



Voter Fraud in California

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Scope: Voter fraud in California 2020-2024 election cycles (Illegally casting or attempting to cast multiple votes, voting or attempting to vote or register for an election they are not eligible, or voting or registering on behalf of fictitious, deceased, or otherwise ineligible individuals)

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The Votes Are In - and Were Counted Securely and Accurately: A Look Inside Napa County's 2024 General Election Process	2024-25 Napa County Civil Grand Jury	2024-25 Napa County Civil Grand Jury	Apr. 2025	Grand Jury Report	• Report involved interviews with county election officials, research and monitoring of local, state, and federal laws, and observation of voting centers. • The report found that "Napa County's 2024 General Election was safe, secure, and performed with integrity." Additionally, the county's "election computer systems were secure," the "Voter Registration Database was maintained accurately," "the confidentiality of a voter's ballot was maintained and protected throughout the entire election process," and the "legally required manual audit of the election was secure and accurate."	
Is Voting Integrity Alive and Well in Orange County?	2024-25 Orange County Grand Jury	2024-25 Orange County Grand Jury	Jan. 2025	Grand Jury Report	• Report involved interviews of election-related officials, review of election documentation, observation of the county's voting process in the November 2024 general election, and review of research on voting integrity in elections. • Analysis "confirms that the 2024 election maintained the highest level of integrity for Orange County voters." Findings include "no evidence of fraud or election interference [was] ascertained in the 2024 general election in Orange County" and that voting was "fair, secure, and transparent."	
2024-25 Tulare County Civil Grand Jury Final Report (pages 43-47)	2024-25 Tulare County Civil Grand Jury	2024-25 Tulare County Civil Grand Jury	Jan. 2025	Grand Jury Report	• Report involved interviews with election officials, as well as review of county Registrar of Voters & Secretary of State websites, and California Election Code. • Report found "tremendous oversight and regulation" from the Secretary of State and Registrar of Voters, with the "checks and balances ... found to minimize the chance of widespread fraud that would impact the results of an election and provide clear evidence to debunk many of the claims of election fraud." The report believes that "personal identification requirements, residency addresses and requirements to have email and phone numbers [provide] a strong safeguard against registration of fraudulent individuals to vote."	
Sutter County Grand Jury Annual Report: 2023-24 (pages 30-33)	2023-24 Sutter County Grand Jury	2023-24 Sutter County Grand Jury	Jun. 2024	Grand Jury Report	• Report involved interviews with election-related officials, a review and random sample of county voter rolls, and observation of the county's voting process in the March 2024 primary election. • Report's summary states that the Grand Jury "found no evidence of voter fraud in Sutter County." Findings include a confirmation of the county's identification process being rigorous, utilization of the state's VoteCal System to ensure accurate voter registration, denial of practicing "ballot harvesting," and strict processes for verifying signatures and preventing fraud. • A random sample of active voter rolls found 3% of individuals were deceased, another 3% relocated, and another 3% moved addresses. However, "there was no evidence that these irregularities ... suggest an unlawful vote was cast."	
2023-24 Placer County Grand Jury Report: Ensuring Integrity in Placer County Elections (pages 40-53)	2023-24 Placer County Grand Jury	2023-24 Placer County Grand Jury	Jun. 2024	Grand Jury Report	• Report involved interviews with election/county personnel, review of election documents and other grand jury reports (from past Placer County or other county grand juries), tour of county Elections Office, and observation during March 2024 primary election. • Findings include that the county Elections Office "data, infrastructure and system applications are housed in a closed network system with multiple levels of security in place" and that "procedures are well documented and processes for internal controls include the use of checklists and documented procedures." • Additionally, "The Placer County Elections Office staff takes every possible precaution to avoid voter fraud. Previous Placer County Grand Jury reports have noted there has been no identified cases of voter fraud within Placer County. The Placer County Registrar of Voters has publicly noted in his thirty years of experience, active fraud has never been observed in Placer County."	
Election Integrity in Sonoma County	2023-24 Sonoma County Grand Jury	2023-24 Sonoma County Grand Jury	May. 2024	Grand Jury Report	• Report involved interviews with over a dozen individuals involved in the County's election process, as well as a review of election documentation and observation of the county's voting process in the March 2024 primary election. • Report finds that the county's elections are "executed with a high degree of integrity," further elaborating that "there are no material flaws or uncorrected defects (e.g., machine errors, fraudulent ballots being cast, or miscounting votes) that impair the overall integrity of the election process."	
Elections: A Deeper Dive into Voter Rolls and Drop Box Security	2024-25 El Dorado County Grand Jury	2024-25 El Dorado County Grand Jury	Jan. 2024	Grand Jury Report	• Report involved interviews with election officials, as well as a review of the state's Elections Code and the county's current voter roll (as of Aug., 15, 2024). • The report found that when the county's Elections Department must "accept new voter registrations and voter roll updates" from the CA Secretary of State, the department places it in a "pending status until identification details are provided." Additionally, the Elections Department "is doing an excellent job staying current with decreased voters," which "is not a significant problem for the County despite initial evidence to the contrary." Also, the Elections Department "regularly checks and identifies voter registrations that incorrectly list a PO Box as their residence." • Report does cite concerns of physical security for outdoor ballot boxes.	This report is a follow-up to the 2023-24 Grand Jury report titled Election Integrity: Separating Fact from Fiction. https://www.eldoradocounty.ca.gov/files/assets/county/v/1/documents/public-safety-amp-justice/grand-jury/2023-2024/24-09-elections-report-final.pdf Additionally, a 2021-22 Grand Jury report touches on Election Oversight of the Gubernatorial Recall Election. https://www.eldoradocounty.ca.gov/files/assets/county/v/1/documents/public-safety-amp-justice/grand-jury/2021_2022/case-21-04-elections-oversight-of-gubernatorial-recall.pdf

