AN IN-DEPTH REVIEW OF PICKENS COUNTY'S BALLOT RECONCILIATION WORKSHEETS FROM THE NOVEMBER 2022 GENERAL ELECTION

For the November 2022 General Election, 95% of Pickens County's ballot reconciliation worksheets were completed, and 17% were reconciled. On the worksheets that were partially completed, this was due to the lack of a requirement from the State Election Commission to fill every field, even if zero. For the 83% of the county's worksheets that were not reconciled, this was likely due to limited poll clerk training at the time.

Since the election, the county has provided in-depth ballot reconciliation worksheet training to its poll clerks that details the entire worksheet as well as training exercises and assessments. Additionally, the county reviews these worksheets on election night with clerks, requiring explanations for any imbalances on the worksheet. Adequately completing and reconciling these worksheets for each polling location may give greater assurance that all valid ballots were included in the election results.

