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TRUE THE VOTE FILES MOTION TO INTERVENE AGAINST DOJ VOTER ID CASE IN TEXAS

TTV argues the DOJ lacks standing to attack Texas' voter ID law

HOUSTON, TX. September 25, 2013 – [True the Vote](#) (TTV), the nation's leading voters' rights and election integrity organization, today [filed a Motion to Intervene and Answers](#) to the Holder Justice Department's complaint against **Texas' voter identification law** ([United States, et. al v. Texas, et. al \(2:13-cv-00263\)](#)).

TTV will [argue](#) that the U.S. Department of Justice's lawsuit is misguided based on constitutional, empirical and Supreme Court precedence matters.

"The Holder Justice Department has made clear its litigation against Texas will serve as a warning that other states should not pursue election integrity measures – True the Vote stands ready to fight their effort to dilute voters' rights," [True the Vote](#) President **Catherine Engelbrecht said**. "Over 80 percent of Americans favor laws changing to require photo voter identification at the polls¹. **When the DOJ makes baseless claims to obscure the integrity of the voting process, we will not stand idly by.** If Texas is to be labeled a political prize by the Plaintiffs and their Interveners, attacking election integrity will not be an acceptable strategy."

[True the Vote](#) establishes its standing to intervene based on a number of factors. During a previous federal lawsuit regarding Texas' voter ID requirement (SB 14), DOJ attorneys and NAACP-LDF interveners repeatedly probed Texas lawmakers and election officials during depositions about TTV principals' involvement in the legislative process for the law.

"We're confident that our client's Petition to Intervene will be granted and will make a real impact on how the case is litigated," attorney **Joe Nixon** of the Houston-based Beirne, Maynard & Parsons said. "We will argue that the DOJ simply cannot attack Texas' voter ID requirement in the absence of an aggrieved individual."

[True the Vote](#) engaged legal representation from Houston-based **Joe Nixon** and **Trey Trainor** of Beirne, Maynard & Parsons, L.L.P. and **J. Christian Adams** of the Election Law Center. TTV's Motion to Intervene and Answers were filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Corpus Christi Division.

¹ Marist Poll for McClatchy on Voting Rights – Page 5, 7/25/2013
(<http://www.mcclatchydc.com/2013/07/25/197687/marist-poll-for-mcclatchy-on-voting.html>)



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[Voto Honesto](#) (TTV) es una organización sin fines de lucro, no partidaria, enfocada en preservar la integridad en las elecciones y operada por ciudadanos para ciudadanos, ara inspirar y equipar a voluntarios para involucrarse en cada una de las etapas del proceso electoral. TTT capacita a organizaciones e individuos a través de la nación para activamente proteger los derechos de los votantes legítimos, sin importar a que partido político perteneces. Para más información, por favor visite www.votohonesto.org.

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