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July 10, 2014

The Honorable Judge Henry T. Wingate United States District Court Southern District of Mississippi, Jackson Division 501 East Court Street, Suite 6.750 Jackson, MS 39201

Re: Case No. 3:14-cv-00532-HTW-LRA; *True the Vote, et al v. The Honorable Delbert Hosemann*; In the United States District Court, Southern District of Mississippi, Jackson Division.

To the Honorable Judge Wingate:

On July 9, 2014, Plaintiffs filed a Motion for Temporary Restraining Order, requesting that the Court issue an immediate Order to all Defendants requiring them to preserve certain voting records and make such records available for public inspection, copying and review. We provided copies of the motion to Mr. Nosef, counsel for the Mississippi Republican Party, the Honorable Delbert Hosemann and each circuit clerk of the county election commissions named as defendants in the suit. We note the Court has scheduled a teleconference on the above referenced matter for 9:00 am on Friday, July 11, 2014, and we appreciate the Court's attention to this case.

Plaintiffs provide this letter as an update to the Court in anticipation of the teleconference. Since the filing of Plaintiffs' pleadings, Mississippi residents have come forward complaining that members of the Republican Party conducting the 2014 Senate Primary Run-Off have directed election volunteers to throw away the voting records. For example, Phillip Harding, a United States Air Force veteran and now Republican Party volunteer in retirement, witnessed the disposal of absentee ballot applications and envelopes at the direction of executive committee members. *See* Exhibit 1, Verification of Phillip Harding in Support of Motion for Temporary Restraining Order.

Further, on Wednesday, July 9, 2014, Mr. Hosemann issued a statement directing Mississippi circuit clerks to continue to redact dates of birth from voter records in accordance with Mississippi State law, although such information is not protected from public disclosure under the NVRA. See Project Vote/Voting for America, Inc. v. Long, 889 F.Supp.2d 778 (E.D.

Va. 2012) (Disclosure of voter registration applicants' address, signature, and birth date was required under plain meaning of National Voter Registration Act's (NVRA) disclosure requirement, and thus, that information could not be redacted prior to disclosure).

Federal and Mississippi law require voting records to be preserved and made available for public inspection. Once records are destroyed, they cannot be reviewed by the public for accuracy and compliance with applicable voting laws. The destruction of voting records may, therefore, irreparably impair our clients from voicing their complaints in this suit. Further, witnesses continue to come forward noting unlawful instances of double voting. *See e.g.* Exhibit 2 "Incident Report" by Susan Moore. Such statements evidence the significance of the suit and need for immediate attention to preserve the voters' constitutional rights.

Very truly yours,

S. Edes Hogue

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cc:

Honorable Delbert Hosemann Secretary of State 401 Mississippi Street Jackson, Mississippi 39201-1004 Via facsimile (601) 576-2545

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI JACKSON DIVISION

True the Vote, Jane Coln, Brandie Correro, Chad Higdon, Jennifer Higdon, Gene Hopkins, Frederick Lee Jenkins, Mary Jenkins, Tavish Kelly, Donna Knezevich, Joseph Knezevich, Doris Lee, Lauren Lynch, Norma Mackey, Roy Nicholson, Mark Patrick, Julie Patrick, Paul Patrick, David Philley, Grant Sowell, Sybil Tribble, Laura VanOverschelde, and Elaine Vechorik

Plaintiffs,

Defendants.

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The Honorable Delbert Hosemann, in his official capacity as Secretary of State for the State of Mississippi, The Republican Party of Mississippi, Copiah County, Mississippi Election Commission, Hinds County, Mississippi Election Commission, Jefferson Davis County, Mississippi Election Commission, Leake County, Mississippi Election Commission, Leake County, Mississippi Election Commission, Madison County, Mississippi Election Commission, County, Mississippi Election Commission, Rankin County, Mississippi Election Commission, and Yazoo County, Mississippi Election Commission, and Yazoo County, Mississippi Election Commission

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VERIFICATION TO MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

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- 1. "I, Phillip C. Harding III, verify the following is true and correct under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America. See 28 U.S.C. § 1746.
 - 2. I served as district coordinator for District 4 in Harrison County.



- 3. I was at the Harrison County Election Commission's Office Tuesday, July 1, 2014 on or about 2pm. I was assisting in cleaning out the supply bins that the poll managers used and restoring the pens, pencils, posters, etc.
- 4. In a one of the bins I found a small stack of provisional ballots, unopened. I gave the provisional ballots to an Executive Committee member who took control of them. I also found absentee ballot bags in several of the supply bins. Some had opened envelopes and applications in them. I took the applications and envelopes out because I did not know what to do with them, but believed they should be saved. After setting them aside I saw another volunteer dispose of them at executive committee members' direction.
 - 5. Further, affiant sayeth not."

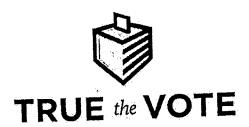
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July 9,2014

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