

My Experience Voting Absentee by Mail

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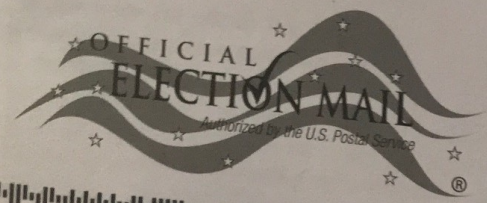
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Columbia Area



RICHLAND COUNTY VOTER
REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS
PO BOX 5330
COLUMBIA SC 29250-5330

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

PRESORTED
FIRST-CLASS MAIL
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OFFICIAL BALLOTING MATERIAL



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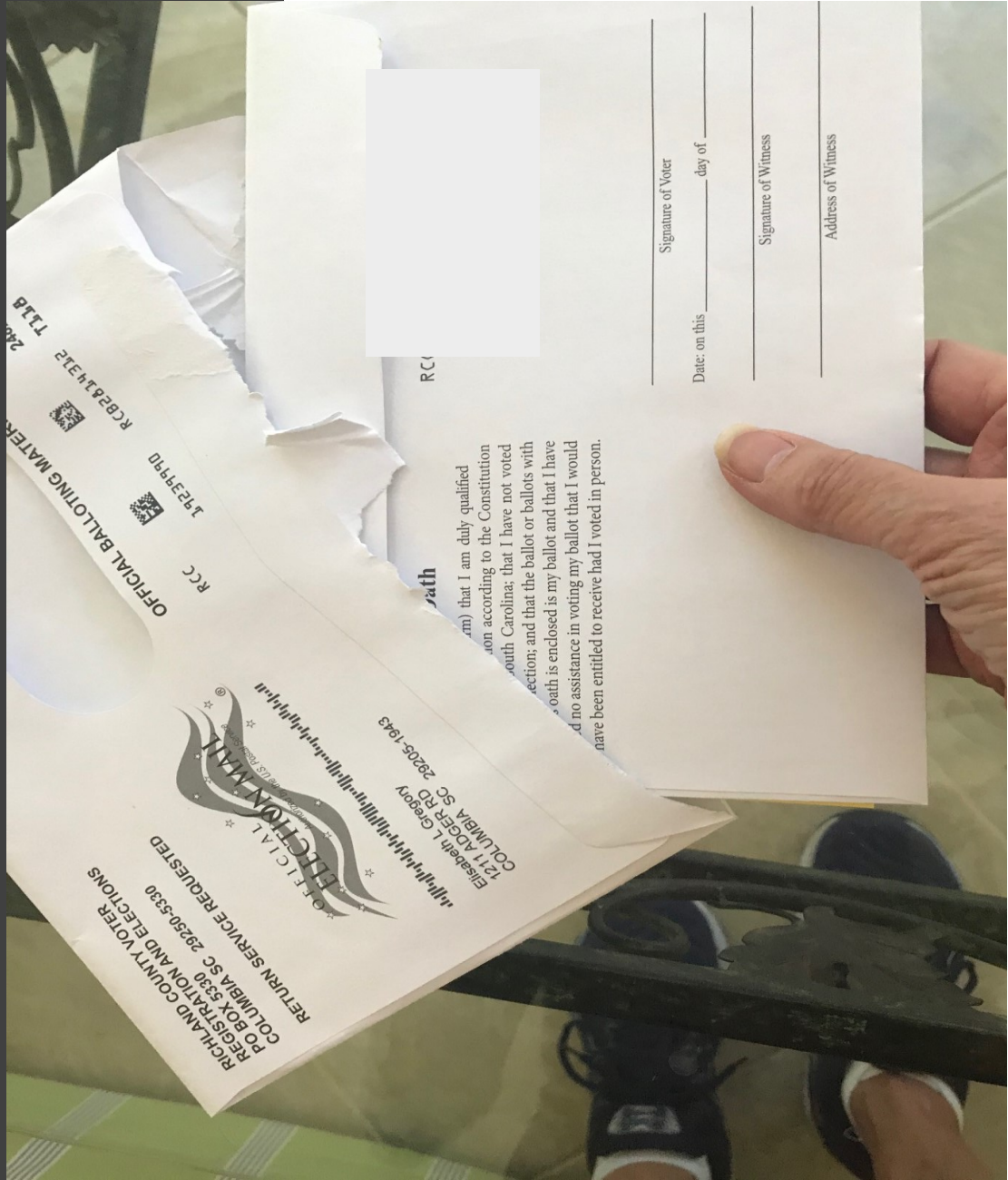
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Ballot came
in the mail!

