

Union County Board of Registrars
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Thursday September 14, 2023 at 4:00pm

1. Call to Order

By: Lucretia Collins

2nd: Patricia Collins

Time 4:00pm

2. Roll Call:

Board Members Present:

Diana Nichols

Barbara Anderson

Patricia Collins

Janet Chapman

Rachel Edwards

Lucretia Collins

Absent:

Tomi McCullers

3. Meeting Minutes:

- WELCOME Diana back! We are so thankful you are back and feeling better. Praise God!
- We continue our 2 year audit of our records - we have 21,225 Active and 991 Inactive Voters.
- ERIC - description below with listed states that are in use of the non-profit company.
- Preparing for move to new building, hoping by November.
- Tuesday, 9/19 is National Voter Registration Day!
- The next meeting will be held at 4:00 PM on October 26th.

4. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 4:26pm by: Lucretia Collins

Official Presiding: Lucretia Collins

Witness: Patricia Collins

Purpose of ERIC – To help states improve the accuracy of America’s Voter rolls, increase access to voter registration for all eligible citizens, reduce elections costs and increase efficiencies in elections.

At least every 60 days, each ERIC state submits their voter registration data and motor vehicle licensing data to ERIC. ERIC's technical staff matches that data against data from all the other member states and [Social Security death data](#). ERIC identifies voters who have moved, voters who have died, and voters with duplicate registrations within a state's database. States may also request [National Change of Address \(NCOA\)](#) reports using official data from the [US Postal Service](#) and, after federal general elections, participate in a fraud check to see if voters cast ballots in more than one state. ERIC also, by matching voter data against motor vehicle licensing data, identifies individuals who are not yet registered so election officials can provide information on how to register to vote.^[5]

States joining ERIC have agreed to pursue non-partisan and protective goals.^[6] Participating states are required to mail notifications to people identified as eligible to vote but not registered. Between 2012 and 2018, ERIC identified 26 million persons who were eligible to cast ballots but were not registered to vote, as well as 10 million registered voters who had moved, or who appeared on more than one list.^[6] Follow-up research in some states concluded that 10% to 20% of those contacted had later registered to vote, a high response rate for direct mailings. That rate suggests 2.6 million to 5.2 million of the 26 million people notified became voters.^[6] ERIC's list maintenance reports help states improve the accuracy of their voter lists by identifying voters who have moved within the state, voters who have moved from one ERIC state to another, voters who have died, and voters with duplicate registrations in the state. ERIC's Membership Agreement requires each state to request and act on at least one of these reports at a minimum of once a year, though the ERIC Membership Agreement strongly encourages states to establish a regular schedule for requesting these reports. States must act on these reports in a manner that complies with applicable federal and state law. ERIC's website publishes statistics (<https://ericstates.org/statistics/>) on the number of deceased voters, in-state and out-of-state movers, and duplicate registrations that it has reported to member states. Maryland and Illinois state administrators said determining a person's current domicile can present problems.^[7]^[6] Member states report that "false positives" are rare.^[8] Unopened returned mail—evidence of a wrong address—is substantially reduced.

