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BIAW Sends Evidence of Vote Fraud to U.S. Attorney

OLYMPIA—Yesterday, BIAW forwarded information to Jeff Sullivan, U.S. Attorney for western Washington, showing that voter registration fraud occurred in King County in 2006. BIAW called on Sullivan to immediately begin investigating and prosecuting those responsible for the fraud.

The information BIAW sent Sullivan was obtained via a public records request made last November to the King County Elections Department for all documents related to the 2006 election. BIAW filed the request because the association suspected the group known as the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN) submitted hundreds of forged voter registration cards in October 2006. In fact, BIAW issued a press release in November urging investigation of the cards based on ACORN's history of submitting fraudulent voter registration cards in other states. The release postulated that given ACORN's history of submitting piles of fraudulent registrations at the eleventh hour in other states, the pile they submitted in King County at the last minute was likely loaded with fraudulent registrations.

BIAW's assumption was right on the mark. The documents BIAW received from the public records request include several emails between King County Election officials, the Secretary of State's office and the Attorney General's Office discussing the clearly fraudulent and forged registrations submitted by ACORN. One of the emails, written by King County Elections official Bobbie Egan, expresses dismay at ACORN's lack of respect for the sanctity of voting laws and pleads for prosecution for forgery.

As reported by the *Seattle Times* (2-23-07), King County officials attempted to call 400 voters of the 1,829 registrations submitted by ACORN, and all but two of the phone numbers listed on the cards were invalid. Of the two phone numbers that were correct, the voters in question declared they had not filled out the voter registration card.

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“It has taken BIAW three years of persistent research and investigation to unearth documents that prove, without a doubt, that vote fraud has occurred in King County by individuals knowingly and purposefully breaking the law,” said BIAW Executive Vice President Tom McCabe. “BIAW believes if fraud occurred in the 2006 election then it likely also occurred in the 2004 election, despite former U.S. Attorney John McKay’s ‘investigation’ proving otherwise,” said McCabe. “One can’t help but wonder if the ACORN workers who forged registration cards last year were part of the cadre of Democrat foot soldiers allowed by Judge Lum in 2004 to ‘find’ Gregoire voters who had problematic signatures and help them ‘revise’ their registrations to make their vote valid,” he added. “We may never know whether ACORN workers forged signatures in 2004, but we know they did in 2006. Hopefully, Mr. Sullivan will prosecute the ACORN criminals who forged the 2006 voter registration cards and finally send a message that vote fraud will not be tolerated in Washington State.”

****To view the evidence of vote fraud obtained by BIAW, go to www.BIAW.com. A copy of BIAW’s letter to [U.S. Attorney Jeff Sullivan is attached](#).*

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