

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

ONE WISCONSIN INSTITUTE, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No. 15-CV-324

MARK L. THOMSEN, *et al.*,

Defendants.

**DECLARATION OF MICHAEL HAAS
REGARDING WEC'S REPORT ON IDPP QUALITY ASSURANCE AND
OUTREACH EFFORTS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 24, 2016**

I, Michael Haas, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am currently the Administrator of the Wisconsin Elections Commission (WEC). I make this declaration in support of the Defendants' weekly report about IDPP quality assurance and outreach efforts, in accordance with this Court's October 13, 2016, order.

CLERK COMMUNICATIONS

2. On October 26, WEC distributed a "high priority" communication to municipal clerks, informing them of the directive to print IDPP palm cards for distribution on Election Day.

3. A true and correct copy of that communication is attached as Exhibit 1.

4. English and Spanish versions of the IDPP palm card were attached to the communication, as well as links to other IDPP information previously issued by the WEC.

5. Next week, WEC plans to send a reminder to clerks that any unexpired IDPP receipt is valid for voting, including receipts with an “issue date” after the election.

IDPP OUTREACH EFFORTS

6. On October 25, WEC submitted a print order to the Department of Administration Print Center for court-approved color IDPP palm cards, including 11,300 English and 2,200 Spanish cards. These numbers were chosen based on conversations with parties who will receive the cards.

7. Based on discussions with City of Madison employees, WEC ordered 1,800 palm cards for the city (800 more than contemplated under the parties’ joint proposal).

8. The Department of Administration Print Center coordinated delivery of the cards for individuals and groups outside Madison, and the WEC has confirmed that all deliveries were completed on October 27. For those individuals and groups located in Madison, the Department of

Administration Print Center delivered the palm cards to WEC on October 27, and WEC arranged delivery.

9. As of October 28, all entities contemplated under the parties' joint proposal, other than the League of Women Voters-Wisconsin and Second Harvest have received the printed IDPP palm cards.

10. Based on feedback received from the League of Women Voters-Wisconsin at the October 27 IDPP Outreach Meeting, WEC coordinated distribution to individual League of Women Voters branch offices across the State based on a list provided by the League. The League believed this would be the most efficient way to get the IDPP palm cards into the hands of those that may need the information. Delivery to the individual branches is expected to be complete on October 31.

11. It is my understanding that Second Harvest did not believe it could feasibly distribute the allotted palm cards, and therefore chose not to accept WEC's offer to provide palm cards.

12. Similarly, it is my understanding that the City of Beloit believed that 1,000 palm cards would have been too many, and instead requested 500.

13. In addition to distributing the IDPP palm card, the WEC also distributed a supply of additional printed outreach materials to entities contemplated under the parties' joint proposal. The additional printed

materials included a general photo ID palm card in English and Spanish, as well as several versions of photo ID related informational posters.

14. WEC reached out to all parties identified in the parties' joint proposal to schedule an IDPP Outreach Meeting for October 27. That meeting was held from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm at the WEC office in Madison.

15. WEC also contacted all municipal clerks, who were provided an option to join the meeting via webinar. A phone-in option was also provided for individuals and parties that were not able to attend the meeting in person.

16. The meeting provided an overview of this Court's order regarding IDPP outreach, outlined the WEC's efforts to implement the order, and solicited feedback from those in attendance about additional steps that WEC could take to reach individuals who need to obtain an ID for voting purposes.

17. WEC has tracked its contacts with voter outreach groups and municipal clerks, regarding both palm card distribution and WEC's IDPP outreach meeting.

18. A true and correct copy of the outreach chart is attached as Exhibit 2.

19. WEC continues to reach out to radio programs across the state, with an offer to participate in interviews explaining the IDPP. WEC staff

sent a media advisory to its radio distribution list making this offer on October 27.

20. A true and correct copy of that media advisory is attached as Exhibit 3.

21. A similar media advisory will be distributed to WEC's distribution list of television stations next week, offering to conduct video interviews in Madison, or phone interviews. A copy of this media advisory will be included in next week's report to the Court. Additional follow-up with television and radio outlets across the state to reinforce the offer contained in the advisories will occur the week of October 31, and details of such contacts will be provided in next week's report to the Court.

22. On October 25, I conducted an on-camera interview with local Madison TV News, NBC Channel 15. I discussed the voter ID law and the IDPP specifically during the interview.

23. On October 26, WEC Public Information Officer Reid Magney appeared on Wisconsin Public Radio's "Central Time" program. Mr. Magney discussed election-related matters, including the photo ID law and the ID Petition Process.

