

**Sample Ballot for El Paso County, Colorado
General Election November 7, 2000**

Instructions to Voters: To VOTE for the candidate of your choice darken the oval to the LEFT of the candidate's name .
VOTE LIKE THIS: ● AND VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

Federal Offices		DISTRICT ATTORNEY-4TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Vote for One	Shall Judge Larry Edward Schwartz of the District Court be retained in office? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	AMENDMENT 22 Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning a requirement that background checks be conducted on prospective firearms transferees if any part of the transaction occurs at a gun show, and in connection therewith, directing that a gun show vendor require a background check on a prospective transferee and obtain approval of the transfer from the Colorado Bureau of Investigation; defining a "gun show vendor" as any person who exhibits, offers for sale, or transfers a firearm at a gun show; requiring gun show promoters to arrange for the services of federally licensed gun dealers to obtain background checks at gun shows; prohibiting the transfer of a firearm if a background check has not been obtained by a federally licensed gun dealer; requiring record keeping and retention by federally licensed gun dealers who obtain background checks; permitting federally licensed gun dealers to charge a fee of up to ten dollars for conducting each background check at gun shows; requiring gun show promoters to prominently post notice of the background check requirement; establishing criminal penalties for violations of these requirements; exempting transfers of certain antique firearms, relics, and curios from the background check requirement; and requiring the appropriation of funds necessary to implement the measure? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT Vote for One Pair		<input type="radio"/> Jeanne M. Smith REP	Shall Judge Timothy J. Simmons of the District Court be retained in office? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	
<input type="radio"/> George W. Bush Dick Cheney REP				
		County Offices	Shall Judge Rebecca Snyder Bromley of the County Court be retained in office? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	
<input type="radio"/> Al Gore Joe Lieberman DEM		COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 3 Vote for One		
<input type="radio"/> Harry Browne Art Olivier LIB		<input type="radio"/> Charles C. "Chuck" Brown REP	County Judge - El Paso	
<input type="radio"/> John Hagelin Nat Goldhaber NAT		<input type="radio"/> Fred D. Hardee DEM	QUESTIONS OR ISSUES "Measures referred by the general assembly or any political subdivision are listed by letter, and measures initiated by the people are listed numerically. A 'yes' vote on any measure is a vote in favor of changing constitutional or statutory law, and a 'no' vote on any measure is a vote against changing constitutional or statutory law." State of Colorado Initiatives	
<input type="radio"/> Ralph Nader Winona LaDuke GRN		<input type="radio"/> Paul D. Gilbert LIB		
		Justices of the Colorado Supreme Court		
<input type="radio"/> Howard Phillips J. Curtis Frazier ACP		Shall Justice Michael L. Bender of the Supreme Court be retained in office? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		
<input type="radio"/> Pat Buchanan Ezola Foster FRE		Shall Justice Alex J. Martinez of the Supreme Court be retained in office? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		
<input type="radio"/> Earl F. Dodge W. Dean Watkins PRO		Shall Justice Mary J. Mullarkey of the Supreme Court be retained in office? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		
<input type="radio"/> James Harris Margaret Trowe SWC		Shall Justice Nancy E. Rice of the Supreme Court be retained in office? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		
<input type="radio"/> David McReynolds Mary Cal Hollis SPU				
REPRESENTATIVE TO THE 107TH UNITED STATES CONGRESS-DISTRICT 5 Vote for One				
<input type="radio"/> Joel Hefley REP				
<input type="radio"/> Kerry Kantor LIB				
<input type="radio"/> Randy MacKenzie NAT				
State Offices			AMENDMENT 20 Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado Constitution authorizing the medical use of marijuana for persons suffering from debilitating medical conditions, and, in connection therewith, establishing an affirmative defense to Colorado criminal laws for patients and their primary care-givers relating to the medical use of marijuana; establishing exceptions to Colorado criminal laws for patients and primary care-givers in lawful possession of a registry identification card for medical marijuana use and for physicians who advise patients or provide them with written documentation as to such medical marijuana use; defining "debilitating medical condition" and authorizing the state health agency to approve other medical conditions or treatments as debilitating medical conditions; requiring preservation of seized property interests that had been possessed, owned, or used in connection with a claimed medical use of marijuana and limiting forfeiture of such interests; establishing and maintaining a confidential state registry of patients receiving an identification card for the medical use of marijuana and defining eligibility for receipt of such a card and placement on the registry; restricting access to information in the registry; establishing procedures for issuance of an identification card; authorizing fees to cover administrative costs associated with the registry; specifying the form and amount of marijuana a patient may possess and restrictions on its use; setting forth additional requirements for the medical use of marijuana by patients less than eighteen years old; directing enactment of implementing legislation and criminal penalties for certain offenses; requiring the state health agency designated by the governor to make application forms available to residents of Colorado for inclusion on the registry; limiting a health insurer's liability on claims relating to the medical use of marijuana; and providing that no employer must accommodate medical use of marijuana in the workplace? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	
