

# COLORADO

## Ajmal Shah

**CONVICTED: 2005**  
Ineligible Voting

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Ajmal Shah was convicted in 2005 on two counts of voter fraud after Shah attempted to register to vote by providing fabricated information regarding U.S. citizenship. Shah was sentenced to time served, in addition to one year of supervised release on count 1 and three years of supervised release on count 2, to be served concurrently, and fined \$200 in fees.

## SOURCES

[bit.ly/2sUAtPw](https://bit.ly/2sUAtPw)

# CONNECTICUT

## Christina Ayala

**CONVICTED: 2015**  
False Registrations

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Former state representative Christina Ayala pleaded guilty to two counts of providing a false statement and was sentenced to a suspended one-year prison term followed by two years of conditional discharge. Ayala had voted in a series of elections, including the 2012 presidential election, in districts in which she did not live. When confronted about residency discrepancies by state investigators, Ayala fabricated evidence to corroborate her false residency claims. Before agreeing to a plea deal, she faced eight counts of fraudulent voting, ten counts of primary or enrollment violations, and one count of tampering with or fabricating physical evidence. As a condition of her plea deal, she is barred from seeking elected office for two years.

## SOURCES

[bit.ly/2fEQGlX](https://bit.ly/2fEQGlX)

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## Minnie Gonzalez

### CONVICTED: 2013

#### Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

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The State Elections Enforcement Commission ruled that State Rep. Minnie Gonzalez was “knowingly present” while four voters fraudulently filled out absentee ballots at City Hall during the 2006 election. She was fined \$4,500 by the Commission. Gonzalez appealed the fine, but lost in the state Superior Court.

#### SOURCES

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## Kevin Duffy

### CONVICTED: 2008

#### False Registrations

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Kevin Duffy pleaded guilty to voting early in Ohio, where he was not a resident, in the presidential election. He was sentenced to one year of probation and a \$1,000 fine, along with 250 hours of community service.

#### SOURCES

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## Barnaby Horton

### CONVICTED: 2003

#### Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

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Former state representative Barnaby Horton was charged with absentee ballot fraud after he was caught inducing elderly residents to cast absentee ballots for him. After a lengthy court battle, he pleaded guilty to felony charges of ballot fraud and agreed to pay a \$10,000 fine, one of the largest fines ever imposed by the State Elections Enforcement Commission. A Superior Court judge sentenced Horton to two years' probation and ordered to perform 1,000 hours of community service.

### SOURCES

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## Michael Singh

### CONVICTED: 2002

#### Ineligible Voting

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Michael Singh, of Stratford, CT, registered to vote, voted, and eventually was elected to the town council despite the fact that he is not a U.S. citizen. An immigrant from Jamaica, he registered to vote in 1999, ran unsuccessfully for state senate in 2000, and won a seat on the Stratford town council in 2001, where he became majority leader. The Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission later found that he was not a U.S. citizen and required that he pay \$4,000 in fines and resign from his position.

### SOURCES

[nyti.ms/2rUNmEk](https://nyti.ms/2rUNmEk)

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## Sybil Allen

### CONVICTED: 2001

#### Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

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Sybil Allen, while serving as a Democrat on the Bridgeport Town Committee, engaged in a range of absentee ballot-related fraud. Allen completed ballot applications in the name of residents, forged signatures, and on at least one occasion got a voter to forge a ballot registration form for a family member who longer lived in the community. Allen also told one voter that a candidate was not on the ballot and watched voters fill out their ballots before taking possession of them. Allen eventually agreed to pay a civil fine of \$5,000 and was barred from running for re-election for two years.

#### SOURCES

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## Warren Blunt

### CONVICTED: 2001

#### Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

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Warren Blunt, a city councilman in Bridgeport, CT, pleaded guilty to being present while people cast their absentee ballots and subsequently taking those ballots while running for re-election in the town's Democratic primary. The State of Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission fined Blunt \$2,500 and required him to resign from the Town Committee. He was also barred from running for elected office again for two years.

#### SOURCES

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## Ronald Caveness

### CONVICTED: 2001

#### Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

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As part of a “get out the vote” campaign leading up to the 2000 election, Ronald Caveness admitted to distributing absentee ballots, being present while people filled them out, and then collecting them. After an investigation by the Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission, he agreed to resign from the Democratic Town Committee, not seeking re-election for two years, and pay a fine of \$4,000, which was eventually reduced to \$1,000.

