

SCOTUS SIDES WITH SECRETARY OF STATE BRUNNER

SCOTUS has ruled with Ohio's Secretary of State Jennifer Brunner (and overturned one of the politicized 6th Circuit Court's decisions) and agreed that she should not have to alert county officials to newly registered voters whose records don't exactly match state records.

The Supreme Court is siding with Ohio's top elections official in a dispute with the state Republican Party over voter registrations.

The justices on Friday overruled a federal appeals court that had ordered Ohio's top elections official to do more to help counties verify voter eligibility.

I'll update as we get more news on this—but this decision ensures that the 200,000 newly registered voters in question will be able to cast real ballots on November 4.

Update: We don't get to find out who voted how. It was a per curiam decision.

We express no opinion on the question whether HAVA is being properly implemented. Respondents, however, are not sufficiently likely to prevail on the question whether Congress has authorized the District Court to enforce Section 303 in an action brought by a private litigant to justify the issuance of a TR0.

Update: Fixed spelling of "per curiam" per a lot of Latin scholars in the comments.