

to assist the Judges in counting the Ballots, and Edward Gaither Junr and Nicholas
Dorsey were accordingly appointed and counted the Ballots in the presence of Elijah
Robinson one of the Judges, and John Bruce the other Judge was also present
in the room but did not attend the counting the Ballots. Given under our
Hands & seals this fourth day of November 1785

Elijah Robinson
John Bruce

which Election and Return this Board adjudged to be unconstitutional: because
the Constitution & Form of Government require for special Reasons that two per-
sons be chosen who are eligible and duly qualified and that the Governmen-
-ment be the one so eligible and duly qualified who has the Majority of Ballots
Whereas by the Justices Return for the said County only one Person is returned
duly qualified the other Candidate mentioned in the Return being adjudged
by the Justices to be unqualified and this Board are of Opinion that agreeably
to the Constitution the Justices have the exclusive Right of deciding upon the
Qualification of Candidates for the Sheriffs Office — Whereupon it is ordered
that a new writ of Election issue for the Office of the said County — and
a new writ issue accordingly —

So end the Proceedings

John Jones & Samuel