

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI



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Via U.S. Mail and Electronic Mail

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Re: Notice of non-compliance with the National Voter Registration Act of 1993

Dear Mr. Powers,

I am writing on behalf of Secretary of State Delbert Hosemann and in response to your letter dated June 22, 2018. Consistent with the National Voter Registration Act of 1993, the deadline to register to vote will be thirty (30) days prior to the date of any Mississippi election for federal office, including thirty days prior to a runoff election. A qualified voter who registers to vote thirty days before a runoff election for federal office will be permitted to cast a ballot in that runoff election. The Attorney General opinions referenced in your letter do not interpret or address the requirements of the National Voter Registration Act and do not inhibit election officials' compliance with the Act.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Harold E. Pizzetta III".

Harold E. Pizzetta III
Assistant Attorney General

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