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Subject: REF 161957 HA - E.O. 14019 - Access to Voting
Importance: High

Good morning, (b)(6) Please see the subject line for GCLaws Case# and identification for the below tasking. Please let me know if I may be of further assistance.

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Mark,

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Thank you.

Mike

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Subject: Implementation of Access to Voting EO

Attachments: VHA Directive 1060, Voting Assistance for VA Inpatients and Residents.pdf

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To: Jaynes, Mark T. (OGC)

Subject: RE: Voter Assistance

Thanks for the suggestions, Mark! And yes, I would appreciate it if you can connect me with the (b)(5)

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Subject: Voter Assistance

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Subject: RE: Stepping away

Hey,

Thanks. So, what is the skinny, and is there anything I need to do for this?

Best,

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No worries, glad you were able to join at the tail end.

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Subject: Stepping away

Morning,

I have an appt this morning, so I may not make it on time to the meeting, though I do expect to be back in time for a portion. I will touch base with you, (b)(6) later today to discuss anything I missed.

Best,

(b)(6)

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f/u with OCHCO about workgroup

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To: (b)(6) Jaynes, Mark T. (OGC); (b)(6)

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Subject: RE: Introducing a New Ethics Attorney

Thanks for the introductions, Mark! And thank you for sharing the bulletin (b)(6) Looking forward to working with you guys. I will be sending out an email to the EO implementation workgroup this afternoon, and will be sure to include you both on it.

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Subject: RE: Introducing a New Ethics Attorney

Thank you and welcome (b)(6)

OCHCO recently issued the attached Bulletin on Voting.

Reach out anytime HRA/OSP can be of assistance.

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Subject: Introducing a New Ethics Attorney

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Good afternoon! Mateo Forero is our newest ethics attorney. He is working the Voter Assistance Project. It includes employees assisting veterans with voter registration and voting. (b)(5); (b)(6)

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Thanks for working with (b)(6) You'll enjoy it.

Mark

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From: (b)(6) (OGC)

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To: Raun, Eric L. (OGC)

Subject: Voting Access EO

Eric,

Mark Jaynes suggested I touch base with you, as I want to loop HCLG into a workgroup I've put together for implementing President Biden's voting access Executive Order

(<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/03/10/2021-05087/promoting-access-to-voting>). (b)(5)

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Thanks,

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Subject: Comments on Voting Access EO Implementation

Attachments: VHA Directive 1060, Voting Assistance for VA Inpatients and Residents.pdf, White Paper on Voting Assistance EO.docx, OCHCO Executive Order Voting Bulletin.pdf

Good afternoon workgroup:

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Have a great weekend!

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To: (b)(6)

Subject: RE: EO 14019

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Thanks for checking in! I put together a workgroup to discuss implementation of the Voting Access EO. We met over Teams this past Friday and plotted the next steps. Attached please find a detailed email that discusses what the workgroup is currently working on. If you or Mike have any further questions, feel free to let me know.

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Subject: EO 14019

Good morning (b)(6)

On behalf of (b)(6) I am contacting you to see if you have an update on EO 14019.

Respectfully,

(b)(6)

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~ Robert A. McDonald
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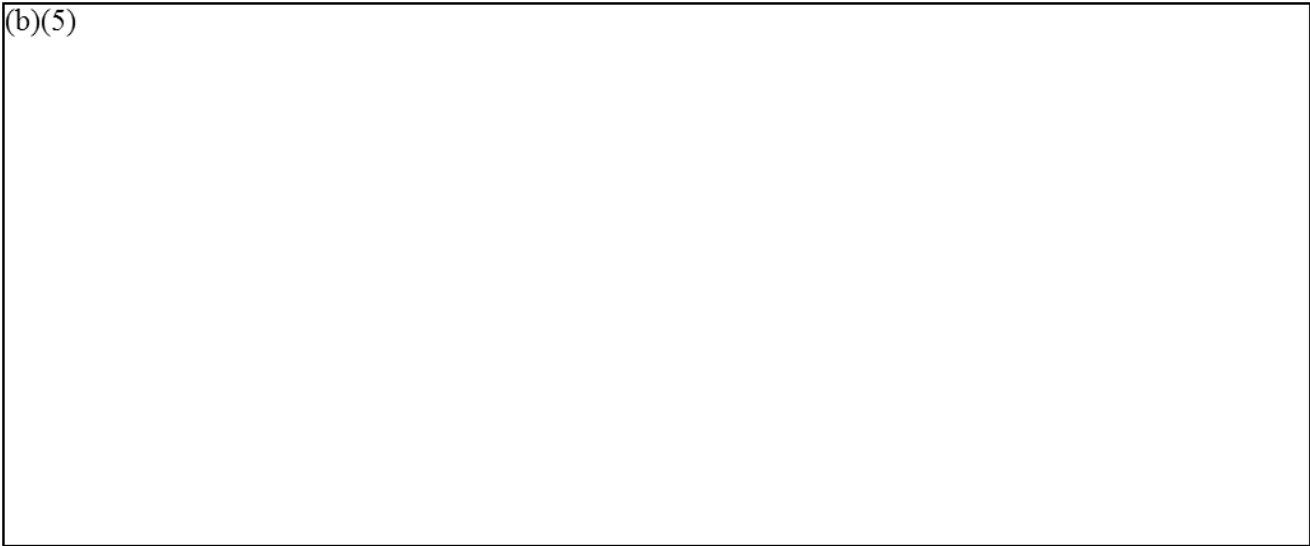
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Good afternoon,

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Thank you!