Opening outside envelope



5 items: helpful instructions, ballot, 2 required envelopes, yellow authorization form only needed if someone will deliver ballot for you

Instructions for Voting Absentee

Mark your ballot(s). Leave the stub attached.
 Fold your ballot(s) so that the contents cannot be seen without unfolding.
 Place your folded ballot in the enclosed envelope labeled "Ballots Herein" and seal that envelope.
 Place your "Ballots Herein" envelope(s) in the return-addressed envelope.
 Read the "Voters Oath" on the back of this return-addressed envelope.
 Sign your name, or make your mark, and write the date on the back of this envelope in presence of a witness.
 Your witness must then sign the back of this envelope and list his or her complete address, including street, city, state and zip code.
 Return your absentee ballot to your county voter registration office by the closing of the election day.
 You may return your absentee ballot in person, by mail or by authorizing another person to return your ballot for you. If you wish someone to return your ballot for you, you must use the enclosed authorization form. This form is to be returned to your county voter registration office along with your absentee ballot. Please do not place this authorization in the absentee ballot return envelope.

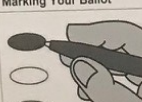
IMPORTANT
 your ballot counted.
 If you cannot write, someone may mark your ballot for you, but you must be present and sign the back of the envelope and witness your mark.
 If you are marking your ballot and witnessing your mark, your witness signs and lists his or her complete address. Your witness does not have to be a registered voter.
 Return your absentee ballot to your voter registration office by the time the polls close on election day.

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 No Postage is necessary if mailed in the United States.
 If you mail your absentee ballot back, it could take local mail 2 to 5 business days and out of state mail could take 5 to 7 business days.
 Return your absentee ballot back to our office before 7:00 pm on November 3, 2020.

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NOTE OF URGENCY
 If you are concerned about your ballot not being received on time, you may drop your ballot off in person at 2020 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC 29204.
 If you are concerned that you may only deliver YOUR ballot, unless the person that you authorize presents a signed "Authorization to Return Absentee Ballot" form, which is located in your ballot packet.

OFFICIAL BALLOT - RICHLAND COUNTY, SC
 GENERAL ELECTION
 NOVEMBER 3, 2020

ABSENTEE
 WARD 16
 B 28

Instructions	President and Vice President Vote for One	State House of Representatives District 75 Vote for One
Marking Your Ballot  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To vote, darken the oval beside your choice using a blue or black pen. Do not make marks outside the oval. Vote for one candidate in each contest unless otherwise indicated. You do not have to vote in every contest. To change or correct your ballot, request a replacement from the Registrar. 	<input type="radio"/> Howie Hawkins Angela Walker Green <input type="radio"/> Donald J Trump Michael R Pence Republican <input type="radio"/> Roque Rocky De La Fuente Darcy G Richardson Alliance <input type="radio"/> Jo Jorgensen Jeremy Spike Cohen Libertarian <input type="radio"/> Joseph R Biden Kamala D Harris Democratic <input type="radio"/> U.S. Senate Vote for One	<input type="radio"/> Kirkman Finlay III Republican <input type="radio"/> Rhodes Bailey Democratic <input type="radio"/> Write-In <input type="radio"/> Sheriff Vote for One <input type="radio"/> Leon Lott Democratic <input type="radio"/> Write-In
	Write-In If you wish to vote for a candidate, darken the oval beside "Write-In" and print the name on the line provided. Straight Party Vote To vote for a candidate of a certain party, mark the oval beside the party name and the name of that party on this ballot. The name of the party and the name of the candidate will take precedence over your straight party selection. Nonpartisan offices and questions are not included in the straight party vote and must be marked individually.	<input type="radio"/> Bill Bledsoe Constitution <input type="radio"/> Lindsey Graham Republican <input type="radio"/> Jaime Harrison Democratic <input type="radio"/> Write-In
<input type="radio"/> Constitution <input type="radio"/> Green <input type="radio"/> Republican <input type="radio"/> Alliance <input type="radio"/> Libertarian <input type="radio"/> Democratic	<input type="radio"/> U.S. House of Representatives District 2 Vote for One <input type="radio"/> Kathleen K Wright Constitution <input type="radio"/> Joe Wilson Republican <input type="radio"/> Adair Ford Boroughs Democratic <input type="radio"/> Write-In <input type="radio"/> State Senate District 21 Vote for One <input type="radio"/> Darrell Jackson Democratic <input type="radio"/> Write-In	<input type="radio"/> Naida Rutherford Democratic <input type="radio"/> Write-In <input type="radio"/> Soil and Water District Commission Vote for One <input type="radio"/> Mary S Burts Nonpartisan <input type="radio"/> Write-In

Continue Voting On Back

ATTENTION VOTER: DO NOT REMOVE STUB FROM BALLOT

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 GENERAL ELECTION
 NOVEMBER 3, 2020

ABSENTEE
 WARD 16
 B 28

No. 14312

Initials of Issuing Officer

BALLOTS HEREIN

Absentee Ballots for
 Richland County
 Columbia, South
 Carolina

**every
 vote
 matters.**
 every vote counts.

RETURN
 ENVELOPE

NO POSTAGE
 NECESSARY
 IF MAILED
 IN THE
 UNITED STATES

OFFICIAL ELECTION MAIL
 STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

OFFICIAL BALLOTING MATERIAL - FIRST CLASS MAIL

BUSINESS REPLY MAIL
 FIRST CLASS MAIL PERMIT NO. 3386 COLUMBIA, SC
 POSTAGE WILL BE PAID BY ADDRESSEE

RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF VOTER REGISTRATION
 PO BOX 5330
 COLUMBIA SC 29250-9902

Authorization to Return Absentee Ballot

Instructions
 To have your absentee ballot returned by a person other than yourself, you must complete and sign Section 1 of this form. The person you are authorizing to return your ballot(s) must meet the qualifications detailed below and complete and sign Section 2. The authorized returnee must return this form along with your ballot to the county voter registration office. Do not place this form in the envelope containing your ballot.

Authorized Returnee Qualifications
 A candidate or a member of a candidate's paid campaign staff including volunteers reimbursed for time expended on campaign activity may not serve as an authorized returnee unless the person is a member of the voter's immediate family (spouse, parent, child, brother, sister, grandparent, grandchild, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, son-in-law, or daughter-in-law).

Section 1 (to be completed by absentee voter)

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ SC Zip Code _____

Read!

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3. Place your folded ballot in the enclosed envelope labeled "Ballots Herein" and seal that envelope.
4. Place your "Ballots Herein" envelope(s) in the return-addressed envelope.
5. Read the "Voters Oath" on the back of this return-addressed envelope.
6. Sign your name, or make your mark, and write the date on the back of this envelope in the presence of a witness.
7. Your witness **must** then sign the back of this envelope and list his or her complete address, including street, city, state and zip code.
8. Return your absentee ballot to your county voter registration office by the closing of the polls on election day.

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IMPORTANT

To have your ballot counted:

1. Sign the oath on the return-addressed envelope. If you cannot write, someone may assist you in marking your ballot and witnessing your mark.
2. Have your witness sign and list his or her complete address. Your witness does not have to be a registered voter.
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Complete both sides of ballot with pen.

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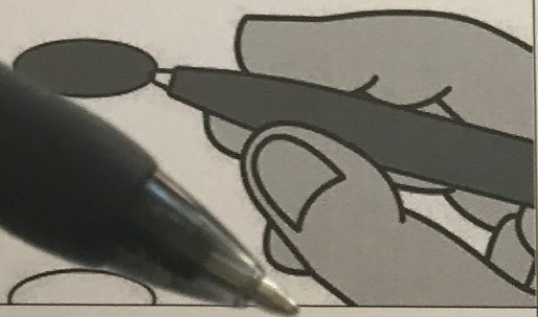
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Marking Your Ballot



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• Vote for one candidate in each contest unless otherwise indicated.
• You do not have to vote in every contest.
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Write-ins

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• To write-in a candidate, darken the oval beside "Write-in" and print the name on the line provided.

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Straight Party Vote

• If you make a straight party selection, you are selecting all candidates of that party on this ballot.
• Any vote cast for an individual candidate will take precedence over your straight party selection.
• Nonpartisan offices and questions are not included in the straight party vote and must be marked individually.

