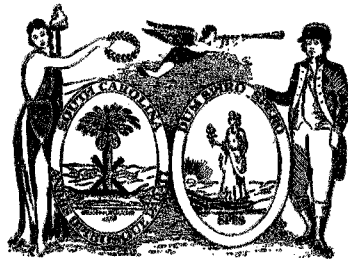


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Mark Hammond
SECRETARY OF STATE ⁷



Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER No.

2003-13

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2003, I received an Amended Order of the South Carolina State Election Commission (the "Commission") declaring that, in its capacity as the State Board of Canvassers, the Commission has found illegal and improper use and counting of provisional and/or failsafe ballots in the November 5, 2002, general election for Jasper County School District, District 5 seat between candidates Jerry M. Walker and David Riley; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has unanimously agreed to set aside the election for this seat and request that a new election be held; and


WHEREAS, Section 7-13-1170 of the South Carolina Code of Laws (1976), as amended, provides "when any election official of any political subdivision of this State charged with ordering, providing for, or holding an election has neglected, failed, or refused to order, provide for, or hold the election at the time appointed, or if for any reason the election is declared void by competent authority, and these facts are made to appear to the satisfaction of the Governor, he shall, should the law not otherwise provide for this contingency, order an election or a new election to be held at the time and place, and upon the notice being given which to him appears adequate to insure the will of the electorate being fairly expressed. To that end, he may designate the existing election official or other person as he may appoint to perform the necessary official duties pertaining to the election and to declare the result."

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Statutes of the State of South Carolina, I hereby (a) order that a new election be held in Jasper County, for Jasper County School District, District

5 seat referenced herein on June 24, 2003, or at the earliest possible date and time after June 24, 2003, as is permitted by the United States Department of Justice; and (b) designate the Jasper County Election and Registration Commission to perform the necessary official duties pertaining to the election to declare the result.



GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND
THE GREAT SEAL OF THE
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
THIS 8th DAY OF APRIL, 2003.


MARK SANFORD
Governor

ATTEST:



MARK HAMMOND
SECRETARY OF STATE