

**PINAL COUNTY**  
**Hand Count / Early Ballot Audit Report**

**Synopsis:**

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-602(B), Pinal County conducted the hand count/early ballot audit for the March 22, 2016 Presidential Preference Election. Two (2) precincts were counted as required by statute.

The hand count began on March 23, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. when the designated representatives of the Pinal County Chairmen of the Republican and Democratic Parties met to select the precincts to be counted. All ballots were accounted for in the central counting location before the selection process started. The selection order was chose by lot, and the Republican Party was chosen to go first.

With the order established, the specific precincts to be counted were selected with the County Party Chairmen's representatives alternating the selection. Precincts 59 and 96 were selected. The only race to be counted was the Presidential Candidate race for all three parties.

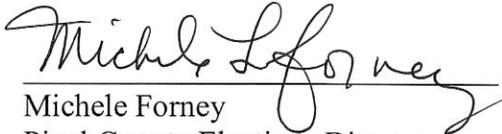
The physical hand count started at 9:10 a.m. on March 23, 2016 and was concluded at 2:00 p.m. on March 23, 2016. The tabulation method used was the stacking method. The hand count was conducted by 2 boards made up of 4 members, of which not more than 2 members were from the same political party. All ballots cast were tabulated on DS850 optical scanners.

**Early Ballot Audit:**

Over 1% of early ballots were audited per Arizona State law. The early ballot audit consisted of 4 batches, containing 205, 231, 197, and 31 ballots respectively. There were 38,515 early ballots cast in Pinal County for the 2016 Presidential Preference Election.

**Comments:**

Please find the precinct and early ballot reports attached for your review.

  
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Pinal County Elections Director

AGGREGATE - PRECINCT HAND COUNT REPORT - TOTAL FROM ALL PRECINCTS

Election: Presidential Preference – March 22, 2016

**Race Category:** Presidential Preference

**Race:** U.S. President – Republican Party

Precinct	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
59	115	114	1
96	61	61	0
<b>Totals:</b>	176	175	1

**Aggregated Margin**

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100	0.5714%
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**Race Category:** Presidential Preference

**Race:** U.S. President – Democratic Party

Precinct	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
59	37	37	0
96	14	14	0
<b>Totals:</b>	51	51	0

**Aggregated Margin**

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100	0%
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**Race Category:** Presidential Preference

**Race:** U.S. President – Green Party

Precinct	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
59	0	0	0
96	0	0	0
<b>Totals:</b>	0	0	0

**Aggregated Margin**

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100	0%
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Additional Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**PRECINCT HAND COUNT REPORT**

Precinct Counted: 59

Election: March 22, 2016 PPE

**Race Category:** Presidential Preference

**Race:** U.S. President – Republican Party

**DS850 OPTICAL SCAN**

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
SANTORUM, RICK	0	0	
COOK, TIM	0	0	
PAUL, RAND	1	1	
RUBIO, MARCO	0	0	
GRAHAM, LINDSEY	0	0	
KASICH, JOHN R.	10	10	
BUSH, JEB	0	0	
TRUMP, DONALD J.	66	65	1
FIORINA, CARLY	0	0	
PATAKI, GEORGE E.	0	0	
CRUZ, TED	38	38	
HUCKABEE, MIKE	0	0	
CHRISTIE, CHRIS	0	0	
CARSON, BEN	0	0	
Totals:	115	114	1

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: We believe that a partially filled circle was read by the hand count board, but rejected by the DS850.

**Race Category:** Presidential Preference

**Race:** U.S. President – Democratic Party

**DS850 OPTICAL SCAN**

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
DE LA FUENTE, ROQUE "ROCKY"	0	0	0
STEINBERG, MICHAEL	0	0	0
SANDERS, BERNIE	16	16	0
O'MALLEY, MARTIN J.	1	1	0
CLINTON, HILLARY	20	20	0
HEWES, HENRY	0	0	0
Totals:	37	37	0

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: \_\_\_\_\_

**Race Category:** Presidential Preference

**Race:** U.S. President – Green Party

**DS850 OPTICAL SCAN**

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
MESPLAY, KENT	0	0	0
STEIN, JILL	0	0	0
Totals:	0	0	0

