

The Clean Elections Commission voted unanimously Thursday to authorize its counsel to seek a court order if necessary to stop an organization from using Clean Elections' name and confusing voters.

Phoenix, Ariz.-Oct. 27, 2022--An organization calling itself "Clean Elections USA" began operating in Arizona to recruit people to monitor drop boxes in Maricopa County. Some people who claim an association with the group were captured by local media recording voters returning ballots to an authorized Maricopa County drop box.

"Clean Elections stands for promoting participation and providing non-partisan information about candidates and elections in Arizona," Executive Director Tom Collins said. "Voters created a Clean Elections agency more than 20 years ago and voters need to know that if it comes from Clean Elections it is reliable accurate information."

Clean Elections staff have received phone calls and emails from incensed Arizonans confusing the state agency with the group. This in turn requires staff time, as well as legal efforts, to combat confusion just as voters turn to Clean Elections Voter Education guide, its website and other tools in filling out their ballots. Early voting has started in Arizona.

To listen to the Citizens Clean Elections Commission members discuss this issue, [here](#) and forward to time code 46:36.