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**Justice Department to Monitor Polls in Wisconsin for Compliance
with Federal Voting Rights Laws**

The Justice Department has announced that it is monitoring today's election in the City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to ensure compliance with federal voting rights laws.

The Civil Rights Division enforces the federal voting rights laws that protect the rights of all citizens to access the ballot. The division regularly deploys its staff to monitor for compliance with the federal civil rights laws in elections in communities all across the country. In addition, the division also deploys federal observers from the Office of Personnel Management, where authorized by federal court order.

The Civil Rights Division's Voting Section enforces the civil provisions of federal statutes that protect the right to vote, including the Voting Rights Act, the National Voter Registration Act, the Help America Vote Act, the Civil Rights Acts and the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act.

More information about the Voting Rights Act and other federal voting laws is available on the Justice Department's website at www.justice.gov/crt/voting-section. Complaints about possible violations of federal voting rights laws can be submitted through the Civil Rights Division's website at civilrights.justice.gov or by telephone at 1-800-253-3931.

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