

CONNECTICUT

Ernest Newton

CONVICTED: 1988

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

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

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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FLORIDA

Mia Antoinette Nowells

CONVICTED: 2017

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots, Voter Intimidation

Mia Antoinette Nowells, a campaign worker for former Eatonville Mayor Anthony Grant, was found guilty of coercing Layota Jackson to vote for Grant in the 2015 election. Nowells was charged with intimidating voters and tampering with absentee ballots. She is now awaiting sentencing.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Annique Lesage Newton

CONVICTED: 2015

Ineligible Voting

Newton, a serial fraudster, was convicted of embezzlement, insurance fraud, and voter fraud, and sentenced to eight years in prison and 15 years' probation after violating her probation stemming from a 2009 case in which she stole \$400,000 from her employer. The vote fraud charges stemmed from registering to vote without informing election officials that she was a convicted felon.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Eric Haynes

CONVICTED: 2015 False Registrations

Eric Haynes, a Lauderdale Lakes City Commissioner, voted using a false address in the 2012 general election. He had moved to a different precinct before Election Day, but he still certified at the polls that he was living at his former address. He was fined \$500 by the Florida Election Commission.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

William Hazard

CONVICTED: 2015 False Registrations

William Hazard, 53, of West Boynton, pleaded guilty to one felony voter registration charge and three misdemeanor charges of attempting to submit false voter registration information. He was initially charged with multiple counts of false voter registration. He was sentenced to 10 days in the county jail, 36 months' probation, and was ordered to pay a \$7,500 fine. Hazard was hired by a consulting firm to register Republican voters; in the process he illegally switched party registrations for multiple voters and even registered his uncle, an Iowa resident, to vote in Florida.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

James Webb Baker

CONVICTED: 2014

Misc. Voter Fraud (including intimidation of voters)

James Webb Baker of Seattle, Washington pleaded guilty to ID Fraud and intimidation of voters. Responding to perceived suppression of hispanic voters who favored Democrat candidates, Baker mailed fake county election documents to Palm Beach County, Florida residents demanding proof of citizenship to avoid having their voter registrations cancelled. Nearly 200 residents were targeted - all with connections to the Republican Party. Baker is awaiting sentencing.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Deisy Penton de Cabrera

CONVICTED: 2013

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Deisy Cabrera pleaded guilty to charges of being an absentee ballot broker (boletera) as part of a massive absentee voter fraud scheme. Her notebook contained the names and addresses of over 500 voters who were mostly elderly Hispanics in Hialeah. The lists, titled Deisy's Voters, reportedly included information as to whether the voter was illiterate or was blind, deaf or had Alzheimer's. She was sentenced to one year of probation.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Jeffrey Garcia

CONVICTED: 2013 Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Chief of Staff to Florida Rep. Joe Garcia (D-26), Jeffrey Garcia, resigned and pleaded guilty to orchestrating a plot involving the submission of hundreds of fraudulent absentee-ballot requests during the primary in 2012. Garcia was sentenced to 90 days in prison and 18 months' probation. He was ordered to spend the first three months of probation under house arrest.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Onakia Lanet Griffin

CONVICTED: 2013 Ineligible Voting

Onakia Lanet Griffin, a convicted felon who was not eligible to vote, was convicted of two counts of voter fraud and one count of false swearing. Griffin had previously been convicted of wire fraud, identification theft, and identity fraud. Griffin registered to vote on June 5, 2012 and falsely claimed that she was not a convicted felon. She subsequently admitted to voting in the 2012 presidential election. Griffin was sentenced to a fine of \$1079.50 and 23 days' incarceration.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Rebekah Joy Paul

CONVICTED: 2013
False Registrations

Rebekah Joy Paul pleaded guilty to falsifying voter registrations prior to the 2012 general election. While employed as a voter registration worker with a political consulting firm hired by the Republican Party, she created false voter registrations. She and her co-conspirator admitted to faking 27 registrations for Duval County. She was sentenced to community service.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Christian David Price

CONVICTED: 2013
False Registrations

Christian David Price, a campaign worker in Florida, pleaded guilty to falsifying voter registrations in the 2012 election. While employed as voter registration worker with a political consulting firm hired by the Republican Party, he created false voter registrations. He and his co-conspirator admitted to faking 27 registrations for Duval County. He was sentenced to community service.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Josef Sever

CONVICTED: 2012
Ineligible Voting

Josef Sever was charged and convicted of illegal voting. Sever was a Canadian citizen who nonetheless cast a ballot in two presidential elections. He also lied about his citizenship status to obtain a firearm. He was convicted and sentenced to 5 months in prison and almost certain deportation to Canada.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

