

**Resolution #04-11:**

**White paper on Auditability**

Proposed by Ed Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Miller

The TGDC accepts the whitepaper titled "Report of the Auditability Working Group rev. 2010-12-02" for transmittal to the Election Assistance Commission.

*This whitepaper responds to the TGDC resolution of July 8, 2010 and the EAC's tasking of December 9, 2009 titled "Alternatives to Software Independence (SI)."*

Note: David Wagner abstained from voting on all resolutions. Ed Smith abstained from voting on Resolution #06-11, "Accessibility of Voter-Verifiable Paper Ballots."

## **Resolution #06-11:**

### **Accessibility of Voter-Verifiable Paper Ballots**

Proposed by Ron Gardner, 2<sup>nd</sup> received

To conform to HAVA Section 301, the TGDC identifies the following accessibility principles that should be used to guide recommendations for revisions to the VVSG.

1. An accessible voting system must provide mechanisms for private and independent voting in all three phases of the voting process – generating a ballot, verifying the vote selections of that ballot, and casting the ballot -- regardless of the format of the ballot.
2. Accessibility requirements must not be lessened because the ballot format is paper and individuals with disabilities should not experience a decrease in their ability to vote privately and independently because of the use of a paper ballot.
3. A determinative vote record is an official ballot of record or controlling record used in a recount, and must be accessible (affirms the decision of the EAC in adopting the VVSG in 2005).
  - a. If a determinative record paper ballot is voter-verifiable, the accessible voting system must enable a voter with a disability to verify the vote selections on the paper ballot through the same access modalities as were used to mark the vote selections (affirms Board of Advisors Resolution).
  - b. A voter with a disability must not be required to manually handle a determinative record paper ballot in order to mark, verify or cast the ballot (affirms the decision of the EAC in adopting the VVSG in 2005).

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