

# NAACP NEWS

## Georgia State Conference

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### **GEORGIA NAACP TO TAKE ACTION AGAINST ELECTION BOARD MAILING OF LETTERS AN ATTEMPT TO MISLEAD VOTERS**

On Wednesday October 25, 2006 at 11:00am, the Georgia State Conference NAACP will hold a press conference at the Georgia State Capitol to announce a series of steps the organization plans to take against the Georgia State Elections Board.

Less than a week after a state judge ruled that Georgia's voter ID law - requiring voters to have a photo ID - violated the state constitution, the State Election Board sent out nearly 200,000 letters to voters notifying them that they may not have a valid driver's license or state-issued photo ID. The letter suggests that if a voter does not have a photo ID, they will not be allowed to vote on Election Day.

"The sending out of these letters by the Republican controlled election board was a direct attempt to draw mass confusion and voter disenfranchisement among poor, elderly, and minority voters before the November general election," said Edward O. DuBose, President of the Georgia State Conference NAACP. "It is our belief, that the election board is in violation of the state constitution and federal civil and voting rights laws. This act of defiance against the court's decision will not go unchecked."

The Georgia State Conference NAACP has formed a coalition with other civil rights organizations and is working with national leaders including the Rev. Jesse Jackson. Specific action the organization plans to take will be announced at the press conference.



Founded in 1909, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is the nation's oldest and largest civil rights organization. Its half-million adult and youth members throughout the United States and the world are the premier advocates for civil rights in their communities and monitor equal opportunity in the public and private sectors