



## BOARD OF ELECTIONS

## CRAVEN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS ELECTION MEDIA POLICY

MEDIA POLICY AT THE POLLING SITES (Ref. N.C.G.S. §163-166.3):

- NO TELEVISION SETS, RADIOS OR OTHER BROADCASTING MEDIA WILL BE ALLOWED TO BE OPERATED IN THE VOTING ENCLOSURE DURING VOTING HOURS**
- Media has a First Amendment right to report on matters of public interest, including elections.
- Members of the media shall identify themselves to the chief judge.
- Members of the media are not allowed inside the voting enclosure unless they are there to vote. They are permitted in the voting place.
- Media should be positioned so that they will not interfere, obstruct, or disrupt the voting process.
- Members of the media shall conduct media polls and interviews outside the buffer zone (at least 50 feet from the entrance of the polling place).
- Members of the media may take panoramic photographs or video of the voting place but are not permitted to use a zoom lens that could show the individual voter in the process of voting. Photographing voters is prohibited except with the permission of both the voter and the chief judge of the precinct. **\*\*A Candidate may have their picture taken in the voting process if the Candidate is the only person included in the photograph. If there are other voters in the voting enclosure, the permission of the other voters shall be required.**
- Members of the media shall not photograph, videotape, or otherwise record the image of a voted ballot for any purpose.
- Members of the media should be treated with respect.
- Election officials are to report problems with media to CCBOE.

**Adopted: DATED THIS 13th DAY OF December 2013**  
**MEMBERS OF THE CRAVEN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

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Gary H. Clemmons, Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Julia I. Capshaw".

Julia I. Capshaw, Secretary

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Zeda B. Trice".

Zeda B. Trice, Member