2020 Presidential Election Contrast Analysis (US and 48 States)	S. Stanley Young & Ray Blehar	Election Integrity Info	Jul. 2023	Analysis	• Analysis looks over contrasts in voting registration and votes received from the 2016 and 2020 presidential elections by state. • Analysis notes that California had a bigger growth in the votes received for the 2016 presidential candidates vs. the votes received for the 2020 presidential candidates (more than double the gap of the next state). In other words, the analysis questions how President Joe Biden received so many more votes than President Donald Trump when compared to the voting differential between President Trump and Hillary Clinton in 2016. • Analysis questions California's voting shifts by noting that population change did not align with change in number of registered voters/votes cast. Analysis suspects issues with mailing absentee ballots to all registered voters.	Link to Election Integrity Info website.
Audit Reveals Evidence of Voter Fraud in California's 2022 Election	The Transparency Foundation	The Transparency Foundation	Jun. 2023	Report	• Report provides a 10-point scorecard grading California's election practices for the 2021-22 election cycle. • Report audit found that 14.17% of "uncured" ballots that were rejected due to a missing or invalid signature were likely fraudulently cast, as voters for those ballots denied voting in the election. • Report's statewide audit found at least 1.18 million inactive voters on the state's voter rolls. Also, 1-in-10 California households surveyed reported getting an "erroneous" ballot for someone not living there, deceased, or a duplicative ballot for the same person. • Report also found inconsistent rates of rejection over invalid signatures on ballots across counties. The report specifically calls out Sacramento County, with the county having a rejection rate 438% below the state average.	The organization claims to be a nonpartisan nonprofit, but appears to lean conservative (based on news and reports on their website) along with links to state Assemblymember Carl DeMaio. https://thetransparencyfoundation.org/about https://carlde Maio.com/news/program-places-conservative-students-in-jobs-in-california-politics Also released a partial audit of the 2021 recall election on issues with ballots. https://thetransparencyfoundation.org/news/audit-of-california-voter-rolls-uncovers-problems-with-high-risk-ballots
The Contra Costa County Elections Division: Voter Outreach, The Voter Guide & Election Security	2022-23 Contra Costa County Civil Grand Jury	2022-23 Contra Costa County Civil Grand Jury	May. 2023	Grand Jury Report	• Report involved interviews with election officials, a review of election documentation and outreach, and tours of election-related offices during the November 2022 election. • Among the report's findings was that the "elections division has implemented safeguards to prevent physical and cyber security breaches as well as unauthorized, fraudulent, and duplicate ballots." The report recommended adding a video to the division's website to highlight its security measures.	
Humboldt County Elections Integrity: It's Okay to Vote	2022-23 Humboldt County Grand Jury	2022-23 Humboldt County Grand Jury	Apr. 2023	Grand Jury Report	• Report involved interviews of election-related officials, as well as a review of election documentation and observation of the county's voting process in the November 2022 general election. • Report finds that the county's "elections procedure was secure and had many double and triple checks to make sure the election was safe and secure." Recommendations include more thorough training, detailed documentation, and a note on some ballot drop boxes needing to be secured.	The 2024-25 Humboldt County Grand Jury also released a report on inmate voting on July 11.
Despite Criticism, County Elections Integrity Validated	2021-22 Fresno County Grand Jury	2021-22 Fresno County Grand Jury	Jun. 2022	Grand Jury Report	• Report involved interviews with county residents, election-related officials and individuals from both major political parties, as well as a review of election documentation and observation of the county's voting process in 2021. • Report finds that the county's elections staff is "well trained to handle elections efficiently and securely," that voter rolls are "maintained tot he best of department's ability," that ballot boxes, ballot chain of custody, and the Dominion Voting System are all "secure," with the Dominion System being "monitored and updated regularly to assure accuracy."	
2021-2022 Alameda County Grand Jury Final Report (pages 47-52)	2021-22 Alameda County Grand Jury	2021-22 Alameda County Grand Jury	Jun. 2022	Grand Jury Report	• Report involved interviews with election officials, and submission of written questions to (and responses from) the County Registrar of Voters and the CA Secretary of State's Elections Division. • Findings state that the county Registrar of Voters "maintained the integrity of Alameda County's election procedures and processes" in 2020 and 2021, "with "no evidence of unresolved problems."	Pages 79-96 of the 2024-2025 Grand Jury report highlight a Grand Jury investigation into the county's administration of the November 2024 general election. While reemphasizing faith in the electoral process, it offers recommendations to further boost transparency to the public.
You Only Vote Once: Elections Integrity in Yolo County	2021-22 Yolo County Grand Jury	2021-22 Yolo County Grand Jury	May. 2022	Grand Jury Report	• Report involved interviews with county employees, collecting citizen reports of election monitoring, unannounced site visits to the Elections Office, and reviewing of media coverage and government websites and guidelines. • Report found that the "Yolo County Elections Office is an exemplary administrator and guardian of our democratic electoral mechanism" and that "no evidence of systemic or other significant fraud in our county elections [was found] since at least 2001."	2022-23 Grand Jury report titled Safe and Secure? A New Look at the Yolo County Elections Office. Page 6 of the report state having found "no evidence" for claims of various concerns around election integrity in Yolo County.

Bayesian Analysis of State Voter Registration Database Integrity	Jian Cao (Caltech), Seoyoung Silvia Kim (American University), & R. Michael Alvarez (Caltech)	Statistics, Politics and Policy	Jan. 2022	Academic Study	• Analysis used 2020 voter registration data from the California Secretary of State to evaluate the presence of anomalies in voter registration across all 58 counties, comparing model-predicted voter registration changes to changes that actually occurred. • The study found that, out of 9,744 events, 288 (3%) of the change events were flagged as significantly different from the model predictions at a 95% statistical significance level. • When aggregating deviations, counties with the highest number of changes that were significantly different from model predictions include, in order: Kern, Modoc, Yolo, Lake, Alpine, Stanislaus, San Diego, and Mono. • Study also found that the number of anomalies is positively correlated with the average cost of elections per registered voter. This hints at potential systemic inefficiencies which exacerbates both issues.	
Was the Riverside County November 2020 Consolidated General Election Administered Fairly and Impartially?	2020-21 Riverside County Civil Grand Jury	2020-21 Riverside County Civil Grand Jury	Jun. 2021	Grand Jury Report	• Report involved interviews with election-related officials, surveys, phone calls, emails, documentation and website review, and observation of the county's voting process in the November 2020 general election. • Report finds that the "election was conducted as required" and "there was no evidence of voter fraud." There was, however, "minor departures from expected election procedures" that were fixed by the Registrar during ballot processing. Even so, votes were found to be "accurately counted and verified."	The 2024-25 Grand Jury report found that the County has made "security and ballot processing improvements," and that its maintenance of voter rolls "exceeded ... legal requirements." However, a community group was unable to independently verify the county's certified election results.
Election Integrity Project California (EIPCa) Analysis of 2020 General Election	EIPCa	EIPCa	Jun. 2021	Report	Report findings for the November 2020 general election include: • 7,724 registered voters having recorded 2 votes, of which 1,189 are shown to have used two different voting methods. • There were 123,785 more votes counted than voters shown to have voted. • The state currently had 1,834,789 more registered voters than eligible citizens. 23 counties (40% of all counties) have over 100% of eligible citizens registered to vote. • 93,911 registered voters were identified as showing inexplicable changes of birthplaces from a foreign country or other U.S. state to California. An additional 14,796 had birthplaces changed from a foreign country to the United States.	The organization claims to be a nonprofit of "nonpartisan group of U.S. citizen volunteers." However, they also appear to lean conservative. https://www.eip-ca.com/who-we-are.htm https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2021-06-29/editorial-the-voter-deception-project
Electoral Integrity in the 2020 U.S. Elections	Pippa Norris (Harvard University)	Electoral Integrity Project	Dec. 2020	Academic Study	• Report involved a survey of around 800 experts in the field of elections, parties, and American state politics in all 50 states plus DC. The survey gauged experts' experiences and observations about elections in their state. • The surveyed experts "overwhelmingly rejected claims of widespread fraud occurring during the 2020 elections." • Among the 50 states and DC, only 14 other states scored higher than California on the research's metric of "perceptions of electoral integrity."	
The 2020 Nevada County Presidential General Election: Observations in a Time of Challenges	2020-21 Nevada County Grand Jury	2020-21 Nevada County Grand Jury	Dec. 2020	Grand Jury Report	• Report involved interviews with election officials, review of election information and media coverage, research of election procedures, and virtual and in-person tours of election offices and voting centers. • Report found that there "were multiple points in the process to ensure security and to virtually eliminate fraud."	
California Election Analysis by Seth Keshel	Seth Keshel	U.S. 2020 Election Fraud at a Glance		Analysis	• Analysis flags California counties in a red-yellow-green color code to denote which counties they suspect of "strong/rampant fraud" or "likely fraud." • Analysis estimates over 1.34 million fraudulent votes were cast for President Joe Biden during the 2020 election.	This website also has an overall page of resources regarding election fraud in California for the 2020 presidential election.
Evaluating a New Generation of Expansive Claims about Vote Manipulation	Justin Grimmer, Michael C. Herron, & Matthew Tyler	Election Law Journal: Rules, Politics, and Policy	Sep. 2024	Academic Study	• This study details two examples of claims of vote manipulation in recent elections: 1) the 2022 Nevada Republican gubernatorial primary (with a supplementary example at a County Clerk election in Will County Illinois); and 2) a claim from Douglas Frank, and amplified by Mike Lindell, that an algorithm determines the results of all U.S. elections. • Appendix D provides a breakdown of Douglas Frank's claims of widespread voter fraud in California precincts, with a call-out to Placer County. Frank claims that all California precincts had uniform voter turnout rates - however, these claims were a result of misinterpreting statistics. The authors ran simulations using the actual number of registered voters in California county, and found that Frank's evidence actually supports the idea that "precincts with more registered voters tend to have more voters turnout to vote." • The study provides "extensive evidence," while highlighting that the 2 claims aforementioned do not, that the proposed claims "cannot possibly identify vote manipulation" with "poor research designs and confused analyses."	

