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Board of Elections Certifies Primary Audit

(Columbus) The Franklin County Board of Elections has certified results of a primary election audit finding a difference of three votes among 9,748 - but no change in the outcome of any contest involving candidates or issues.

The audit is required by the secretary of state of primary and general election results in even years and must cover at least five percent of the votes cast. Officials recounted 7,979 votes made on electronic voting machines and 1,769 on paper ballots. Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney, William O'Neill, Democrat for the Ohio Supreme Court and Terry Brown, Democrat for Franklin County Recorder each lost one vote when paper ballots were re-counted. There were no changes in voting machine results.

Certified vote totals are posted on the Web at <http://vote.franklincountyohio.gov>

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