



# COUNTY OF HUNTERDON NEW JERSEY

## BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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N.J.S.A. 19:61-9 AUDITS OF ELECTION RESULTS

2023 GENERAL ELECTION

Audit Date: November 20, 2023

The Hunterdon County Board of Elections (HC BOE) performed an audit consistent with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:61-9.

The General Election held November 7, 2023, was conducted with Nine (9) days of early voting using the ESS Express Vote XL Ballot Marking Devices with paper ballots, Vote-By Mail Ballots, and Provisional Ballots.

Pursuant to the statute two audit units of the paper ballot batches for each Legislative District within Hunterdon County were to be audited. Hunterdon County is comprised of 3 Legislative Districts, the 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, all which contain less than 100 voting districts.

The HC BOE conducted a hand-to-eye count of the paper records for the General Election held November 7, 2023, for the following offices: State Senate, General Assembly, Surrogate, and Full Term Municipal Race (Township Committee or Mayor).

Audit units were comprised of early voting ballots, election day ballots, vote-by-mail ballots, and provisional ballots.

The following batches were randomly selected for the audit:

- 1) EAST AMWELL TOWNSHIP – Vote by Mail Ballots batch A0058
- 2) UNION TOWNSHIP– Vote by Mail Ballots batch A0036 \*
- 3) TOWN OF CLINTON – Vote by Mail Ballots batch A0075
- 4) RARITAN TOWNSHIP – Vote by Mail Ballots batch A0090
- 5) BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP - District 1 – Election Day Ballots
- 6) FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP – Vote by Mail Ballots batch A0112.

In each Municipality, the hand to eye audit was 100% consistent with the scanned tally report except for one identified above with an asterisk. The discrepancy did not result in any change that affected the outcome of any contest. Any paper ballot which contained an overvote for a contest was recorded as an overvote and the vote was not counted. The audit did not tally undervotes.

Respectfully Submitted November 20, 2023, by:

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