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Oregon Secretary of State



March 14, 2025

Dear [FIRST] [LAST],

You are receiving this letter because Oregon Driver & Motor Vehicle Services (DMV) erroneously registered you to vote in Oregon. I am writing to explain the error and to emphasize that you are not responsible for this error; DMV made the mistake.

Only U.S. citizens are eligible to vote in Oregon. Under Oregon law, when a U.S. citizen obtains a driver license, driver card, or ID card through DMV, my office automatically registers them to vote in Oregon. The person does not fill out a separate form or application; if they do not want to be registered, they must affirmatively opt out. But DMV made a mistake when it issued your license or card. DMV added an incorrect code to your file that indicated that you were a U.S. citizen and eligible to vote, even though the identification you gave them did not.

I and DMV recognize that you did not intend to register to vote, did not represent yourself as eligible to vote, and did not make any claim to U.S. citizenship. DMV takes full and complete responsibility for the error. We are both sorry for this error and know that you bear no responsibility for this mistake.

If you are not eligible to vote, you should know we have already taken steps to correct this error. As of right now, your registration is inactive under Oregon Revised Statute § 247.563(3) and will be canceled fully and automatically in 2028 if you take no further action. If you want to cancel your registration earlier, contact your county election office.

If you are a U.S. citizen now, you may still vote in Oregon. If you become a U.S. citizen in the future, you may still vote then. The DMV's error does not change your voter eligibility. However, because your registration is inactive, you will not receive a ballot until you contact your county elections office and show that you are eligible to vote. You should have received a separate letter from your county about this. Please contact your county election office if you have not received that letter. A complete list of county election offices is available at https://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/countyofficials.aspx

We regret the error. This letter remains permanently on file with the Secretary of State and is available upon request if you need a copy for any reason, including immigration reasons. You can contact my office at 1-866-673-VOTE (1-866-673-8683) or elections.sos@sos.oregon.gov.

Oregon residents are eligible for free immigration legal services from Oregon's Universal Representation program, Equity Corps of Oregon (ECO). ECO is aware of this issue and ready to

255 Capitol St NE, Ste 180 Salem, Oregon 97310 provide expedited access to legal help for people who receive this letter. Contact ECO at 1-888-274-7292 or visit their webpage at equitycorps.org.

My office will post additional information, answers to frequently asked questions, and resources related to the DMV's mistake at www.oregonvotes.gov/dmv.

Sincerely,

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