



**NEVADA DISABILITY  
ADVOCACY & LAW CENTER**

**NEVADA'S PROTECTION & ADVOCACY SYSTEM  
FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES**

**PROTECTION & ADVOCACY  
FOR VOTING ACCESS  
(PAVA)**

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## **ABOUT NDALC**

The Nevada Disability Advocacy & Law Center (NDALC) is a private, statewide non-profit organization that serves as Nevada's federally-mandated protection and advocacy system for human, legal, and service rights for individuals with disabilities.

Services provided by NDALC include, but are not limited to: information and referral services, education, training, negotiation, mediation, investigation of reported or suspected abuse/neglect, legal counsel, technical assistance, litigation services, and public policy work.

This publication is intended to help individuals with disabilities understand their rights in regards to registering to vote and in participating in the voting process. Individuals who have been denied their rights in the electoral process can contact one of our offices listed on the back of this booklet.

## **HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT OF 2002 (HAVA)**

On October 29, 2002, the President of the United States signed into law the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA), to improve the administration of elections. HAVA provides financial assistance to states and creates new minimum standards for states to follow in several key areas. Among other things, these new standards concern voting systems, voting accessibility, statewide computerized voter registration lists, provisional voting, information provided to voters, and voter registration by mail.

HAVA seeks to improve voting access to individuals with disabilities as follows:

- Establishes a Voting Protection agency and authorizes funding
- Makes accessibility grants available to states and local units of government to improve physical and non-visual access to polling places
- Creates minimum standards for accessibility of voting systems that states must follow
- Requires states to include individuals with disabilities in developing the State Plan for compliance with HAVA's requirements
- Provides funds for research on accessible voting technology

Other important non-disability provisions of HAVA include:

- Establishes the Elections Assistance Commission, a new federal agency to serve as a clearinghouse for election administration information
- Provides funding to states to improve election administration and to replace punch card and lever style voting systems
- Create minimum standards for states to follow in several key areas of election administration
- Establishes a state administrative procedure for voting complaints

# KNOW YOUR REGISTRAR

Every Nevada county and city has a person responsible for making sure the county or city complies with state and federal law. The County Clerk or Registrar is the person to whom you should address your questions and concerns.

## COUNTY CONTACTS

**CARSON CITY:**

885 East Musser Street, Suite 1025  
Carson City, NV 89701-4475  
(775) 887-2087 FAX-887-2146  
[www.carson-city.nv.us](http://www.carson-city.nv.us)

**CHURCHILL COUNTY:**

155 North Taylor Street, Suite 110  
Fallon, NV 89406-2748  
(775) 423-6028 FAX-423-7069  
[www.churchillcounty.org](http://www.churchillcounty.org)

**CLARK COUNTY:**

965 Trade Drive, Suite A  
North Las Vegas, NV 89030-7802

Elections Department  
P.O. Box 3909  
Las Vegas, NV 89127-3909  
(702) 455-8683 FAX-455-2793  
[www.accessclarkcounty.com](http://www.accessclarkcounty.com)

**DOUGLAS COUNTY:**

1616 8th Street, 2nd Floor  
P.O. Box 218  
Minden, NV 89423-0218  
(775) 782-9023 FAX-782-9016  
[ctr.co.douglas.nv.us](http://ctr.co.douglas.nv.us)

**ELKO COUNTY:**

571 Idaho Street, 3rd Floor  
Elko, NV 89801-3700  
(775) 753-4600 FAX-753-4610  
[www.elkocountynv.net](http://www.elkocountynv.net)

**ESMERALDA COUNTY:**

Corner of Crook & Euclid  
P.O. Box 547  
Goldfield, NV 89013-0547  
(775) 485-6309 FAX-485-6376  
[www.accessesmeralda.com](http://www.accessesmeralda.com)

**EUREKA COUNTY:**

County Courthouse, Main Street  
P.O. Box 677  
Eureka, NV 89316-0677  
(775) 485-6309 FAX-237-6015  
[co.eureka.nv.us](http://co.eureka.nv.us)

**HUMBOLDT COUNTY:**

50 West 5th Street, 207  
Winnemucca, NV 89445-3199  
(775) 623-6343 FAX-623-6309  
[www.hcnv.us](http://www.hcnv.us)

**LANDER COUNTY:**

315 South Humboldt Street  
Battle Mountain, NV 89820-9998  
(775) 635-5738 FAX-635-5761  
[www.landercounty.com](http://www.landercounty.com)

**LINCOLN COUNTY:**

1 North Main Street  
P.O. Box 90  
Pioche, NV 89043-0090  
(775) 962-5390 FAX-962-5180  
[www.lincolncountynv.org](http://www.lincolncountynv.org)

**LYON COUNTY:**

27 South Main Street  
Yerington, NV 89447-2571  
(775) 463-6501 FAX-463-5305  
[www.lyon-county.org](http://www.lyon-county.org)

