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## LEGAL BATTLE CONTINUES OVER BALLOT LANGUAGE

Chicago- Taxpayers United of America (TUA) and voters continue the legal battle against illegal and unconstitutional property tax increases in Wilmette School District 39 and Oak Park School District 97.

In Wilmette School District 39, Judge Rita Novak of the Circuit Court of Cook County, ruled against both TUA and Herb Sorock, dismissing their lawsuit. According to Judge Novak, it was alright for the School District to use ballot language that confused the voters by understating the property tax increase by 300%. She ruled on June 23rd; TUA and Sorock are considering an appeal to the 1st District Court of Appeals.

On June 30, 2011, Judge Mary Mikva will hear arguments and is expected to rule on the Oak Park District 97 case. In that case TUA and Noel Kuriakos are also asking the Court to add Cook County Clerk David Orr as a respondent as the only way to secure injunctive relief from the property tax increase in that district. Judge Mikva will hear the case in Room 2508 of the Richard J. Daley Center, at 2:00 p.m. on June 30, 2011.