NOVEMBER 2, 2010 GENERAL ELECTION



NC Utilizes Instant Runoff Voting in Judicial Offices

North Carolina voters can select a Court of Appeals Judge by Instant Runoff Voting (IRV) on **November 2, 2010**. Also, IRV will be used to select three Superior Court Judges in Buncombe, Cumberland, and Rowan Counties. This method of voting combines the Primary and Election Day into one election. Voters will select their 1st choice for IRV contests like every other contest on the ballot, but they will also rank their 2nd or 3rd choices in the event the first round results produce no majority winner.

How It Works

▶ First Round of Counting

Voters select their 1st choice for an office just as they have done in previous elections. Additionally, voters may select their 2nd or 3rd choices. The voters' 1st choices are tallied and are reported unofficially on Election Night. If a candidate gets enough 1st choice votes to win (more than 50%), then they are certified as the winner at Canvass and no further counting is necessary.

► Second Round of Counting If no candidate receives enough 1st choice vetes to reach the majority

choice votes to reach the majority threshold (more than 50%), the first two candidates move to the instant runoff. The winner is determined by adding any 2nd or 3rd choice votes to their initial vote totals. After all counting is concluded, the candidate with the most first and second round total votes wins the election.

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Court of Appeals Judge					
Fill in only one oval per choice		Your 2nd and 3rd choices will not count against your 1st choice They will only be considered in a runoff if your 1st choice is not in the runoff			
1st ↓	Mark your 1st choice here	2nd ↓	Mark your 2nd choice here	3rd ↓	Mark your 3rd choice here
0	John F. Bloss	0	John F. Bloss	0	John F. Bloss
0	J. Wesley Casteen	0	J. Wesley Casteen	0	J. Wesley Casteen
0	Chris Dillon	0	Chris Dillon	0	Chris Dillon
0	Jewel Ann Farlow	0	Jewel Ann Farlow	6	Jewel Ann Farlow
0	Daniel E. Garner	2	Daniel E. Garner	V	Daniel E. Garner
0	Stan Hammer	P	Stan Hammer	0	Stan Hammer
\circ	Mark E. Klass	B	Mark E. Klass	0	Mark E. Klass
0	Boug McCellouph	0	Doug McCullough	0	Doug McCullough
0	Anne Middleton	0	Anne Middleton	0	Anne Middleton
0	Harry E. Payne, Jr.	0	Harry E. Payne, Jr.	0	Harry E. Payne, Jr.
0	John Sullivan	0	John Sullivan	0	John Sullivan
0	Cressie Thigpen	0	Cressie Thigpen	0	Cressie Thigpen
0	Pamela M. Vesper	0	Pamela M. Vesper	0	Pamela M. Vesper