Statistical Fallacies in Claims about "Massive and Widespread Fraud" in the 2020 Presidential Election: Examining Claims Based on Aggregate Election Results	Bernard Grofman & Jonathan Cervas	Statistics and Public Policy	Jan. 2024	Academic Study	• This study provides statistical analyses to dispute widely dispersed claims around voter fraud for the 2020 U.S. presidential election. The study parses out the "statistical fallacies" into 6 sub-groups, and within each sub-group, touches on specific claims of voter fraud. • This study essentially debunks proliferated statistical claims around election fraud, and provides statistical analyses in laypeople's terms.
No evidence for systematic voter fraud: A guide to statistical claims about the 2020 election	Andrew C. Eggers, Haritz Garro, & Justin Grimmer	Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America	Nov. 2021	Academic Study	• This study provides statistical analyses to dispute widely dispersed claims around voter fraud for the 2020 U.S. presidential election. The study splits their discussion of claims into 2 groups: 1) factual claims that people claim to be an anomaly, when that is not the case; and 2) claims based on facts that are not actually facts. Claims were based around differences between 2016 and 2020 voting patterns, issues with voting machines, and issues of ballot counting and fraud in select states/counties. • The study came to a consistent conclusion for each claim: no statistical evidence was found to back up these claims of fraud.

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"Republican victory in California special election undercuts Trump's unfounded claims about mail-in voting"	CNN	Abby Phillip	May. 2020	National News Network coverage	Special election (House) with many fraud claims by Republicans re: mail-in/COVID, but the Republicans won.	No fraud	https://www.cnn.com/2020/05/14/politics/vote-by-mail-trump-california
"Campbell resigns from council after pleading guilty"	David Rupkalvis	Del Norte Triplicate	Mar. 2021	Local Newspaper	Alex Campbell's term on the Crescent City City Council came to a surprising end earlier this month when Campbell resigned after pleading guilty to one count of election fraud. Campbell, who was sworn into the council in January and named mayor pro tem at the same time, pleaded guilty to making a false declaration of candidacy. The plea came after Campbell was indicted on several counts alleging he ran for the city council while he lived outside the city limits.		https://www.triplicate.com/news/campbell-resigns-from-council-after-pleading-guilty/article_c091e6d0-8353-11eb-8a20-03d6d7bc15f2.html
"Former East Palo Alto City Council candidate loses election contest lawsuit"	Lloyd Lee	Palo Alto Online	Mar. 2021	Local Online News	A San Mateo County Superior Court judge on Wednesday ruled that East Palo Alto City Council member Antonio Lopez <u>did not violate election laws</u> during his campaign, further cementing his seat on the council after a narrow victory last fall.	Went to court; no crime/violation	https://www.paloaltoonline.com/news/2021/03/11/former-east-palo-alto-city-council-candidate-loses-election-contest-lawsuit/
"Merced County District Attorney, state investigating Livingston voter fraud allegations"	Abbie Lauten-Scrivner	The Merced Sun-Star	Aug. 2021	Local paper	The Merced County District Attorney's Office and California Secretary of State have launched an investigation into allegations of voter fraud in the City of Livingston. The investigation is the latest development in a city that's already been under public scrutiny after the arrest of two police officers this year. Plus, residents recently were outraged after a longtime city manger was abruptly dismissed. The voter fraud allegations were made public on Aug. 22 via a YouTube video by Livingston City Councilman Jose Moran. In the video, Moran accuses Livingston City Councilmember Gagandeep Kang and his brother, Livingston Police Sgt. Wapinder Kang, of encouraging him to run for city clerk during the November 2020 election -- with the promise of 1,200 votes in his favor already guaranteed. The alleged incident took place during a June 2020 conversation that Councilman Kang was also present for, Moran says.	Unable to find a clear, final outcome re: the alleged "1,200 votes...already guaranteed." The two individuals were cleared of the other contemporaneous charges.	https://www.mercedsunstar.com/news/local/article253711313.html
"Compton city councilman charged with fraud, bribery in election he won by 1 vote"	Rob Hayes	ABC 7 Los Angeles	Aug. 2021	Local News	"Compton City Councilman Isaac Galvan <u>and five other people</u> were charged Friday with conspiring to commit election fraud during a June runoff to ensure Galvan would retain his seat. Galvan won the election by one vote. Galvan, 34, was charged with conspiracy to commit election fraud and attempted bribery with intent to influence an election."	Others: "Jace Dawson, 34; Kimberly Chaouch, 48; Toni Morris, 34; Barry Reed, 61; and Reginald Streeter, 51"	https://abc7.com/post/compton-fraud-vote-councilman/10949866/
"California recall election: Larry Elder campaign pushes unfounded fraud claims"	AP	ABC 7	Sep. 2021	Local News	"As the California recall election nears the finish line, a website paid for by Larry Elder's campaign is pushing unsubstantiated claims of election fraud before results have even been released. Elder's campaign website has a link to a "Stop CA Fraud" page where people can report suspicious voting activity or sign a petition demanding a special legislative session to investigate an election that isn't even over. The "Stop CA Fraud" page appears to assume Gov. Gavin Newsom will stay in office as a result of fraud."	Recall election, no substantive fraud claims were identified in spite of claims	https://abc7.com/post/larry-elder-voter-fraud-california-recall-gavin-newsom/11019011/

