



**STATE OF MINNESOTA**  
Office of Minnesota Secretary of State  
Mark Ritchie

December 2, 2013

Dear Election Judge,

I am writing to express my gratitude for your commitment, time and energy to serve as an election judge this year. I greatly value your work in making Election Day run properly and efficiently for Minnesotans.

Work at the polling place can be challenging, and I am so honored that Minnesota has dedicated people who take this important job seriously and conduct it with passion and professionalism. Your service is vital to our democratic process.

I look forward to working with you and all election officials to make the election process even better in 2014. Next year is a mid-term election, including races for governor, a U.S. Senate seat and all House seats — ensuring a busy and exciting year.

Thank you again for your commitment and public service. I wish you a cheerful holiday season with family and friends, and a happy and healthy 2014.

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark Ritchie".

MARK RITCHIE  
Secretary of State