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## **World's Top Experts Testify New Georgia Voting System Cannot be Trusted**

ATLANTA GA – Three of the world's leading experts on electronic voting, cyber security and audit procedures testified yesterday afternoon in U.S. District Court that Georgia's new Ballot Marking Device (BMD) voting system cannot be trusted to produce correct election results. The type of system Georgia legalized and purchased has been under attack for its lack of verifiability, auditability, recount capability and transparency since the evaluation began over two years ago.

The experts who testified for two groups of plaintiffs led by the [Coalition for Good Governance](#) and [Georgians for Verified Voting](#) included:

- Dr. Alex Halderman, a University of Michigan Computer Science professor who was part of the Princeton University team that demonstrated to the U.S. Congress House Administration Committee how a Diebold Direct Recording Electronic (DRE) machine identical to the ones Georgia previously used can be compromised to change the outcome of a sample election;
- Harry Hursti, the cybersecurity expert who hacked a similar Diebold DRE to change the outcome of a sample election without ever touching the DRE during the HBO documentary, *"Hacking Democracy"*. He also established the infamous DefCon Hacking Conference Voting Village where a variety of replicated and actual systems in Las Vegas were hacked within minutes;
- Dr. Phil Stark, University of California Statistics Professor, Associate Dean of Mathematics and Physical Sciences, and the inventor of Risk Limited Auditing procedures used in other states and proposed for Georgia BMDs.

Dr. Stark explained that no pre-election or post-election audit process can audit a BMD election because the process cannot audit what the BMD displayed to the voter. He said Georgia's attempt to use his procedure for auditing is "not the spirit of it, not what I intended it to be and not what the paper [he wrote] said." He concluded that Georgia's system cannot be properly audited and cannot be trusted.

Harry Hursti explained that: "Even Ronald Reagan said to trust but verify and you cannot verify [Georgia's voting system]". Dr. Halderman, who testified at length last year, concurred that Georgia's new voting system results cannot be trusted.

The case continues today at 8am by [Zoom conference](#).