#### SOURCES

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## Paulette Park

### CONVICTED: 2001

#### Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

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Paulette Park, while working for a candidate for Bridgeport’s 2000 Democratic Town Committee primary election, illegally persuaded voters to list false reasons for requesting absentee ballots, assisted them in applying for absentee ballots, and took possession of the absentee ballots after watching voters fill them out. The State of Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission fined her \$5,000 and banned her from working on future campaigns.

#### SOURCES

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## George Cabrera, Jr.

### CONVICTED: 2000

#### Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

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George Cabrera, Jr., entered into a settlement with State of Connecticut Election Enforcement Commission. Cabrera admitted to observing a resident fill out an absentee ballot before taking possession of that ballot during the Democratic Primary for town council. Cabrera agreed to pay a \$750 fine.

### SOURCES

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## Carlos Reinoso

### CONVICTED: 2000

#### Ineligible Voting

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Carlos Reiniso admitted to voting in the 2000 election, when he was ineligible to do so. After an investigation by the Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission, he agreed to pay \$250 fine.

### SOURCES

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## Liz Diaz

### CONVICTED: 1997

#### Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

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Liz Diaz, a former 4th District town committee member in Hartford, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit election fraud and to witness tampering after she registered ineligible voters to receive absentee ballots and intimidated a witness to lie about her reason for requesting an absentee ballot in a court hearing regarding the 1996 Democratic town committee election. She was sentenced to two months in jail.

#### SOURCES

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## Virgen Figueroa

### CONVICTED: 1997

#### Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

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Virgen Figueroa, a former town committee member from Hartford, CT, pleaded guilty to absentee ballot fraud and forgery. In a plot with several other individuals to elect democratic candidates for town committee in the 1996 election, Figueroa registered ineligible voters to receive absentee ballots and helped them to mark their ballots. She was sentenced to two months in jail.

#### SOURCES

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## Edwin E. Garcia

**CONVICTED: 1996**

**Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots**

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Edwin E. Garcia, a former lawmaker and Hartford Police Sergeant, pleaded no contest to three felony counts of absentee ballot fraud, tampering with a witness, and accepting an illegal campaign contribution. Garcia and his campaign workers systematically registered hundreds of young voters and furnished many with absentee ballots that they neither qualified for nor understood. He received a sentence of one year of house arrest.

## SOURCES

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## Jacqueline Rogers

**CONVICTED: 1994**

**Fraudulent use of Absentee Ballots**

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Jacqueline Rogers was a campaign worker for James Holloway, a candidate for City Council. In the 1993 primary, she was paid \$150 to dress up in a nurse's uniform with a certified nurse nametag and solicit "emergency" absentee ballots from patients. She instructed at least one voter to cast her ballot for Holloway. The primary was ultimately decided in Holloway's favor by just nine votes. The Connecticut Elections Enforcement Commission barred her from participating in political campaigns for 5 years.

## SOURCES

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## Ernest Newton

**CONVICTED: 1988**

**Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots**

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Ernest Newton, a former state senator, agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1,000 for assisting in filling out someone else's absentee ballot. Newton illegally filled out and mailed an absentee ballot for Ada Crosby. The fraud occurred in the 1988 primary while Newton was a state senate candidate in the 124th district. Following his election, he was imprisoned after accepting a bribe, using campaign contributions for personal expenses, and failing to report improper income on his federal tax return. In 2015, Newton was sentenced to 6 months' imprisonment for campaign finance violations stemming from having three campaign workers fraudulently sign donation cards in order for the campaign to reach the threshold to qualify for state matching funds.

## SOURCES

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# FLORIDA

## Anthony Grant

**CONVICTED: 2017**

**Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots**

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Former Eatonville Mayor Anthony Grant was convicted of a felony voting fraud charge, a felony election violation, and misdemeanor absentee voting violations. During the 2015 election while he was running for election, he coerced absentee voters to cast ballots for him. In at least one case, Grant personally solicited an absentee vote from a nonresident of Eatonville. Grant, who had previously served as mayor, lost the in-person vote, but still won the election with more than twice the number of absentee ballots that were cast for incumbent Bruce Mount. Following his indictment, Grant was suspended by Florida Governor Rick Scott. He was sentenced to 400 hours of community service and four years' probation.

## SOURCES

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