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My name is Mary Thompson, Civil Engagement Chair with the League of Women Voters North County San Diego. My comment relates to Agenda Item 3C, Ad Hoc Committee Report on Commissioner Training.

The League encourages the Committee to expand the diversity of sources of training, particularly as it relates to the Voting Rights Act. For this critical aspect of IRC's work, training by a VRA legal expert is strongly encouraged.

Professor Justin Levitt is a nationally recognized expert on this topic, viewable at the link listed below from the California Citizens Redistricting Commission training in November on voting rights and racially polarized voting.

We recommend that you invite Professor Levitt to present to the IRC giving you an opportunity for an interactive dialogue on this critical topic.

Link to CRC Training on VRA:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4wONKRY4pL8&feature=youtu.be

(The first 40 minutes of the recording are the presentation; the remainder of the recording is the Commissioners' questions and discussion.)

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