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From: (b)(6) (OGC)

Sent: Friday, May 28, 2021 9:56 AM

To: (b)(6)

Subject: Re: Comments on Voting Access EO Implementation

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Thanks for following up. I was on leave last week and have been catching up on my cases. (b)(5)

(b)(5) and setting up another

Teams meeting in the next week or so to discuss the input we provide.

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Subject: Re: Comments on Voting Access EO Implementation

Good evening,

Is there any update to your research on whether VHA 1060 meets the requirements for this EO?

Thanks so much.

(b)(6)

Director, VA Center for Development & Civic Engagement

Veterans Health Administration

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Have a great weekend!

(b)(6)

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6/7/2021 8:57:06 AM

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From: (b)(6) (OGC)

Sent: Monday, June 7, 2021 8:57 AM

To: Jaynes, Mark T. (OGC)

Subject: Re: Voter Registration

Good morning Mark!

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Hope you had a restful week off!

(b)(6)

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Subject: FW: Voter Registration

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Good morning! I'm back and going through email.

Mark

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Subject: FW: Voter Registration

Good Evening,

(b)(5)

Thanks,
Susan

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You bet...

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Hi (b)(6)

Can you share the names of who was on the invite from OGC? I think it would be helpful if I could connect with them directly.

Thanks,
Susan

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Hi, Susan-

You were not at the meeting (b)(6) is referencing. It took place on 4/23 and was organized by (b)(6) Forero. Numerous other OGC staff were included, but I just checked the invitation, and you were not on it. Hope that provides some context and that you have a restful and safe holiday...

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H (b)(6)

Thank you for the information. I was involved in a meeting related to the voter registration paper that we discussed reviewing on this string. Was that the engagement you were discussing? Or was there something else?

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Hi (b)(6)

I am just following up on this. Do you know what the status is?

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Subject: RE: Voter Registration

Thank you. I actually did add those clarifications to the document itself. Yes, holding these events in collaboration with our community partners was the intent. I appreciate your comments. Myself and a few of the VISN Directors have an opportunity to meet about this next Friday. I will be sure to add this additional clarity to our discussion.

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Subject: RE: Voter Registration

Hi (b)(6)

My apologies for the delay. (b)(5)
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(b)(5) Happy to discuss if it would be helpful.

Thanks,
Susan

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Ms. Blauert,
My apologies for not recognizing that my message did not reach you. Please see below for response to your comments on the VHA White Paper in response to Voter Registration.

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Good afternoon, Susan.

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Thanks!

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Subject: FW: Voter Registration

(b)(6) you did a great job of turning this around quickly. Susan’s response reminds me why I changed my mind about going to law school. As I understand, we routinely help people with lots of federal programs. If we need to back off some of this, we certainly can, but let me know your thoughts.

I feel like she is saying that we said we would do more than you put in the paper. I am confused.

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Subject: RE: Voter Registration

Good Morning,

Please see attached for specific comments and edits. In addition, we suggest VHA consider the following questions:

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Based on your consideration of these items, it may be appropriate to update your paper accordingly. Please let me know if you would like to discuss.

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Susan –

(b)(6) put together what looks to me like a great summary and recommendations about how to proceed with the request we got last week regarding voter registration efforts. Before we send forward, wondered if we could get you to take a look at this and see if we missed anything or if you have suggestions or concerns.

Thanks,

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For your review and comment.

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Subject: Voter Registration

Hi (b)(6)

We have a request from the 10th floor for us to take a look at Voter Registration and the impact operations in the Medical Center. We are requesting you to meet with a couple of Network Directors and see if our position has changed. Additionally, what can we offer to assist our Veterans in voting. Some suggestions include- sharing of links on our website, partnerships with VSOs, etc.... The 10th floor is requesting just a 1-2 page paper outlining our position and what operational impact it would have if we were to become a Voter Registration designated Agency. Apparently we already have a policy related to this that we need to consider as well. The timeline- they need this back early next week.

Background:

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It is my inclination that VHA position on this has not changed and our comments in response should indicate this. However, I wanted to check-in and confirm that VHA's thoughts on this have not changed. In other words, VA does not want to be a voter registration agency as it would divert personnel and resources from our mission of providing care to veterans. However, we would continue to implement our policy on this subject. Our comments are due by 3PM today so your quick response is requested.

