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Hon. Patrick E. Higginbotham

Hon. Lee H. Rosenthal

Hon. T. John Ward

e: Walter Sessions et. al. v. Rick Perry et. al., Civil Action No. 2:03-CV-354, filed in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas- Marshall Division (THREE JUDGE COURT).

LETTER BRIEF

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGES OF SAID COURT:

It appears that the State of Texas is already implementing voting changes that have not been precleared in violation of the Federal Voting Rights Act. My office received a call from a county judge who was concerned about whether or not she needed to start the process of changing voting precincts in her county since lawsuits had been filed against the congressional redistricting. She stated that the Texas Secretary of State's office had advised her to start changing the voting precincts because these pending lawsuits "weren't going to go anywhere."

This advice is in clear violation of Lopez v. Monterey County, Cal., 519 U.S. 9, 20 (1996).

Respectfully Submitted

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