

Official Election Complaint Form



STEP 1

Complaint Type

Please select the statutory process that governs your complaint:

Note: you should choose only one statutory process per complaint; if you feel that your allegations fall under more than one statutory process, you should submit separate complaints under each process.

5.05 (Election Law Violation)

● 5.06 (Violations by Election Officials or Appeals of Decisions of Election Officials)

5.061 (Help America Vote Act Violation)

STEP 2

Complainant Contact Information

Please provide the following information about yourself.

Note: Anyone filing this complaint with you can add their information on a separate page (see page 4).

First Name	Last Name
Denise	Salamone
Residential Address	
3525 N Humboldt Blvd, Milwaukee, WI 53212	
Mailing Address (if different)	
Telephone (optional)	Email
	denisemariesal@gmail.com

STEP 3

Respondent

Please provide the following information about the individual or individuals whom you allege violated or improperly administered election laws:

Note: For 5.06 complaints, each respondent must be an election official. If there are multiple respondents, you can add their information on a separate page (see page 5).

Respondent Name	Respondent Title (5.06 complaints)
Paulina Gutierrez	Executive Director of Milwaukee Elections
Mailing Address	
200 E Wells St, Room 501 Milwaukee, WI 53202	
Telephone (if available)	Email (if available)



Applicable Statutes

Please cite each statute within Chapters 5 to 10 and 12 of the Wisconsin Statutes, as well as any other laws relating to elections, other than laws relating to campaign financing, that you allege were violated or improperly administered.

Note: The Commission cannot accept a complaint that does not cite specific provisions, including the correct subsections, of election law.

7.30(2)(a) Except as authorized under subs. (1)(b) and (4) (c), all inspectors shall be affiliated with one of the 2 recognized political parties which received the largest number of votes for president, or governor in nonpresidential general election years, in the ward or combination of wards served by the polling place at the last election. Also 5.85(3) requires the same for remaking of ballots.



Allegations

Set forth in detail the facts that establish probable cause to believe that a violation occurred. Be as specific as possible as it relates to dates, times, individuals, and actions involved. Use as many separate pages as needed and attach copies of any supporting documentation, evidence, or affidavits.

I arrived about 10:30 a.m. at Milwaukee central count on 4/1/2025. This was my third time observing at central count which includes November 3, 2020, November 5, 2024 and April 1, 2025.

I started to observe at Tabulator #4. I had an interest in how the tabulators operated. I already have a basic understanding how the ballots are handled at the tables and prepared for the tabulator. Two people work the tabulators and at Tabulator #4 there were a middle aged man and a younger woman running the machine. The man was wearing a red band around his wrist indicating he was a Republican and the woman, Hannah, was wearing a purple band indicating "unaffiliated". The tabulator was very efficient and while I was observing they did not have a breakdown.

They had a few ballot reconstructions and used the Express Voting machine to remake them. It was difficult to hear them as they were remaking the ballot so I couldn't verify what was being put into the machine. I watched this area for a couple of hours. My understanding of the Wisconsin law regarding reconstructing the ballots is that they are supposed to be done by election inspectors from the 2 major parties (which means there should have been a worker with a red wrist band and one with a blue wrist band). The purpose of this law is that each party election inspector holds the other party inspector accountable, so the ballot is reconstructed according to the intent of the voter.

I had some questions about the process but I was always respectful not to interrupt the work by waiting for a break in the flow.

About 12:30, I decided to move through the room to watch other activity and one of the observations which stood out to me was the number of purple wristbands (indicating "unaffiliated to either party") on the election workers. Please see the attached spreadsheet which shows the disparity of election workers at Milwaukee central count on 4/1/2025. There were hardly any red (Republican) or blue (Democrat) election inspectors. A majority of the election workers were "unaffiliated".

This disparity of election workers for both the table processing and the tabulator teams shows that the Wisconsin election laws are not being followed regarding these issues at Milwaukee central

STEP 6

Sign

Each complainant must complete **either** step 6a, "Unsworn Statement," or Step 6b "Sworn Statement." For either option, you may enter your digital signature by clicking the box and following the instructions, or you may print the form and sign it.

6a

Unsworn Statement

I declare under penalty of false swearing under the law of Wisconsin that

the foregoing is true and correct. Signed on the 14 day of April,

2025 at Milwaukee
(city or other location and state or country).

Denise Salamone

Printed Name

Denise Salamone

Signature

6b

Sworn Statement (to be completed in the presence of a notary)

I, Denise Salamone, being first duly sworn, on oath,
state that I personally read the above complaint, and that the above
allegations are true based on my personal knowledge and, as to those
stated on information and belief, I believe them to be true.

Complainant's Signature

Note: Each complainant listed above in section 6b must have this form sworn before a notary or other official able to swear oaths.

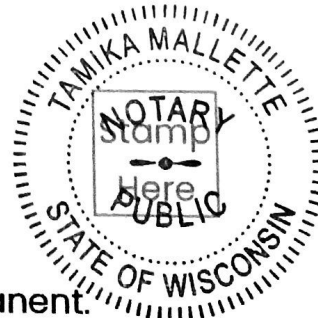
STATE OF WISCONSIN

County of, MILWAUKEE (county of notarization)

Sworn to before me this day of, April 14, 2025.

Tamika Mallette
(Signature of person authorized to administer oaths)

My commission expires on March 20, 2026, or is permanent.



Notary Public or (official title if not notary)

Milwaukee Central Count				
Bracelet Colors as of ~2:00pm				
Wards	Purple	Red	Blue	
1-5	1		1	
6-10	2			
11-15	2			
16-21	2			
22-29				vacant
30-33	1	1		
34-38	1	1		
39-44		1	1	
45-50	2			
51-56	1		1	
57-62	2			
63-68	1	1		
69-74	1		1	
75-78	2			
79-83	1	1		
84-87	1		1	
88-91	1		1	
92-97	2			
98-103	1	1		
104-110	2			
111-118				vacant
119-123		1	1	
124-126	1		1	
127-129	2			
130-133	2			
134-139	1		1	
140-147	1	1		
148-155				vacant
156-161	1		1	
162-164	2			
165-172	2			
173-174	1		1	
175-177				vacant
178-181	2			
191-198	2			
199-203				vacant
204-208				vacant
209-216	1		1	
217-225				vacant

226-232				vacant
233-237	2			
238-240	2			
241-248				vacant
265-267		1	1	
268-271	1	1		
272-276				vacant
293-296				vacant
297-301	2			
302-308	2			
309-314	2			
315-331	2			
332-356				vacant
Total	57	10	13	80
	71.25%	12.50%	16.25%	
Totals at 830am	57	11	13	

TABULATOR WORKS

1:20 PM

TABULATOR

	PURPLE	RED	BLUE
1	1		1
2	2		
3	1		1
4	1	1	
5	1	1	
6	2		
7	2		
8	1	1	
9	2		
10	1	1	
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