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C L I E N T A L E R T

FROM: VORYS GOVERNMENT RELATIONS TEAM
DATE: NOVEMBER 5, 2008
RE: OHIO ELECTION SUMMARY

STATEWIDE RACES

President

Once again, Ohio has been at the crossroads of the Presidential Campaign. The State was visited dozens of times by both parties' candidates and, while it is important to the Democratic ticket, it was virtually impossible for Senator McCain to be elected without Ohio's 20 electoral votes. The call of the State for Senator Obama came early which virtually assured national victory for the Illinois Senator (51%-47%).

Attorney General

Because of a sexual harassment scandal in the office of the Attorney General, Ohio has had four Attorneys General in the last twenty-two months. Former Attorney General Dann resigned in mid-term and thus, this is an election to fulfill the last two years of his term, ending in December 2010. Current State Treasurer **Richard Cordray**, who by all accounts has done a good job in that position and who was formerly on the statewide ballot many times, rolled to an easy victory over former Federal Prosecutor Michael Crites (57%-38%).

Supreme Court

For the first time in many campaign cycles, the Supreme Court races have not gathered the media and public attention that was present in previous years. Two of the seven Justices were up for reelection, **Justice Maureen O'Connor** and **Justice Evelyn Stratton**, who were opposed by Judge Joseph Russo and Judge Peter Sikora respectively. Both incumbents prevailed by 67% and 63% respectively.

Statewide Issues

There were five statewide issues on the November ballot (originally six, hence you will note there is no Issue 4 listed).

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State Issue:

- 1 Provides for earlier filing deadlines for Ballot Issues
Passed 69%-31%
- 2 Clean Ohio Program – Bond Authorization
Passed 69%-31%
- 3 Protects Private Property Rights in groundwater, lakes and other water causes
Passed 72%-28%
- 5 Referendum on New Regulations on Pay Day Lenders
Passed 64%-36%
- 6 Permits a Casino in Clinton County
Failed 63%-37%

Congress

Thanks to the retirement of veteran popular Republican Congressional members Dave Hobson, Deborah Pryce and Ralph Regula and the overall problems for Republicans in general, at least four and perhaps five Congressional seats were in play. Current State Representative Steve Driehaus upset Congressman Steve Chabot in District 1. State Senator John Boccieri defeated State Senator Kirk Schuring in the race to replace Ralph Regula in District 16. The race in Central Ohio to replace Deborah Pryce is still too close to call between State Senator Steve Stivers and Franklin County Commissioner Mary Jo Kilroy.

Congressional Winners:

District 1	D – Steve Driehaus *
District 2	R – Jean Schmidt

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District 3	R – Michael Turner
District 4	R – Jim Jordan
District 5	R – Bob Latta
District 6	D – Charlie Wilson
District 7	R – Steve Austria *
District 8	R – John Boehner
District 9	D – Marcy Kaptur
District 10	D – Dennis Kucinich
District 11	D – Marcia Fudge *
District 12	R – Pat Tiberi
District 13	D – Betty Sutton
District 14	R – Steven LaTourette
District 15	Stivers/Kilroy TOO CLOSE TO CALL
District 16	D – John Boccieri *
District 17	D – Tim Ryan
District 18	D – Zack Space

* New Members

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State Legislative Races

Ohio Senate

There were sixteen Senate seats up for election this year with very little change expected. Republicans continue their 21 to 12 majority.

Ohio Senate Winners:

District 2	R – Mark Wagoner **
District 4	R – Gary Cates *
District 6	R – Jon Husted
District 8	R – Bill Seitz **
District 10	R – Chris Widener
District 12	R – Keith Faber **
District 14	R – Tom Niehaus *
District 16	R – Jim Hughes
District 18	R – Timothy Grendell *
District 20	R – Jimmy Stewart
District 22	R – Bob Gibbs
District 24	R – Tom Patton
District 26	R – Karen Gillmor
District 28	D – Tom Sawyer **
District 30	D – Jason Wilson **

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District 32	D – Capri Cafaro **

* Incumbent

** Incumbent by Appointment

Ohio House of Representatives

In the House all ninety-nine members were up for election with control very much in question. It appears the Democrats will win control with a 51-48 or 52-47 majority. Several races are still too close to call.

