

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
MARSHALL DIVISION

WILLIE RAY, ET AL. §
Vs. § CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:06-CV-385
STATE OF TEXAS, ET AL. §

PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

For the reasons set forth in the court's findings of fact and conclusions of law, the court orders Defendants, Greg Abbott, in his official capacity as the Attorney General for the State of Texas and Roger Williams, in his official capacity as Secretary of State for the State of Texas, their employees, agents, representatives, attorneys, and servants, and all other persons acting in concert, privity, or participation with the defendants, immediately to:

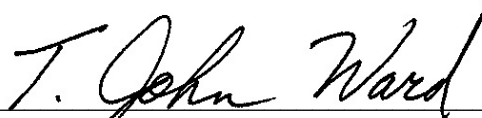
1. cease enforcing, pending a trial on the merits, Tex. Elec. Code § 86.006(f) under circumstances in which a person, other than the voter, has merely possessed the official ballot or official carrier envelope and such possession is with the actual consent of the voter; and
2. cease enforcing, pending a trial on the merits, Tex. Elec. Code § 86.006(h) under circumstances in which a person, other than the voter, has merely possessed an official ballot or official carrier envelope and such possession is with the actual consent of the voter.

Nothing in this order should be read to enjoin the defendants from enforcing the provisions of Tex. Elec. Code § 86.006(f) or (h) under any other circumstances. Nothing in this order should be read to enjoin the defendants from enforcing Tex. Elec. Code § 86.0051 under the circumstances

in which a person, other than the voter, deposits the carrier envelope in the mail or with a common or contract carrier and does not provide the person's signature, printed name, and residence address on the reverse side of the envelope, even if such person has the actual consent of the voter.

The court has considered the amount of appropriate security and is persuaded that a bond in the amount of \$500.00 is appropriate. This injunction will be effective only after the posting of such security.

SIGNED this 31st day of October, 2006.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "T. John Ward". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath it.

T. JOHN WARD
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE