

Subject: RE: Logan and the fatal pends
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Thanks, Stefan.

Dean Logan told me following the news conference that fatal-pend ballots were counted only if voters completed their registrations in full. He said the question that he and the prosecuting attorney's office grappled with was whether voters who registered by the election deadline had the right to "cure" incomplete registrations before election certification. He said the question was first raised by Project Vote.

Logan's decision, based on Janine Joly's advice, was that ballots could be counted if those voters first submitted complete registration information before certification. He said some voters did that, their votes were counted, and records were updated after certification to reflect they were registered.

Logan said he recalled the fatal pends involved missing or incomplete date of birth or incomplete address. He said he didn't recall whether missing signatures were specifically discussed.

Project Vote's Web site says the organization reinstated 1,000 eligible voters who had been purged in Washington and Pennsylvania.

Keith

pending question he was dealing with wasn't whether to count ballots

-----Original Message-----

From: Stefan Sharkansky [<mailto:shark@personalfund.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 12, 2005 7:47 PM
To: Keith Ervin
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Keith,

I thought it was very interesting Bobbie wanted to shut down the discussion of fatal pends in public

Be sure to see my latest comments on Logan's press conference and his public answer to your question.

<http://www.soundpolitics.com/archives/005170.html>

especially see the provisional ballot procedures manual and the Carlos Webb deposition which indicate pretty clearly that fatal pend ballots should not be counted.

<http://soundpolitics.com/DIMSNetProvisionalGuide.pdf>

<http://soundpolitics.com/WebbDep.pdf>

Always at your disposal to answer any questions.

Stefan