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Hi,
I am am not sure how sending this to will matter, but have been advised to do so.
My SOE experience.
History:
I, have been a poll worker for over 20 years, and declined my services after 2011, while working with Kim Weeks, as I found many things with her not on the up and up with procedures and the way she and her staff treated myself and many other volunteers.

In August, or September 2015, while working a First Friday event for the FCFAC, Kaiti Lenhart, approached me, and asked if I'd work the St. Johns polling place, as she could not find anyone to go out there, and I, aid that I would.

Shortly after, I, was told of a permanent position at the SOE office, asked Chris about it, and she told me to apply which I did.

On February 9th, on the end of having pneumonia I, attended Clerk training, and I honestly do not recall being told of or seeing the ballots specific to my polling place, but could be wrong, as I was still not well.

On March 12th, I worked the Ballot Box, at the library in Palm Coast.

Monday March 14th, I, picked up supplies and met with my fellow poll workers to set up.
While establishing the wifi hot spot, antenna, I had to call to report the box was broken, and had to duct tape it, to get a connection. Kaiti said that they only had one spare and it was being used. She said she would try to get another, which never came.

March 15th, Primary Election 2016 6 am, arrived at St. Johns Community Hall, and as I, set up the King Evid machine, Laura Federmeyer, the Assistant Clerk and Betty the Inspector, opened and sorted the ballots. I then called to let them know who was there, and that we were all of the Republican party, as there is supposed to be one of each party, to follow certain procedures, and they said we had to just work with what we have.

Laura and Betty worked as inspectors, checking in voters. At about 2 pm, I received a call from Chris Nakabaale, saying that we were giving the wrong ballots to some of the voters, and I said okay. She sternly said it is not okay, and I told her that I understood that, and was only acknowledging the situation. Shortly there after, Lara "Tink" a runner of supplies showed up, and she and I reconciled the ballots, and found that we needed, more of the Bunnell City Ballots.

She called Kaiti, and right after went to the Ballot Box and started to remove them, at which I became very upset, as they are not to be removed until the end of the night to be taken back to the office, by myself, and someone of the other party. I, told her to leave them there, or I would call the Governors office, that this was highly illegal, and I would not allow it. She then stated she was doing what Kaiti told her to do, removed them, the Evid chits, and went to the kitchen out of my view.

I, called the SOE office, spoke too Chris, told her how this is not legal and that I would call the Governors office, if they were not returned immediately. Chris, then told me to tell her to return them, and she did. Kaiti arrived shortly after, called me to the kitchen, told me how bad this is, and insinuated that we take care of it somehow... I told her that it was a mistake, that I would take full responsibility, and we should inform the canvassing board, she said we could not, and this was really bad, and left.

Kaiti then called the runner, and I was somewhat shoved out of my position as the clerk. She told me what to do, and none of what I was to do as a clerk took place. I, was not allowed to finish my paperwork, or take the ballots and machines back, and that she and the inspector Betty, would take them. They left with a Deputy escort.

Being physically ill over it, then and through the night, first thing Wednesday morning, I called and left a text for Nate McLaughlin, and left a message for Judge Moore-Stein, to report it. Called my attorney, and was advised to report everything to the canvassing board.

Later that day, Kaiti called to tell me, how bad it was again, and that I would no longer be able to be a poll worker. She

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called also on Friday, to again tell me, I would never be a poll worker.

Granted I was negligent, however, there is a great difference in my honest mistake, and Kaiti being grossly negligent. What I, did or did not do, was not a criminal act... what she and Chris did however, was extremely criminal.

My mistake was letting the assistant, and inspector to give the wrong ballots, which I was told was corrected that night, had no effect on the election results and to continually be told by Kaiti, I would never serve again, not only taints my reputation here in Flagler County, it breaks my heart.

Please now do your part with the information of the days events.
Removing Ballots, is an out right criminal act.

Thank You,
Pamela Andrews