

Fulton County Registration Chief Ralph Jones resigns

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FULTON COUNTY, Ga. — Fulton County's registration chief, Ralph Jones, has resigned after more than 12 years of service, a county spokesperson confirmed.

Jones was one of the county officials onsite at State Farm Arena on Election Night, as the counting of ballots continued past midnight.

Those hours became a fixation of the Trump campaign's efforts to discredit Fulton County's handling of the election. In his position, Jones became a target of the former president's supporters who sought to prove an Election Night conspiracy at the arena.

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In July, Georgia Sec. of State Brad Raffensperger called for the firing of Jones and Fulton County's elections director, Rick Barron.

Sec. Raffensperger has frequently characterized Fulton County as a problem district in terms of election administration, even as he sought to stress the overall legitimacy of Georgia's election results.

A statement from a Fulton County spokesperson read, "We are grateful for his [Jones] friendship and many contributions to the Department of Registration & Elections and wish him well in his future endeavors."

Barron, the Fulton elections director, has defended his the county's performance by saying they've received insufficient support from the state.

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