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Recall Petition Fraud Investigation

Location of Incident: City of San Luis, AZ

On February 2, 2024, the Yuma County Sheriff's Office was contacted by the Yuma County Recorder's Office in reference to forged signatures on a recall petition. The case was assigned to the Yuma County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Bureau for further follow-up.

The recall petition was submitted to the Yuma County Recorder's Office to recall the President of the Board of the Gadsden School District.

The recall petition had a total of 895 signatures, and of those only 135 signatures were accepted by the Yuma County Recorder's Office. A total of 760 signatures were rejected for various reasons, which included duplicated signatures.

On July 30, 2024, Investigators were conducting follow-up on the signatures in San Luis, AZ. Investigators have been conducting follow-up in regards to this case since it was received, to include confirming with the individuals that the signatures were in fact theirs. This was not done at polling stations, but at residential addresses of individuals identified on the recall petition by plain clothes Investigators.

This case remains under investigation at this time. Anyone with information regarding this case, please contact the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at 928-783-4427 or 78-CRIME to remain anonymous. You can also visit our website at www.yumacountysheriff.org to submit an anonymous tip.

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