

# Congress Protects the Right to Vote: The Voting Rights Act of 1965

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## Handout 1: Vocabulary List for the Voting Rights Act of 1965

Prerequisite	Required beforehand (Source: <a href="https://www.dictionary.com">Dictionary.com</a> )
Political subdivision	A city, county, or school corporation (Source: <a href="https://www.uslegal.com">USLegal.com</a> )
Abridge	To deprive; cut off (Source: <a href="https://www.dictionary.com">Dictionary.com</a> )
Proceeding	Any legal filing, hearing, trial and/or judgment in the ongoing conduct of a lawsuit or criminal prosecution (Source: <a href="https://www.law.com">Law.com</a> )
Statute	A Federal or state written law enacted by the Congress or state legislature, respectively (Source: <a href="https://www.law.com">Law.com</a> )
Federal examiners	Federal officials appointed by the Civil Service Commission who are authorized to “prepare and maintain lists of persons eligible to vote in Federal, state, and local elections.” (Source: <a href="https://www.ourdocuments.gov">OurDocuments.gov</a> )
United States Civil Service Commission	Established as an independent agency by the Civil Service Act (22 Stat. 403) of 1883, the Commission administered the Federal civil service system (Source: <a href="https://www.nationalarchives.gov">National Archives</a> )
Interlocutory order	Temporary court order (Source: <a href="https://www.law.com">Law.com</a> )
Final judgment	The written determination of a lawsuit by the judge who presided at trial (Source: <a href="https://www.law.com">Law.com</a> )
Equitable relief	Benefits which an order or judgment of court can give a party to a lawsuit, including money award, injunction, return of property, property title, alimony and dozens of other possibilities (Source: <a href="https://www.law.com">Law.com</a> )