



Press Conference

Matt Hawkins for State Auditor

Purpose: Press Conference, October 15, 2024, support for Election Audits.

Our right to vote is central to the Freedoms and Privileges we enjoy. This right must be protected at all costs. Without this clear, unaltered right, all people will lose.

Questions regarding **elections being “Fair & Honest”** persist because of NO ELECTION AUDITS in the past 25 years, in any county of Washington State, to the same standards as in the private sector. The lack of high-level auditing for our election system is the fault of senior elected leaders in our state.

Our elected leaders in the executive branch of government have assured the people of Washington State for years that for all elections:

- 1) There is no access to the internet.
- 2) There are no connections to the internet.
- 3) Our elections are secure from outside influence.
- 4) Voter registrations are secure.
- 5) Cast Vote Records (CVR) are not allowed to be viewed in Washington State, yet other states allow for their inspection.
- 6) Election records are to be Reconciled, and they are not.
- 7) Finally, we continue to hear how the Federal Government is proposing solutions to create legislation. Except for how we elect the President, U.S. Senate and U.S. House of Representatives, the federal government has NO right nor authority on how our elections are conducted. THIS IS A STATE ISSUE.

There is clear evidence that our election systems are connected to the internet, which opens the door for malfeasance, fraud and weighted outcomes.

Our Elections have been compromised as technology is being used:

1. [Arlo](#) is a company out of Colorado, which is used nationwide ([Commentary](#))
2. [ERIC](#) is used for Voter Registrations, which is used nationwide. ([Commentary](#))
3. [B-Pro and Knowink](#) are used to support VoteWA, which is used nationwide.
4. [Albert](#) is a system that is used, yet we are not allowed to ask questions. ([Commentary](#))
5. [Democracy Live](#), aka 'Omni Ballot'; works [in international elections](#) ([Commentary](#))

Democracy Live has been the last straw. In our 2024 Primary election, we learned about the use of the Omni Ballot App to cure ballot signatures in atleast King County. By the time the primary was over, 2,000+ ballot signatures were cured using Omni Ballot. Sue Kuehl Pederson fell into third position by 52 ballots, forcing a recount. The use of this App was not only wrong, but it may have been illegal, and it infringed on the rights of the voters of Washington State. Left unchecked, this single App has the potential of undermining the votes in the upcoming General Election for ALL of Washington voters. The worst part is that the APP was introduced without the knowledge of all participants. Relying only on a single political party implementation, the use of the APP, *allowed for signatures to be approved with a fingertip signature on a cell phone.*

Actions proposed:

- 1) Yes, a lawsuit has been filed due to this illegal action. Some of what is being considered includes using a third-party software to cure ballot signatures remotely. As a candidate for State Auditor, I will ensure that action is taken to decertify the 2024 Primary election result, much the same as the citizens did in **1811**, with Congress¹. In **1811**, following the election certification, Congress was petitioned '*on the undue election and illegal*' certification of John Hungerford as the elected representative for Virginia. The subject petition was heard, investigated, reversed and the properly elected Representative was seated to represent the people.

The two candidates that should be running in this race are Sue Kuehl Pederson and Jaime Herrera Beutler. A new election should be run for this race sometime after the General Election concludes.

- 2) I am laying the groundwork to ensure that going forward there will be Audits of the elections and election systems, so that the People of Washington State can regain Trust in the outcomes of their elections. Washington needs credible Audits of their election systems, without a bias towards political party controls.

We have several Public Records Requests for which we are still waiting on and for which this information will be released as new insights are gained. The stonewalling that is occurring should not be allowed. Countless individuals have dedicated untold hours of their time to verify what I am stating is true and correct. While we may lose Billions in other areas of our government operations, we should never take lightly an impairment of our election system.

You will be able to learn more, by going to my website www.mcHawkins.org to review this Press Release and additional details.

Finally, we can restore Trust in Government, but this requires the use of Audits, for the benefit of ALL People. The families of Washington deserve elected leaders that will provide better outcomes to lower costs for families through food, energy and housing. We deserve better outcomes in our schools. We deserve unrestrained opportunities to work. Our Children deserve better.

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Public Records Request, responses

- King Democracy Live...
- Democracy Live Quote
- Democracy Live Extension, 2020
- Ballot Cure Quote
- PRR SOS, Oct 2024
- 1811 Petition to Congress
- *Contract, Democracy Live for King and Spokane Counties (Pending)*



¹ See the 1811 Petition to Congress