he
- 16 does not have a current Ohio driver's license, and
- 17 based off of those facts and the testimony that
- 18 Mr. Homonnay was going to tell us about and provide
- 19 it on his challenge form, voter service found no
- 20 other evidence that Mr. Siddiqi still lives at this
- 21 address at 398 Northridge. And it also looks like
- 22 he does not live in the State of Ohio. So we would
- 23 again recommend that the board uphold the challenge
- 24 presented by Mr. Homonnay. And if there's any

- 1 questions, I'll take them. If not --
- 2 MEMBER FREEDHOFF: I have a
- 3 question. This gentleman is living in Pennsylvania
- 4 now, probably.
- 5 MS. ZIEMBA: That would be my guess.
- 6 MEMBER FREEDHOFF: So say he or the
- 7 other people would remain in Ohio, do we contact
- 8 them to find out why they're giving us different
- 9 addresses?
- 10 MS. ZIEMBA: Like on the absentee
- 11 ballot form?
- 12 MEMBER FREEDHOFF: Any form that
- 13 they apply for a ballot or registered to vote and
- 14 they're not living there.
- MS. ZIEMBA: Yeah. The way we don't
- 16 know if someone is living here, would be for the
- 17 person who lives there to tell us they don't live
- 18 there. When you apply for a ballot, we can mail it
- 19 to other places. You know, if you're a snowbird
- 20 living in Florida, or if you're at college in a
- 21 different state, so we don't really ask questions
- 22 or follow up on that. With this, it just stood out
- 23 to me, even back in 2016. He was having mail sent
- 24 to a different state. So it made me think he

- 1 probably -- I won't go as far as to say he didn't
- 2 live here in 2016, but Mr. Homonnay certainly might
- 3 say that.
- 4 MEMBER FREEDHOFF: But it says here
- 5 it's a felony.
- 6 MS. ZIEMBA: It does.
- 7 MEMBER FREEDHOFF: What do we do for
- 8 the people in Ohio that are registering at a bunch
- 9 of different addresses? Where does that go next?
- 10 DIRECTOR WHITE: We don't -- in the
- 11 past, we've not typically followed up on voter
- 12 challenge. So if somebody is being challenged to
- 13 vote, we don't typically follow up with that voter
- 14 to find out why they registered at that address.
- 15 Primarily, it's because it's hard to track these
- 16 people down. They've already given us an address
- that we've proven or shown they probably don't live
- 18 at. We have no contact information for them.
- 19 These people are either transient or they just
- 20 moved, so it's hard to track these people down to
- 21 do any proper follow up like that.
- MS. ZIEMBA: If it's something that
- 23 you would like to look into, I'm happy to discuss
- 24 and figure out a way we can do that, though.

- 1 MEMBER FREEDHOFF: We know, like, if
- 2 he would try to file again, he's already lost his
- 3 voting rights.
- 4 MS. ZIEMBA: That's correct. So
- 5 once you approve the challenge, we remove their
- 6 voter registration here. So all of these three
- 7 would have to re-register again giving a good
- 8 address in order to be registered to vote in
- 9 Franklin County again.
- 10 MEMBER FREEDHOFF: Thank you, Sara.
- 11 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Any other
- 12 questions for Sara?
- 13 DIRECTOR WHITE: Did that answer
- 14 your question?
- 15 MEMBER FREEDHOFF: Yes. Very well.
- 16 Thank you.
- 17 MS. ZIEMBA: All right. Mr.
- 18 Homonnay.
- 19 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Thank you for
- 20 coming today. Would you please be sworn in.
- 21 STEPHEN HOMONNAY
- 22 being first duly sworn, testifies as follows:
- 23 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: All right.
- 24 Please proceed.

- 1 MR. HOMONNAY: Okay. My name is
- 2 Steve Homonnay and we have been living at 398
- 3 Northridge Road for the last 50 some years, and we
- 4 know Mr. Siddiqi quite well through his wife.
- 5 Conneaut Lake address that was mentioned here
- 6 before, that was the address of his in-laws.
- 7 Andrea DeArment is his wife. She
- 8 works for the state department and right now they
- 9 are stationed in Mexico City. They have a house in
- 10 Conroe, Texas, if it's still standing, because of
- 11 the rains, we don't know. So that's the address
- 12 that they have for them, but Mr. Siddiqi had never
- 13 lived with us not for one day.
- 14 His wife was with us for one
- 15 academic year while she was in undergraduate at
- 16 OSU, and then they eventually they got married in
- 17 2012. And in 2013, they were in Conneaut Lake, and
- 18 I don't know what reason. They went to Youngstown,
- 19 Ohio to get a driver's license for Mr. Siddiqi, and
- 20 he told us at that point that -- I asked, "How did
- 21 you get an Ohio driver's license when your in-laws
- 22 and your wife is from Pennsylvania?" He said,
- 23 "Well, that was the nearest place other than going
- 24 to Erie, Pennsylvania. So and I gave 398

