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## **DIRECTIVE 2014-30 September 29, 2014**

TO: ALL COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS

Directors, Deputy Directors, and Board Members

RE: Uniform Days and Hours for In-person Absentee Voting

### **BACKGROUND**

Earlier today, the United States Supreme Court stayed the district court's preliminary injunction of Am. S.B. 238 and Directive 2014-17. As such, Directive 2014-28 is rescinded. This Directive represents the same schedule as Directive 2014-17 for the November 4, 2014 general election. A copy of the Order staying the injunction is attached.

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

As such, Boards of Elections are instructed to adopt the following as their business hours for inperson absentee voting for the November 4, 2014 general election:

- Weeks One and Two of Voting (beginning with the day after the close of registration for the election, except any holiday established by state law<sup>2</sup>)
  - o 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on each weekday (Monday through Friday)
- Week Three of Voting
  - o 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on each weekday (Monday through Friday)
  - o 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday
- Week Four of Voting
  - o 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on each weekday (Monday through Friday)
  - o 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the Saturday before the election<sup>3</sup>
  - o 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the Sunday before the election<sup>4</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> R.C. 3509.01(B) and R.C. 3511.10, as amended. See, Am. S.B. 238 (130th General Assembly).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Obama for America v. Husted, Case No. 2:12-cv-636, June 11, 2014 Memorandum Opinion and Order, pgs. 7-8.

- Week of Election Day
  - o 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the Monday before the election<sup>5</sup>

Any voter in line at the end of these regular business hours must be permitted to make the voter's application and vote.  $^6$ 

If you have any questions concerning this Directive, contact the Secretary of State's elections attorney assigned to your county at (614) 466-2585.

Sincerely,

Jon Husted

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> R.C. 3509.01(B)(3).

(ORDER LIST: 573 U.S.)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2014

#### ORDER IN PENDING CASE

14A336 HUSTED, OH SEC. OF STATE, ET AL. V. NAACP, ET AL.

The application for stay presented to Justice Kagan and by her referred to the Court is granted, and the district court's September 4, 2014 order granting a preliminary injunction is stayed pending the timely filing and disposition of a petition for a writ of certiorari. Should the petition for a writ of certiorari be denied, this stay shall terminate automatically. In the event the petition for a writ of certiorari is granted, the stay shall terminate upon the sending down of the judgment of this Court.

Justice Ginsburg, Justice Breyer, Justice Sotomayor, and Justice Kagan would deny the application for stay.