

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION**

EFFIE STEWART, et al.,	:	
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Plaintiffs,	:	
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v.	:	CASE NO: 5:02CV-2028
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J. KENNETH BLACKWELL, et al.,	:	JUDGE DOWD
	:	
	:	MAGISTRATE JUDGE GALLAS
Defendants.	:	

**Summit County Defendants'
Post Trial Brief**

Summit County Defendants hereby adopt and incorporate any and all arguments, which may be applicable to their defense, posited in the post-trial briefs of the other Defendants herein, and respectfully request this Honorable Court to find in their favor and against the Plaintiffs on all claims pursuant thereto. Plaintiff has failed to establish that the Plaintiffs, or any other African-Americans, were denied the right to vote in Summit County in violation of the Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act. Plaintiff's

evidence consisted of nothing more than the number of African-American over the age of eighteen who live in various locations in Summit. Plaintiffs presented no evidence regarding the number of African-American registered voters, or voter turn-out of African-Americans for the November 2000 election. Plaintiffs did not present any evidence on the totality of circumstances.

Furthermore, Plaintiffs have failed to show that the use of punch cards in Summit County violates the Fourteenth Amendment. Therefore, Plaintiffs claims fail to establish a violation of law and judgment should be rendered for Summit County.

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