President and Vice President
Vote for One

State House of Dist
Vote

Howie Hawkins
Angela Walker
Green

Donald J Trump
Michael R Pence
Republican

Roque Rocky De La Fuente
Darcy G Richardson
Alliance

Jo Jorgensen
Jeremy Spike Cohen
Libertarian

Joseph R Biden
Kamala D Harris
Democratic

Kirkman F
Republican

Rhodes B
Democratic

Write-In

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Leon Lo
Democrat

Write-

U.S. Senate
Vote for One

Bill Bledsoe
Constitution

Lindsey Graham
Republican

Jaime Harrison
Democratic

Don't forget the school board races.

**School Board
District 1
At Large**
Vote for up to Two

- John Adams**
Nonpartisan
- Angela Clyburn**
Nonpartisan
- Shea Harley**
Nonpartisan
- Jonathan Milling**
Nonpartisan
- Tamika Myers**
Nonpartisan
- Raquel Thomas**
Nonpartisan

Place ballot in
Ballots Herein
envelope.

Democrat
Democratic

Write-In

Continue Voting On Ballot


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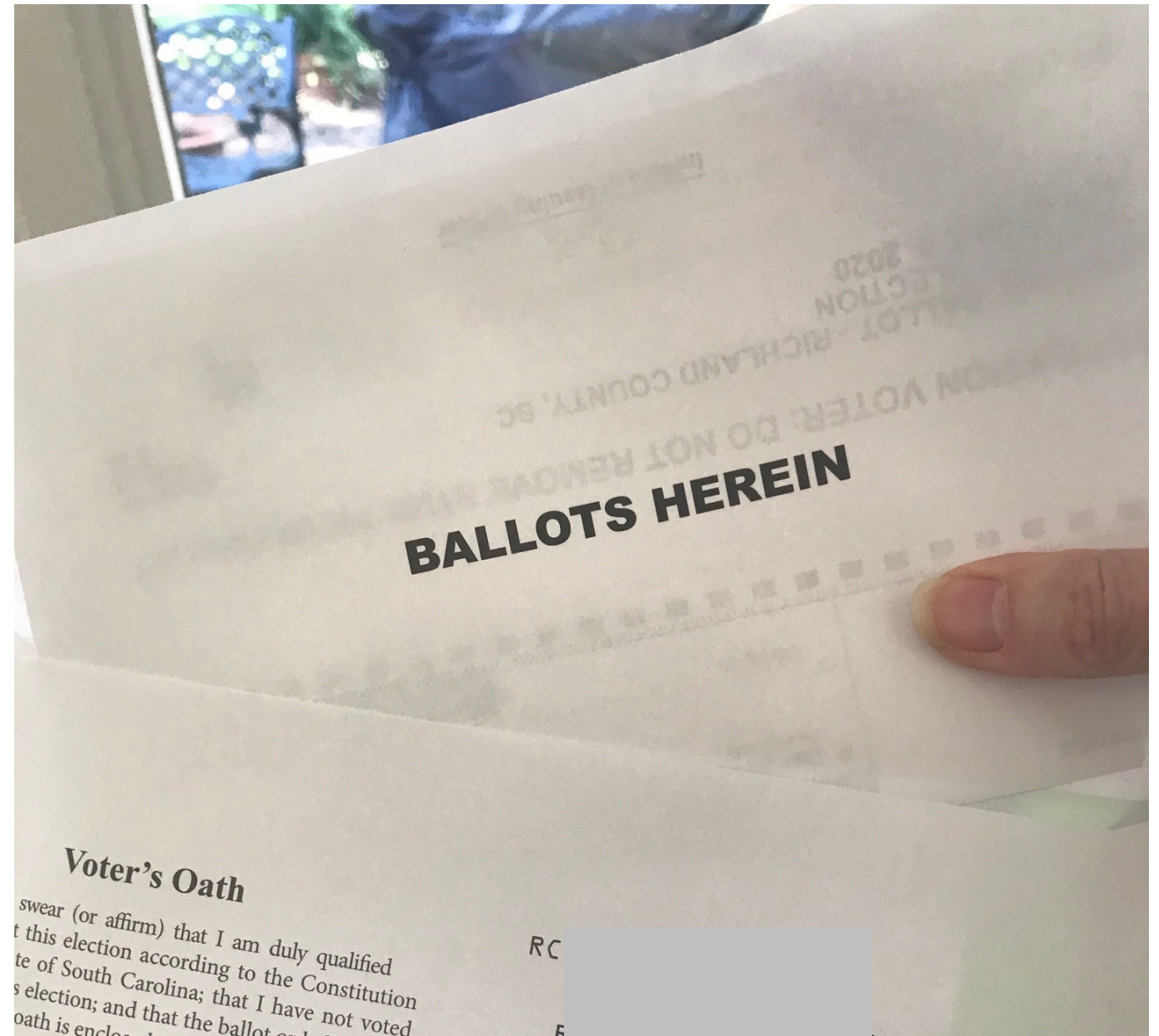
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ABSENTEE


