

BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK

Draw For Civil Court Vacancy Numbers

42 Broadway - 6th floor  
Commissioners' Hearing Room  
New York, NY 10004  
February 4, 2021

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**PRESENT:**

Margarita

Unidentified Male

Gerald

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2 (The meeting commenced.)

3 MS. MARGARITA: Good morning. Today is  
4 Thursday, February 5, 2021 and here at the Board  
5 of Elections in the city of New York, we will be  
6 conducting the random draw for the audit of the  
7 central ballot scanners used in early voting and  
8 early -- I'm sorry, early voting and election day  
9 for the Queens 24th City Council district special  
10 election held on February 2, 2021.

11 We will start with opening the file  
12 containing the scanners for a three percent audit  
13 in Queens County and obtaining a random sequence  
14 from Random.org. To generate each sequence, we  
15 will enter the given number of scanners into the  
16 corresponding Random.org field and running the  
17 random sequence. We will then copy and paste the  
18 generated sequence into the corresponding column  
19 of the spreadsheet, then sort the data in said  
20 column accordingly. Both spreadsheets and the  
21 Random.org generated sequence will be saved  
22 separately. We will now commence the random draw.

23 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Okay. Good morning.  
24 Thank you, Margarita. So we will begin by

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2 entering the range of numbers from lowest to  
3 highest for this borough, Queens, the random draw  
4 sequence parameters from Random.org. So we can go  
5 -- here's our sheet, the file is already open.  
6 This is for early voting. There are only seven  
7 scanners. And I have to sort these according to  
8 the random draw sequence. So I'm going to open  
9 this up here, here's the website, and it's a  
10 small range, one through seven, we'll get the  
11 sequence. Here's my sequence. I'm going to copy  
12 the order, the scanners numbers are in, don't  
13 freeze on me. Oh, I've got to put the numbers  
14 over here, in the right column. It froze on me,  
15 we're freezing up here. Actually, I'm sorry, so  
16 I'm going to paste the -- no, that's not right.  
17 Here, values, there we go. So now I have to sort  
18 the scanners by these numbers one through seven,  
19 I'm going to do that, go to data, sort, I have  
20 headers, so we save the randomly produced numbers  
21 from the Random.org sequences website, we  
22 highlight, copy and paste the resulting column of  
23 numbers in the random sequence from Random.org  
24 field of the corresponding borough tab, which is

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2 Queens within the official random draw Excel  
3 document. Okay. And now this, there's only one  
4 scanner, so three percent calculation and round  
5 up, there's only one. Highlight this in yellow.  
6 File, Gerald just hit save?

7 MR. GERALD SPILLER: [unintelligible]  
8 [00:04:48].

9 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: What's that?

10 MS. MARGARITA: Save as.

11 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I'm going to put it  
12 on the D folder?

13 MR. SPILLER: Yep.

14 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: That's fine, I'm  
15 going to hit save, replace. That was the early  
16 voting. Let me go back to the random draw website  
17 and we want to save this into a .PDF and right  
18 click, hit print and there it is, Microsoft print  
19 to .PDF. Hit the print button, and now Gerald,  
20 I'm going to save it as well to the D drive,  
21 right?

22 MR. SPILLER: Yes.

23 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Am I in it? Let me  
24 open this up. There we go. Okay. Gerald, that

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2 looks good, right? Oh, there we go. What's going  
3 on here? Oh, there we go. That's weird.

4 MS. MARGARITA: Early Voting.

5 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: What?

6 MS. MARGARITA: The early voting?

7 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I put EV for early  
8 voting.

9 MS. MARGARITA: Okay.

10 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: And we can fix that.

11 MS. MARGARTIA: Oh, I see.

12 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: We can fix the name  
13 later. I just want to put it somewhere. Alright.  
14 So now we're going to move on to the election day  
15 file, so I want to go back and let me just  
16 minimize this guy. Here's our election day file.  
17 So file, so here we have 75 scanners on election  
18 day, and that calculates to three, so however the  
19 order falls, the first three are for audit. So  
20 we're going to now go back to Randomdraw.org, and  
21 get the sequence, the range is one through 75,  
22 hello, one through 75. Okay, what's the hell's  
23 going on? Oh. It woke up, very temperamental it  
24 appears, so let's get our sequence while we can.

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2 That's our sequence. I can just drop them right  
3 in there. Let's copy this. Go on, control  
4 Correct. Okay. Let me just double check, let's go  
5 downstairs, looks good. And we're going to do our  
6 sort and sort these scanners based on this  
7 sequence of numbers in order. Data sort, we have  
8 headers, we're going to sort by Column E, random  
9 sequence from Random.org, smallest to largest and  
10 hit okay. And it will be the first three,  
11 highlight that, yes. File, save as, D, hit save,  
12 let me just see something. Okay. There we are,  
13 and that's a .PDF, just checking. Now let's save  
14 this to a .PDF by printing, Microsoft print to  
15 .PDF and hit print, give it a name, didn't work,  
16 we're going to call this one election day Feb02,  
17 that's good enough for now, right guys. Looks  
18 good and hit save. So I believe that concludes  
19 another random draw, special edition, thank you  
20 for watching.

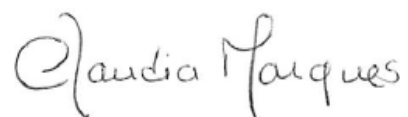
21 (The meeting concluded.)

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