"Acting sheriff in Northern California county charged with voter fraud"	AP	The Mercury News	Mar. 2022	Wire news in a local paper	"Randy Waltz was charged with perjury and filing false voter registration and nomination papers on Wednesday. Prosecutors in Del Norte County said he listed an address that was not his permanent residence when he submitted nomination papers and declared his candidacy for sheriff on Feb. 14."	Same Instance	https://www.mercurynews.com/2022/03/14/acting-sheriff-in-del-norte-county-charged-with-voter-fraud/
"California sheriff charged with voter fraud, perjury in vacation rental address dispute Sacramento Bee (California)"	Ryan Sabalow and Jason Pohl	Sacramento Bee	Mar. 2022	Newspaper	"Less than six months after he took the job, the sheriff of Del Norte County was charged Wednesday with felony voter fraud -- the latest scandal for the small North Coast department whose previous sheriff resigned amid a flurry of staff departures and internal dysfunction."	Same Instance	https://www.sacbee.com/news/local/article259279769.html
"Southern California Woman Sentenced For Voter Fraud"	Wade Wheeler	Sierra News Online	Aug. 2022	Local Online News	Elizabeth Gale, a resident of San Diego, pleaded guilty to committing voter fraud in the 2021 California Gubernatorial Recall Election. "Ms. Gale made the unfortunate mistake of believing that though her mother had recently passed, she could get away with voting her ballot, forging her signature, and claiming to have witnessed her mother signing the ballot," stated Rebecca Martinez, the Madera County Registrar of Voters.	"Fortunately for the people of Madera County, we have safeguards in place to detect these types of illegal activities, so Ms. Gale's poor decision was discovered, and she was prosecuted."	https://sierranewsonline.com/southern-california-woman-sentenced-for-voter-fraud/
"Why a Riverside County sheriff's voter fraud probe worries democracy watchdogs"	Jeff Horseman	Pasadena Star-News: Web Edition Articles	Nov. 2023	Newspaper	"Riverside County sheriff's investigators sought voter registration records and interviewed elections staff as part of a criminal probe into voter fraud, the county's former registrar of voters said. <u>While no charges have been filed</u> , such an investigation appears to be rare in Southern California as other sheriff's departments in the region said they don't investigate voter fraud allegations." <u>"They stated that the majority of the voters in the search warrant were circumstances of father/son or relatives in the same household with similar names and had not voted twice"</u> and that "they were forwarding a few specific cases to the District Attorney for investigation," Spencer recalled.	Katie Reisner, senior counsel at the elections watchdog States United Democracy Center, said that she's "not privy to the particulars of this situation, but I do think it's important to underscore a key principle: <u>a sheriff's job – the job of any law enforcement professional is to investigate credible allegations. Not just any allegations.</u> " <u>"For law enforcement to use its authority to carry out investigations, there has to be a factual predicate that gives them enough reason to do so,"</u> she said.	https://www.pasadenastarnews.com/2023/11/22/why-a-riverside-county-sheriffs-voter-fraud-probe-worries-democracy-watchdogs/
"Attorney General Bonta, Secretary of State Weber File Lawsuit Against Huntington Beach over Unlawful Municipal Voter ID Amendment"	Attorney General Bonta, press office	State of California Department of Justice	Apr. 2024	Press Release	<u>"Related"</u> but not an instance of fraud "California Attorney General Rob Bonta and California Secretary of State Shirley N. Weber, Ph.D. today filed a lawsuit against the city of Huntington Beach challenging its voter identification (voter ID) law, Measure A, which amended the city's charter to purportedly allow the city to impose voter ID requirements at the polls for all municipal elections starting in 2026. In the lawsuit, Attorney General Bonta and Secretary of State Weber allege that this voter ID law unlawfully conflicts with and is preempted by state law."	"This voter ID measure conflicts with state law," said California Secretary of State Shirley Weber, Ph.D. "Not only is it a solution in search of a problem, laws like these are harmful to California voters, especially low-income, the elderly, people of color, those with disabilities, and young voters." Today's lawsuit comes after Huntington Beach advanced the voter ID law despite a warning from the Attorney General and Secretary of State that the measure violates state election law. On September 28, 2023, Attorney General Bonta and Secretary of State Weber sent a letter urging the city to drop the proposal and expressing grave concerns that it would only serve to suppress voter participation without providing any discernible local benefit. The city nevertheless placed the proposal on the ballot, and it passed on March 5, 2024. The Orange County Registrar of Voters certified the election results on March 22, 2024.	https://oag.ca.gov/news/press-releases/attorney-general-bonta-secretary-state-weber-file-lawsuit-against-huntington
"Sentencing delayed for former Lodi city council member Shakir Khan in 2020 election fraud case"	Jonathan Ayestas, Daniel Macht	KCRA 3	Apr. 2024	Local News	"Khan was arrested after stashing 41 ballots at his home for the 2020 election. Investigators also found that he had registered 23 people at his home and that his email and phone number had been used to register 47 others."		https://www.kcra.com/article/former-odi-city-council-member-shakir-khan-plea-deal-in-election-fraud-case-no-contest/46287753

"Sonoma County man, 77, sentenced for voter fraud 'experiment': DA"	Hamza Fahmy	KRON 4	Jun. 2024	Local News	"The DA's Office investigated the case after receiving a referral from the Sonoma County Registrar of Voters' Office. Another local resident notified the office after noticing Eschenbach posting comments on X, formerly known as Twitter, about voting twice in two separate elections in 2022."	"Unbeknownst to Eschenbach, the Election Management System (EMS) automatically voided his extra vote-by-mail ballot when officials noticed he submitted more than one vote, the DA's office said."	https://www.kron4.com/news/bay-area/sonoma-county-man-77-sentenced-for-voter-fraud-experiment-da/
"Conservative legal group lawsuit says California voter rolls are ripe for fraud"	Hanna Kang	Orange County Register	Dec. 2024	Newspaper	"A lawsuit filed by a conservative legal group against California voting officials takes aim at the state's "make-it-easy" approach to voting. In May, Judicial Watch, on behalf of the Libertarian Party of California, sued California Secretary of State Shirley Weber and the state itself and listed 27 registrars, including Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties claiming that officials violated federal law between 2020 and 2022 by not adequately purging voting rolls of so-called irregular voters. Specifically, Judicial Watch argues that officials haven't lived up to rules established by the National Voter Registration Act of 1993, the "motor voter" law aimed at making voter registration easier and voter rolls more accurate and up-to-date."	"Though the lawsuit doesn't cite any evidence showing significant numbers of votes being illegally cast or counted and no evidence exists to support widespread voter fraud Judicial Watch argues that officials upped the odds for voter fraud by not expunging the names of irregular voters in the manner required under federal law."	https://www.ocregister.com/2024/12/03/conservative-legal-group-lawsuit-says-california-voter-rolls-are-ripe-for-fraud/
Former Candidate for County Supervisor Sentenced to Jail for Filing a False Declaration of Candidacy	SLO County District Attorney	SLO County District Attorney	Apr. 2025	Press Release	On September 11, 2024, the San Luis Obispo County District Attorney's Office filed charges against Morrow for voter registration fraud, filing a false declaration of candidacy, fraudulent voting, and perjury by declaration. These crimes were committed during the March 5, 2024, primary election cycle.	On November 18, 2024, Morrow pleaded no contest to filing false nomination papers and fraudulent voting, both felonies, with an agreement that she would initially be sentenced to no more than 180 days in jail. The court found Morrow guilty of the two felonies based on her plea of no contest.	https://www.sanluisobispo.com/news/local/crime/article303671516.html
"Would-be California mayoral candidate, another man charged with voter fraud"	NBC	Phil Helsel	Nov. 2020	National News Network coverage	"Two men, including one who tried to run for mayor of a Southern California city, were charged with voter fraud Tuesday in a scheme in which they allegedly submitted thousands of false voter registration applications. No ballots were returned or tallied, the Los Angeles County elections office said. The alleged fraud was uncovered by that office in early October and sent to prosecutors."	The plan centered on an attempt by Carlos Antonio De Bourbon Montenegro, 53, to run for the mayor of Hawthorne, according to a criminal complaint. Also charged, Marcos Raul Arevalo.	https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/would-be-california-mayoral-candidate-another-man-charged-voter-fraud-n1248194
"Thief grabs mail, ballots from North County neighborhood"	Jacqueline Sarkissian	Fox 5 San Diego	Oct. 2020	Local TV Report	"A mail thief moving through a North County neighborhood snatched up ballots along with the other contents of mailboxes lining the street, leaving residents concerned ahead of Election Day. David Sprouse's surveillance cameras captured the man stealing his mail, and several of his neighbors' as well, in the Summer Creek area of Escondido just before midnight Tuesday."	"No arrests have been made as of Thursday evening." No additional reporting or follow-up was found about this claim.	https://fox5sandiego.com/news/politics/presidential-election-2020/thief-grabs-mail-ballots-from-north-county-neighborhood/
"California GOP defends illegal ballot boxes, plans to expand program"	Josh Haskell	ABC 7 Los Angeles	Oct. 2020	Local TV Report	"After California Secretary of State Alex Padilla sent a cease and desist letter to the California Republican Party regarding their illegal ballot drop boxes, the state GOP isn't backing down and says they plan to expand the program." "On one hand they're arguing that mail-in ballots, that we have to be concerned about that process when on the other hand, they're literally putting out fraudulent ballot boxes and telling voters to bring their ballots and drop them off there. Here's the big concern. This is what the ballot looks like when it goes back in," Rouda said holding a ballot. "On the backside of this is the name of the person who is delivering that ballot, who the voter is. It's very easy for them to be able to see whether it is a Democrat or Republican." Democrats say the unofficial ballot drop boxes is voter suppression because voters are now confused about which drop boxes are legitimate and which are not."	Same Instance. No charges.	https://abc7.com/post/ballot-boxes-fake-california-unofficial/7007826/

"California Eases Off Legal Threats
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The party cited "ballot harvesting," a practice also known as "ballot collection," which enables voters to designate an individual to collect and return their ballot for them.

"The Republican Party's deployment of these unofficial and deceptive ballot drop boxes were in violation of state law, and they created voter confusion," Padilla said.

"When a voter drops off a ballot in an unauthorized, non-official vote-by-mail drop box, no designated 'person' would be signing, as required by state law," the memo added.

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<https://www.npr.org/2020/10/16/923969669/california-eases-off-legal-threats-over-gop-unauthorized-ballot-drop-boxes>

Case Name/Citation	Court	Case Number	Year	Defendant	Charge	File Date	Summary	Outcome	Additional Notes	URL
Melara v. Mayorkas 663 F. Supp. 3d 1158 (2021)	United States District Court for the Central District of California, Eastern Division	Case No. EDCV 17-2275 JGB (SPx)	2021	Antonio Fernando Melara, Petitioner	Possibly violating CA Election Code sec. 18560 (could not view original complaint, so I'm not sure if this person was formally charged with this violation, it was mentioned as a "Conclusion of Law" no. 15 in text of case (see attachment).	Date of court decision, October 28, 2021.	This is an immigration/naturalization case, so this one was filed in federal district court in CA (ED of CA). Petitioner had conflicting information as to where he was born--thought he was a U.S. citizen because grandmother told him he was born in Puerto Rico, but he was born in El Salvador. Text from case: "Petitioner registered to vote in U.S. elections in 1983 and 1994 and on April 13, 1999. When Petitioner registered to vote in U.S. elections in 1983, 1994 and 1999, he listed his place of birth as Ponce, Puerto Rico. Petitioner voted in U.S. elections because he believed he was a U.S. citizen." Judge determined he could be naturalized and did not violate CA Election Code sec. 18560.	Judge determined he could be naturalized; no comment on potential voter fraud issue.		See attachment for text of case. Unable to obtain original complaint from CourtLink, received message: "Permission to view this document is denied based on Nature of Suit or order sealing the document."
	Del Norte Co. Superior Court	Unknown since we don't have any case filings for documentation	2022	Randall Waltz	Filing false voter registration (exact statutory charges unknown since we don't have any case filings for documentation)	Date charges filed: March 16, 2022 (per news article #1 in Column J)	Text from news article #2 in Column J: "Former Del Norte County Sheriff Randy Waltz pleaded no contest to a misdemeanor charge of false declaration of a candidacy, bringing an end to the saga that cost Waltz his job as sheriff. By agreeing to plead to the single misdemeanor, the district attorney's office dropped several felony charges, all related to allegations Waltz filed to run for sheriff from an address he was not residing at. In the no contest plea, Waltz did not admit guilt, but he accepted the fact there was evidence supporting the charge. Waltz was fined \$1,000 but will serve no time in jail and was not placed on probation."	Fine of \$1,000 for false declaration of candidacy; false voter registration charge dropped.	Found case via Lexis-News/Legal News search; Del Norte Co. Superior Court criminal case filings not available on Courtlink. 1) Charges filed: https://www.pressdemocrat.com/article/news/del-norte-county-sheriff-charged-with-voter-fraud-resigns/ 2) Charges dropped: https://www.triplicate.com/news/waltz-pleads-no-contest-to-single-charge/article_60ad67f6-d6f1-11ec-ae53-0395eb5bb298.html	
Lincoln v. Lopez 77 Cal. App. 5th 922	Court of Appeal of California, First Appellate District, Division Two	A162529	2022	Antonio Lopez	Contested election results. Text from case: "The contest was based on section 16100, subdivision (c) of the Elections Code, and alleged that Lopez violated two sections of the code: (1) section 18370, "electioneering within 100 feet of a polling place"; and (2) section 18522, "by offering valuable consideration to voters voting for Lopez." The statement of contest did not mention section 18502, a claim that was added at the hearing."	File date of decision: April 25, 2022	Appeal of San Mateo Co. Superior Court case. Text from news article in column J: "East Palo Alto City Council election (2020): Lopez beat candidate Webster Lincoln for the third and final seat on the City Council. Following the certified election results in December, Lincoln contested the results and filed suit against Lopez with the San Mateo County Superior Court, accusing him of electioneering, defined in state law as a visible display or audible dissemination of information that advocates for or against a candidate within 100 feet of a vote center. Lincoln claimed that Lopez gave away free tacos as an incentive for votes ... Superior Court Judge Danny Chou ruled in favor of Lopez Wednesday as the court found that Lopez did not violate election laws."	Superior Court judgment affirmed.	https://patch.com/california/paloalto/east-palo-alto-councilmember-wins-court-case-contesting-election	https://www.casemine.com/judgement/us/6268fd1db50db922817bd731
	San Luis Obispo County Superior Court	Possible case number: 24F-06120 (noted as "Court Number" in news article, Column J).	2025	Michelle Morrow	Fraudulently attempting to vote - CA Election Code sec. 18560 (see Probation Pre-sentencing report in news article, Column J).	Date of filed charges: 1/6/25	Text from news article in column J: "Until recently, the details of Michelle Morrow's case have been kept largely in the shadows, with the majority of her court proceedings held behind closed doors in chambers conferences inside the judge's private quarters and public statements like her sentencing statement requested to be made under seal ... Morrow, 55, was sentenced to 90 days in jail on Monday for filing a false declaration of candidacy and fraudulently attempting to vote — both felonies — during her run for the District 3 Board of Supervisors seat in the March 2024 primary. It was half of what the Probation Department recommended for her to serve."	Sentenced to 90 days in jail.	Found case via Lexis-News/Legal News search; San Luis Obispo Co. Superior Court criminal case filings not available on Courtlink. https://www.sanluisobispo.com/news/local/crime/article303749831.html	
People vs. Eschenbach, William	Sonoma County	24CR03093	2024	William Eschenbach	Duplicate Voting, Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots		William Eschenbach was charged by the state with two felony counts of voting more than once after voting twice in the June 2022 primary and twice in the November 2022 election. He voted by absentee ballot and again in person on election day but claimed in social media posts that he did it to show how insecure absentee voting is.	He pleaded guilty to one of the charges and was sentenced to 6 months of probation and ordered to complete 40 hours of community service and pay \$500 in restitution.	https://www.thecommunityvoice.com/community/occidental-man-convicted-on-charge-of-election-voter-fraud/article_70ba11d2-2e68-11ef-8330-e702dc21021d.html	https://www.pressdemocrat.com/article/news/sonoma-county-courts-crime-politics-voting/

