

October 19, 2012

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Re: LULAC vs. Harris County; Case No. 4:cv-03035

Dear Mr. Vera:

This letter is in response to your letter to Terence O'Rourke dated October 15, 2012 regarding the potential filing of a TRO in the case of *LULAC vs. Harris County*. An explanation of the current status of the points included in your letter is as follows:

Voter registration of Wade B. Hughes- Mr. Hughes' registration application of Sept. 2, 2012 was rejected by the SOS for failure of the Social Security number to match. This rejection was the result of the entry of an incorrect birth date on the computer record by the Tax Office. This error has been corrected and **Wade B. Hughes is a registered voter.** There is no indication that Mr. Hughes was rejected for submitting a business address, which he didn't.

Voter registration of Terra Wiggerfall- Ms. Wiggerfall's registration application of Nov. 7, 2011 was submitted to the SOS. It was rejected by the SOS for failure of the Social Security number to match. Upon careful examination of the original application by Mr. Sumners, he determined that there was an inkless impression on the paper that appeared to convert a 1 written in ink into a 6 when the partial impression was included. There were two colors of ink used on the application and it appears one of the pens ran out of ink causing the impression to be left in the paper. Ms. Wiggerfall's application has been resubmitted to the SOS with the SS# revised for the 6 and, if approved, she will be a registered voter for the Nov. 6 election.

Follow up letter- Immediately after the first of the September "death letters" were mailed to registered voters at the direction of the SOS, the Tax Office began receiving a significant number of responses from recipients announcing they were not deceased.

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This caused Mr. Sumners to realize the extent of the "weak" name matches on the "dead voter" lists received from the SOS. At that time, he publicly announced he was not going to purge any recipient of a death letter until after the Nov. 6 election, unless they were confirmed to be deceased. In addition, Mr. Sumners publically stated that to avoid confusion about the recipients' voter status, he was going to send a second letter affirming to them that they are eligible to vote in the Nov. 6 election. The letter has been prepared and is scheduled to be delivered at the beginning of early voting. Please see attached.

Very truly yours,

John Odam

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Enclosure

cc: Don Sumners

Terence O'Rourke