## Oregon

The document Sean Foster sent us is attached. I highlighted the pertinent parts of the document. The document answers the questions regarding an overseas voter's intention of returning. The last questions are answered below.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: SOS Elections \* SOS < <u>Elections.SOS@oregon.gov</u>>

**Date:** 17 November 2017 at 23:54:25 GMT+1 **To:** Jennifer Abbou < <u>jennifer.kline@gmail.com</u>>

**Subject: RE: Overseas voting question** 

Ms. Abbou,

Apologies for the delay in responding. Here is the Oregon Statute that outlines voting in an election by a U.S. citizen living overseas.

**253.530** Voting by spouse and dependents of military or overseas elector. (1) A spouse or dependent of a military or overseas elector, temporarily living outside the county or city in which is situated the last home residence in this state of the spouse or dependent, may vote in the same manner as a military or overseas elector.

(2) A spouse or dependent of a military or overseas elector, not previously a resident of this state who intends to reside in this state, shall be considered a resident of this state for voting purposes, and may vote in the same manner as a military or overseas elector. The spouse or dependent shall be considered to have resided for more than 30 days at the last residence of the military or overseas elector in this state. [1955 c.332 §16; 1957 c.641 §15; 1965 c.153 §1; 1977 c.508 §11; 1979 c.190 §219; 2013 c.520 §7]

## Thanks,

Sean Foster
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Elections Division
Secretary of State
503-986-1518

From: Jennifer Abbou [mailto:jennifer.kline@gmail.com]

Sent: Saturday, November 04, 2017 1:18 AM

Subject: Re: Overseas voting question
Hello Mr. Foster,
The document was very helpful for answering the first two questions but for the last two questions it seems under the information provided that a US citizen that has never resided in the US would be ineligible to vote in Oregon state elections but eligible for federal? Is that correct?  (reproducing the question wording below):
"3. If a U.S. citizen has never resided in the United States, are they eligible to vote in state elections?
4. If a US citizen has never resided in the United States, are they eligible to vote in <u>federal</u> elections?) based on the information."
Sincerely,
Jenni
On Wed, Oct 18, 2017 at 1:22 AM, SOS Elections * SOS < Elections.SOS@oregon.gov > wrote:  Ms. Abbou,
Thanks for your questions. I am attaching a document that should help to answer your questions.
Please let me know if you have any further questions.
Thanks,
Sean Foster
Public Service Representative

**To:** SOS Elections \* SOS < <u>Elections.SOS@oregon.gov</u>>

**Elections Division** 

Secretary of State

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From: Jennifer Abbou [mailto:jennifer.kline@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 12:01 PM

To: SOS Elections \* SOS < <u>Elections.SOS@oregon.gov</u>>

**Subject:** Overseas voting question

To Whom It May Concern,

I'm a volunteer helping US citizens, living overseas, vote in US elections. We want to make sure that <u>votefromabroad.org</u> provides accurate and up-to-date voting information. Would you please answer the following questions as it applies to Oregon.

- 1.If a U.S. citizen is residing abroad and they <u>intend to return</u>, are they allowed to vote in <u>state</u> elections?
- 2. If a U.S. citizen is residing abroad and their return is <u>uncertain</u>, are they allowed to vote in state elections?
- 3. If a U.S. citizen has never resided in the United States, are they eligible to vote in <a href="state">state</a> elections?
- 4. If a US citizen has never resided in the United States, are they eligible to vote in federal elections?

Thank you for taking the time to answer our questions. Americans execute one of their most important rights!	We appreciate you helping
Sincerely,	
Jenni Kline	