

VoterGA Announces EAC Claim to Vacate Dominion Certification

ATLANTA, GA, OCTOBER 30, 2025 – VoterGA announced today it has joined the DeKalb County Republican Party (GOP) in <u>submitting</u> an emergency <u>petition</u> to the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) to revoke the 2019 certification of the Dominion Democracy Suite 5.5-A voting system currently used in Georgia. The petition, submitted on October 24, is based on unrefuted expert witness testimony showing the voting system does not meet, and never met, 2005 EAC security requirements that formed the basis to certify the system in 2019.

Ben Cotton, a highly credentialed forensics expert, and Clay Parikh, a certified voting system test lab examiner with a top secret clearance, <u>testified</u> how the system lacks encryption key protection and secure password management required for its original certification. They testified during a September 30, 2024 hearing for a Georgia <u>complaint</u> known as *Dekalb Co. GOP v. Raffensperger*. Mr Parikh also <u>demonstrated</u> in court how the vulnerabilities could be exploited. He changed election results on an authenticated copy of a Georgia election management server (EMS) in a three-minute court demonstration using six lines of code.

These experts <u>explained</u> how Dominion Democracy Suite 5 systems store encryption keys in clear plain text in a database rather than a required encryption module. They also <u>described</u> how the system is delivered with a hard coded password that was never changed. Those conditions appear to be clear violations of Federal Information Processing Standards, <u>FIPS</u> <u>140-2</u> and <u>FIPS 112</u>, upon which the EAC relied for certifications. FIPS standards, dating to 1994 and 1985 respectively, were adopted by the EAC in its Voluntary Voting System Guidelines (VVSG) Volume 1, which it used to certify voting systems until 2021.

VoterGA announced that the original petition was <u>amended</u> today with clarifications and other petitioners. Petitioners include the DeKalb County GOP, currently chaired by Dr. Kendra Biegalski, VoterGA, and individual VoterGA petitioners Rick Armstrong, Dr. Earl Martin, David Oles and co-founder Garland Favorito. Favorito said he believes petitioners in other states may soon join with similar EAC petitions since the deficiencies appear to apply to all Dominion Democracy Suite 5 systems.

Favorito stressed the petition's urgency due to forensics revealing Dominion's "back door" remote access capabilities. Mr. Cotton <u>testified</u> that over 3,000 program files were modified without detection since the installation of the Georgia election server in 2019. He also explained that the server had a compiler which could enable a bad actor to make such program file modifications and distribute malware to other county equipment without detection.

<u>VoterGA</u> is a non-partisan, 501(c)3 registered non-profit organization created by a coalition of citizens working to restore election integrity in Georgia. We advocate for independently verifiable, auditable, recount capable, transparent and tamper proof elections.