24. Mr. Magney also conducted a taped interview with Milwaukee Public Radio on October 26, discussing election-related matters, including the photo ID law and the ID petition process.

25. On October 28, WEC issued an IDPP-specific press release. The press release highlighted important things that voters should know for Election Day, including reminders on photo ID and the ID Petition Process.

26. A copy of that press release is attached as Exhibit 4.

27. In accordance with Section I.D.8 of the parties' joint proposal, WEC staff has contacted media outlets in the Milwaukee and Madison areas to encourage them to distribute information from the press release.

28. WEC has scheduled a press conference in the City of Milwaukee for October 31, at which I will appear on behalf of WEC. I will discuss the voter ID law generally and explain how voter IDs can be obtained at the DMV. WEC will invite the groups noted in the parties' joint proposal to attend the press conference in Milwaukee.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated this 28th day of October, 2016.

/s/Michael Haas
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 26, 2016

TO: Wisconsin Municipal Clerks
City of Milwaukee Election Commission
Wisconsin County Clerks
Milwaukee County Election Commission

FROM: Michael Haas, Administrator
Nathan Judnic, Legal Counsel

SUBJECT: High Priority Communication: Distribution of ID Petition Process (IDPP) Palm Cards at Polling Locations

On October 24, 2016, the court in the *One Wisconsin Institute* case ordered the Wisconsin Elections Commission (WEC) to:

- Send an electronic version of the IDPP palm card to all municipal clerks, with instructions to print copies and distribute them to all polling locations.
- Advise all municipal clerks to instruct their election inspectors to offer the IDPP palm card to all individuals who either cast a provisional ballot, are otherwise unable to cast a regular ballot because they do not present a qualifying ID, or request information regarding obtaining a free ID.
- Advise all municipal clerks to instruct their election inspectors to encourage provisional voters to visit a DMV as soon as possible after they cast their ballot to ensure they receive a qualifying ID document by the Friday after the election.

On October 17, 2016, the WEC provided all county and municipal clerks an electronic version of both the English and Spanish versions of the IDPP palm card and encouraged clerks to have them available in their offices and other locations in the community. See the previous communication here: http://elections.wi.gov/sites/default/files/memo/20/clerk_communication_re_idpp_brochure_pdf_68533.pdf

Pursuant to the Court's order, we are again providing clerks with an electronic version of the IDPP palm cards (English and Spanish) and are now instructing clerks to print them for use at the polls on November 8, 2016. Pursuant to the Court's order, the WEC is advising municipal clerks to train their inspectors to distribute the IDPP palm card in the following instances:

Exhibit 1

1. When a provisional ballot is issued to a voter due to lack of a photo ID, along with the provisional ballot instructions.
2. When a person appears at the polls that is unable to cast a regular ballot because they do not have a qualifying photo ID, or if a voter is inquiring about obtaining a free photo ID for voting.

We understand that it may be difficult to accurately predict how many palm cards will be needed at specific polling places to issue to voters in the above categories. The palm card will not need to be issued to most voters, but we ask that you supply a sufficient amount to assist those voters that fall into the categories noted above.

Finally, pursuant to the Court's order, the WEC is advising municipal clerks to train their inspectors to encourage individuals that are issued a provisional ballot to visit a DMV as soon as possible, to ensure that the individual will receive a qualifying ID in time for their provisional ballot to be counted by the Friday after the election. While DMV will be issuing the temporary receipt by overnight delivery during the week before and the week of the election, voters should not wait until the last minute to apply for a photo ID.

It is important to remember that if an individual appears at the polls and is unable to present an acceptable form of photo ID, he or she should be offered the opportunity to vote a provisional ballot.

Additional IDPP Information

For more detailed information regarding the IDPP, please visit the DMV's website:
<http://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/dmv/license-drvs/how-to-apply/petition-process.aspx>

For additional information regarding the IDPP, please visit the WEC's Bring It to the Ballot website:
<http://www.bringitwisconsin.com/how-do-i-get-free-state-id-card>

Press releases issued by the Commission with additional information about the IDPP can also be found here: *Free Photo ID for Voting Now Available with One Trip to DMV*
<http://elections.wi.gov/node/4030> and here: *DMV Offers Overnight Delivery of Free Photo ID Document Near Election* <http://elections.wi.gov/node/4137>

If you have questions regarding the Court's most recent order please contact the Elections Commission HelpDesk at elections@wi.gov or at (608) 261-2028.

