# NORTH DAKOTA

Samuel Ojuri, Joshua Colville, Marcus Williams, Brendin Pierre, Lucas Albers, Aireal Boyd, Demitrius Gray, Bryan Shepherd, Antonio, Rogers, and Charles Smith III.

**CONVICTED: 2012** Ballot Petition Fraud

Ten players on the North Dakota State football team, who had been hired to collect signatures for ballot petitions establishing a conservation fund and legalizing medical marijuana, each pleaded guilty to misdemeanor election fraud charges, admitting that rather than gathering signatures, they forged them. Each player was sentenced to 360 days of unsupervised community service, 50 hours of community service, and \$325 in fines.

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### **Rebecca Hammonds**

**CONVICTED: 2017** False Registrations

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Rebecca Hammonds, of East Liverpool, pleaded guilty to 13 counts of making a false registration and one count of election falsification. While working as a canvasser for the Ohio Organizing Collaborative, Hammonds falsely registered voters, including deceased individuals and residents who no longer lived in the community. Hammonds was sentenced to serve 180 days in jail.

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#### **Dominique Atkins**

**CONVICTED: 2013** Duplicate Voting

Dominique Atkins pleaded guilty to misdemeanor attempted illegal voting, admitting that she received, filled out, and returned two absentee ballots in the 2010 elections. She was sentenced to 30 days in jail, but the judge suspended her sentence if she agreed to pay a \$500 fine.

### **Robert Gilchrist**

**CONVICTED: 2013** False Registrations

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Robert Gilchrist, a former director of the Lorain County Community Action Agency and Lorain city official, was indicted on four felony counts of illegal voting. Gilchrist used the address of an old apartment to enable him to vote in four elections between November 2009 and May 2011 in a ward in which he did not live. Gilchrist was ordered to enter a one year diversion program.

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#### **Russell Glassop**

**CONVICTED: 2013** Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

During the 2012 election, Russell Glassop obtained and submitted an absentee ballot in the name of his deceased wife. After Glassop pleaded guilty to absentee ballot fraud, the judge sentenced him to a diversion program.

### **Sister Marguerite Kloos**

**CONVICTED: 2013** Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Sister Marguerite Kloos pleaded guilty and resigned as the Dean of the Division of Arts and Humanities for The College of Mount St. Joseph's, after admitting that she cast an absentee ballot in the name of the late Sister Rose Marie Hewitt, who had died one month before the election. She was sentenced to a diversion program.

SOURCES

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### Virginia McMillan

**CONVICTED: 2013** Duplicate Voting

Virginia McMillan, a resident of Beavercreek, Ohio, pleaded guilty to misdemeanor falsification after voting twice in the 2012 election by mail before showing up at her polling place on Election Day to vote a second time. She was sentenced 180 days in jail (160 later suspended), 88 hours of community service, and \$250 in fines.

### **Melowese Richardson**

**CONVICTED: 2013** Duplicate Voting

Melowese Richardson, a Cincinnati poll worker, voted twice in the 2012 election, once by absentee and once in person. Not an isolated event, she voted in the names of others - including her comatose sister - in three other elections. Richardson was convicted and sentenced to five years in prison, but was released early.

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#### **Marian Wilson**

**CONVICTED: 2013** Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots, False Registrations, Duplicate Voting

Marian Wilson, from Grove City, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge of illegal voting. Wilson voted twice in the 2010 general election, requesting and submitting two absentee ballots under two differnet names - Marian Wilson and Marian Toles. She was sentenced to one year of probation.

### **Timothy Zureick**

**CONVICTED: 2013** Ballot Petition Fraud

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During a 2012 campaign for the statewide ballot petition on the "Voters First Ohio Amendment," a group associated with the AFL-CIO called Working America hired Timothy Zureick to collect petition signatures. Zureick forged the names of 22 prominent Athens Democrats, including those on the Athens County Board of Elections. The Democrats on the board alerted officials when their signatures appeared on the petitions they were certifying. Zureick entered into a plea agreement that called for a probated sentence, but he judge sentenced him to a week in jail to impress upon Zureick the gravity of his actions. The judge also ordered Zureick to pay all court costs within 60 days, and to perform 100 hours of community service within the first 24 months of his community control.

