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**Kane County State's Attorney's Office
Responds to Nine Election Day Complaints**

ST. CHARLES, IL – Kane County State's Attorney Jamie L. Mosser announced that her office fielded and responded to nine complaints submitted through the office's Election Day Hotline during Tuesday's General Primary Election. Three calls were related to electioneering, two calls were related to campaign signs, two calls involved voters who received ballots for the incorrect political party, and two calls concerned polling place facilities.

All nine complaints were resolved successfully by the SAO's assistant state's attorneys (ASAs), who worked with voters and election judges to ensure that Illinois law was being followed. In addition, ASAs visited each polling place in the county to ensure compliance with the Illinois Election Code and to advise election judges of their availability to provide legal assistance.

"Once again, I commend our office's assistant state's attorneys for their diligent efforts to field and respond to all complaints received on the election day hotline," said State's Attorney Mosser. "I would also like to thank the Kane County Clerk's Office, the Kane County Sheriff's Office and local law enforcement agencies for being proactive on election day and offering valuable support across the county. My office remains committed to addressing any additional concerns brought to our attention."

Details About the Complaints

The Kane County State's Attorney's Office received three complaints regarding electioneering. One caller reported a voter wearing an article of clothing expressing political speech within the polling place. ASAs spoke with officials about the rules regarding electioneering. Two callers reported that an individual was electioneering just outside the campaign-free zone and that they felt intimidated. ASAs explained rules regarding the campaign-free zone and the public forum requirements on Election Day. They also contacted the election judges at the location and confirmed that the candidate was not attempting to electioneer within the campaign-free zone of 100 feet from the polling place.

One caller complained about voting machines set up with the display facing inward toward the room. They expressed concern about voter privacy. An ASA went to the polling place to view the setup and confirm that voter privacy and ballot secrecy were being protected. One caller complained about icy conditions at the entrance to the polling place. ASAs spoke with election judges at the site who salted the walk.

Two callers complained that they received ballots for the wrong political party after having applied for a particular ballot. One also expressed concerns about submitting a FOIA request to city officials. Both voters were able to receive and cast their ballot for their correct political party. ASAs communicated with election judges at those polling places to share concerns and provided information concerning the Freedom of Information Act.

Finally, two callers complained that campaign signs were located at churches or private schools that had applied campaign-free zone requirements to their entire property as permitted by Illinois law. ASAs spoke to the election judges who ensured compliance with the law.

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