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## Hays pleads guilty to voter fraud

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KINGMAN (AP) — A man who briefly challenged Mohave County Sheriff Tom Sheahan before dropping out of the race has pleaded guilty to voter fraud.

Under terms of a plea agreement, Mike Hays is guaranteed probation after pleading guilty to false voter registration and tampering with a public record.

Court documents indicate that Hays was registered to vote in both Mohave County and Coconino County. He used a campaign worker's address in Kingman along with that of a shooting range, also in Kingman, when he filled out paperwork to run for sheriff. But prosecutors say he was actually living in Flagstaff and working for the Arizona Department of Corrections in Winslow.

Hays was the lone challenger to Sheahan before dropping out in May 2011.

Sheahan was recently re-elected without opposition.