People of the State of California v. Shakir Khan	San Joaquin County Superior Court	STK-CR-FE-2023-0002047	2023	Shakir Kahn	Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots	2/21/2023	Shakir Khan, a Lodi City Councilman, was charged by the state with 14 felony counts for voter registration fraud in connection with the 2020 Lodi City Council Election in which he defeated three opponents including the incumbent by 282 votes. Khan was charged with causing false voter registration, one count of false registration of fictitious person/person not requesting registration, 7 counts of subscription of fictitious name to nomination petition, 2 counts of false nomination/declaration of candidacy, one count of procuring/assisting/counseling/advising another not qualified to vote, and one count of aiding and abetting commission of fraudulent voting. An investigation by the San Joaquin Sheriff's office discovered 41 sealed and completed mail-in ballots when searching his home, and a citizen looking into the voter rolls discovered 71 names registered to Khan's address, phone number, or email. Khan took advantage of members of the Pakistani community with his election fraud misconduct. Khan, who resigned from his position, was also charged with illegal gambling, tax evasion, unemployment fraud and other charges, for a total of 77 criminal charges against him (71 felonies and 6 misdemeanors).	Khan pleaded no contest to all 77 charges including the 14 felony election fraud charges and is awaiting sentencing.	https://www.sjgov.org/docs/default-source/district-attorney-documents/information.pdf?sfvrsn=b5e81b89_1	https://www.recordnet.com/story/news/politics/government/2022/05/02/20/ex-lodi-councilman-shakir-khan-forfeits-assets-to-san-joaquin-county-illegal-gambling-case/79124964007/
	Los Angeles County Superior Court	BA497713	2022	Barry Reed	Ineligible Voting [non-resident voter]	8/13/2021	Also involved was Reginald Streeter, Toni Sanae, Barry Reed, and Kimberly Chaouch, charged with conspiracy to commit election fraud. Streeter, Morris, Reed, and Chaouch do not live in the Council's second district, but they cast votes in favor of Galvan.	Barry Reed pleaded no contest to one felony count of registering to vote at the address of former councilmember Jace Dawson despite not living there for the June 2020 Compton City Council run-off election. He will be sentenced in May.	https://www.loscerritosnews.net/2021/08/13/compton-councilman-galvan-charged-with-election-rigging-and-bribery/	https://www.cbsnews.com/losangeles/news/compton-city-councilman-isaac-galvan-5-others-charged-election-fraud/
People of the State of California v. Carlos Antonio de Montenegro	Los Angeles Superior Court	LAC BA491333-02	2022	Carlos Antonio De Bourbon Montenegro (AKA Mark Anthony Gonsalves)	False registration	11/12/2020	Carlos Antonio De Montenegro (also known as Mark Anthony Gonsalves) was caught in an elaborate scheme to rig the mayoral election in Hawthorne, California. He was accused in a 41-count indictment of submitting (along with others) over 8,000 fraudulent voter registration applications on behalf of homeless people prior to the 2020 election, as well as falsifying names, addresses and signatures on nomination papers for him to run for mayor. Prosecutors allege that the entire operation was funded by the criminal gang MS-13 so that they could Montenegro in an elected position in order to help the gang.	De Montenegro pleaded Nolo Contendere to three counts of false registration, registering non-existent voters, and perjury. He was sentenced to 60 days in jail, two years of probation, and 30 days community labor.	https://the2020election.org/wp-content/uploads/VoterFraud/California/CA-Arevalo-Complaint-BA491333.pdf	https://the2020election.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/CA-deMontenegro-court-records.pdf
People vs. Elizabeth Ann Gale	Madera County Superior Court	MCR073194	2022	Elizabeth Gale	Fraudulent Use of Absentee Ballots, Impersonation Fraud at the Polls		Elizabeth Gale of San Diego was charged by the state with four felony counts of fraudulently casting a vote, impersonating a voter, attempting to vote as a fictitious person, and personate with a written instrument after casting an absentee ballot on behalf of her deceased mother during the 2021 California gubernatorial Recall Election. After absentee ballots were sent to all registered Madera County voters, Gale filled out the ballot, forged her mother's signature, and falsely swore as a witness to her mother signing the ballot.	Gale pleaded nolo contendere to one felony count of fraudulently casting a vote. She was sentenced to two years' probation.	https://www.facebook.com/MaderaElections/posts/427564586069933/	https://sierranewsonline.com/southern-california-woman-sentenced-for-voter-fraud/
	Los Angeles County Superior Court	BA497713	2022	June 2021 Compton City Council Race	Election Overturned		The results of the June 2021 Compton City Council run-off election were overturned by Judge Michelle Williams Court after it was determined that four votes cast in the election were submitted by registered voters who did not live in the district the council seat represented. A run-off election between incumbent Isaac Galvan and Andre Spicer was decided by one vote and Galvan was declared the winner. Five people including Galvan have been arrested and charged with conspiracy to commit election fraud.	The Superior Court Judge threw out four votes that were found to be cast by voters who did not live in the proper jurisdiction, and Spicer was declared the official winner of the election. All of the individuals charged have already pleaded guilty or no contest to the charges.	https://www.avdailynews.com/singapore-post/compton-city-councilmember-five-others-charged-with-conspiracy-to-commit-election-fraud	https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2022-05-30/compton-city-council-election-overturned