IDPP Contacts- MW

Print Distribution- IDPP Palm Cards

Group	Contact	Notes
City of Milwaukee	Clerk Neil Albrecht (414) 286-3491	Confirmed that we will be sending 1,700 English IDPP Palm Cards and 300 Spanish IDPP Palm Cards to the City of Milwaukee. Palm Cards delivered by UPS to the City of Milwaukee on 10/27/2016
City of Madison	Clerk Maribeth L Witzel-Behl (608) 266-4601	The City of Madison asked for 1,500 IDPP Palm Cards in English and 300 in Spanish. Palm Cards delivered in-person by MW on 10/27/2016.
City of Green Bay	Clerk- Kris Teske (920) 448-3010	The City of Green Bay asked for 800 IDPP Palm Cards in English and 200 IDPP Palm Cards in Spanish. Palm Cards delivered by UPS to the City of Green Bay on 10/27/2016.
City of Kenosha	Clerk- Debra Salas (262) 653-4020	The City of Kenosha asked for 900 IDPP Palm Cards in English and 100 IDPP Palm Cards in Spanish. Palm Cards delivered by UPS to the City of Kenosha on 10/27/2016.
City of Racine	Clerk- Janice Johnson-Martin (262) 636-9171	The City of Kenosha asked for 900 IDPP Palm Cards in English and 100 IDPP Palm Cards in Spanish. Palm Cards delivered by UPS to the City of Racine on 10/27/2016.
City of Beloit	Clerk- Lori Stottler (608) 364-6680	The City of Beloit asked for 400 IDPP Palm Cards in English and 100 IDPP Palm Cards in Spanish. They felt 100 would be too many. Palm Cards delivered by UPS to the City of Beloit on 10/27/2016.
VoteRiders	Molly McGrath molly@voteriders.org	850 IDPP Palm Cards in English and 150 Palm Cards in Spanish were printed for VoteRiders. Molly McGrath picked up Voter's Palm Cards at the WEC office during the in-person meeting on 10/27/2016.
Citizen Action	Through Counsel	850 IDPP Palm Cards in English and 150 Palm Cards in Spanish were printed for Citizen Action. Anita Johnson picked up Citizen Action's Palm Cards at the WEC office during the in-person meeting on 10/27/2016.
One Wisconsin Now	Through Counsel	850 IDPP Palm Cards in English and 150 Palm Cards in Spanish were printed for One Wisconsin. Analiese Eicher picked up One Wisconsin's Palm Cards at the WEC office during the in-person meeting on 10/27/2016.
League of Woman Voters	Erin Grunze- Voter Education Coordinator (608) 256-0827 Spoke with Andrea Kaminski	LWV asked for 850 IDPP Palm Cards in English and 150 in Spanish. At the meeting on 10/27/2016 Erin asked WEC to distribute the Palm Cards by mail to the League chapters around the state. The WEC agreed. The LWV will send WEC a list of where to mail the IDPP Palm Cards on 10/28/2016 and WEC will facilitate the mailing on 10/28/2016 with expected delivery on 10/31/2016.
Second Harvest	Stephanie- Outreach (608) 223-9121	Was unable to find a contact at Second Harvest. Talked to someone at their reception and left messages for various Food Share Outreach

		Coordinators including Stephanie. The individual I spoke with expressed that it would be difficult to distribute IDPP information through the Second Harvest system as they are coordinating food donations for affiliated pantries. WEC printed 850 IDPP Palm Cards in English and 150 IDPP Palm Cards in Spanish for Second Harvest. No materials have been distributed to Second Harvest at this point.
Porchlight	Melissa (608) 960-1572	Porchlight Outreach Coordinator Melissa works out of the Madison Central Library. Porchlight will accept 850 IDPP Palm Cards in English and 150 IDPP Palm Cards in Spanish. MW delivered the palm cards to Porchlight in-person on 10/27/2016.
Feedback Meeting		
Group	Contact	Notes
City of Milwaukee	Clerk Neil Albrecht (414) 286-3491	Called on 10/25/2016 to invite them to the IDPP collaborative meeting on 10/27, follow up email invite sent on 10/26. The City of Milwaukee will join the WEC's 10/27/2016 IDPP collaborative meeting by phone. Neil Albrecht did join the meeting by phone on 10/27/2016.
City of Madison	Clerk Maribeth L Witzel-Behl (608) 266-4601	Called on 10/25/2016 to invite them to the IDPP collaborative meeting on 10/27, follow up email invite sent on 10/26. The City of Madison will join the WEC's 10/27/2016 IDPP collaborative meeting by phone. Maribeth Witzel-Behl did join the meeting by phone on 10/27/2016.
City of Green Bay	Clerk- Kris Teske (920) 448-3010	Called on 10/25/2016 to invite them to the IDPP collaborative meeting on 10/27, follow up email invite sent on 10/26. The City of Green Bay indicated they may be able to join the WEC's 10/27/2016 IDPP collaborative meeting by phone. A representative of the Green Bay Clerk's office was unable join the meeting by phone on 10/27/2016.
City of Kenosha	Clerk- Debra Salas (262) 653-4020	Called on 10/25/2016 to invite them to the IDPP collaborative meeting on 10/27, follow up email invite sent on 10/26. The City of Kenosha will join the WEC's 10/27/2016 IDPP collaborative meeting by phone. The Clerk , Debra Salas did join the meeting by phone on 10/27/2016.
City of Racine	Clerk- Janice Johnson-Martin (262) 636-9171	Called on 10/25/2016 to invite them to the IDPP collaborative meeting on 10/27, follow up email invite sent on 10/26. The City of Racine will join the WEC's 10/27/2016 IDPP collaborative meeting by phone. Tara, the Deputy Clerk, did join the meeting by phone on 10/27/2016.
City of Beloit	Clerk- Lori Stottler (608) 364-6680	Called on 10/25/2016 to invite them to the IDPP collaborative meeting on 10/27, follow up email invite sent on 10/26. The City of Racine will join the WEC's 10/27/2016 IDPP collaborative meeting by phone. The Clerk, Lori Stottler did join the meeting by phone on 10/27/2016.

