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CRAVEN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS ELECTION MEDIA POLICY

MEDIA POLICY AT THE POLLING SITES (Ref. N.C.G.S. §163A-1133):

- NO TELEVISION SETS, RADIOS OR OTHER BROADCASTING MEDIA WILL BE ALLOWED TO BE OPERATED IN THE VOTING ENCLOSURE DURING VOTING HOURS
- Media has a First Amendment right to report on matters of public interest, including elections.
- Members of the media shall identify themselves to the chief judge.
- Media are permitted in the polling place not the voting enclosure.
- Members of the media are not allowed inside the voting enclosure unless they are there to vote or the Director of Elections has called the Chief Judge giving permission.
- Media should be positioned so that they will not interfere, obstruct, or disrupt the voting process.
- Members of the media shall conduct media polls and interviews outside the buffer zones (at least 50 feet from the entrance of the polling place and curbside voting areas).
- Members of the media may take panoramic photographs or video of the voting place but are not permitted to use a zoom lens that could show the individual voter in the process of voting.
- Photographing voters is prohibited except with the permission of both the voters, the chief judge of the precinct, and election officials if in the scope of the picture. ****A Candidate may have their picture taken in the voting process if the Candidate is the only person included in the photograph. If there are other voters and/or election officials in the voting enclosure, the permission of the others shall be required.**
- Members of the media shall not photograph, videotape, or otherwise record the image of a voted ballot for any purpose.
- Members of the media should be treated with respect.
- Election officials are to report problems with media to CCBOE.

Adopted: DATED THIS 12th DAY OF June 2019

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