SECRETARY OF STATE Vote for One		Court of Appeals Judges		
<input type="radio"/> Donetta Davidson REP		Shall Judge Sandra I. Rothenberg of the Court of Appeals be retained in office? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		
<input type="radio"/> Anthony Martinez DEM		Shall Judge Edwin G. Ruland of the Court of Appeals be retained in office? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		
<input type="radio"/> Clyde J. Harkins ACP				
<input type="radio"/> Cheryl A. Beckett NAT				
<input type="radio"/> Johanna C. Fallis LIB				
<input type="radio"/> Patricia Baker REF				
MEMBER STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION-AT LARGE Vote for One		District Judges 4th Judicial District		
<input type="radio"/> Ben L. Alexander REP		Shall Peter Warren Booth of the District Court be retained in office? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		
<input type="radio"/> Jared Polis DEM				
<input type="radio"/> Thomas D. Groover NAT				
REGENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO-AT LARGE Vote for One				
<input type="radio"/> Pete Steinhauer REP				
<input type="radio"/> Burke Beu DEM				
<input type="radio"/> Jennifer Holton NAT				
REGENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO-5TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT Vote for One				
<input type="radio"/> Jerry Rutledge REP		Shall Judge Theresa M. Cisneros of the District Court be retained in office? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		
<input type="radio"/> Jeanne M. Sauer DEM		Shall Judge Steven T. Pelican of the District Court be retained in office? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		
STATE REPRESENTATIVE-DISTRICT 22 Vote for One				
<input type="radio"/> Michael Merrifield DEM				
<input type="radio"/> David C. Schultheis REP				
<input type="radio"/> Kent McNaughton LIB				
			AMENDMENT 21 Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution establishing a \$25 tax cut to lower each 2001 state and local tax in each tax bill for each utility customer and occupation tax and franchise charge, vehicle sales, use, and ownership tax, income tax, property tax, income and property tax equal to yearly revenue from sales and use taxes on food and drink other than tobacco and alcohol, and income tax equal to yearly revenue from estate taxes, and, in connection therewith, increasing the tax cut \$25 yearly; specifying that the tax cuts and state replacement of local revenue shall not lower state or local excess revenue; allowing the state to limit local acts increasing replacement costs; and providing that attorney fees and costs shall always be paid to successful plaintiffs only? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	
			AMENDMENT 23 SHALL THERE BE AN AMENDMENT TO THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION CONCERNING INCREASED FUNDING FOR PRESCHOOL THROUGH TWELFTH-GRADE PUBLIC EDUCATION, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, REQUIRING THE STATEWIDE BASE PER PUPIL FUNDING FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION AND FUNDING FOR SPECIFICALLY DEFINED CATEGORICAL PROGRAMS TO GROW ANNUALLY BY AT LEAST THE RATE OF INFLATION PLUS ONE PERCENTAGE POINT FOR FISCAL YEARS 2001-02 THROUGH 2010-11 AND ANNUALLY BY AT LEAST THE RATE OF INFLATION FOR FISCAL YEARS THEREAFTER; CREATING A STATE EDUCATION FUND AND EXEMPTING APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE FUND AND EXPENDITURES OF SAID APPROPRIATIONS FROM CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY LIMITATIONS; REQUIRING THE STATE TO DEPOSIT IN THE STATE EDUCATION FUND ALL REVENUES COLLECTED BY THE STATE FROM A TAX OF ONE-THIRD OF ONE PERCENT ON FEDERAL TAXABLE INCOME OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL, ESTATE, TRUST, AND CORPORATION AND EXEMPTING THOSE REVENUES FROM THE CONSTITUTIONAL LIMITATION ON FISCAL YEAR SPENDING; LIMITING THE USE OF MONEYS IN THE STATE EDUCATION FUND TO INCREASING THE STATEWIDE BASE PER PUPIL FUNDING FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION AND FUNDING FOR CATEGORICAL PROGRAMS AND TO FUNDING SPECIFIED EDUCATION PROGRAMS, INCLUDING PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION; SPECIFYING THAT MONEYS APPROPRIATED FROM THE STATE EDUCATION FUND SHALL NOT BE USED TO SUPPLANT THE LEVEL OF GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS EXISTING ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE MEASURE FOR TOTAL PROGRAM EDUCATION AND CATEGORICAL PROGRAM FUNDING; AND, FOR FISCAL YEARS 2001-02 THROUGH 2010-11, REQUIRING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO INCREASE ANNUALLY THE GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION FOR TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING UNDER THE "PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE ACT OF 1994", OR ANY SUCCESSOR ACT, BY AT LEAST FIVE PERCENT OF THE PRIOR YEAR'S GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION FOR TOTAL PROGRAM, EXCEPT IN FISCAL YEARS IN WHICH PERSONAL INCOME GROWS LESS THAN FOUR AND ONE-HALF PERCENT BETWEEN THE TWO PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEARS? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	
			AMENDMENT 24 Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado Constitution concerning the management of development, and, in connection therewith, specifying that local governments, unless otherwise excepted, shall approve development only within areas committed to development or within future growth areas in accordance with voter-approved growth area maps, requiring such local governments to delineate areas committed to development, requiring local governments proposing a future growth area to submit a growth area map to a vote at a regular election, specifying the content of growth impact disclosures to be distributed to voters in connection with such elections, and specifying the type of allowed action or development within growth areas, committed areas, or outside such areas? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	

