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Fresno County District Attorney Announces Charges Filed Against Firebaugh City Clerk Amanda Fleming for Elections Fraud

Today, January 12, 2023, the Fresno County District Attorney's Office filed charges against Amanda Pearl Speakes (39, of Madera) for election and voter fraud.

Amanda Speakes, who also goes by Amanda Fleming, is alleged to have submitted, under penalty of perjury, a candidate application that represented her Firebaugh business address to be her residential address when she ran for Firebaugh City Clerk in 2022. Fleming's true residential address is outside the City of Firebaugh, which would have disqualified her from running for the City Clerk position. Additionally, she is also alleged to have voted in Fresno County for the Primary and General Elections in 2022, when she was not entitled to do so based on her actual place of residence in Madera County.

The Felony Complaint filed in Fresno Superior Court alleges that Fleming committed:

- One (1) Count of ELECTIONS FRAUD [Elections Code §18203]
- One (1) Count of PERJURY [Penal Code §118]
- Two (2) Counts of VOTER FRAUD [Elections Code §18560(a)]

If convicted of all charges and allegations, Fleming faces potential fines, jail time, or up to 5 years and 4 months imprisonment in state prison.

Fleming remains out of custody and her first court date is yet to be determined.

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