

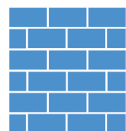
# LET KANSAS VOTE



Trying to keep track of the ACLU's [4 voting rights lawsuits](#) involving Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach? It can be confusing, so we created this chart to help.



## CASE



## BARRIER



## OUTCOME



## NEXT MOVE

### *Belenky v. Kobach*

Sec. Kobach wanted to create a dual system of voter registration. Some citizens would be allowed to vote *only* in federal elections, not in state and local ones, based purely on the way that they chose to register to vote.

**VICTORY!** A state judge ruled in January 2016 and June 2016 that the Secretary of State lacks the authority to create this system. Voters have the right to vote in all elections, regardless of how they register.

None. This issue continues in *Brown v. Kobach*, since Sec. Kobach does not acknowledge that he lacks the authority to create this discriminatory system.

### *Fish v. Kobach*

Kansas requires citizens to submit a birth certificate, passport, or similar document when registering to vote, despite the fact that many citizens lack access to those documents. This runs afoul of the federal motor voter law, which requires states to offer simple voter registration at motor vehicle offices. States cannot force DMV registrants to provide additional documents.

**VICTORY!** Federal district and appeals courts granted our request for an injunction. Kansas cannot force those who register to vote at the DMV to provide a birth certificate, passport, or similar document. Tens of thousands of citizens are registered as a result.

This case is ongoing, but the ruling is in effect for the November 2016 elections. A temporary injunction was granted, but a full trial is scheduled.

### *League of Women Voters v. Newby*

A federal agency staff member with ties to Sec. Kobach unilaterally changed the federal voter registration form, requiring citizens in Kansas and 3 other states to submit a birth certificate, passport, or similar document. The change sought by the staff member would disenfranchise citizens without ready access to these documents.

**VICTORY!** A federal appeals court granted an injunction preventing the change to the form. Kansas citizens can register to vote using the federal form and do not have to provide a birth certificate or passport.

This case is ongoing, but the ruling is in effect for the November 2016 elections. A temporary injunction was granted, but a full trial is scheduled.

### *Brown v. Kobach*

Same issue as *Belenky v. Kobach*; the Secretary of State wants to create a dual system of voter registration, where the elections in which a voter can vote are determined by the method used to register.

**VICTORY!** A state judge issued a ruling stopping Sec. Kobach from using this system in the August and November 2016 elections. All registered voters can vote in all elections.

This case is ongoing, but the ruling is in effect for the November 2016 elections. A temporary injunction was granted, but a full trial is scheduled.