Los Angeles County Superior Court	BA497713	2022	Kimberly Chaouch	Ineligible Voting [non-resident voter]	8/13/2021	She was charged with illegally voting for Compton City Councilmember Isaac Galvan, who won that election by one vote.	Kimberly Chaouch pleaded no contest to one felony count of registering to vote at the address of former councilmember Jace Dawson despite not living there for the June 2020 Compton City Council run-off election. She will be sentenced in May.	https://www.avdailynews.com/single-post/compton-city-councilmember-five-others-charged-with-conspiracy-to-commit-election-fraud	https://www.smbosser.com/story/2021/08/21/news-a-compton-city-councilmember-and-five-others-were-charged-with-conspiracy-to-commit-election-fraud/5918.html
Los Angeles County Superior Court	BA497713	2022	Toni Morris	Ineligible Voting [non-resident voter]	8/13/2021	Toni Morris was charged with illegally voting for Compton City Councilmember Isaac Galvan, who won that election by one vote.	Toni Morris pleaded no contest to one felony count of registering to vote at the address of former councilmember Jace Dawson despite not living there for the June 2020 Compton City Council run-off election. She will be sentenced in May.	https://www.avdailynews.com/single-post/compton-city-councilmember-five-others-charged-with-conspiracy-to-commit-election-fraud	https://www.smbosser.com/story/2021/08/21/news-a-compton-city-councilmember-and-five-others-were-charged-with-conspiracy-to-commit-election-fraud/5918.html
Del Norte County Superior Court	DNJC-CRF-2021-90	2021	Alex Campbell	False Registration		Alex Campbell, Republican city councilman and mayor pro tem of Crescent City, California, falsely claimed his residence was within city limits when submitting his candidacy for councilman. Campbell was charged with two felony counts of perjury and one count of false declaration of his candidacy and pleaded guilty to one count of making a false declaration of candidacy.	Alex Campbell pleaded guilty on 3/2/2021 to one felony count of election fraud by making a false declaration of candidacy in a local council election; two felony charges of perjury were dropped.[2] Campbell was sentenced to two days in jail, two years of probation, and a \$1,600 fine plus restitution costs	https://the2020election.org/voter-fraud-convictions-since-2016/california/	https://www.triplicate.com/news/campbell-resigns-from-council-after-pleading-guilty/article_c091e6d0-8353-11eb-8a20-03d6d7bc15f2.html
Los Angeles County	LACBA488819-01	2021	Caesar Peter Abutin	Impersonation Fraud At The Polls,Fraudient Use of Absentee Ballots	Jul-20	Caesar Abutin, of Norwalk, voted under the name of his deceased mother three times between 2012 and 2014. He was charged with one count of impersonating another voter, one count of fraudulently requesting an absentee ballot, and one count of fraudulent voting, all felony charges.	He entered a diversion program with supervised probation for 12 months and ordered to perform 40 hours of community service. If he successfully completes the program, the charges against him will be dismissed.	https://meaww.com/la-california-fraudster-voted-three-times-as-dead-mother-who-passed-away-six-years-ago-arrested	https://justthenews.com/politics-policy/elections/california-man-charged-mail-ballot-fraud-after-voting-his-dead-mother
People of the State of California v. Neil G Kitchens	Monterey County Superior Court 19CR006456	2021	Neil Kitchens	False Registration		Neil Kitchens, a former Republican state assembly candidate, was charged with claiming a false residency for candidacy in the 2018 general election. Kitchens claimed residency in the 30th district, when he actually lived in the neighboring 29th district.	Kitchens pleaded no contest to one felony charge of filing a false declaration of candidacy and was sentenced to two years of probation.	https://cslea.com/2020/11/former-candidate-for-state-assembly-pleads-guilty-to-felony-election-fraud/	https://sanbenito.com/former-gop-candidate-for-30th-district-convicted-of-election-fraud/
State of California v. Marcos Raul Arevalo	Los Angeles County Superior Court LACBA491333-02	2021	Marcos Raul Arevalo	False Registration	11/12/2020	Marcus Raul Arevalo was charged by the state of California in Los Angeles County on 17 counts related to election fraud: of the 13 felony counts, five were for registering fictitious persons, four were for registering non-existent persons, and four were for procuring and offering false or forged instrument. The remaining four counts were misdemeanors for interference with prompt transfer of completed voter registration affidavits. Arevalo was involved in a scheme to get Carlos Antonio De Bourbon elected mayor of the city of Hawthorne. He was attempting to register 8,000 fictitious, nonexistent, or deceased voters to receive mail-in ballots.	Arevalo pleaded no contest to four of the felony charges, three for registering fictitious persons and one for procuring and offering false or forged instruments in exchange for dismissal of the remaining 13 charges. He was sentenced to serve two years in prison for each count.	https://the2020election.org/wp-content/uploads/VoterFraud/California/CA-Arevalo-Court-Records-BA491333.pdf	https://the2020election.org/voter-fraud-convictions-since-2016/california/

