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Forlini Launches Transparency Tool After More Non-Citizens Found in Jury Pool and Voter File

This only suggests bigger issues cross the state

Macomb County, MI - Macomb County Clerk Anthony G. Forlini, a candidate for Michigan Secretary of State, says the State of Michigan needs stronger safeguards to protect jury service and election integrity. Due to the ongoing discoveries of non-US citizens appearing on prospective juror lists at an alarming rate, Forlini has launched a tool to hold the current administration accountable and elevate the level of transparency.

He will make this a tier one priority once elected to the office of Secretary of State.

Last week, it was announced by Clerk Forlini that his Macomb County Clerk office has launched a new public tracking page on the website after additional non-US citizens were identified in the county's prospective jury pool. The page also references the non-US citizens they found to be in Michigan's Qualified Voter File.

During the first quarter of 2026, 198 non-U.S. citizens self-reported to be excused from jury duty by presenting green cards or other documentation confirming they were not eligible for jury service. This is in addition to the over 600 they found in 2025.

After directing his staff to cross-check those names against the State of Michigan's Qualified Voter File, of those 198 individuals, eleven were found to have at one time been registered to vote in Michigan's QVF. Of the eleven non-US citizens identified by Forlini's office, seven are still in the QVF and registered to vote in Michigan.

On April 28, 2026, the Macomb County Clerk's Office submitted the seven non-US Citizens found in the first quarter of 2026 to the Michigan Bureau of Elections for further review.

"This should concern every Michigan voter," said Forlini. "When non-US citizens are showing up in jury pools, and some are also appearing in the voter file, it tells us the system needs stronger safeguards. The public deserves transparency, and lawmakers need real data so they can fix the problem. Because this is happening in Macomb, we should do a deep investigation into how things look throughout the rest of the state."

Forlini concluded, *"This is not about politics but instead it is about accuracy, accountability, and protecting the integrity of the process. The new website will bring additional transparency to the process."*

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