



Hello,

Who are we?

The Missouri Democratic Party's Voter Protection Program.

What is our goal?

To ensure that every registered voter who wants to vote can vote, and that every vote gets counted this Election Day, November 6.

Why is our program necessary?

What we are seeing in the United States is the steady erosion of voting rights and an attack on the principle of voting as a universal right. As a result of the policies and rulings that have been issued over the past decade, thousands of registered voters are at risk of disenfranchisement this November.

Five years ago, the Supreme Court struck down a key section of the Voting Rights Act, stripping the Justice Department of its long-held power to curb racial discrimination at the polls.

In the last major presidential election, the United States elected a candidate who openly encouraged the use of voter intimidation tactics for explicitly political ends.

Last year, a new voter ID law went into effect in Missouri. This law, while relatively non-restrictive in theory, is very likely to cause confusion for voters and poll workers alike, and misinformation about the law could keep people from turning out to vote.

Finally, just this summer, the Supreme Court upheld as constitutional the most aggressive voter purging law in the country. We need to protect all voters' ability to exercise their basic rights as citizens this Election Day.

What can you do?

Join us. My team and I are putting in place a statewide network of lawyers and voting advocates, and we need your help. We are recruiting volunteers to act as poll observers inside and outside of polling locations on Election Day. Our volunteers will serve as onsite legal professionals should any issues arise.

To fight back against restrictive voter tactics by volunteering your time as a poll observer this Election Day, November 6, sign up [here](#).

Finally, **please forward** this email to your colleagues and friends, and let us know if you'd like to be a voter protection leader for your law firm or network.

It is up to us this election cycle to ensure that all eligible voters in Missouri are guaranteed equal access to the polls in November, free of unnecessary and illegal hurdles and intimidation.

I'm looking forward to working with you.

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