

STATE OF TENNESSEE ELECTIONS COMPLAINT FORM

1. In what cit	ty and county, did th	e following activiti	es occur?
	Sweetwater	and	Monroe
		City	
		County	

- 2. On what day(s) did the incident occur? October 16 through Oct 22, 2014
- 3. Please explain what happened. Be as specific as possible. Include the names of anyone involved (if applicable) and/or the activity that took place? On October 16, Sweetwater poll worker John Fain stepped outside the polling place in the city hall basement and gave a copy of this document to me and Anna Grabowski to read. Anna and I were manning a campaign booth outside the 100 foot boundary at the polls that day, but after I read the document, I ran into the polling place and told John that they couldn't share that with voters inside the polling place, that it was a campaign material and was not accurate. He assured me that our county election commissioner had only provided it to poll workers for their own information. On Oct 17. our county party chair Jerry Ogle called to let me know that Laurie White McNeece had gone to vote in Madisonville and was in line behind a lady who asked about the amendments, Darlene Lovingood. In response, a poll worker used the attached document to advise the voter. After getting this call, I drove over to the early voting site in Sweetwater and asked a pollworker for a copy of the document. I brought it home, scanned it, and shared it in the hope of locating someone who could assist with getting this practice stopped. On Oct 21, John Fain alerted me that his wife Sue Fain, a poll worker in Madisonville, phone (423) 836-0599, confirmed that the document had been used again to advise voters in Madisonville that day and that our election commissioner was distributing copies of this document to voters. Employee April White, election commissioner James Brown, and the other employees of the election commission were providing copies of this document to voters when they visited the desk at the election commission to show their ID to get cleared for voting. On Oct 22, I called Beth Henry-Robertson and talked with her about this violation and I emailed her a scan of the document. On that day, she spoke with James Brown, the election commissioner for Monroe County, who assured her that the document would no longer be within the 100 foot boundary. When the county opened their third sattelite, one of the poll wokers, John Fain, reiterated what the state election commissioner had said and although an election commission employee had a stack of copies of these document in his possession, he put them away at that time. While these actions are violations of TCA 2-7-111, it is most troubling that the actions were carried out by employees of the election commission, the election commissioner, and pollworkers trained by the election commission whose functions

should include making certain that elections are fair and impartial and follow the laws of the state.

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