



## Empowering Voters. Defending Democracy.



### A Voting Rights Rollercoaster

After escalating actions demanding that President Biden do all within his power to promote voting rights legislation, the League was thrilled to see POTUS stand for the freedom to vote and [call for the end of the filibuster](#). His shift was a direct result of all the work activists undertook in 2021.

January also saw disappointments, such as the Senate's [failure to pass the Freedom to Vote: John R. Lewis Act](#). During this time, we're reminded of the many obstacles that the *Voting Rights Act* faced before passing; we know that our current fight, though no less challenging, will be successful.

### Tackling Gerrymandered Maps

State Leagues and partners across the US are taking legal action to counter gerrymandered maps. The League has joined cases in [Baltimore County, MD](#), and the [state of Georgia](#) opposing racial gerrymandering.

To stay up to date on this work, sign up for our [People Powered Fair Maps™ newsletter](#).

### New Staff and Digital Design in 2022

The League kicked off the new year by welcoming several new team members to the national office, including Press Secretary [Shannon Augustus](#) and Senior Director for Voting and Elections [Adam Ambrogi](#). The recruitment process isn't over, either — the League is currently searching for organizers, analysts, marketers, and more to [join our team](#).

We also launched a fresh new [website design](#) to better showcase the League's priorities and promote resources like VOTE411 and our legal cases. This is just the first in a series of digital enhancements, so stay tuned!

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