



NEWS RELEASE: Sumter County Supervisor of Elections Prepares for Amendment 4 to Take Effect January 8, 2019

December 31, 2018: Sumter County, FL – The Sumter County Supervisor of Elections office is preparing for the enactment of Amendment 4 – Voting Restoration Amendment passed by Florida voters that takes effect January 8, 2019.

This amendment restores the voting rights of Floridians with felony convictions after they complete all terms of their sentence including parole or probation. The amendment would not apply to those convicted of murder or sexual offenses, who would continue to be permanently barred from voting unless the Governor and Cabinet vote to restore their voting rights on a case by case basis.

The Sumter County Supervisor of Elections office will accept and process new voter registration applications, including applications submitted by convicted felons who have had their rights restored and become eligible to vote on January 8. Newly eligible voters who have previously been removed from the voter rolls due to a felony conviction must re-register.

As always, the Sumter County Supervisor of Elections will continue voter education efforts and provide support for all eligible individuals who desire to register to vote.

For questions regarding Amendment 4, you may contact the Office of the Governor at (850) 488-7146 or the Sumter County Supervisor of Elections office at (352) 569-1540.

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