

## Summary of Poll Watching 10-30-12

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1. Observed operations at the Ballot Processing facility at the Boulder County Clerk's election facility from 8:35 am until about 3:30.
2. **About 8:54 Chris was printing ballots in the SE corner of the mail ballot receiving area. I asked what these were for and where they were going but was told by Mary Beth she didn't know.** Chris is the primary person who appears to be supervising the operations of the Kodak ballot scanners.
3. About 9:02 one temp worker and one B&H technician were servicing the B&H scanner. It looked like they were cleaning ink cartridges and then running test cards. B&H technician said "Looks Good". Then they started scanning envelopes. Staff was making entries in notebook log.
4. About 9:36 there was a team stuffing envelopes in the ballot opening area. I was told there was a notice that was a question on their signature and instruction in how to clear up the problem. I was told they have until November 14 to fix the problem and that their ballots would be held separate and unopened until the county cleared the problem.
5. About 10:28 they were scanning more envelopes and scanner seemed to be working OK. WOW.
6. **About 11:10 2<sup>nd</sup> B&H technician arrived with roll around tool kit.**
7. **About 11:15 B&H technician was hand laser scanning envelopes that had been sent to back side beyond last sorting tray.** Not sure what is wrong now since I had not seen any envelopes go there before.
8. About 11:44 I first noticed that it was fairly common to have signature sets side by side with same last name. This would indicate that's envelopes from same family had remained adjacent to each other through out the receiving process or the computer was selecting them and bringing them up together.
9. **About 11:48 a pair signatures for "Talukdar" as last name came side by side on same screen. Devayani was rejected but Ranajit was accepted. In my very brief time to observe the ballot signatures I think they had similar handwriting. I wrote up and gave Mary Beth a challenge for this pair. She said that these would be processed by the County Attorney and/ or the District Attorney. She did not know the time frame to process the challenge but it would almost be after the ballots are counted.**

- 10. Then I noticed that “Anderson” came up side by side on same screen. Marilyn was not rejected but Stanley was rejected. I did not challenge this couple since I didn’t have time to examine the signatures. I may fill a challenge later.**
- 11. About 11:48 a pair for “Palmer” as last name came side by side on same screen. Douglas was rejected but Majorey (sp) was accepted. In my very brief time to observe the ballot signatures I think they had similar handwriting. I wrote up and gave Mary Beth a challenge for this pair.**
- 12. About 1:31 one B&H technician went to each workstations and appeared to be bringing up different software. WHY**
13. About 2:09 the person I would guess as a B&H engineer was back. WHY
14. About 2:21 B&H technicians still were working on machine.
15. About 2:28 B&H technician checking in back of machine with flashlight. WHY
16. About 2:44 B&H scanner / sort seems to be working. 5 tables of 4 people each waiting in the opening are for envelopes.
- 17. When I left about 3:30 about 20 opening teams were still waiting envelopes to open.**