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6/10/2021 3:09:00 PM

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Sent: Thursday, June 10, 2021 3:09 PM

To: (b)(6)

Subject: RE: Comments on Voting Access EO Implementation

Thanks for following up (b)(6) I will be getting in touch with the workgroup in the coming week to set up a follow-up meeting. I was on leave for several days last week and have been catching up on my case work.

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(b)(6) briefed this EO on the Thursday call today. Wanted to ensure you had OCHCO support where needed. Please reach out anytime we can assist.

Any questions, please ask.

Thank you

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Good afternoon workgroup:

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Have a great weekend!

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Afternoon (b)(6)

Hope you've been well since we spoke last. I was going through my emails and wanted to check on Executive Order case. How's the planning for the next meeting going? Have you gotten a draft of the EST comments pulled together? I'm still happy to look them over for you.

Best,

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Hey,

Thanks. So, what is the skinny, and is there anything I need to do for this?

Best,

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No worries, glad you were able to join at the tail end.

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Morning,

I have an appt this morning, so I may not make it on time to the meeting, though I do expect to be back in time for a portion. I will touch base with you, (b)(6) later today to discuss anything I missed.

Best,

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Afternoon (b)(6)

Thanks for the follow-up; I'll keep an eye out!

Have a good weekend,

(b)(6)

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Hi (b)(6)

Thanks for checking up on me with the EO case. I got a big slate of cases in the last couple of weeks so I haven't had the chance to finalize my draft of the EST guidance for the workgroup. Hoping to have something ready by mid-week next week, and then schedule a follow-up meeting the week or so after that (it's hard to find a good slot with all the people participating!). Would definitely appreciate any edits or feedback you might have. I'll send it your way when it's in good shape

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Best,

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Importance: High

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Good morning! The Voting Access matter must be a priority. We need to get it finished. If you need help, ask for it.

Also, you haven't entered any notes in GCLAWS since June 10. You have to enter notes at least daily, so that it's fresh in your mind and so that if you're out of the office someone else can see what's going on in a case and perhaps resolve a client's issue.

Mark

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Thank you!

Eric Raun

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Eric—

We'll get back to you today.

Mark

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Hi Mark

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For those in the 'to' line: I ask for feedback in either email or tracked changes, replying to this chain so I can maintain version control. If you simply concur without comment, please respond via email as well. Appreciate receiving your feedback NLT 1pm today.

Many thanks again for your terrific feedback; while a tedious template to complete, your input made the content itself much easier to pull together.

Thanks!

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Attachments: EST comments - Voting EO Interim Strategic Plan_Veterans Affairs

Mark,

(b)(5) let me know what you think.

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(b)(5) Let's discuss.

Mark

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Hi Mark

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It looks like VA is being asked to provide this today. Susan told them we would provide your comments when received.

Thanks
Eric

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Good Afternoon,

Attached please find edits and comments from OGC's Health Care Law Group. (b)(5)

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Thanks,

Susan

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Subject: FOR REVIEW: Interim Report on EO 14019- Voting Access IPC

Team,

Apologies for the late email; competing requirements got the best of me in getting this interim report completed. Please review the attached documents for clarity and consistency, based on the meeting we had last week. I incorporated all of the feedback from that meeting, to include the memo (b)(6) prepared for VHA, in the template requested by the IPC leads. For reference, the template is also attached so you can see rationale behind the writing. Adding (b)(6) and (b)(6) for equities identified for VEO and DME, respectively.

Items to note and verify: 1) Where VHA has lead for sections, I have identified (b)(6) as the POC, based on the VHA memo prepared in March—please let me know if that should change, and 2) please check my “math” (I use that term very loosely) on budget estimates and time needed implement actions. Again, this document is by design noncommittal, so no need to split hairs, but do keep me in the ballpark.

For those in the 'to' line: I ask for feedback in either email or tracked changes, replying to this chain so I can maintain version control. If you simply concur without comment, please respond via email as well. Appreciate receiving your feedback NLT 1pm today.

Many thanks again for your terrific feedback; while a tedious template to complete, your input made the content itself much easier to pull together.

Thanks!

(b)(6)

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs
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Cc: Jaynes, Mark T. (OGC) <(b)(6)@va.gov>

Subject: RE: Stepping away

Afternoon!

(b)(5)

Best,

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Attachments: Fundraising for an Organization that has a PAC.pdf

Forgot to attach the fundraising AO. Here it is!

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From: (b)(6) (OGC)

Sent: Wednesday, June 23, 2021 10:57 AM

To: (b)(6)@osc.gov>

Subject: "Organization" meaning for purposes of voter registration drive analysis (Non-profits w/PACs)

Good morning (b)(6)

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I appreciate your thoughts, and have a great day.

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