## **Affidavit of Barbara Fiscus**

State of Alaska	)
	) ss.
City and Borough of Juneau	)

Barbara Fiscus, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and states as follows under penalty of perjury:

- 1. I am over the age of eighteen years, of sound mind, and competent to testify to the following facts based on personal knowledge.
- 2. Following are observations I made on each of the days listed below while serving in the capacity of an observer representing the Joe Miller campaign during the official count of write-in ballots for the Alaska Senate Race in Juneau, Alaska.
- 3. I personally observed the following events on November 10, 2010:
  - a. Shortly after arriving at my first table for observation, I realized that the form I had been given by our team for tallying the categorized ballots did not correlate with the system being employed. Based on information they had been given, supervisors for our team informed us that there would be four separate boxes labeled with the letters A-D. In reality, there were five boxes on each table labeled with the numbers 1-5, which did not coordinate with the forms we had been given based on the information provided to us. Either our team was given misinformation or the procedure was changed last-minute. Either way, it created unnecessary confusion.
  - b. Ballots on this first day were presented to observers upside-down. In order to read the write-in's, it was necessary to crank one's neck around uncomfortably. It was a burden, in particular, to the Miller team as we were the ones likely to challenge the votes.
  - c. After completing a given precinct, Ms. Fenumiai came to the table to review and decide on challenged write-in votes. This first day, she would pronounce her decision and confirm with me, as the observer, whether I wanted to hold the challenge or waive it. As the days passed, this procedure changed so that on November 15 and 16 (and possibly sooner), Ms. Fenumiai instead consulted a representative supervisor from our team for his/her confirmation or waiver of challenges.
  - d. At Table 2, Division of Elections worker, Carol Whelan, made occasional remarks as I challenged various ballots. She questioned my reasoning for challenging a ballot (things like: "What's wrong with that one?" or "You're kidding") and said "Too bad," when a more obvious misspelling of Lisa Murkowski was put into the challenge box. I thought this offensive and unprofessional as it revealed her obvious bias toward Lisa Murkowski.
- 4. I personally observed the following observations on November 12, 2010:
  - a. At Table 8, the following last names were challenged but counted by Ms. Fenumiai for Lisa Murkowski: Moroski, Morkowsko, Murkouski, and Murkauski. A write-in for Liza Murkowski was also counted.

- b. A write-in for Lisa McClusky was challenged and not counted. These write-ins would have come from either Precinct 32-995 (Whittier), 37-702 (Aleknagik), or 37-708 (Chignik).
- c. In Precinct 37-702 (Aleknagik), the list used to reconcile numbers by area said there were 31 votes. Our table counted 30. I'm not certain that a resolution was found.
- d. In Precinct 37-708 (Chignik), one ballot had the oval filled in and crossed out next to Joe Miller with the word "No" written next to it, and the write-in oval also filled in with the name Lisa Murkowski written below the line. This ballot was challenged but counted by Ms. Fenumiai. I was concerned that this ballot could have been tampered with after an original vote for Joe Miller was cast.
- 5. I personally observed the following observations on November 13, 2010:
  - a. At Table 2, in Precinct 06-613 (Mentasta), a vote for "Lisa M." and a vote with no oval filled in were challenged and not counted for Lisa Murkowski by Ms. Fenumiai.
  - b. In Precinct 06-615, four votes with no ovals filled in were challenged and not counted by Ms. Fenumiai, as well as a vote that was scribbled out with the word "VOID" written.
  - c. In Precinct 06-613 (Mentasta), a write-in vote for Lisa Murkouski was challenged but counted by Ms. Fenumiai.
  - d. In Precinct 06-615 (Minto), write-in votes with the following last names were counted by Ms. Fenumiai for Lisa Murkowski: Merowski, Murkoski, Muskowski, Muskoski.
  - e. In Precinct 06-627 (Northway), Ms. Fenumiai counted for Lisa Murkowski the following challenges: Lisa Murkski, the word "write-in" was circled, the word "Republican" was written after the name Lisa Murkowski was written in, an exclamation point was written after the name Lisa Murkowski was written in.
- 6. I personally observed the following observations on November 15, 2010:
  - a. At Table 13, in District 33 (J count), the list used to reconcile numbers counted showed that the total should have come to 581. Instead, the count at the table only brought the number up to 579. No satisfactory resolution was found to my knowledge.
  - b. Division of Elections employee, Kristi DiCostanzo, in marking a vote for the write-in candidate Anthony "Tony" Rice, sarcastically commented, "I hope they spelled his name right". She made the same basic comment again on November 16 while taking the tally at Table 14.
  - c. Note that any votes at Table 13 on this date with no oval filled in were not counted. This seemed to be procedure and understood by the women taking tally counts.
- 7. I personally observed the following observations on November 16, 2010:
  - a. At Table 14 In District 20 (full count), a write-in vote for Lisa Murkewski was challenged but counted by Ms. Fenumiai.
  - b. In District 20 (J count), a write-in vote for Lisa Morkowski was challenged but counted by Ms. Fenumiai.
  - c. In District 28 (full count), a ballot on which the ovals were filled in with a pencil but the write-in name was written in blue ink was challenged but counted for Lisa Murkowski by Ms. Fenumiai.

- d. In District 28 (J count), a ballot on which the ovals were filled in with black ink but the write-in was written in blue ink was challenged but counted for Lisa Murkowski by Ms. Fenumiai.
- e. During the count of District 28 (N count), Division of Elections worker, Hali Denton went through the count while her partner worker, Deborah Johnson, was absent from the table.

Further affiant sayeth naught.

Dated this 17th day of November, 2010 in Juneau, Alaska.

Barbara Fiscus

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for the State of Alaska this 17 46 day of November, 2010.

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**NOTARY PUBLIC** 

My commission expires:  $\boxed{3444}$ , 20/3