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2012 General Election Report
Provisional Ballot Analysis

Pima County Recorder, F. Ann Rodriguez released detailed reports regarding Provisional Ballots that were issued for the 2012 General Election. These three (3) reports are all by voting area/precinct.

♦ The first report is titled “Reasons for Issuing a Provisional.” This report breaks down by voting area/precinct the reason why a voter was required to vote a provisional ballot. Our review determined that all provisional ballots were issued for the following reasons:
   1. Voter was mailed an early ballot
   2. Voter moved without updating their address
   3. Voter went to wrong polling place
   4. Voter was not registered to vote by the registration cutoff date
   5. Voter’s name was not in correct alphabetical order in the poll roster
   6. Voter updated their registration to a new address but remained at the old address in the poll roster

♦ The second report is titled “Provisional Ballots Valid/Invalid.” This report breaks down by voting area/precinct how many Provisional Ballots were Valid and processed to be counted and how many were Invalid and the reasons they were not processed to be counted. The reasons are:
   1. Could not confirm Identify of the Voter
   2. No Identification
   3. Provisional Ballot not signed
   4. Registered after cutoff date
   5. Registration cancelled
   6. Voted early ballot
   7. Voted multiple ballots
   8. Voted in wrong voting area/polling location
   9. Voter not registered
The third report is titled “Conditional Provisional Ballot Valid/Invalid Reasons”. This report breaks down by voting area/precinct whether or not a conditional provisional ballot was valid or not. Conditional Provisional Ballots are issued to voters who lack valid identification at the polling location and were allowed five business days to show the identification after Election Day. There were 709 Conditional Ballots issued by poll workers on Election Day, however only 116 were true Conditional Provisional Ballots and the remaining 593 were handled as regular Provisional Ballots using the same reasons as set forth above. The 116 Conditional Provisional Ballots are processed only if the voter appears with the required identification within the statutory time period. A total of 12 voters appeared after Election Day to present the required identification.

Ms. Rodriguez said that these are very extensive reports that are compiled after every election.