

To All Current Candidates for Cumberland County Commissioner and Common Pleas Judge, Treasurer and Other County Offices

Since Sunday, County staff have reported 2 instances – one at Claremont Nursing Home, the other at the Allen Road facility - where candidates currently running for office have entered County property without prior authorization or notification to distribute campaign literature, and engaged staff and – in the case of Claremont – residents in unsolicited discussions on who they should and should not vote for.

The County Handbook section on Solicitation, Distribution and Posting states the following:

Solicitation, distribution, and posting of materials on or at County property or on the County's computer network during work times in work areas by any employee or non-employee without express written approval from the Board of Commissioners are strictly prohibited.

Please be advised that any unauthorized acts as described above will be considered a violation of County Policy. Please be further advised that all County Department Heads have been advised to inform anyone in violation of this policy to cease and desist such activities immediately, and depart from the premises forthwith.

Please note that current or previous standing as a County elected official or employee grants no special privileges or exemptions to this rule.

This notice will be posted on the County Web site.

We look forward to your continued cooperation and compliance with this policy. Interfering with County staff during work hours at their place of work clearly impinges on their ability to carry out vital services to our community. In the case of Claremont, this facility is the home of the residents. The County is committed to preserving their privacy and shielding them from any unwanted intrusions.

Please direct any questions to the Chief Clerk at lthomas@ccpa.net.

Thank you