

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

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MILTON I. SHADUR, JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

ACORN, et al.,)
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Plaintiffs,) No. 95 C 174
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v.) Hon. Milton I. Shadur
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JAMES R. EDGAR, et al.,)
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Defendants.)
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MODIFIED COMPLIANCE PLAN

This matter is before this Court pursuant to the plaintiffs and the United States' Motion for Additional Relief of this Court's Order of March 28, 1995, as modified.

A. RECAPTURE PROGRAM

1. Commencing August 1, 1996, and until September 30, 1996, the State of Illinois shall provide a toll-free telephone number and a TTY/TDD number through which English or Spanish speaking individuals may seek to register under the NVRA. The toll free number shall explain that NVRA registration may be accomplished by requesting a mail-in registration form and shall provide assistance (in English and Spanish) to those persons requesting assistance. For three consecutive weeks commencing August 1, 1996, the toll-free telephone number and a statement which explains the registration opportunities and the deadline for registering to vote in the November 1996 general election shall

be published prominently in 143 newspapers statewide. (See Attached.)

2. Commencing August 1, 1996, and until September 30, 1996, public service announcements (in English and Spanish) that publicize the toll-free telephone number and explain the registration opportunities under the NVRA shall be provided to all radio and television stations statewide. Additionally, the state shall provide the same public service announcements to cable access television.

3. Commencing July 1, 1996, and until the voter registration cutoff date for the November 1996 general election, mail-in voter registration forms will be offered to each individual who enters an NVRA mandated facility, regardless of the reason the person enters the facility. Each NVRA mandated facility shall prominently display posters setting forth the registration opportunities under the NVRA and the availability of voter registration assistance. Posters in the Spanish language shall also be placed in those offices that service Spanish speaking persons.

4. Commencing July 1, 1996, and until the voter registration cutoff date for the November 1996 general election, NVRA registration opportunities will be offered at all the Secretary of State's Department of Driver's Services facilities to each individual who applies for or renews a motor vehicle license plate or a motor vehicle registration sticker.

5. Commencing August 1, 1996, and until September 30, 1996, NVRA voter registration opportunities will be extended to

individuals who apply for or renew a motor vehicle license tag by attaching a notice or sticker to, or providing an insert in the license tag renewal notices. Or in the alternative, the state will inform the license tag renewal recipients by a post card sent concurrently with the license tag renewal mailing. The notice mailing shall state that the NVRA required that persons should have been offered the opportunity to register to vote when they visited driver's license facilities from January 1, 1995 to August 15, 1995; that NVRA registration may be accomplished by calling the 1-800 number and registering to vote by using the mail-in registration form; that NVRA questions in regard to the forms can be addressed by calling the 1-800 number; and the voter registration deadline for this year's federal elections.

6. The state shall provide for a three week period beginning on August 1, 1996, paid fifteen-second media spots in Spanish on Spanish language radio and television stations discussing the NVRA voter registration opportunities and publicizing the 1-800 number. The state shall provide the parties with the names of the Spanish radio and television stations which are selected, and the dates and times the spots are planned to be shown.

7. Commencing July 1, 1996, and until the voter registration cutoff date for the November 1996 general election, NVRA voter registration opportunities will be publicized through placards (in English and Spanish) placed within 3500 Chicago Transit Authority and PACE buses and trains.

B. REPORTING A MONITORING

1. Defendants shall submit each agency's NVRA monitoring procedures in the July Monthly Report. Each NVRA mandated agency shall provide the numbers it gathers through its internal monitoring process to the NVRA coordinator, Dr. Ron Michaelson. Dr. Ron Michaelson, shall submit these data to the Court as a part of the state's monthly reports. Additionally and to the extent not included in the above data, the monthly reports will include the number of persons registered under the NVRA and the total number of persons serviced at driver's license facilities; the total number of NVRA voter registrants and the total number of applications transmitted to each election authority from the Department of Mental Health and Development Disabilities and WIC agencies; the number of voter registration applications, the number of declination forms and the total number of persons serviced at the offices of the Department of Rehabilitation Services and Department of Public Aid.

2. Defendants shall continue to file with this Court and provide to the plaintiffs a monthly compliance report by the first day of each month through February 1, 1997. These reports shall continue to examine questions and issues that arise during the reporting period, and shall also include the steps undertaken to implement this Court's Order and the dates on which these measures are implemented.

3. Defendants shall take steps to ensure that each facility offering NVRA registration opportunities is complying

with the NVRA and this Court's Order. Within 21 days after noncompliance is discovered by Dr. Michaelson and or by the person responsible for NVRA coordination within each agency, whether noncompliance is due to the actions of an individual or due to systematic or programmatic problems, defendants shall provide corrective training for affected staff to ensure that the provisions of the NVRA and this Court's Order are being met.

C. COMPLIANCE WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT

Illinois shall take all necessary measures to ensure that in Cook County, Illinois, there is full compliance with the minority language provisions of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 1973aa-1a.

D. ADDITIONAL AGENCIES

The State of Illinois will designate additional voter registration sites, pursuant to Section 7(a)(3)(A), 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-5(a)(3)(A), the Illinois Department of Aging and the Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs.

E. JURISDICTION

This Court retains jurisdiction of this case.

F. ORDER TO ENFORCE COMPLIANCE PLAN

The Court having fully examined the provisions of this compliance plan, and being fully advised in the premisses, enters this compliance plan as an order of the Court.

