✎JS 44 (Rev. 12/07)

# CIVIL COVER SHEET

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## I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

Robert Fitrakis

## DEFENDANTS

Jon Husted, Ohio Secretary of State,
Election Software and Systems

**(b)** County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff _____
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant    Franklin
(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE
LAND INVOLVED.

**(c)** Attorney's (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number)

Clifford O. Arnebeck, Jr

Attorneys (If Known)

Richard Coglianese, Steven Forry

## II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- ❏ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff
- ☒ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
- ❏ 2 U.S. Government Defendant
- ❏ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

## III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)
(For Diversity Cases Only)

| | PTF | DEF | | PTF | DEF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Citizen of This State | ❏ 1 | ❏ 1 | Incorporated or Principal Place of Business In This State | ❏ 4 | ❏ 4 |
| Citizen of Another State | ❏ 2 | ❏ 2 | Incorporated and Principal Place of Business In Another State | ❏ 5 | ❏ 5 |
| Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country | ❏ 3 | ❏ 3 | Foreign Nation | ❏ 6 | ❏ 6 |

## IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

| CONTRACT | TORTS | | FORFEITURE/PENALTY | BANKRUPTCY | OTHER STATUTES |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ❏ 110 Insurance | **PERSONAL INJURY** | **PERSONAL INJURY** | ❏ 610 Agriculture | ❏ 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 | ❏ 400 State Reapportionment |
| ❏ 120 Marine | ❏ 310 Airplane | ❏ 362 Personal Injury - Med. Malpractice | ❏ 620 Other Food & Drug | ❏ 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157 | ❏ 410 Antitrust |
| ❏ 130 Miller Act | ❏ 315 Airplane Product Liability | ❏ 365 Personal Injury - Product Liability | ❏ 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881 | | ❏ 430 Banks and Banking |
| ❏ 140 Negotiable Instrument | ❏ 320 Assault, Libel & Slander | ❏ 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability | ❏ 630 Liquor Laws | **PROPERTY RIGHTS** | ❏ 450 Commerce |
| ❏ 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment | ❏ 330 Federal Employers' Liability | | ❏ 640 R.R. & Truck | ❏ 820 Copyrights | ❏ 460 Deportation |
| ❏ 151 Medicare Act | ❏ 340 Marine | **PERSONAL PROPERTY** | ❏ 650 Airline Regs. | ❏ 830 Patent | ❏ 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations |
| ❏ 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excl. Veterans) | ❏ 345 Marine Product Liability | ❏ 370 Other Fraud | ❏ 660 Occupational Safety/Health | ❏ 840 Trademark | ❏ 480 Consumer Credit |
| | | ❏ 371 Truth in Lending | ❏ 690 Other | | ❏ 490 Cable/Sat TV |
| ❏ 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits | ❏ 350 Motor Vehicle | ❏ 380 Other Personal Property Damage | **LABOR** | **SOCIAL SECURITY** | ❏ 810 Selective Service |
| ❏ 160 Stockholders' Suits | ❏ 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability | ❏ 385 Property Damage Product Liability | ❏ 710 Fair Labor Standards Act | ❏ 861 HIA (1395ff) | ❏ 850 Securities/Commodities/ Exchange |
| ❏ 190 Other Contract | ❏ 360 Other Personal Injury | | ❏ 720 Labor/Mgmt. Relations | ❏ 862 Black Lung (923) | ❏ 875 Customer Challenge 12 USC 3410 |
| ❏ 195 Contract Product Liability | | | ❏ 730 Labor/Mgmt.Reporting & Disclosure Act | ❏ 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) | |
| ❏ 196 Franchise | | | ❏ 740 Railway Labor Act | ❏ 864 SSID Title XVI | ❏ 890 Other Statutory Actions |
| **REAL PROPERTY** | **CIVIL RIGHTS** | **PRISONER PETITIONS** | | ❏ 865 RSI (405(g)) | ❏ 891 Agricultural Acts |
| ❏ 210 Land Condemnation | ☒ 441 Voting | ❏ 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence | ❏ 790 Other Labor Litigation | **FEDERAL TAX SUITS** | ❏ 892 Economic Stabilization Act |
| ❏ 220 Foreclosure | ❏ 442 Employment | | ❏ 791 Empl. Ret. Inc. Security Act | ❏ 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) | ❏ 893 Environmental Matters |
| ❏ 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment | ❏ 443 Housing/ Accommodations | **Habeas Corpus:** | | ❏ 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609 | ❏ 894 Energy Allocation Act |
| ❏ 240 Torts to Land | ❏ 444 Welfare | ❏ 530 General | | | ❏ 895 Freedom of Information Act |
| ❏ 245 Tort Product Liability | ❏ 445 Amer. w/Disabilities - Employment | ❏ 535 Death Penalty | **IMMIGRATION** | | ❏ 900 Appeal of Fee Determination Under Equal Access to Justice |
| ❏ 290 All Other Real Property | ❏ 446 Amer. w/Disabilities - Other | ❏ 540 Mandamus & Other | ❏ 462 Naturalization Application | | |
| | ❏ 440 Other Civil Rights | ❏ 550 Civil Rights | ❏ 463 Habeas Corpus - Alien Detainee | | ❏ 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes |
| | | ❏ 555 Prison Condition | ❏ 465 Other Immigration Actions | | |