AMENDMENT 25

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning the requirement that any woman who is considering an abortion give voluntary, informed consent prior to the abortion, and, in connection therewith, defining several pertinent terms so that "abortion" includes termination of a known pregnancy at any time after conception, specifying the information a physician must provide to insure that a woman's consent to an abortion is voluntary and informed, requiring a physician, except in emergency cases, to provide the specified information to the woman at least twenty-four hours prior to performing an abortion, requiring the department of public health and environment to provide specified informational materials for women who are considering abortions, establishing procedures for emergency situations, requiring physicians to annually report specified information, requiring the department of public health and environment to annually publish a compilation of the physicians' reports, and providing for the administration and enforcement of the amendment's provisions?

- YES
 NO

State of Colorado Referendums**REFERENDUM A**

AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE X OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO, ESTABLISHING A HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FOR A SPECIFIED PERCENTAGE OF A LIMITED AMOUNT OF THE ACTUAL VALUE OF OWNER-OCCUPIED RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY THAT IS THE PRIMARY RESIDENCE OF AN OWNER-OCCUPIER WHO IS SIXTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND HAS RESIDED IN SUCH PROPERTY FOR TEN YEARS OR LONGER, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, ALLOWING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY BY LAW TO ADJUST THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF ACTUAL VALUE OF SUCH RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY OF WHICH SUCH SPECIFIED PERCENTAGE SHALL BE EXEMPT, REQUIRING THE AGGREGATE STATEWIDE VALUATION FOR ASSESSMENT THAT IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY TO BE CALCULATED AS IF THE FULL ACTUAL VALUE OF ALL OWNER-OCCUPIED PRIMARY RESIDENCES THAT ARE PARTIALLY EXEMPT FROM TAXATION WAS SUBJECT TO TAXATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING THE BIENNIAL ADJUSTMENT TO BE MADE TO THE RATIO OF VALUATION FOR ASSESSMENT FOR RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY, REQUIRING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO COMPENSATE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES FOR THE NET AMOUNT OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES LOST AS A RESULT OF THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION, SPECIFYING THAT SAID COMPENSATION SHALL NOT BE INCLUDED IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL YEAR SPENDING, AUTHORIZING A PERMANENT INCREASE IN STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING TO DEFRAY THE COST TO THE STATE OF SAID COMPENSATION, AND SPECIFYING THAT SAID COMPENSATION SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO ANY STATUTORY LIMITATION ON GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS.

- YES
 NO

REFERENDUM B

An amendment to section 48 of article V of the constitution of the state of Colorado, concerning the timetable for adoption of a redistricting plan for the general assembly.

- YES
 NO

REFERENDUM C

An amendment to section 8 of article XIV of the constitution of the state of Colorado, which requires the selection of county surveyors by election, to also allow the appointment of county surveyors.

- YES
 NO

REFERENDUM D

An amendment to the constitution of the state of Colorado, concerning the repeal of outdated provisions of the state constitution resulting from obsolescence and applicability to particular events or circumstances that have already occurred.

- YES
 NO

REFERENDUM E

SHALL THE COLORADO LOTTERY COMMISSION BE AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO MULTISTATE AGREEMENTS ALLOWING COLORADO RESIDENTS TO PLAY MULTISTATE LOTTERY GAMES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, TRANSFERRING A PORTION OF THE NET PROCEEDS FROM ALL LOTTERY PROGRAMS, INCLUDING MULTI-STATE LOTTERY GAMES, FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE STATE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND AS A CONTINGENCY RESERVE FOR SUPPLEMENTAL ASSISTANCE TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURES TO ADDRESS IMMEDIATE HEALTH AND SAFETY CONCERNS WITHIN EXISTING SCHOOL FACILITIES EXEMPT FROM ANY RESTRICTION ON SPENDING, REVENUES, OR APPROPRIATIONS, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE RESTRICTIONS OF SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION?

