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Three charged in St. Clair County over absentee ballots

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U*PDATED at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday with additional detail from prosecutor*

BELLEVILLE • Three men are charged in St. Clair County with violating absentee ballot laws before April's municipal election.

The three are: Steveland Kidd, 25; James W. Haywood Jr., 59, of Cahokia; and August Stacker Jr., 59, of Belleville.

St. Clair County State's Attorney Brendan Kelly announced the charges on Tuesday.

Kidd was charged with two counts of violation of absentee ballots, a felony. He allegedly took the ballots from a voter and had them mailed for the Alorton municipal election. Bail is set at \$150,000.

Haywood and Stacker were each charged with one count of violation of

absentee ballots in the Cahokia municipal election. Bail was \$100,000 each.

Kelly said the three were working in candidates in municipal elections, but he declined to say which candidates.

Kelly said the investigation into voting problems continues and additional charges may be filed. He said absentee ballots must be mailed by the person voting, or a family member or other designated person.

In a news release Tuesday, Kelly said St. Clair County sheriff's officials and Cahokia police investigated by interviewing about 200 people. Twenty-seven absentee ballots were challenged and rejected, based on information gathered by investigators. The information indicated "potential interference or inappropriate pressure" during the voting process, Kelly said.

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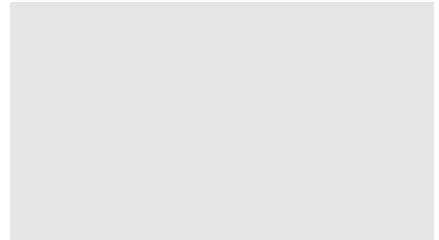
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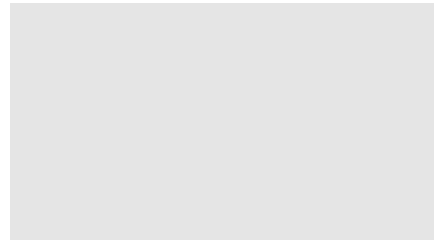
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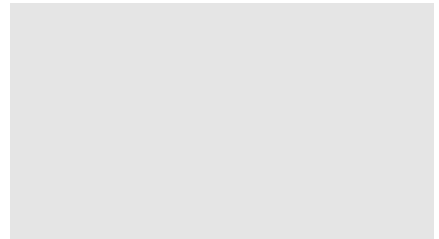
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