



Voter Suppression and Election Irregularities Motivate Creation of ELECTIONS at RISK Website

OSCAR-nominated, EMMY-winning documentary filmmaker Dorothy Fadiman announces the launch of a media toolkit, the **ELECTIONS at RISK** Website. This online offering includes video clips, posters, and other resources to shed light on voting irregularities in recent elections, including ways to address the increasing challenges to fair elections.

ELECTIONS at RISK is a constellation of 14 short clips from **STEALING AMERICA: Vote by Vote**, winner of the Critics Choice Award from the Broadcast Film Critics Association. At the heart of this campaign is a new short film **VOTING THEFT in ACTION: An Election Night Saga** (10 min.), which documents the statistically improbable discrepancies between "official vote tallies" and the nationwide exit poll numbers during the final hours of a Presidential Election.

The controversial issues addressed on this website include the malfunctioning of electronic voting machines (especially in low-income neighborhoods), vote switching between candidates favoring one party in at least 14 states, and through it all, the silence of mainstream media. This film (10 minutes) and the clips (1- 5 minutes each) are available on our website, Facebook and YouTube.

The campaign also draws attention to new voter ID legislation that makes the voter registration process increasingly difficult. These new laws could disenfranchise as many as 5 million eligible Americans in the upcoming 2012 election.¹ Minorities, students, the elderly communities are particularly affected by these changes. This campaign provides a variety of resources with which to address this crisis.

"As the November 2012 Election approaches, we want to remind both Democrats and Republicans, as well as voters from all parties that our democracy is fragile and that it is we, ourselves, who need to protect voting rights for all Americans," says filmmaker Dorothy Fadiman. "The **ELECTIONS at RISK** campaign is a wake-up call to prevent, question and investigate voting irregularities, especially in Swing States."

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About Dorothy Fadiman:

Dorothy is an independent filmmaker based in Northern California. Her work focuses on social justice and human rights. Recent films include documentaries filmed in Ethiopia, which address HIV/AIDS; the need to include more progressive approaches in schools; and grassroots efforts to strengthen women's rights in rural India. Following **STEALING AMERICA**, Fadiman produced a film about the disenfranchisement of Native Americans' voting rights.

¹ http://www.brennancenter.org/content/section/category/voting_rights_elections/