



**Statement from the Chair of the Democratic Party of DuPage
County – For Immediate Release**

Saturday October 31, 2020

Released by the Democratic Party of DuPage County
chair@dupagedemocrats.com

As a number of media outlets have reported, a DuPage County Election Judge was arrested for allegedly stealing political signs this week. Political signs are one's property and a form of freedom of speech. Everyone has the right to display the political signs of their choosing and the judge in question was correctly removed from the Election Judge Roles in DuPage.

After a quick FOIA request of voting records we found that the judge in question, Beverly Johnston from Villa Park, was indeed a Republican Judge in the last few election cycles, including 2020. In addition, Beverly has pulled nine Republican Primary Ballots since 1997 and a sole Democratic Ballot in the 2016 Primary.

We are requesting the media outlets that reported or implied that Beverly Johnston was a Democratic Election Judge immediately correct the record, as she was a Republican Election Judge. This incorrect reporting is a disservice to Democrats, the Election Process and most importantly Voters.

Please see the documents obtained via FOIA attached to this release.