

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA**

**CASE NO. SC00-2431**

ALBERT GORE, JR., Nominee of the  
Democratic Party of the United States  
for President of the United States, et al.,

Appellants,

-v-

KATHERINE HARRIS, as Secretary  
of State, State of Florida, et al.,

Appellees.

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**BRIEF OF APPELLEES,**  
**NASSAU COUNTY CANVASSING BOARD,**  
**and JUDGE ROBERT E. WILLIAMS, SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS**  
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## ARGUMENT

Appellees, Nassau County Canvassing Board, and the Honorable Robert E. Williams, Supervisor of Elections, Shirley N. King, individually and as Supervisor of Elections, Commissioner Marianne Marshall, and Commissioner David Howard, in their official capacities as members of the Nassau County Canvassing Board, assert that, pursuant to State Statute, they are a body charged with certain matters pertaining to the November 7, 2000, Presidential election. The Nassau County Canvassing Board and the Supervisor of Elections acted within substantial compliance of the Statutory provisions. *See Beckstrom v. Volusia County Canvassing Board*, 707 So. 2d 720 (1998).

Accordingly the Nassau County Canvassing Board respectfully requests that the Court affirm that portion of the lower Court's Order which states that it acted properly and did not abuse its discretion. With regard to the remaining issues on Appeal, the Appellees take no position.

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