ENTER:

Milton I. Shadur
United States District Court

City and Newspaper

Insertion
Date

Space
Units

Total

Rate

Gross

(Constitutional Amendment advertising that ran for three consecutive weeks as

Albion Prairie Post
Aledo Times Record
Altamont News
Alton Telegraph
Amboy News
Anna Gazette Democrat
• Arlington Heights Daily Herald
Arthur Graphic Clarion
Astoria S. Fulton Argus
Augusta Eagle
Aurora, Copley Chicago Newspapers
Barr Western Express
Beardstown Gazette
Belleville News Democrat
Belvidere Republican
Benton Evening News
Bloomington Pantagraph
Bluffs Times
Bourbonnais Herald
Breese Journal
Bushnell Democrat
Cairo Citizen
• Canton Daily Ledger
Carbondale Southern Illinoisan
Carmelville Macoupin Co. Enquirer
Caryle Union Banner
Carmi Times
Carrollton Gazette Patriot
Carthage Hancock Co. Journal Pilot
Casey Reporter
Centralia Sentinel
Cerro Gordo
Champaign News-Gazette

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(Constitutional Amendment advertising that ran for three consecutive weeks as

Charleston/Maroon Journal Gazette

• Chicago, Citizen Newspapers

• Chicago, Daily Law Bulletin

• Chicago, Daily Southtown

• Chicago, Defender

• Chicago, El Dia

• Chicago, El Herald

• Chicago, El Impartial

• Chicago, El Manana

• Chicago, El Norte

• Chicago, Exito

• Chicago, Extra Community Newspapers

• Chicago, Impacto

• Chicago, La Opinion

• Chicago, LaRaza

• Chicago, Lawndale News Group

• Chicago, LaVoz

• Chicago, Lerner Newspapers

• Chicago, Momento

• Chicago, Polish Daily Zgoda (News)

• Chicago Reader

• Chicago Sun Times

• Chicago Tribune

Christian Leader

Clinton Daily Journal

Crystal Lake Times

• Crystal Lake Northwest Herald

• Danville Commercial News

• Decatur Herald & Review

• Decatur Voice

• DeKalb Daily Chronicle

DeKalb MidWeek

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- Dixon Telegraph
- Dongola Tri. Co. Record
- Downers Grove Reporter
- Downers Grove Suburban Life Graphic
- DuQuoin Evening Call
- East Dubuque Register
- Edwardsville Intelligencer
- Effingham Daily News
- El Paso Journal
- Eldorado Daily Journal
- Elizabethtown Independent
- Elmhurst Press
- Fairbury Blade
- Fairfield Wayne Co. Press
- Farmington City Journal
- Flora Clay Co. Advocate Press
- Freeport Journal Standard
- Galena Gazette
- Galesburg Register-Mail
- Galesburg Post
- Geneva Kane County Chronicle
- Geneseo Republic
- Georgetown Independent
- Gilman Star
- Glen Ellyn News
- Golconda Herald Enterprise
- Granite City, Suburban Journals
- Granville Putnam Co. Record
- Grayslake, Lakeland Publishing
- Grayville Mercury Independent
- Greenup Press
- Greenview Review/Petersburg Observer
- Greenville Advocate

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Hardin Calhoun Herald
Hardin Calhoun News
Harrisburg Daily Register
Henry Republican
Herrin Spokesman
Hillsboro Journal
Hillsboro Montgomery Co. News
Jacksonville Journal Courier
Jacksonville Showcase
Kankakee Daily Journal
Kewanee Star Courier
Lacon Home Journal
LaFayette Prairie Shopper
Lanark Prairie Advocate
LaSalle Daily News Tribune
Lewistown Fulton Democrat/Havana Democrat
Liberty Bee Times
Lincoln Courier
Litchfield News Herald
Lombard, Lombardian
Louisville Republican
Macomb Journal
Manito Review
Marion Daily Republican
McLeansboro Times Leader
Meramora Herald
Metropolis Planet
Moline Dispatch/Rock Island Argus
Monmouth Review Atlas
Morris Daily Herald
Morrison Whiteside News Sentinel
Mounds Pultski Enterprise
Mt. Carmel Republican Register

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(Constitutional Amendment advertising that ran for three consecutive weeks as:

Mt. Pulaski Weekly News
Mt. Sterling Democrat Message
Mt. Vernon Register News
Murphysboro American
Nashville News
Neoga News
Newton Press Mentor
Noble County Commoner
Normal Normalite
Norris City Banner
Oblong Gem/Bridgeport Leader
Okawville Times
Olney Daily Mail
Ottawa/Streator Times Press
Pana News Palladium/Nokomis Free Press
Paris Beacon News
Paxton Daily Record
Pekin Daily Times
Peoria Journal Star
Peoria Observer
Perry County Journal
Pinckneyville Democrat
Pittsfield Pike Press
Pontiac Leader
Princeton Bureau Co. Republican
Quincy Herald-Whig
Ramsey News Journal
Rantoul Press
Robinson Daily News
Rochelle News
Rockford Journal
Rockford Register Star
Roseville Independent

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(Constitutional Amendment advertising that ran for three consecutive weeks as

Rushville Times
Salem Times Commoner
Shawncetown Independent
Shelbyville Daily Union
Sorento News
Sparta News Plaindealer
Springfield Illinois Times
Springfield State Journal-Register
Stammon Star Times
Sterling Daily Gazette
Stronghurst County Quill
Sullivan News Progress
Sumner Press
Taylorville Breeze Courier
Thomson Carroll Co. Review
Tuscola Review
Vandalia Leader Union
Vienna Times/Goreville Gazette
Walnut Leader
Waterloo Republic Times
Watsela Times Republic
West Frankfort Daily American
West Salem Times Advocate
White Hall Greene Prairie Press
Wilmington Free Press
Winchester Times
Windsor News Gazette
Yorkville Kendall Record

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the attached United States Modified Compliance Plan, a copy of
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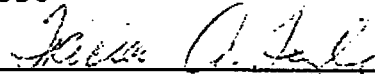
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