VoteRiders	Molly McGrath molly@voteriders.org	Called on 10/25/2016 to invite them to the IDPP collaborative meeting on 10/27, follow up email invite sent on 10/26. Molly McGrath joined the 10/27/2016 IDPP collaborative meeting in person at the WEC's office.
Citizen Action	Through Counsel	Called on 10/25/2016 to invite them to the IDPP collaborative meeting on 10/27, follow up email invite sent on 10/26. Anita Johnson joined the 10/27/2016 IDPP collaborative meeting in person at the WEC's office.
One Wisconsin Now	Through Counsel	Called on 10/25/2016 to invite them to the IDPP collaborative meeting on 10/27, follow up email invite sent on 10/26. Analiese Eicher joined the 10/27/2016 IDPP collaborative meeting in person at the WEC's office.
League of Woman Voters	Erin Grunze- Voter Education Coordinator (608) 256-0827	Called on 10/25/2016 to invite them to the IDPP collaborative meeting on 10/27, follow up email invite sent on 10/26. Erin Grunze joined the 10/27/2016 IDPP collaborative meeting by teleconference.
Second Harvest	Stephanie- Outreach (608) 223-9121	Called on 10/25/2016 to invite them to the IDPP collaborative meeting on 10/27, follow up email invite sent on 10/26. Left a message with Stephanie- Outreach (608) 223-9121. Second harvest was invited to the 10/27/2016 IDPP collaborative meeting by phone and email. Second harvest did not attend the 10/27/2016 meeting.
Porchlight	Melissa (608) 960-1572	Called on 10/25/2016 to invite them to the IDPP collaborative meeting on 10/27, follow up email invite sent on 10/26. Porchlight was invited to the 10/27/2016 IDPP collaborative meeting by phone and email. Porchlight did not attend the 10/27/2016 meeting.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
October 27, 2016

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Media Advisory: Elections Commission Officials Available for Radio Interview about Voter ID and IDPP

MADISON, WI – Wisconsin Elections Commission officials are available for radio interviews up until Election Day about Wisconsin’s voter ID law.

Administrator Michael Haas and Spokesman Reid Magney are available for recorded news interviews and to appear as guests on talk programs in an effort to make sure listeners are aware of the photo ID requirement and how to get an ID.

Possible photo ID discussion topics include:

- How do you get a free ID to vote if you don’t have a birth certificate?
- Do student IDs work for voting?
- What do you do if your driver license is from another state?
- Are there some voters who don’t need a photo ID?

Other election-related topics include:

- How to find your polling place.
- How soon do absentee ballots need to be mailed in?
- What to do if there’s a problem.
- How to avoid lines on Election Day.
- Can I trust that my vote will be counted fairly and accurately?

To schedule an interview, please call Reid Magney at 608-267-7887 or email him at reid.magney@wi.gov.

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Top 10 Things Voters Should Know for Election Day

MADISON, WI – The Wisconsin Elections Commission today released its list of the top 10 things Wisconsin voters should know for Election Day, Tuesday, November 8.

The most important thing voters should know is that a photo ID will be required to vote.