**\* Carry Totals to Aggregate Precinct Hand Count Report \***

PRECINCT HAND COUNT REPORT

Precinct Counted: 96

Election: March 22, 2016 PPE

Race Category: Presidential Preference

Race: U.S. President – Republican Party

**DS850 OPTICAL SCAN**

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
SANTORUM, RICK	0	0	0
COOK, TIM	0	0	0
PAUL, RAND	0	0	0
RUBIO, MARCO	0	0	0
GRAHAM, LINDSEY	0	0	0
KASICH, JOHN R.	3	3	0
BUSH, JEB	1	1	0
TRUMP, DONALD J.	32	32	0
FIORINA, CARLY	0	0	0
PATAKI, GEORGE E.	0	0	0
CRUZ, TED	25	25	0
HUCKABEE, MIKE	0	0	0
CHRISTIE, CHRIS	0	0	0
CARSON, BEN	0	0	0
Totals:	61	61	0

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: \_\_\_\_\_

Race Category: Presidential Preference

Race: U.S. President – Democratic Party

**DS850 OPTICAL SCAN**

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
DE LA FUENTE, ROQUE "ROCKY"	0	0	0
STEINBERG, MICHAEL	0	0	0
SANDERS, BERNIE	6	6	0
O'MALLEY, MARTIN J.	0	0	0
CLINTON, HILLARY	8	8	0
HEWES, HENRY	0	0	0
Totals:	14	14	0

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: \_\_\_\_\_

Race Category: Presidential Preference

Race: U.S. President – Green Party

**DS850 OPTICAL SCAN**

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
MESPLAY, KENT	0	0	0
STEIN, JILL	0	0	0
Totals:	0	0	0

**\* Carry Totals to Aggregate Precinct Hand Count Report \***

AGGREGATE - EARLY BALLOT AUDIT - HAND COUNT REPORT - TOTAL FROM ALL BATCHES

Election: Presidential Preference - March 22, 2016

Race Category: Presidential Preference

Race: U.S. President - All Parties

Batch	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
1	205	205	0
2	231	231	0
3	197	197	0
4	31	31	0
Totals:	664	664	0

**Aggregated Margin**

Margin = Absolute Difference ÷ Machine Count X 100	0%
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Additional Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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EARLY BALLOT AUDIT - HAND COUNT REPORT

Batch Counted: 1 # of Ballots per Batch: 205 Election: Presidential Preference – March 22, 2016

Race Category: Presidential Preference

Race: U.S. President – Republican Party

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
SANTORUM, RICK	0	0	0
COOK, TIM	0	0	0
PAUL, RAND	0	0	0
RUBIO, MARCO	8	8	0
GRAHAM, LINDSEY	0	0	0
KASICH, JOHN R.	2	2	0
BUSH, JEB	0	0	0
TRUMP, DONALD J.	24	24	0
FIORINA, CARLY	0	0	0
PATAKI, GEORGE E.	0	0	0
CRUZ, TED	6	6	0
HUCKABEE, MIKE	0	0	0
CHRISTIE, CHRIS	0	0	0
CARSON, BEN	6	6	0
Totals:	46	46	0

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: \_\_\_\_\_

Race Category: Presidential Preference

Race: U.S. President – Democratic Party

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
DE LA FUENTE, ROQUE "ROCKY"	3	3	0
STEINBERG, MICHAEL	2	2	0
SANDERS, BERNIE	54	54	0
O'MALLEY, MARTIN J.	2	2	0
CLINTON, HILLARY	97	97	0
HEWES, HENRY	1	1	0
Totals:	159	159	0

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: \_\_\_\_\_

Race Category: Presidential Preference

Race: U.S. President – Green Party

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
MESPLAY, KENT	0	0	0
STEIN, JILL	0	0	0
Totals:	0	0	0

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: \_\_\_\_\_

**\* Carry totals to the Aggregate Early Ballot Audit \***

EARLY BALLOT AUDIT - HAND COUNT REPORT

Batch Counted:  2  # of Ballots per Batch:  231  Election:  Presidential Preference – March 22, 2016

