

**MINUTES**  
**STATE ELECTION BOARD MEETING**  
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**Wednesday, September 28, 2022**  
**9:00 a.m.**

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § § 50-14-1 *et seq.*, the State Election Board (“Board”) conducted its public meeting with the minutes of such recorded as follows:

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

William S. Duffey Jr., Chair  
Matthew Mashburn  
Sara Ghazal  
Edward Lindsey  
Dr. Janice Johnston

**SECRETARY OF STATE STAFF  
MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Ryan Germany, General Counsel  
Blake Evans, Elections Director  
Nic Northen, Election Systems Manager  
Steven Ellis, Deputy General Counsel  
Meaghan Kelling, Legal Affairs Coordinator

**ATTORNEY GENERAL’S OFFICE**

**COUNSEL PRESENT:**

Charlene McGowan, Assistant Attorney General

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

Chair William Duffey called the State Election Board (“Board”) meeting to order at approximately 9:04 a.m. A quorum was present for each Board action taken. The following members attended the meeting: Chair William Duffey, Matthew Mashburn, Sara Ghazal, Edward Lindsey, and Dr. Janice Johnston. Chair Duffey delivered the invocation and led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. PRESENTATION ON TITLE 21 OF THE OFFICIAL CODE OF GEORIGIA ANNOTATED**

Chair Duffey introduced Board member Matthew Mashburn to describe select portions of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

**III. PRESENTATION ON DOMINION DEMOCRACY SUITE 5.5 EAC**

Chair Duffey introduced John Poulos, CEO of Dominion Voting Systems, Inc. Mr. Poulos provided background on Dominion Democracy Suite.

\*The Board took a break at approximately 10:35 a.m. and returned at approximately 10:56 a.m.

**IV. REPORT ON COFFEE COUNTY INVESTIGATION**

Chair Duffey discussed the ongoing Coffee County investigation.

**V. PRESENTATION ON RISK LIMITING AUDITS (RLA)**

Chair Duffey introduced Blake Evans, Director of Elections for the State of Georgia, to describe Risk Limiting Audits. Mr. Evans provided background on how counties conduct

audits and discussed upcoming audits for the 2022 election year.

**VI. BOARD DISCUSSION**

Chair Duffey called for Board discussion. Board members spoke in the following order: Dr. Johnston, Mr. Lindsey, Mrs. Ghazal, Mr. Mashburn, Chair Duffey.

Mr. Lindsey moved for Judge Totenberg, Senior Judge of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, to release the Mitre Report. Mrs. Ghazal seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

\*The Board took a break at approximately 12:46 p.m. and returned at approximately 12:55 p.m.

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following individuals provided public comments: Cindy Battles, George Balbona, Garland Favorito, Tamara Seymoor, William Quinn, Jo Ellen Shiver, Ginger Bradshaw, Paul Nally, Jeanne Dufort, Earl Ferguson, Susie Thotochand, Joseph Kirk, Victoria Cruz, Ann O'Mara, Vesu Abhiraman, Anne-Gray Herring, Ted Metz, Amanda Prettyman, and David Cross.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Duffey moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 1:47 p.m. Mr. Lindsey seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.