

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

HUMAN RIGHTS PARTY OF ANN ARBOR, and )  
SONIA R. YACO, by her next friend )  
CHARLES REAM, on her own behalf )  
and on behalf of all minors )  
similarly situated, )  
Plaintiffs, )

COMPLAINT

-v- )  
THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR )  
THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ and his agents )  
~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ school election officials )  
administering Ann Arbor School )  
District Board elections, )  
Defendants )

Civ. Action

No. \_\_\_\_\_

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This discrimination against youth not only denies them the equal protection of the laws, but frustrates the attempts of adults and adult-led political parties which advocate youth gaining greater control over their own lives and institutions. It serves to deny First Amendment rights to such organizations as the Human Rights Party of Ann Arbor which seeks deliberately in some instances to have its positions articulated and presented by persons under 18 years of age. For example, the Human Rights Party of Ann Arbor has adopted in its official platform that the State Age of Majority be lowered to 14 years of age; ~~it~~ <sup>it</sup> attempts to convey the validity of its position by presenting articulate. able

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