

# DEFEND FLORIDA NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 19, 2024

## The time for action is now!

The 2024 Presidential election has concluded. While we celebrate our achievements, we must remain vigilant and proactive. The groundwork for the 2026 election cycle must begin now.

### 2024-2025 Florida Legislator's Interim Meeting Schedule

- **December 2-6, 2024** (House only)
- **December 9-13, 2024** (Senate only)
- **January 13-17, 2025**
- **February 3-7, 2025**
- **February 10-14, 2025**
- **February 17-21, 2025**

Florida legislators will convene in early December to determine committee assignments and leadership roles. The legislative session is set to commence on January 13, 2025.

### Our Purpose and Strategy

*We must ascend to our responsibility as citizens in this new post Nov 5 era to be vigilant and active in regaining and protecting the erosion of our rights identified in our Federal and State Constitutions and use existing momentum to establish strong election processes.*

During last week's call, Karen Schoen acknowledged that there are a lot of Florida grass roots groups, and we need to unify our efforts to create a cohesive movement. Karen proposed focusing on one or two action items each month to keep engagement high.

### Near-Term Goals

We will reintroduce last year's sponsored bills immediately. Key topics include:

1. **Citizenship-only voting** and improving voter roll accuracy, which are priorities for President Trump. This includes controlling the registration database and incorporating Social Security death records.
2. **Restricting Vote by Mail** ballots and implementing a voter ID requirement.
3. **Technology improvements**, addressing loopholes in existing legislation regarding the certification of election machines and ballot suppliers.
4. **Election reconciliation** efforts (see Joe Hoff's video) [Election Reconciliation Video](#)).
5. **Hand counting paper ballots**. County Commissioners are the pathway to reform.
6. **Engaging with key power brokers**, specifically Florida Senate President Ben Albritton and House Speaker Danny Perez, as their support is essential for progress. Nothing gets done in Tallahassee without their support. Matt Balls is the aide to Speaker Perez and a key player.
7. **Build relationships with local officials**. Schedule appointments and establish a good relationship with their legislative aide. Leave a one-page summary of your presentation at the **end** of your meeting. Utilize their social media platforms like X and Facebook to leave messages. Raj has advanced training to help you present a professional and informed presentation. Remember, you are their employer. They work for you.

## Long-Term Goals

1. Support and vet America First candidates capable of winning elections.
2. Develop a communications and messaging strategy. Create a phone tree for network development and maintenance and to establish grassroots communication.
3. Raise funds at the county level to support candidates during primaries, potentially through a PAC or nonprofit organization.
4. Advocate for President Trump's ten initiatives detailed below and educate officials on achieving these goals at state and local levels.
5. Engage the Young Republican clubs in your area.
6. Identify candidates that need to be primaryed.
7. Identify candidates in your county and state that are up for re-election or term limited.
8. Support Unite4Freedom.com (United Sovereign Americans).

## President Trump's Ten Point Plan

1. Remove rogue bureaucrats.
2. End the weaponization of national security and intelligence agencies.
3. Reform FISA (Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act).
4. Publish documents related to deep state activities, spying, and censorship.
5. Crack down on government leaders and misinformation from mainstream media.
6. Ensure Inspector Generals hold their agencies accountable.
7. Implement independent audits.
8. Downsize Washington, D.C.
9. Ban federal bureaucrats from taking jobs with companies they regulate.
10. Establish term limits.

## Guest Speaker: Rubin Young

Rubin addressed the ballot certification processes for local, state, and federal elections, sharing his experience since 1990.

Counties certify local elections before forwarding results to the state for final certification. If there are concerns regarding election security or fraud, complaints must be filed within ten days after the canvassing board certifies the election. Start by contacting your Supervisor of Elections or the Division of Elections for guidance on filing complaints under Florida Statute 102.168, which allows any candidate, citizen or qualified elector to challenge an election—not just candidates themselves. Rubin advised maintaining thorough records of all communications related to complaints, including photographs and notarized documents, as this compels courts to review them seriously. This process is a review, not a lawsuit. The statute states that the review cannot be dismissed if fraud, election misconduct or irregularities occurred. For assistance with filing complaints or further inquiries, you can reach Rubin at [commtrus@yahoo.com](mailto:commtrus@yahoo.com).

Defend Florida needs leaders to accomplish our goals. It's time to get off the sidelines and get in the game. You will be mentored and trained to become a great asset to Defend Florida and its goals. We have leaders from all walks of life, with different skill sets and all are eager to help generate and train new leaders. Start with one or two tasks and grow into a productive leader.

## Stay Connected!

Make sure to attend the Tuesday 7 PM weekly Zoom calls. Register for the calls at [www.defendflorida.org](http://www.defendflorida.org). Invite five new individuals to join the call and help Defend Florida grow. Recordings are available at [www.defendflorida.org/p2](http://www.defendflorida.org/p2) if you miss any sessions.

**Together, let's take action and defend our state!**