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Gladys Coego submitted at least 2 fraudulent votes for Miami-Dade mayoral race

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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, Fla. – A 74-year-old woman who was arrested last year on voter fraud charges was sentenced Wednesday to two years of house arrest.

According to the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office, detectives discovered that Gladys Coego, of Westchester, a temporary worker for the county elections department, had submitted at least two fraudulent votes for mayoral candidate Raquel Regalado.



Due to witness testimony, detectives believe that Coego, who was tasked with opening absentee ballots, likely illegally marked other ballots.

Coego turned herself in to the Turner Guilford Knight Correctional Center last October, where she was being held on charges of illegally marking another person's ballot, which is a felony.

"Anyone who attempts to undermine the democratic process should recognize that there is an enforcement partnership between the Elections Department and our Prosecution Task Force in place to thwart such efforts and arrest those involved," Miami-Dade State Attorney Katherine Fernandez Rundle said in a statement after Coego's arrest.

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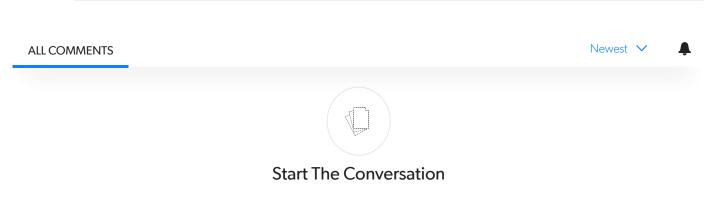


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