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: Attorney General

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Subject: Vested Rights Gained by An Alien Who Has Been

Permitted to Vote in an Election and Related

Issues

It is our understanding that there has been a count ruling that a person who has been permitted to vote gains certain vested rights a kin to citizenship regardless of whether the person is actually a citizen or not.

We would appreciate you providing us with a copy of the pertinent court ruling(s) along with such background or related information as will be helpful. We are very concerned about the possibility of aliens obtaining undeserved rights through error of the legislature, the Board of Elections, or some other government agency.

Herman T. Guerrero