

## **Arkansas Voter Registration Data Request Policies and Instructions**

The Arkansas Secretary of State's Office provides three different statewide voter registration data files.

The first is the statewide Voter Registration (VR) file, which is a list of all registered voters within the state. The VR file contains the Voter ID #, county of residence, voter name, address information (residential and/or mailing), phone number, DOB, precinct information, district information, party (if applicable), and the date last voted.

The second file contains the Vote History (VH) information of all registered voters within the state. The file lists the Voter ID # and Vote History data for all Federal elections from 2008 – current election cycle. The VH file does not contain voters' names and therefore must be linked to the VR file by a unique Voter ID # found within each file.

The third file is a combination of the Voter Registration and Vote History files (VRVH).

- All files are ASCII text files with comma delimited, double quoted fields. This is commonly called comma-separated values format or .CSV format.
- Since there are approximately 1.7 million records in each, the files will not fit into an Excel spreadsheet.
- The VR file is about 620 MB, the VH file is about 600 MB, and the VRVH file is about 1.2 GB.
- The cost per file is \$2.50.
- The file(s) are available in CD format for pickup at the State Capitol Building or by mail. Additionally, these files can be placed on an FTP site or sent via a Dropbox link.

### ***We are often asked "Are there any restrictions on the use of this data?"***

Currently there are no state laws that place restrictions on the use of data that we release. However, there are Federal and State laws that restrict some fields on the VR record from being released (Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 51 § 8(e)). These fields are never released and are never on any file that our office provides to the public.

You must fully complete Section A and B of the Data Request Form on the following page and submit payment before the request will be fulfilled. If you are a governmental entity, please provide your agency name and what the data will be used for, as fees may be waived for governmental entities.

Make check payable to:      Arkansas Secretary of State

Mail payment to:                      ATTN: Data Request  
Arkansas Secretary of State  
State Capitol Building, Room 026  
Little Rock, AR 72201

Any questions regarding this data should be reported to the Office of the Secretary of State at 1-800-247-3312 or via email at [voterservices@sos.arkansas.gov](mailto:voterservices@sos.arkansas.gov).

## Arkansas Voter Data Request Form

### Section A

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

### Section B

File Requested (circle):            VR            VH            VRVH

Instructions: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please circle one of the following: Do you wish to....

Pick up the Data:            CD

Mail the Data:            CD

Transfer the Data:            FTP\*            Dropbox Link

\*if FTP, please provide details in the instructions section above.

### Section C (For Office Use Only)

Number of CD(s)/File(s)/Report(s) created: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

Request Fulfilled By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_