The Hon. Paul Pate,  
Iowa Secretary of State & President of the National Association of Secretaries of State  
444 North Capital Street, N.W., Ste.401 Washington, District of Columbia, 20001  
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Re: Article II, Sec. 1 Clause 5, U.S. Constitution - Eligibility to be President of the United States

Dear Secretary Pate,

In 2007 there arose an issue of national security interest. Constitutionally barred Candidates for the office of President of the United States of America, were proffered from both the Democrat and Republican party. Neither Barack Obama or the late John McCain were eligible to be President under Article II of the U.S. Constitution or to be Vice-President under the 12th Amendment. Neither of the two were “Natural Born Citizen[s]” of the United States.

What is a “Natural Born Citizen”? The U.S. Supreme Court opined in several cases that a “Natural Born Citizen” of the United States is “one born in the United States to parents who are both U.S. Citizens themselves”. Four SCOTUS cases have affirmed this definition and it is well established and settled law.

Those cases are the Venus, 12 U.S., 8 Cranch 253 253 (1816); Shanks v. DuPont, 28 U.S., 3 Pet. 242 242 (1830); Minor v Happersett, 88 U.S., 162 (1874) and United States v. Wong Kim Ark, 169 U.S., 649 (1898). See also Laity v. New