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## **50 States Sued To Block Computerized Vote Counting**

### **Federal Court Will Be Asked to Delay Primaries**

QUEENSBURY, NY-- Nov. 6, 2007. On November 1st chief election officials in all fifty states were named as Defendants in a federal voting rights lawsuit spearheaded by the **We the People Foundation for Constitutional Education** to ensure the integrity of the upcoming primary elections and next year's general elections.

Plaintiffs from every state brought the suit in the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York and maintain that current election practices, including the widespread use of computerized voting machines, are unconstitutional because they are ripe for fraud and error and effectively hide the physical vote counting process from the public, effectively denying citizens their legally protected Right to cast an *effective* vote.

The lawsuit seeks an Order from the Court prohibiting the use of all voting machines and which forces election officials to instead use utilize paper ballots and to count and total all votes *by hand*, always in full view of the public.

The lawsuit, called the **NCEL, National Clean Elections Lawsuit**, follows documented vote machine failures during August's Iowa Straw Poll, persisting claims questioning the integrity of the 2004 presidential election, and the official de-certification in August of virtually every major electronic voting system by the California Secretary of State based upon several comprehensive academic studies documenting the systems' significant vulnerabilities to software "hacking" and vote fraud.

This week, the Plaintiffs will file a motion for injunctive relief, asking the Court to preliminarily prohibit and enjoin the States from conducting their primaries and caucuses until the questions presented to the Court are finally determined. James Condit Jr., head of **Citizens for a Fair Vote Count**, and the lead plaintiff from Ohio, has asked all concerned citizens to support the case. Mr. Schulz has publicly said that he expects the case to go to the Supreme Court. The case number for the current case is 07-943.

The **We the People Foundation** was formed in 1997 in order to defend the Constitution and the People's Right to hold the Government accountable to it.