## V. ORIGIN (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- ☒ 1 Original Proceeding
- ❏ 2 Removed from State Court
- ❏ 3 Remanded from Appellate Court
- ❏ 4 Reinstated or Reopened
- ❏ 5 Transferred from another district (specify)
- ❏ 6 Multidistrict Litigation
- ❏ 7 Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment

## VI. CAUSE OF ACTION

Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing (**Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity**):

42 USC 1983

Brief description of cause:

Enjoin interference with voting rights

## VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

❏ CHECK IF THIS IS A **CLASS ACTION** UNDER F.R.C.P. 23

DEMAND $

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:

**JURY DEMAND:** ❏ Yes ☒ No

## VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY

(See instructions):   JUDGE _____ DOCKET NUMBER _____

DATE   11/05/2012

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD   /s/Clifford Arnebeck

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

RECEIPT # _____ AMOUNT _____ APPLYING IFP _____ JUDGE _____ MAG. JUDGE _____

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS 44

## Authority For Civil Cover Sheet

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**I.**       **(a) Plaintiffs-Defendants.**  Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant.  If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations.  If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.

      (b) County of Residence.  For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing.  In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing.  (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)

      (c) Attorneys.  Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record.  If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".

**II.**      **Jurisdiction**.  The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.C.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings.  Place an "X" in one of the boxes.  If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.

United States plaintiff.  (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348.  Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here.

United States defendant.  (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.

Federal question.  (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States.  In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.

Diversity of citizenship.  (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states.  When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked.  (See Section III below; federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.)

**III.**     **Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties.**  This section of the JS 44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above.  Mark this section for each principal party.

**IV.**     **Nature of Suit**.  Place an "X" in the appropriate box.  If the nature of suit cannot be determined, be sure the cause of action, in Section VI below, is sufficient to enable the deputy clerk or the statistical clerks in the Administrative Office to determine the nature of suit.  If the cause fits more than one nature of suit, select the most definitive.

**V.**      **Origin**.  Place an "X" in one of the seven boxes.

Original Proceedings.  (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.

Removed from State Court.  (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441.  When the petition for removal is granted, check this box.

Remanded from Appellate Court.  (3) Check this box for cases remanded to the district court for further action.  Use the date of remand as the filing date.

Reinstated or Reopened.  (4) Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court.  Use the reopening date as the filing date.

Transferred from Another District.  (5) For cases transferred under Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1404(a).  Do not use this for within district transfers or multidistrict litigation transfers.

Multidistrict Litigation.  (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407.  When this box is checked, do not check (5) above.

Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment.  (7) Check this box for an appeal from a magistrate judge's decision.

**VI.**    **Cause of Action**.  Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause.  **Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity**.        Example:        U.S. Civil Statute: 47 USC 553
                                              Brief Description: Unauthorized reception of cable service

**VII.**   **Requested in Complaint**.  Class Action.  Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P.

Demand.  In this space enter the dollar amount (in thousands of dollars) being demanded or indicate other demand such as a preliminary injunction.

Jury Demand.  Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.

**VIII.**  **Related Cases**.  This section of the JS 44 is used to reference related pending cases if any.  If there are related pending cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

**Date and Attorney Signature**.  Date and sign the civil cover sheet.