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September 22, 2003

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Subject: Corrections to Report of Judicial Nominating
Commission Election Totals

The Allen County Election Board committed an error during the tally of votes for the Attorney Members of the Judicial Nominating Commission Election on September 10, 2003. A count was conducted of the number of valid ballots on hand and that count was compared with the record of attorneys who had turned in a voted ballot to the Allen County Election Board. The total number of ballots submitted was 297 ballots. All ballots were again filed for tallying at the end of the day. After 4:00 pm on September 10, 2003, which was the deadline to receive ballots, the Allen County Election Board pulled ballots and began to tally. The Election Board staff reported the totals to the Pam Finlayson, Director of Elections, who reported results to the candidates, Secretary of State, Clerk of the Supreme Court and Clerk of the Allen Circuit and Superior Courts.

On September 19, 2003, Jean Nicolet, Assistant Director of Elections, opened the Judicial Nominating Ballot File while working on other election business in the file room and found additional ballots in that drawer. She retrieved the ballot material that had been counted September 10, 2003 and counted the number of ballots tallied on that day. She counted 206 ballots. The 91 ballots in the Judicial Nominating Ballot File that had never been pulled for tallying brought the total of ballots up to the 297 ballots that had been submitted. The staff opened the 91 uncounted ballots and added those numbers to the totals reported earlier. There are no changes to the candidates elected. This error occurred because no post election audit was conducted as is routinely done in all other elections. The additional step of an audit will be added to the conduct of the Judicial Nominating Commission Election in the future. Corrections to reported totals are attached. We apologize for the inconvenience of this error.

Sincerely,

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**CORRECTION TO
NOTICE OF ELECTION RESULTS
ALLEN COUNTY JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION**

Votes were canvassed for the Judicial Nominating Commission Election. The vote totals are as follows:

Ralph R. Blume	161 votes
Daniel J. Borgmann	166 votes
John H. Brandt	205 votes
Thomas A. Manges	93 votes
Donald C. Swanson, Jr.	139 votes

The three duly elected Judicial Nominating Commission members for the October 1, 2003 to September 30, 2007 term are:

Ralph R. Blume
5315 Autumn Woods Trail
Fort Wayne, IN 46835

Daniel J. Borgmann
3309 Oak Glen Trail
Fort Wayne, IN 46804

John H. Brandt
2819 Woodhollow Trail
Fort Wayne, IN 46825

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