Most people already have the photo ID they need to vote like a Wisconsin driver license, ID card or other DMV-issued document. Voters can also use military and veteran's IDs, some student IDs, tribal IDs, or a certificate of naturalization. The full list is available at www.bringit.wi.gov.

Your photo ID does not need to have your current address, and your name on your ID does not have to exactly match the name on the poll list.

If you do not have a photo ID on Election Day, or if poll workers say your ID is not acceptable, you can still cast a provisional ballot that will be counted if you bring an acceptable ID to the clerk's office by 4 p.m. the Friday after the election.

Number two is that voters still have time to get a photo ID.

If you don't have an acceptable photo ID, you can get one for free after just one visit to a Wisconsin DMV office through the ID Petition Process (IDPP), said Michael Haas, administrator of the Wisconsin Elections Commission.

"Just bring whatever identifying documents you have like a birth certificate and proof of your current address, but if you don't have one, the DMV will still give you a document with your photo that you can use for voting," he said. Starting the week of Oct. 31, the DMV will send you the photo ID document by overnight delivery. Voters who find they do not have an acceptable ID on Election Day should go to the DMV as soon as possible.

Third on the list – there are important exceptions to the photo ID law.

Military voters and permanent absentee voters do not need a photo ID to vote. Becoming a permanent absentee voter is an excellent option for voters who have difficulty making it to the polls on Election Day due to age, disability, infirmity or illness. To become a permanent absentee voter, contact your municipal clerk's office as soon as possible.

Fourth, absentee voters should mail their ballots back ASAP.

The law has changed and absentee ballots must be delivered to the municipal clerk's office by Election Day or they will not be counted. When your ballot is postmarked does not matter. To give USPS enough time to do its job, the Elections Commission urges absentee voters to put their ballots in the mail one week before Election Day.

Fifth, make sure you know when and where to vote.

Polls are open in Wisconsin from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 8.

“Wisconsin voters can find the most accurate information about voting at MyVote.wi.gov, including where their polling place is and whether their registration is current,” said Haas. “If you're not sure, take a few minutes to visit the My Vote Wisconsin website. It could save you time and headaches on Election Day.”

People who do not have internet access can check their status with their municipal clerk's office.

My Vote Wisconsin also has sample ballots so voters can familiarize themselves with their choices before they arrive in the voting booth.

Sixth, voters can register at the polling place on Election Day.

“If you check My Vote Wisconsin and find you're not registered, don't panic,” Haas said. “Election Day registration ensures that everyone who is qualified to vote will get to vote. Wisconsin, unlike many other states, has had registration at the polls since 1976, so very few voters will likely be forced to vote on a provisional ballot.”

To register on Election Day, Wisconsin voters must provide a proof of residence document. It can be a driver license or state ID card with the voter's current address. It can also be a current utility bill, lease, university ID card or other official document showing the voter's name and current address. For a list of acceptable documents, visit the Elections Commission website. You must be a resident of your ward for 10 days to register, but the document does not need to be 10 days old. Voters who have a valid Wisconsin driver license will be required to use their license number to complete the registration form. Otherwise, they may use a state ID card number or last four digits of their Social Security number.

Seventh, voters should know what to do if they witness problems at the polling place.

“If you see voter fraud, voter intimidation, electioneering or misconduct by election officials, your first point of contact should be the Chief Election Inspector at the polling place,” said Haas. “Most concerns can be resolved then and there, but if that doesn't work, contact your municipal clerk's office or local law enforcement.”

Complaints or issues that are not resolved to the voter's satisfaction should be reported to the Wisconsin Elections Commission. Voters can go online and report problems at <http://elections.wi.gov/complaints>, or they can call 1-866-VOTE-WIS. Haas noted that the Commission will be open extended hours on Election Day to assist voters. Phones will be answered from 6 a.m. until at least 11 p.m. on Election Day.

The remaining things a voter should know are:

- 8. Election observers must follow the rules:** Election observers are welcome at every polling place, but they must obey the instructions of the Chief Election Inspector, and may not interact with voters. Only Wisconsin electors may challenge another voter's eligibility, and there are specific criteria and limitations on challenges. Observers who disobey will be asked to leave, and may not observe at other polling places on Election Day. Rules for election observers are available at the polling place and online: <http://elections.wi.gov/publications/brochures/observer-rules>
- 9. Leave political items at home:** Voters are asked not to wear political clothing or paraphernalia to the polling place on Election Day. The Chief Election Inspector may ask voters to remove or cover up political items, or to leave the polling place if they are judged to be electioneering or creating a disturbance.
- 10. Get in line before the polls close:** Voters standing in line waiting to vote when the polling place closes at 8 p.m. on Election Day will be permitted to vote.

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