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#### **Brenda Griffin**

**CONVICTED: 2012** Ballot Petition Fraud

The Dayton woman was convicted of 18 felony charges of election falsifications, filing false petitions, and forging signatures relating to a liquor license ballot initiative. Griffin, the leading petition circulator for the liquor license, turned in 320 petition signatures, where only 109 signatures were required. The fraud was discovered when the County Board of Elections contacted several supposed signees who reported they did not sign the petition. Griffin's sentence was reduced from a possible 6 to 12 months of prison time to 5 years of probation.

### Deshara M. McKinney

**CONVICTED: 2011** Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots, Ballot Petition Fraud

Deshara M. McKinney, of Columbus, pleaded guilty to falsifying signatures on applications for absentee ballots while working as a canvasser in the 2009 ballot initiative to allow casinos in Ohio. McKinney fled the state bafter her fraud was discovered, and was eventually arrested in Michigan. She was sentenced to two years of probation and ordered to complete 40 hours of community service. She was also required to pay court costs and the cost of her extradition.

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#### **Deborah Ramirez**

**CONVICTED: 2010** Ballot Petition Fraud, Buying Votes

A California resident was convicted of illegally circulating a ballot petition for USA Consultants in an effort to legalize gambling in Ohio. Furthermore, Ramirez paid Ohio voters to sign their names on empty ballots. Over half the signatures on the petition were invalid. Ramirez was sentenced to 120 days in prison and 3 years of community control.

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### Daniel Hausman, Amy Little, and Yolanda Hippensteele

**CONVICTED: 2009** False Registrations

Daniel Hausman, Amy Little, and Yolanda Hippensteele, who worked for an advocacy group, each pleaded guilty to misdemeanor charges, admitting that they changed their residencies to Ohio and voted on the same day during the early voting period. Ohio law requires that voters be residents of the state for at least 30 days before voting. All three were sentenced to a year's probation, a \$1,000 fine and a 60day suspended jail sentence.

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#### **Darnell Nash**

**CONVICTED: 2009** False Registrations

Darnell Nash pleaded guilty to three counts of false registration for filling out voter registration forms under false names and addresses. The 24-year-old Cleveland man registered nine times in 2008 using false names and addresses. Nash was sentenced to six months in jail.

### **Claudel Gilbert**

**CONVICTED: 2007** Duplicate Voting

Claudel Gilbert, a Haitian immigrant, pleaded guilty to voting twice in the 2006 elections. Gilbert received a suspended six-month prison sentence, one year probation, and \$500 in fines.

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#### **Jacqueline Maiden and Kathleen Dreamer**

CONVICTED: 2007 Misc. Voter Fraud

Following a jury trial, Jacqueline Maiden, the elections coordinator of the Cuyahoga County Elections Board, and ballot manager Kathleen Dreamer were convicted of negligent misconduct and failure to perform their duties in connection with a 2004 presidential election recount. Each was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment. In an effort to save time, the pair rigged the recount by pre-selecting ballots for review by election officials which they knew would not raise issues. Their efforts did not alter the results of the presidential election.

### **Charles Worrell and Jerolynn Worrell**

**CONVICTED: 2007** False Registrations

Following a jury trial, the Ohio couple was found guilty of illegal voting for falsely registering and then voting indicating that they lived at a Summit County address where they did not reside. They were sentenced to six months' incarceration, suspended, upon completion of one year of community control and other sanctions.

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#### **Chad Staton**

**CONVICTED: 2005** False Registrations

Chad Staton pleaded guilty to ten felony counts for filing false voter registrations in exchange for crack cocaine. Staton allegedly filled out more than 100 forms in names such as Mary Poppins, Michael Jackson, Michael Jordan, Dick Tracy, and George Lopez prior to the 2004 presidential election. He then handed them over to Georgianne Pitts, who worked on behalf of the NAACP National Voter Fund, who turned in the form to the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections. Staton was sentenced nine months each for six counts of the fifth-degree felony, to be served consecutively, according to court personnel.

### **Jon Saylor**

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**CONVICTED: 2000** False Registrations and Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots

Jon Saylor ordered absentee ballots sent to the home of a friend, and then filled them out as votes for himself. After winning the seat of the 1st Ward councilman in Fairfield, Ohio, the election results were called into question and an investigation was opened. Saylor was convicted of 29 counts of false registrations, 1 count of inducing illegal voting, 12 counts of absentee voter's ballot violation, 14 counts of illegal voting, 1 count election falsification, 1 count of interference with conduct of an election. He was sentenced to 24 months' imprisonment.

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