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Inaccessible Polling Sites in Greene County Violate Federal Law

Albany, NY - June 9, 2017 – Eighty percent (80%) of polling places surveyed by Disability Rights New York (DRNY) in Greene County are inaccessible to voters with disabilities. DRNY issued a public report based on surveys conducted during the State Primary and General Elections on September 13, 2016 and November 8, 2016.

The Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. § 12132, guarantees voters with disabilities the right to physically accessible polling places. DRNY has concluded that Greene County is in violation of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The right to vote is one of the most important rights of all Americans. “It is inexcusable that Greene County is still using inaccessible polling locations and voting systems that don’t work,” said Timothy A. Clune, DRNY Executive Director. “If you can’t get in, you can’t vote.”

Read the full report: <http://bit.ly/2r2KmGj>

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