

Guide to the Records of the Licking County Board of Elections

Repository: Licking County Government, Records and Archives Department

Inclusive Dates: 1911, 1915 and 1966

Administrative History: According to the Ohio County Records Manual, the Ohio General Assembly created county boards of elections in 1891, with the authority to supervise and conduct elections. Before the existence of county boards of elections, records such as abstracts of votes were maintained and certified in Licking County by the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas. Currently the Licking County Board of Elections consists of four members, representing both the Democratic and Republican Parties.

Arrangement: The collection is divided into the following series:

Series 1: Register of Voters. 1966. .33 cubic feet.

Series 2: Poll Books and Tally Sheets. 1911, 1915. 2 volumes.

Series 3: Abstract of Vote. 1911. 4 sheets.

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Records Series

Series 1: Register of Voters. 1966. .33 cubic feet.

Scope and Content: This is a list of names and street addresses of registered voters, described as “for the General Election, November 8, 1966.” It includes a statement for the general public to notify the Board of Elections about persons who are ineligible to vote, and about the names of persons which have been mistakenly omitted. Stamps indicate that the lists were officially filed on October 28, 1966.

Arrangement: By ward, precinct, and alphabetically by name of voter

Use Note: The Records & Archives Department is unable to provide official copies of these documents. Official copies must be obtained from the Board of Elections.

Series 2: Poll Books and Tally Sheets. 1911, 1915. 2 volumes.

Scope and Content: These indicate names of voters (electors) and numbers of votes for candidates or proposition. Some Poll Books and Tally Sheets are still sealed, as was required of the election officers (ask staff for assistance). Included is an envelope with a “Summary Statement and Certified Copy” for the 2nd Ward, Precinct A.

Arrangement: By precinct, name of voter (elector), political party and candidate, or proposition

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Series 3: Abstracts of Votes. 1911. 4 sheets.

Scope and Content: These sheets shows statistics of votes for city, township and county offices in a primary election.

Arrangement: By elective office, candidate, ward and precinct

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