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953 dead people voted in recent elections

Columbia - South Carolina Attorney General sent word to US Attorney for South Carolina Bill Nettles of data suggesting potential voter fraud in South Carolina.

Specifically, data reviewed by the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles suggests that 953 dead people voted in recent elections.

[1.19.12 Letter to US Attorney Bill Nettles](#)



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January 19, 2012

Mr. William N. Nettles
United States Attorney, District of South Carolina
1441 Main Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Mr. Nettles:

This is a follow up letter to our phone call of January 11, 2012 to discuss potential voter fraud in South Carolina. The South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles' ("DMV") analysis of data revealed numerous discrepancies concerning people who were deceased at the time of their participation in recent elections.

Following the examination of the data, it appears over 900 persons who were deceased at the time of the elections had "voted" in those elections. The data shows:

- 953 ballots were cast by voters who were deceased at the time of the election.
- Of the 953 dead voters:
 - 277 cast ballots within two (2) months after death; and
 - 676 cast ballots from two (2) months to seventy-six (76) months after death.

Additionally, the examination discovered 4965 voters that after they had South Carolina IDs canceled because they applied for IDs in other states had voted in South Carolina state and federal elections. That is not to say they voted in both states and therefore voted illegally.

I have contacted Chief Mark Keel, of the State Law Enforcement Division, and requested that SLED conduct a preliminary inquiry into these voting irregularities. Accompanying this letter is a disk containing the above-mentioned data.

Sincerely,

Alan Wilson

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Enclosure