



## Secretary of State Candidate Questions

- 1) What nonnegotiable attributes would you ascribe to a “Gold Standard” election system?
- 2) Do you believe the intent of Alabama Title 17 is for decentralized local control and ownership of county elections or is it for centralized control and ownership of elections?
- 3) Do you support President Trump’s EO 14248 regarding Integrity of American Elections where he lauds countries like Germany who require paper ballots and hand counting?
- 4) President Trump’s EO cites voting methods that produce voter verifiable paper records allowing voters to efficiently check their votes. Do you support 100% post-election audits that are not the pseudo “limited” variety, never matching paper ballots to CVRs?
- 5) Trump’s EO sets a 24 Sep 25 date for the Election Assistance Commission regarding testing and certification of electronic voting systems IAW the Voluntary Voting System Guidelines 2.0. Will you implement and enforce the VVSG 2.0 guidelines in Alabama?
- 6) Are our ePoll Books in compliance with VVSG 2.0 and Section 17-4-2.1 which stipulates electronic poll books must be secure?
  - a. Trump’s EO directs a review by Homeland Security and the EAC of all electronic systems used in the voter registration and voting process, specifically requiring an assessment of all the systems that are integrated into the internet.
  - b. What is FirstNet? What are Albert Sensors? Do they require our ePoll Books to be connected to the internet in order for DHS real-time monitoring of elections?
  - c. Have our election systems been exposed in the past to foreign actors by the Microsoft Azure cloud hosting? Are they now?
- 7) Alabama Title 17, as well as the National Voter Registration Act and the Help America Vote Act, require States to maintain an accurate and current Statewide list of every legally registered voter in the state. Regarding Alabama’s current list:
  - a. How is it more people are registered to vote than we have eligible voters?
  - b. Should there be Noncitizens on the list and who put them there?
- 8) Does anyone other than the County Clerk have the ability to add/remove voters from their voter registration list? Can AVID partners edit our Alabama voter rolls?
  - a. If so, do you think this violates the intent of Section 17-4-3 and 17-4-7?
- 9) Would you support a county governing body’s effort to remove electronic poll books and vote counting systems should they vote to do so IAW Section 17-4-2.1 and 17-7-21?
- 10) Section 17-8-7 states that Poll Watchers have the right to observe the ballots as they are counted. This is not currently possible with our electronic systems. Would you support requiring no-notice forensic audits of electronic voting systems?
- 11) Does any of our critical infrastructure election equipment contain foreign sourced parts?