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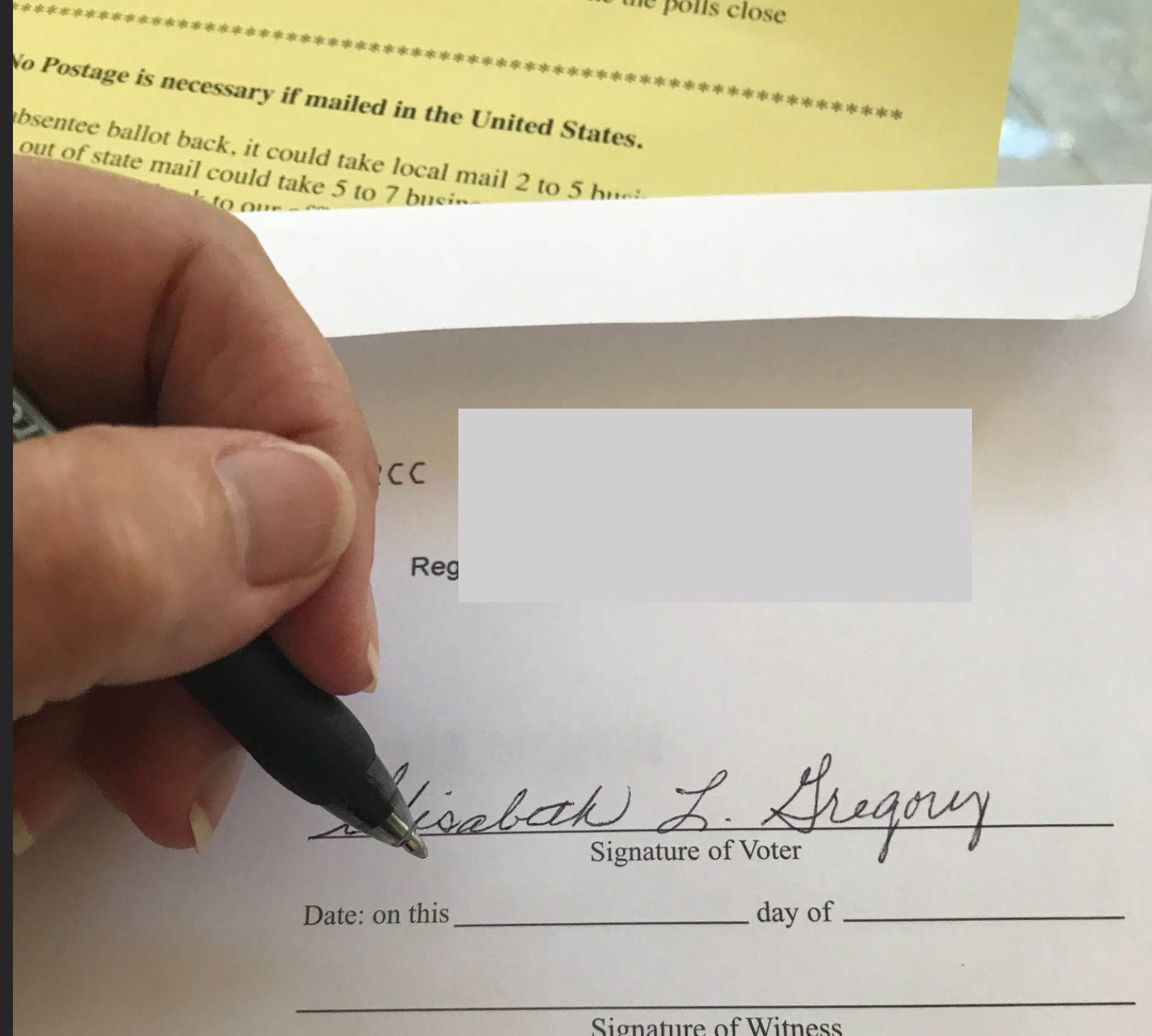
BALLOTS HEREIN

Place **BALLOTS**
HEREIN envelope
in the envelope
addressed to the
Richland County
Board of Voter
Registration.

