NOTICE TO CHALLENGERS

Challenger Do’s and Don’ts

Challengers Can:

1. Challenge a voter if the challenger believes the voter is not qualified to vote. In order to vote a person must be:
   - a United States citizen
   - 18 years of age or older
   - a resident of the county for at least 30 days before the election
   - registered to vote
   
   A person on probation or parole for a felony conviction cannot vote.
   A challenger must sign an affidavit stating the reason for the challenge.

Challengers Cannot:

1. Challenge a voter for any of these reasons:
   - They think they know how the voter is going to vote
   - The race, or ethnic origin of the voter
   - Where the voter lives in the town or county
   
   It is a criminal offense for a challenger to challenge a voter for any of the above reasons.

2. Sit with the district board workers or touch the election materials.
3. Go to the voting machine during the voting hours.
4. Challenge the voter directly. Only the district board can ask the voter questions.
5. Wear any campaign buttons, signs or wear any campaign clothing.
6. Harass or intimidate any voters; or cause any disturbances in the polling place.
7. Challenge a voter because the district board asks the voter to affirm his or her residence or asks a first-time registrant by mail to show identification.

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