People of the State of California v. April Atilano	Madera County Superior Court	MCR064722	2020	April Atilano	False Registrations	April Atilano falsified a number of voter registration cards by changing party affiliation and forging signatures. The forms were submitted to the Madera County Registrar of Voters in July 2019.	April Atilano, of Monterey County, pled guilty to 6 counts of felony voter fraud for falsifying voter registration forms. Atilano was sentenced to one year in prison and three years probation.	https://gvwire.com/2020/04/17/election-fraud-sends-madera-county-woman-to-jail-for-a-year/	https://www.maderacounty.com/home/showdocument?id=19636
People of the State of California vs. Bradley William Jaspersen	San Mateo County Superior Court	8-NF-002566-A	2020	Bradley Jaspersen	Ballot Petition Fraud	Bradley Jaspersen, of Pacifica, forged signatures for a referendum initiative and was paid a \$5 fee per signature. He was reported to have forged over 100 signatures, most of which were actual county residents. Peterson was charged with 10 counts of perjury by declaration, 5 counts of identity theft, and 5 counts of signing of fictitious or forged name to petition.	He pleaded guilty to 2 counts of perjury by declaration, a felony, and was sentenced to 2 years in county jail.	https://the2020election.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/CA-Jaspersen-Bradley-Court-Case-Details.pdf	https://www.smdailyjournal.com/news/local/utah-couple-gets-two-years-in-election-forgery-case/article_c1be1b4c-3731-11ea-bf00-8f98b3554c8a.html
People of the State of California v. Defendant 3 Christopher Williams	Los Angeles County Superior Court	BA475943	2020	Christopher Williams	False Registration, Ballot Petition Fraud	Christopher Williams was involved in a scheme that offered cigarettes and money to homeless people on Skid Row in exchange for fake signatures on ballot initiatives and voter registration forms. This resulted in hundreds of fraudulent signatures.	He pleaded no contest to one felony count of circulating an initiative or petition containing false, forged or fictitious names. Williams was sentenced to 3 years' probation.	https://www.cbsnews.com/losangeles/news/voter-fraud-homeless-skid-row-la-county/	https://www.houmatoday.com/story/news/2001/08/03/williams-gets-two-years-in-prison-for-voter-scam/26794538007/
People of the State of California vs. Jentry Jaspersen	San Mateo County Superior Court	8-NF-002566-B	2020	Jentry Jaspersen	Ballot Petition Fraud	Jentry Jaspersen, of Pacifica, forged signatures for a referendum initiative and paid a \$5 fee per signature. She was reported to have forged over 100 signatures, most of which were actual county residents. Peterson was charged with 10 counts of perjury by declaration, 5 counts of identity theft, and 5 counts of signing fictitious or forged names to a petition.	She pleaded guilty to 2 counts of perjury by declaration, a felony, and was sentenced to 2 years in county jail.	https://the2020election.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/CA-Jaspersen-Jentry-Court-Case-Details.pdf	https://www.smdailyjournal.com/news/local/utah-couple-gets-two-years-in-election-forgery-case/article_c1be1b4c-3731-11ea-bf00-8f98b3554c8a.html
People of the State of California v. Defendant 6. Louis Thomas Wise	Los Angeles County Superior Court	BA475943	2020	Louis Wise	False Registration, Ballot Petition Fraud	Louis Wise was involved in a scheme that offered cigarettes and money to homeless people on Skid Row in exchange for fake signatures on ballot initiatives and voter registration forms. This resulted in hundreds of fraudulent signatures.	He pleaded no contest to one felony count of subscribing a fictitious name, or the name of another to an initiative petition and registration of a fictitious person. He was sentenced to a suspended sentence of 16 months in state prison and three years of formal probation.	https://www.cbsnews.com/losangeles/news/voter-fraud-homeless-skid-row-la-county/	https://abc7.com/post/4-sentenced-in-skid-row-voter-fraud-scheme/6349199/
People of the State of California v. Defendant 9. Nickey Huntley	Los Angeles County Superior Court	BA475943	2020	Nickey Huntley	False Registration, Ballot Petition Fraud	Nickey Huntley was involved in a scheme that offered cigarettes and money to homeless people on Skid Row in exchange for fake signatures on ballot initiatives and voter registration forms. This resulted in hundreds of fraudulent signatures.	He pleaded no contest to one felony count of circulating an initiative or petition containing false, forged or fictitious names. Huntley was sentenced to 3 years' probation.	https://www.cbsnews.com/losangeles/news/voter-fraud-homeless-skid-row-la-county/	https://abc7.com/post/4-sentenced-in-skid-row-voter-fraud-scheme/6349199/
People of the State of California v. Defendant 8. Norman Hall	Los Angeles County Superior Court	BA475943	2020	Norman Hall	Ballot Petition Fraud	Norman Hall, of Los Angeles, participated in scheme to give homeless people on Skid Row cash and cigarettes in exchange for fraudulently signing ballot petition initiatives and filling out voter registration forms. These crimes took place during both the 2016 and 2018 election cycles. Hall was charged with circulating a petition with false names.	He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 1 year in county jail, 3 years of probation, and was ordered to complete 100 hours of community service.	https://www.cbsnews.com/losangeles/news/voter-fraud-homeless-skid-row-la-county/	https://abc7.com/post/4-sentenced-in-skid-row-voter-fraud-scheme/6349199/
People of the State of California v. Defendant 1. Richard Howard AKA Richard Thomas Howard	Los Angeles County Superior Court	BA475943	2020	Richard Howard	Buying Votes, Ballot Petition Fraud	Richard Howard was involved in a scheme that offered cigarettes and money to homeless people on Skid Row in exchange for fake signatures on ballot initiatives and voter registration forms. This resulted in hundreds of fraudulent signatures.	He pleaded no contest to one felony count of subscribing a fictitious name, or the name of another to an initiative petition and registration of a fictitious person. He was sentenced to a suspended sentence of three years and three years of probation.	https://www.cbsnews.com/losangeles/news/voter-fraud-homeless-skid-row-la-county/	https://abc7.com/post/4-sentenced-in-skid-row-voter-fraud-scheme/6349199/

People of the State of California v. Defendant 2. Rose Makeda Sweeney	Los Angeles County Superior Court	BA475943	2020	Rose Makeda Sweeney	Buying Votes, Ballot Petition Fraud, False Registration	6/25/2019	Rose Makeda Sweeney was charged by the state of California in Los Angeles with two felony counts of subscribing a fictitious name, or the name of another, to an initiative/petition; two felony counts of circulating an initiative/petition containing false, forged, or fictitious names; and two misdemeanor counts of payment for signatures. Sweeney was part of a scheme in Los Angeles' Skid Row neighborhood to get homeless people to fraudulently sign ballot initiative petitions and voter registration forms in exchange for cash and cigarettes.	She pleaded guilty to the two felony counts of circulating an initiative/petition containing false, forged, or fictitious names. In exchange, the other charges were dropped. Sweeney was sentenced to serve three years of probation and assessed a fine of \$140.	https://the2020election.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Voter-Fraud-CA.pdf	https://the2020election.org/voter-fraud-convictions-since-2016/california/
People of the State of California v. Defendant 4. Kirkland Kauzava Washington	Los Angeles County Superior Court	BA475943	2020	Kirkland Kauzava Washington	Buying Votes, Ballot Petition Fraud, False Registration	6/25/2019	Kirkland Kauzava Washington was charged by the state of California in Los Angeles with three felony counts of subscribing a fictitious name, or the name of another, to an initiative/petition; three felony counts of circulating an initiative/petition containing false, forged, or fictitious names; and three misdemeanor counts of payment for signatures. He was part of a scheme in Los Angeles' Skid Row neighborhood to get homeless people to fraudulently sign ballot initiative petitions and voter registration forms in exchange for cash and cigarettes.	Washington pleaded no contest to one felony count of subscribing a fictitious name, or the name of another, to an initiative/petition, and two felony counts of circulating an initiative/petition containing false, forged, or fictitious names. In exchange, the other charges were dropped. He was sentenced to three years of probation with one year in county jail per count to be served concurrently, and assessed a fine of \$510.	https://the2020election.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Voter-Fraud-CA.pdf	https://the2020election.org/voter-fraud-convictions-since-2016/california/
People of the State of California v. Defendant Harold Bennet	Los Angeles County Superior Court	BA475943	2020	Harold Bennet	Buying Votes, Ballot Petition Fraud, False Registration	6/25/2019	Harold Bennet was charged by the state of California in Los Angeles with two felony counts of subscribing a fictitious name, or the name of another, to an initiative/petition; two felony counts of circulating an initiative/petition containing false, forged, or fictitious names; one felony count of registration of a fictitious person; and two misdemeanor counts of payment for signatures. He was part of a scheme in Los Angeles' Skid Row neighborhood to get homeless people to fraudulently sign ballot initiative petitions and voter registration forms in exchange for cash and cigarettes.	Bennet pleaded guilty to one felony count of circulating an initiative/petition containing false, forged, or fictitious names, and one felony count of registration of a fictitious person. In exchange, the other charges were dropped. Bennet was sentenced to 16 months in prison which was suspended, and he was placed on probation for three years and assessed a fine of \$140.	https://the2020election.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Voter-Fraud-CA.pdf	https://the2020election.org/voter-fraud-convictions-since-2016/california/?highlight=bennet