

**BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION
PUTNAM COUNTY, GEORGIA**

POLICY DECISION

Date: November 9, 2006
Policy Decision No.: 06-03
Subject Matter: Political Involvement

The Board of Elections and Registration has adopted the following policy:

Members of the Board of Elections and Registration, its full- and part-time employees, and poll workers are permitted to be members of political parties at the local, state, and national levels. They may make political financial contributions as they see fit pursuant to the law and they may attend partisan political gatherings. They may serve as officers in political parties.

Members of the Board of Elections and Registration, its full- and part-time employees, and poll workers on days actively working for the Board shall not actively campaign on behalf of or against any candidate or issue (e.g., SPLOST, constitutional amendments, and the like) if that election is conducted by the Board of Elections and Registration. Active campaigning includes, but is not limited to, serving on campaign committees, soliciting votes, introducing candidates around the community, acting as an intermediary on behalf of or against any candidate or cause, or running for political office.

Board members and employees shall not display political bumper stickers or signs with a message in favor of or against any candidate or cause if that election is conducted by the Board of Elections and Registration. Board members, employees, and poll workers on days actively working for the Board shall not display, wear, distribute, or

otherwise make public any written promotional material containing candidates' names or endorsing either side of issues. This includes, but it not limited to, shirts, hats, other clothing, buttons, banners, campaign literature, promotional items of any sort (such as key chains, pens, stickers, etc.) Poll workers may display such materials on their persons, vehicles, or other property but shall not do so when engaged in the business of the Board of Elections and Registration, to include attendance at training sessions, work at any Advance Voting location, work at any precinct, work on Election Day or at any polling place, and at the offices of the Board.