Race Category:  Presidential Preference

Race:  U.S. President – Republican Party

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
SANTORUM, RICK	0	0	0
COOK, TIM	0	0	0
PAUL, RAND	1	1	0
RUBIO, MARCO	25	25	0
GRAHAM, LINDSEY	0	0	0
KASICH, JOHN R.	8	8	0
BUSH, JEB	1	1	0
TRUMP, DONALD J.	94	94	0
FIORINA, CARLY	1	1	0
PATAKI, GEORGE E.	0	0	0
CRUZ, TED	22	22	0
HUCKABEE, MIKE	0	0	0
CHRISTIE, CHRIS	0	0	0
CARSON, BEN	4	4	0
Totals:	156	156	0

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: \_\_\_\_\_

Race Category:  Presidential Preference

Race:  U.S. President – Democratic Party

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
DE LA FUENTE, ROQUE "ROCKY"	1	1	0
STEINBERG, MICHAEL	0	0	0
SANDERS, BERNIE	26	26	0
O'MALLEY, MARTIN J.	0	0	0
CLINTON, HILLARY	48	48	0
HEWES, HENRY	0	0	0
Totals:	75	75	0

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: \_\_\_\_\_

Race Category:  Presidential Preference

Race:  U.S. President – Green Party

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
MESPLAY, KENT	0	0	0
STEIN, JILL	0	0	0
Totals:	0	0	0

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: \_\_\_\_\_

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EARLY BALLOT AUDIT - HAND COUNT REPORT

Batch Counted:   3   # of Ballots per Batch:  197  Election: Presidential Preference – March 22, 2016

**Race Category:** Presidential Preference

**Race:** U.S. President – Republican Party

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
SANTORUM, RICK	0	0	0
COOK, TIM	0	0	0
PAUL, RAND	0	0	0
RUBIO, MARCO	14	14	0
GRAHAM, LINDSEY	0	0	0
KASICH, JOHN R.	4	4	0
BUSH, JEB	2	2	0
TRUMP, DONALD J.	60	60	0
FIORINA, CARLY	0	0	0
PATAKI, GEORGE E.	0	0	0
CRUZ, TED	13	13	0
HUCKABEE, MIKE	1	1	0
CHRISTIE, CHRIS	2	2	0
CARSON, BEN	4	4	0
Totals:	100	100	0

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: \_\_\_\_\_

**Race Category:** Presidential Preference

**Race:** U.S. President – Democratic Party

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
DE LA FUENTE, ROQUE "ROCKY"	1	1	0
STEINBERG, MICHAEL	4	4	0
SANDERS, BERNIE	29	29	0
O'MALLEY, MARTIN J.	2	2	0
CLINTON, HILLARY	61	61	0
HEWES, HENRY	0	0	0
Totals:	97	97	0

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: \_\_\_\_\_

**Race Category:** Presidential Preference

**Race:** U.S. President – Green Party

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
MESPLAY, KENT	0	0	0
STEIN, JILL	0	0	0
Totals:	0	0	0

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: \_\_\_\_\_

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EARLY BALLOT AUDIT - HAND COUNT REPORT

Batch Counted:  4  # of Ballots per Batch:  31  Election:  Presidential Preference – March 22, 2016

Race Category:  Presidential Preference

Race:  U.S. President – Republican Party

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
SANTORUM, RICK	0	0	0
COOK, TIM	0	0	0
PAUL, RAND	0	0	0
RUBIO, MARCO	1	1	0
GRAHAM, LINDSEY	0	0	0
KASICH, JOHN R.	0	0	0
BUSH, JEB	0	0	0
TRUMP, DONALD J.	12	12	0
FIORINA, CARLY	0	0	0
PATAKI, GEORGE E.	0	0	0
CRUZ, TED	2	2	0
HUCKABEE, MIKE	0	0	0
CHRISTIE, CHRIS	0	0	0
CARSON, BEN	1	1	0
Totals:	16	16	0

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Race Category:  Presidential Preference

Race:  U.S. President – Democratic Party

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
DE LA FUENTE, ROQUE "ROCKY"	0	0	0
STEINBERG, MICHAEL	1	1	0
SANDERS, BERNIE	2	2	0
O'MALLEY, MARTIN J.	0	0	0
CLINTON, HILLARY	11	11	0
HEWES, HENRY	1	1	0
Totals:	15	15	0

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Race Category:  Presidential Preference

Race:  U.S. President – Green Party

Candidate Name	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
MESPLAY, KENT	0	0	0
STEIN, JILL	0	0	0
Totals:	0	0	0

Comments for why a discrepancy occurred: \_\_\_\_\_  
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