**MINERAL COUNTY:**

105 South A Street, Suite 1  
P.O. Box 1450  
Hawthorne, NV 89415-1450  
(775) 945-2446 FAX-945-0706

**NYE COUNTY:**

101 Radar Road  
P.O. Box 1031  
Tonopah, NV 89049-1031  
(775) 482-8127 FAX-482-8133  
[www.co.nye.nv.us](http://www.co.nye.nv.us)

**PERSHING COUNTY:**

398 Main Street  
P.O. Box 820  
Lovelock, NV 89419-0820  
(775) 273-2208 FAX-273-3015  
[www.pershingcounty.net](http://www.pershingcounty.net)

**STOREY COUNTY:**

County Courthouse B Street  
Drawer D  
Virginia City, NV 89440-0139  
(775) 847-0969 FAX-847-0921  
[www.storeycounty.org](http://www.storeycounty.org)

**WASHOE COUNTY:**

1001 East Ninth Street  
P.O. Box 11130  
Reno, NV 89520-0027  
(775) 328-3670 FAX-328-3747  
[www.co.washoe.nv.us/voters](http://www.co.washoe.nv.us/voters)

**WHITE PINE COUNTY:**

801 Clark Street, 4  
Ely, NV 89301-1994  
(775) 289-2341 FAX-289-2544  
[www.whitepinecountyonline.com](http://www.whitepinecountyonline.com)

# **PROTECTION & ADVOCACY FOR VOTING ACCESS (PAVA)**

NDALC receives funds under HAVA for Protection and Advocacy for Voting Access (PAVA) on behalf of individuals with disabilities. NDALC has the following service priorities under PAVA:

- **Voter Registration**

NDALC provides voter registration assistance and education to individuals with disabilities by distributing Voter Registration Applications at outreach meetings and making them available at its offices or through the mail. NDALC encourages other agencies who provide services to individuals with disabilities to make Voter Registration Applications available.

- **Access To Polling Places**

NDALC advocates that both State and County Election Officials in Nevada assure that all polling places are accessible. NDALC further advocates that the State and County Election Officials purchase and make available at least one accessible voting machine at each polling place in Nevada.

NDALC assists individuals with disabilities in filing complaints regarding access issues (and other voting issues) under the state of Nevada based grievance procedure.

- **Develop and Disseminate Information Related To Voting and HAVA**

NDALC publishes and disseminates information to provide individuals with disabilities the opportunity to register to vote, know their legal voting rights, and access polling places.

## **VOTING RIGHTS FOR EX-FELONS**

NRS 176A.850 provides for the restoration of civil rights, including the right to vote for ex-felons. This statute generally provides for the automatic restoration of civil rights of a person who has been honorably discharged from probation or parole. For more information, contact the Nevada Division of Parole and Probation, Office of the Chief, 1445 Hot Springs Road, #104, Carson City, NV 89706, (775) 684-2605 or NDALC.

## **SOME OF NEVADA'S VOTING LAWS**

- NRS 293.5235 provides that any person may assist an individual with a disability in completing the Voter Registration Application.
- NRS 293.5237 provides registration of a person at home by a field Registrar.
- NRS 293.296 requires assistance be provided to a voter who has a physical disability.
- NRS 293.2955 provides for the accessibility of the polling place, ballot, and election materials to an individual with a disability.
- NRS 426.257 provides for and authorizes the use of a signature stamp, for all purposes including those related to voting, for people with a physical disability who are unable to write their name.

## **COMPLAINTS**

To file a complaint regarding a violation of HAVA, contact:

The United States Department of Justice  
Disability Rights Section  
Civil Rights Division  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20530  
(800) 253-3931 (Voice)  
(202) 305-0082 (TTY)  
[www.ada.gov/t2cmpfrm.htm](http://www.ada.gov/t2cmpfrm.htm)

To file a complaint with the Secretary of State contact:

The Nevada Secretary of State  
Elections Division  
101 N. Carson City Street, Suite 3  
Carson City, NV 89701  
(775) 684-5705  
<http://nvsos.gov/index.aspx?page=71>



## **NDALC OFFICES**

### **SOUTHERN OFFICE**

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Las Vegas, NV 89146  
Phone: 702-257-8150  
Toll Free: 1-888-349-3843  
Nevada Relay: 711  
Fax: 702-257-8170  
lasvegas@ndalc.org  
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### **NORTHERN OFFICE**

1311 North McCarran, Suite 106  
Sparks, NV 89431  
Phone: 775-333-7878  
Toll Free: 1-800-992-5715  
Nevada Relay: 711  
Fax: 775-788-7825  
reno@ndalc.org  
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### **ELKO OFFICE**

1250 Lamoille Highway, Suite 944  
Elko, NV 89801  
Phone: 775-777-1590  
Toll Free: 1-800-992-5715  
Nevada Relay: 711  
Fax: 775-753-1690  
elko@ndalc.org

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