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PROBATE COURT OF MOBILE COUNTY, ALABAMA

PRESS RELEASE

TO:

ALL MOBILE, ALABAMA AREA MEDIA OUTLETS

FROM:

DON DAVIS, Judge of Probate and Chief Election Officer

RE:

PROCEDURE TO BE UTILIZED TO DETERMINE WINNERS IN TIED MOBILE COUNTY CONSTABLE ELECTIONS ON DECEMBER 3, 2024

DATED:

DECEMBER 1, 2024

Alabama's Election Code requires a county probate judge to oversee the process of determining winners in tied elections, and the decision is to be made by drawing lots.

Mobile County Judge of Probate and Chief Election Officer Don Davis announced on Monday afternoon, that the procedure outlined herein below will be utilized by Judge Davis when he meets with the three (3) sets of persons running for constable in Mobile County, who received the same number of votes in the 2024 General Election.

PROCEDURE TO DETERMINE WINNER IN TIED ELECTIONS

- 1. Coin will be tossed to determine which candidate gets to draw the first lot. The winner of the coin toss and choose to go first or second.
- 2. Two straws will be utilized. One straw will be shorter than the other straw. The longer straw will have winner written on it.
- Judge Davis will hold the straws and the person determined to choose a straw first will draw a straw.
- Winner will be determined based on straws drawn, i.e., the person with the shorter straw will lose.

The meeting will be held at 1:00 o'clock p.m. in the Courtroom Number 1, Third Floor, Mobile County Government Center Annex, 151 Government Street, Mobile, Alabama. This meeting is open to the general public and the media.

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