

VOTING ISSUE #2 — VOTER APPAREL

1) In defending the law, the state of Minnesota said its approach preserved order and decorum at polling places and helped prevent voter intimidation. How might voters be intimidated by another person's t-shirt or hat? Do you think it would influence their vote? Explain your answer.

2) a) If a group of 5, 10 or 20 people wearing the same t-shirt were to vote at the same time as you, would this affect your answer to question #1? Explain your answer.

2) b) Should groups be permitted the same rights as individuals in this instance? Explain your answer.

3) Among the defendants in the case was Minnesota County Attorney Mike Freeman, who said he believed Cilek was overreacting. He said, "My sense of the First Amendment is not offended by saying, 'Tea Party folks, don't wear your "I.D. me please" buttons into the polling place.' I'd like to be left alone when I go to vote." Do you agree with Mr. Freeman – do people have a legal right to not be annoyed by you? Explain your answer.