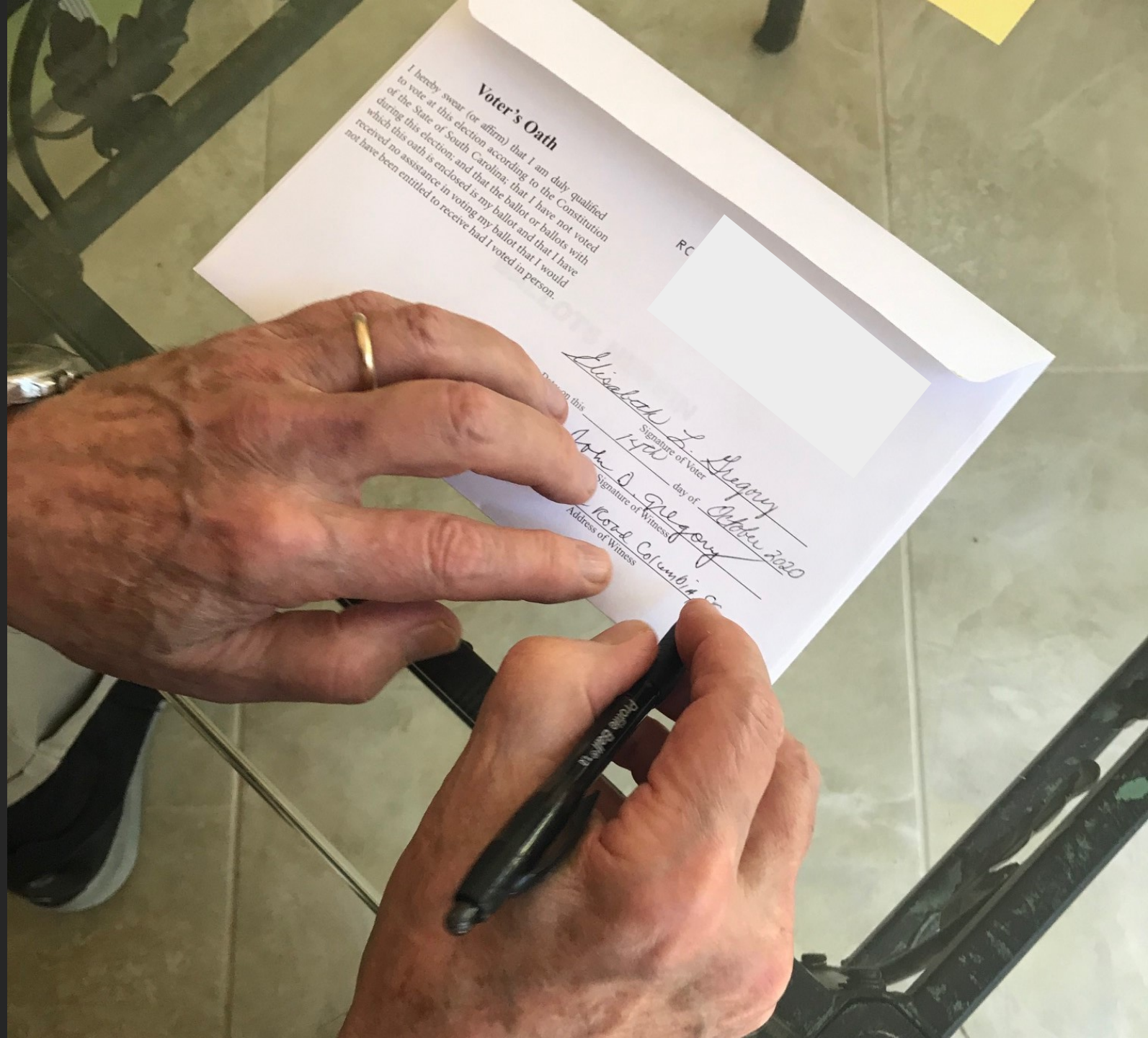


**Read, sign, and
date back of
envelope.**

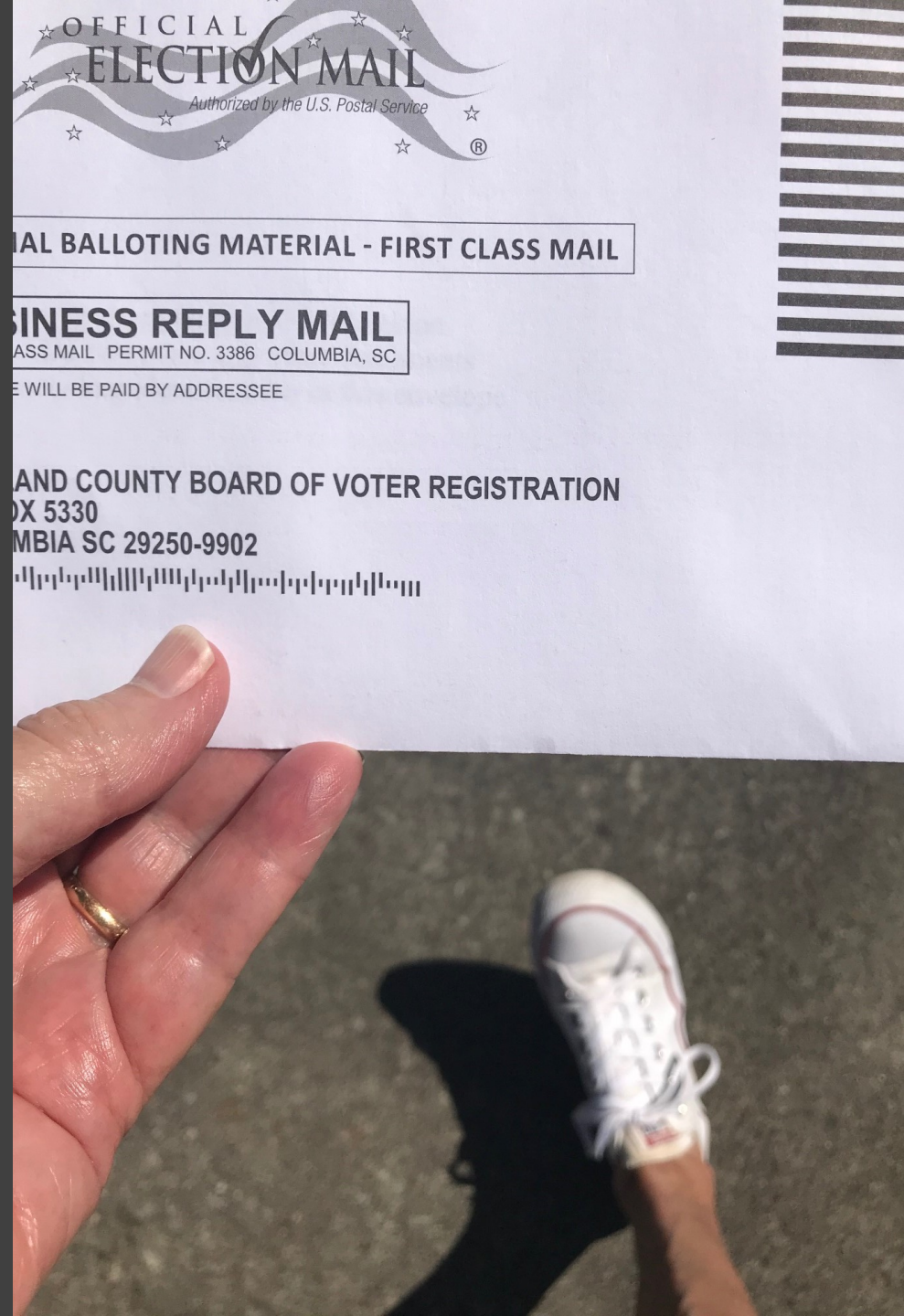
**Make sure your
signature
matches your
photo ID.**



**Witness
signature and
address are
required! Any
human with an
address can be
a witness.**



Mail your ballot or take yourself to the Richland County Administration Building, 2020 Hampton Street, Columbia, or any satellite location by November 2.



**At 2020 Hampton
Street drop off your
ballot at tent in
parking lot. You can
walk up or drive by.**



**Ballot dropped off
and proud to wear
my sticker!**

