

## OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF MADERA

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## INFORMATION BULLETIN

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## APRIL ATILANO PLEADS GUILTY TO SIX COUNTS OF ELECTIONS FRAUD

On March 6, 2020, April Atilano pled guilty to six felony counts of Elections Fraud, in violation of Elections Code section 18101.

In 2018, Atilano was hired by a private company to register residents of Madera County to vote. Instead of contacting residents, Atilano unlawfully changed several residents' information, including party affiliation and forged their signatures on the registration form.

Madera County Registrar of Voters, Rebecca Martinez quickly discovered this fraud and reported it to law enforcement. After an extensive investigation, Atilano's entire scheme was uncovered and she was charged with several felonies.

Registrar of Voters Rebecca Martinez would like to assure the residents of Madera County that all of Atilano's fraudulent activity has been uncovered and that no voters' information was affected by her felonious activity.

Atilano will be sentenced to up to one year in the Madera County Jail and serve up to three years of felony probation when she is sentenced on April 9, 2020, in Department 22 of the Madera County Superior Court.