- YES
 NO

REFERENDUM F

SHALL THE STATE OF COLORADO BE PERMITTED TO ANNUALLY RETAIN UP TO FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS OF THE STATE REVENUES IN EXCESS OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL LIMITATION ON STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING FOR THE 1999-2000 FISCAL YEAR AND FOR FOUR SUCCEEDING FISCAL YEARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PERFORMANCE GRANTS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO IMPROVE ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY RESTRICTION ON SPENDING, REVENUES, OR APPROPRIATIONS, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION THE RESTRICTIONS OF SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION AND THE STATUTORY LIMITATION ON STATE GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS?

- YES
 NO

COUNTY QUESTION 1A

SHALL THE COUNTY OF EL PASO, COLORADO, WITHOUT INCREASING ITS TAX RATES, BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT, RETAIN AND SPEND ALL REVENUES GENERATED FOR THE YEAR 1999, UP TO AND INCLUDING BUT NO MORE THAN \$381,483.00, SUCH AUTHORIZATION TO CONSTITUTE A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPANDING AND ENHANCING THE BEAR CREEK NATURE CENTER TO INCLUDE LARGER AREAS FOR EXHIBITS, MULTI-MEDIA CLASSROOM, RESTROOMS AND DECK FOR ENVIRONMENTAL INSTRUCTIONAL AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS: PROVIDED THAT THE COUNTY'S PROPERTY TAX MILL LEVY AND SALES AND USE TAX RATES SHALL NOT BE INCREASED WITHOUT FURTHER VOTER APPROVAL?

- YES
 NO

MANITOU SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT 14 3C

SHALL MANITOU SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 14 TAXES BE INCREASED \$900,000 ANNUALLY AS IS PERMITTED UNDER THE SCHOOL FINANCE ACT OF 1994, AS AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE EXPENSES OF THE DISTRICT AND SHALL THE MILL LEVY BE INCREASED OR DECREASED ANNUALLY IF NECESSARY, TO RAISE SUCH DOLLAR AMOUNT PROVIDED THAT THE DISTRICT'S TOTAL MILL LEVY FOR ALL PURPOSES SHALL NOT EXCEED 48.50 MILLS IN FISCAL YEAR 2000-2001; 50.00 MILLS IN FISCAL YEAR 2001-2002 AND 52.00 MILLS IN FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003 AND THEREAFTER, UNLESS OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED BY LAW; SUCH ADDITIONAL TAXES TO BE DEPOSITED IN THE GENERAL FUND FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION WHICH INCLUDE BUT SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO:

1. ATTRACT AND RETAIN HIGH QUALITY INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF; AND
2. EXPAND CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS; AND
3. IMPROVE STUDENT ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE; AND
4. IMPROVE AND EXPAND THE DISTRICT'S EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

AND SHALL THE REVENUES FROM SUCH TAXES AND ANY EARNINGS FROM THE INVESTMENT OF SUCH REVENUES BE COLLECTED AND SPENT AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

- YES
 NO

MANITOU SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT 14 3D

SHALL MANITOU SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 14 DEBT BE INCREASED \$8,500,000 WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF \$17,842,375, AND SHALL ANNUAL DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED \$1,004,250 TO PAY SUCH DEBT, FOR DISTRICT CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION PURPOSES WHICH INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- IMPROVE ALL DISTRICT FACILITIES AND GROUNDS TO OUR COMMUNITY'S STANDARDS;
- REPAIR AND REPLACE ROOFS, BOILERS, PLUMBING AND ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT; AND
- CREATE ADDITIONAL CLASSROOM SPACE FOR ALL DISTRICT SCHOOLS BY CONSTRUCTING A NEW EDUCATIONAL ANNEX BUILDING AT THE HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL SITE TO EXPAND SHARED CLASSROOM SPACE AT BOTH SCHOOLS AND BUILDING AN ADDITION TO UTE PASS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL;

AND SHALL THE MILL LEVY BE INCREASED IN ANY YEAR WITHOUT LIMITATION AS TO RATE OR AMOUNT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OR PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON SUCH DEBT OR ANY REFUNDING DEBT(OR TO CREATE A RESERVE FOR SUCH PAYMENT), SUCH DEBT TO BE EVIDENCED BY THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS BEARING INTEREST AT A MAXIMUM NET EFFECTIVE INTEREST RATE NOT TO EXCEED 7.5%; SUCH BONDS TO BE SOLD IN ONE SERIES OR MORE, FOR A PRICE ABOVE OR BELOW THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SUCH SERIES, ON TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND WITH SUCH MATURITIES AS PERMITTED BY LAW AND AS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY DETERMINE, INCLUDING PROVISIONS FOR REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS PRIOR TO MATURITY WITH OR WITHOUT PAYMENT OF THE PREMIUM; AND SHALL THE EARNINGS FROM THE INVESTMENT OF SUCH BOND PROCEEDS AND TAX REVENUES BE COLLECTED AND SPENT AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE AND EXCEPTION TO THE LIMITS WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE APPLY UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW?

- YES
 NO