NBC News Investigation, Florida Voting Registration Rolls

CONVICTED: 2012
Ineligible Voting

NBC2 cross-checks voter rolls and juror lists and finds many who claim to be ineligible for jury duty because they are not US citizens are registered to vote, and some who are interviewed admit that they have voted (incl. Hinako Dennett) while others claim that they never registered to vote, but that somebody must have registered in their names.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Sergio Robaina

CONVICTED: 2012
Absentee Ballot Fraud

Sergio Robaina (uncle of former Hialeah mayor) was charged with illegally collecting absentee ballots, a misdemeanor, and with felony voter fraud charges for allegedly filling out a ballot against the wishes of two voters, one of them a woman with dementia. Robaina pleaded guilty to misdemeanor charges of illegal possession of absentee ballots and was sentenced to one-year of probation.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Maurice Childress, Kashawn John, Liltovia Rhodes, Carlos Torres, Evangeline Williams, Lilkevia Williams, and Richard Williams

CONVICTED: 2010
False Registrations

ACORN voter registration canvassers Maurice Childress, Kashawn John, Liltovia Rhodes, Carlos Torres, Evangeline Williams, Lilkevia Williams, and Richard Williams, were convicted of false swearing in an election in Miami as part of a scheme to submit fraudulent voter registration applications. They received sentences ranging from 72 days to 10 months in prison.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Greg “Charlie” Burke

CONVICTED: 2010
False Registrations

Greg “Charlie” Burke was found guilty of voter fraud in the third degree, a felony, for living and voting in one county while holding an elected post in another. He was sentenced to two years’ probation.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Mohsin Ali

CONVICTED: 2006
Ineligible Voting

Mohsin Ali, a non-citizen, pleaded guilty to unlawful voting by an alien. Ali was sentenced to two years’ probation, and ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine and a \$25 court fee.

SOURCES

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States v. Mohsin Ali, 4:05-CR-47 (2006)

FLORIDA

Usman Ali Chaudhary

CONVICTED: 2005
Ineligible Voting

On May 18, 2005, a jury found Usman Ali Chaudhary, also known as Usman Ali, guilty of making a false claim regarding his citizenship status on his driver's license and voter registration applications. Chaudhary was sentenced to three years' probation, \$3,000 in fines, and \$100 in court costs.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Ricardo Knight

CONVICTED: 2005
Ineligible Vote

In Miami-Dade County, legal permanent resident Ricardo Knight admitted to immigration officials that he had voted in the extremely close 2000 presidential election. He was convicted and sentenced to a year of probation and fined \$500.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Rafael Antonio Velasquez

CONVICTED: 2003
Ineligible Voting

Rafael Antonio Velasquez, a former candidate for the Florida House, was convicted in 2003 for having voted twice before he became a U.S. citizen.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Gilda Oliveros

CONVICTED: 2000
Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Hialeah Gardens Mayor Gilda Oliveros was convicted of six charges that ranged from voter fraud to asking two of her former employees to murder her then-husband so she could cash in on a \$45,000 life insurance policy. She was sentenced to 4.8 years in state prison, but was released on a \$100,000 bond to appeal her sentence.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Jose De Goti Sr.

CONVICTED: 1999
False Registrations

Jose De Goti Sr. pleaded guilty to four counts of felony voter fraud for falsely registering a Miami police officer and his wife so they could cast fraudulent ballots in the 1997 Miami mayoral election. He was sentenced to six months in jail, six months of house arrest, and one year of probation, in addition to a \$10,000 fine.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Humberto Hernandez

CONVICTED: 1998
Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Humberto Hernandez was convicted of being an accessory to covering up fraud and removed from office after it was discovered that hundreds of fraudulent absentee ballots were cast in his favor. He was sentenced to a one-year prison term.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Hialeah, FL

CONVICTED: 1996

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

The results of the 1993 mayoral election in Hialeah, FL were voided by a Dade County judge after the discovery of several forged absentee ballots. The judge found that one of the candidates had a 2 to 1 advantage in absentee ballots which he attributed to “overzealous” campaign workers at an elderly home in addition to several non-residents and mentally incompetent people voting.

SOURCES

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FLORIDA

Hardee County

CONVICTED: 1992

Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Three campaign supporters illegally submitted absentee ballots during the 1992 Hardee County sheriff election. Although a grand jury found that no criminal intent was involved, the election was thrown out and a new one was ordered.

SOURCES

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