

Form letter on CLE

Dear County Prosecutor/Law Firm,

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there is an extreme shortage of precinct election officials (poll workers) across the country. In light of the dire need for new poll workers, upon the request of the Ohio Secretary of State, the Supreme Court of Ohio will award CLE credit to any Ohio attorney who serves as a poll worker during the November 3, 2020 Election.

Poll workers are essential to running elections. Ohio's 88 county Boards of Elections have historically relied on over 35,000 patriotic Ohioans to operate voting locations and assist fellow voters with casting a ballot. With more than 65% of Ohio poll workers being age 61 or over, there is a concern that many may choose not to serve this November due to the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on older populations. To address this, Secretary LaRose has made poll worker recruitment a top priority.

Poll workers must be a registered voter, attend training, and work the entire Election Day at a polling place in their county. Poll workers are asked to arrive by 5:30am and stay until after the polls close at 7:30pm. To receive CLE credit, lawyers must provide their attorney registration number at the training and at the polling location on Election Day.

This is an opportunity for lawyers to not only receive required CLE credits, but to support their community and defend our democracy this fall. Please share this information with lawyers in your county/law firm. To sign up to be a poll worker, visit the [PEO Sign Up Page](#) on the Ohio Secretary of State website or contact your county board of elections.