

## Twitter Thread by Ayman Hossam Fadel



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**.@RepRickAllen #gapol #GA12 #Georgia claimed in a Dec 10, 2020 amicus brief to #SCOTUS that @GaSecofState unconstitutionally changed process by which signature matching on absentee ballots could be challenged**

Here are the relevant passages from the brief

### III. THE USURPATION OF LEGISLATIVE POWER IN GEORGIA PRODUCED UNCONSTITUTIONAL BALLOTS.

The U.S. Constitution empowers only the Georgia Legislature to determine the manner for appointing presidential electors in that state. Any state executive or judicial attempt to determine the manner of choosing electors — especially any attempt that directly contradicts the will of the state legislature — is void *ab initio*.

Georgia's Secretary of State, Brad Raffensperger, violated Article II of the U.S. Constitution when he usurped legislative power by purporting to issue procedures that were in direct conflict with Georgia's Legislative Acts governing the choosing of electors.

Acting with exclusive authority under Article II, the Georgia Legislature mandates that ballots be signed, and if they are not, that they undergo a rigorous and specific process to cure any unsigned

He cites this as the reason he voted to reject the electors on Jan 6, 2021 <https://t.co/5jNSmCNKUP>

.@RepRickAllen letter to constituent in #GA12 #Georgia #gapol justifying his Jan 6 vote to reject electors from certain states. #elections #ElectoralCollege [pic.twitter.com/OznogIV55X](https://pic.twitter.com/OznogIV55X)

— Ayman Hossam Fadel (@aymanfadel) January 16, 2021

.@GaSecofState announced a partnership with @universityofga to study absentee ballot signature matching <https://t.co/QorrOzOS9l>

Another post-election effort by [@GaSecofState](#) is a signature matching audit beginning with Cobb County, identified as a model of proper election procedures <https://t.co/8GRXbXk0jp>

On Dec 29, 2020, the audit of Cobb County revealed, in a sample of >15,000 absentee ballots, that 2 ballots should have been subject to rejection pending giving the 2 voters an opportunity to cure the ballot. Subsequent contact with the 2 voters confirmed <https://t.co/WoC9Er3NSg>

that both were legitimate and had simply done an error in submitting the ballot.

The consent decree which [@RepRickAllen](#) claims is an end-run around the Georgia legislature was mandated to settle chronic problems with signature matching in previous elections <https://t.co/O5t9B4NY7f>

Of >1.3 million absentee ballots returned to county elections offices for the November election, >2,000 of them were rejected because of an invalid or missing signature. That's the same signature rejection percentage as the 2018 mid-term election <https://t.co/76Mb3ebhz3>

A federal court in #Georgia already dismissed #GA12 Republicans' lawsuit challenging the 2020 election changes <https://t.co/bNNnSNQmXP>

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