Ohio House Winners:

District 1	D – Linda Bolon
District 2	R – Kris Jordan *
District 3	R – Ron Amstutz **
District 4	R – Matt Huffman
District 5	R – Gerald Stebelton
District 6	R – Randy Gardner **
District 7	D – Kenny Yuko
District 8	D – Armond Budish
District 9	D – Barbara Boyd
District 10	D – Eugene Miller
District 11	D – Sandra Williams
District 12	D – Michael DeBose
District 13	D – Michael Skindell

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District 14	D – Mike Foley
District 15	D – Timothy DeGeeter
District 16	R - Nan Baker *
District 17	R – Josh Mandel
District 18	Patten/Grady TOO CLOSE TO CALL
District 19	Harris/Lewis TOO CLOSE TO CALL
District 20	D – Nancy Garland *
District 21	R – Kevin Bacon
District 22	D – John Carney *
District 23	R – Cheryl Grossman *
District 24	D – Ted Celeste
District 25	D – Dan Stewart
District 26	D – Tracy Heard
District 27	D – Carlton Weddington *
District 28	D – Connie Pillich *
District 29	R – Lou Blessing
District 30	R – Bob Mecklenborg
District 31	D – Denise Driehaus *

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District 32	D – Dale Mallory
District 33	D – Tyrone Yates
District 34	R – Peter Stautberg *
District 35	R – Ron Maag *
District 36	R – Seth Morgan *
District 37	R – Peggy Lehner *
District 38	R – Terry Blair *
District 39	D – Clayton Luckie
District 40	D – Roland Winburn *
District 41	D – Brian Williams
District 42	D – Mike Moran *
District 43	D – Stephen Dyer
District 44	D – Vernon Sykes
District 45	D – John Otterman
District 46	R – Barbara Sears
District 47	D – Peter Ujvagi
District 48	D – Edna Brown
District 49	D – Matthew Szollosi
District 50	R – Todd Snitchler *

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District 51	R – Scott Oelslager
District 52	D – Stephen Slesnick
District 53	R – Timothy Derickson *
District 54	R – Courtney Combs
District 55	R – Bill Coley
District 56	D – Joseph Koziura
District 57	D – Matt Lundy
District 58	R – Terry Boose *
District 59	D – Ronald Gerberry
District 60	D – Robert Hagan
District 61	D – Mark Okey
District 62	D – Lorraine Fende
District 63	D – Mark Schneider *
District 64	D – Tom Letson
District 65	D – Sandra Harwood
District 66	R – Joe Uecker
District 67	R – Shannon Jones
District 68	D – Kathleen Chandler
District 69	R – William Batchelder

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District 70	R – Jarrod Martin *
District 71	R – Jay Hottinger
District 72	R – Ross McGregor
District 73	D – Jay Goyal
District 74	R – Bruce Goodwin
District 75	R – Lynn Wachtmann
District 76	R – Cliff Hite
District 77	R – Jim Zehringer
District 78	R – John Adams
District 79	R – Richard Adams *
District 80	D – Dennis Murray *
District 81	R – Jeff Wagner
District 82	R – Jeffrey McClain *
District 83	R – Dave Burke *
District 84	R – Robert Hackett *
District 85	D – Raymond Pryor *
District 86	R – David Daniels
District 87	R – Clyde Evans
District 88	R – Danny Bulp

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District 89	D – Todd Book
District 90	R – Margaret Ann Ruhl *
District 91	D – Dan Dodd
District 92	D – Debbie Phillips *
District 93	D – Jennifer Garrison
District 94	R – Troy Balderson *
District 95	D – John Domenick
District 96	D – Allan Sayre
District 97	R – Dave Hall *
District 98	R – Matthew Dolan
District 99	D – Deborah Newcomb

* New Members

** Former Ohio Senate Members