- 1 Northridge to get an Ohio license."
- 2 And I never thought anything about
- 3 it. And every once in awhile, people came to our
- 4 door asking for him. This was canvassing, you
- 5 know, vote for this or vote for that candidate. I
- 6 told them, "Well, he doesn't live here, never did."
- 7 And they left.
- 8 All of this past spring we got an
- 9 official notice for him that he's voted -- you
- 10 know, the location for his vote on Glenmont Road.
- 11 And that's when I called you and said, "Well, this
- is really strange." You know, people coming, you
- 13 know, party, and asking for him. That's okay. But
- 14 officially, that's when I first -- he's registered
- 15 at our home.
- I have an address for him in Texas
- if you would want that.
- 18 MEMBER FREEDHOFF: Not necessary. I
- 19 don't think it's even necessary.
- MR. HOMONNAY: That's all I can say.
- 21 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Questions for Mr.
- 22 Homonnay?
- 23 MEMBER MARINELLO: Did they ever ask
- 24 you to use your address?

- 1 MR. HOMONNAY: Pardon?
- 2 MEMBER MARINELLO: Did they ever you
- 3 to use your address for anything on Northridge?
- 4 MR. HOMONNAY: No.
- 5 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. Questions?
- 6 Thank you very much. Thanks for coming in.
- 7 MEMBER FREEDHOFF: I move that the
- 8 board approve the challenge of right to vote filed
- 9 by Stephen Homonnay, 398 Northridge Road against
- 10 Khaver Siddiqi of the same address, and order that
- 11 registration be removed from Franklin County BOE
- 12 voter file.
- 13 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.
- 14 DIRECTOR WHITE: Motion has been
- 15 properly moved and seconded. All of those in
- 16 favor, signify by saying aye.
- 17 (All members of the board unanimously voted by
- 18 saying aye.)
- 19 DIRECTOR WHITE: All of those
- 20 opposed, same sign. Motion carries. Thank you.
- Next item on our agenda is the
- 22 hiring of Yolanda Davis to a full time position
- 23 here at the Board of Elections.
- 24 Yolanda Davis is here with us.

- 1 Right here. Yolanda has been with the board as a
- 2 seasonal employee since 2021. And during that
- 3 time, she has worked in our vote center; she's
- 4 worked in our absentee department, voter services
- 5 department, and most recently, she has worked in
- 6 our admin area. She's been managing our front desk
- 7 reception.
- 8 We recently had a promotion -- if
- 9 you all know Chad Fracker -- who was our customer
- 10 service liaison. He was recently promoted to
- 11 election operations. And so we've had that vacancy
- 12 since the beginning of the year.
- 13 Yolanda stepped in as a seasonal
- 14 employee to help manage that area. And during that
- 15 time, she's done very well. She's very
- 16 professional. She gives great customer service. I
- 17 think she really works well with others here at the
- 18 board and really is a pleasure to have. So with
- 19 your approval today, we would like to hire her to a
- 20 full-time position.
- 21 Erin Gibbons oversees the front desk
- 22 and security here at the board of elections. I
- 23 want to give Erin a chance to speak on this hiring.
- MS. GIBBONS: Yeah. I agree with

- 1 everything you say. Yolanda has been a tremendous
- 2 asset to us. She has excellent customer service
- 3 skills. She's been very dependable, and she's
- 4 extremely competent. So I would love to promote
- 5 her to full time.
- 6 DIRECTOR WHITE: Pending any
- 7 questions, we ask that you approve the hiring of
- 8 Yolanda Davis as our customer service liaison.
- 9 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I don't have any
- 10 questions.
- 11 MEMBER MARINELLO: You are a
- 12 pleasure to see when I walk in.
- 13 MEMBER FREEDHOFF: Yes.
- 14 MEMBER SEXTON: Thank you. Mr.
- 15 Chairman, I move that the Franklin County Board of
- 16 Elections hire Yolanda Davis as a customer service
- 17 liaison, full time, May 6, 2024 at a rate of \$19.95
- 18 an hour.
- 19 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Second the
- 20 motion.
- 21 DIRECTOR WHITE: Been properly moved
- 22 and seconded. All of those in favor, signify by
- 23 saying aye.
- 24 (All board members unanimously voted by saying

1	aye.)
2	DIRECTOR WHITE: All of those
3	opposed, same sign. Motion carries.
4	Congratulations, Yolanda. Welcome to this team.
5	CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Nothing else
6	before us?
7	DIRECTOR WHITE: I believe that's
8	our final agenda.
9	CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Move to adjourn.
LO	MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.
L1	DIRECTOR WHITE: We are adjourned.
12	Thank you.
13	(Thereupon the meeting was concluded at 3:35 p.m.)
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3	THE STATE OF OHIO:
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7	I, Jeanine Fansler, Professional Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of
8	Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate transcript of the proceedings
9	hereinbefore set forth, as reported in stenotype by me and transcribed by me or under my supervision.
10	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal of office at Columbus,
11	Ohio, this 21st day of May, 2024.
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18	/s/Jeanine Fansler Notary Public, State of Ohio
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20	My Commission Expires: November 28, 2028.
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