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*Know the issues, join the conversation and make a difference.*



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# 2007 CITIZEN'S HANDBOOK

**Get connected with your  
government & exercise your voice.**

## What Does the League of Women Voters Do?

### **www.lwvga.org** - Citizen Resource Website

- \* Weekly update from the State Capitol
- \* Links to find your elected officials
- \* Register to vote, election dates and information on absentee and advance voting

### **Educate Voters in Georgia**

- \* Nonpartisan publications including: A Guide to Georgia Government, "Citizen's Handbook", local government directories, "Under the Gold Dome," and various Voter Guides and ballot analyses
- \* Public forums and debates across Georgia

### **Educate the Next Generation**

- \* Host high school and college interns
- \* Speak to student groups

### **Full-time Lobbyist at the State Capitol Advocates for:**

- \* Fair, secure and accessible elections in Georgia
- \* Government accountability including ethics reform and tax-payer protection
- \* Environment preservation, judicial independence, equitable funding for education, and fair treatment of women and children

## What You Can Do To Support the League:

### **Join Us!**

- \* We are fueled by members and need your voice!  
Join online at [www.lwvga.org](http://www.lwvga.org) or call (678) 547-0755

### **Make a donation!**

- \* All contributions will directly support our activities to educate and mobilize citizens to take an active role in the decisions that shape our communities
- \* Contributions can be made online at [www.lwvga.org](http://www.lwvga.org) or by calling (678) 547-0755

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan non-profit organization that encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government. We work to increase understanding of public policy issues that impact families and communities in Georgia and influence public policy through education and advocacy.

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## 2007 ELECTION DATES

Election Type	Registration Deadline	Election Date
Special Election	Feb. 20, 2007	March 20, 2007
Special Election	May 21, 2007	June 19, 2007
Special Election	August 20, 2007	Sept. 18, 2007
General Election/ Special Election	October 9, 2007	November 6, 2007
General Election Runoff	October 9, 2007	December 4, 2007

## REGISTER TO VOTE

### How To Register

- Download a mail-in registration form from the Secretary of State's website or visit [www.lwvga.org](http://www.lwvga.org).
- A registration form can also be obtained at your local county board of registrars' office, public library, driver's license location or public assistance office.

### Qualifications

#### To register to vote in Georgia, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States
- A legal resident of Georgia and your county
- At least 17.5 years of age to register and 18 years of age by election day

#### You may not register if you are currently:

- Serving any sentence imposed by the conviction of a felony
- Judicially determined to be mentally incompetent

To locate your polling place, find out if you are currently registered, or for any other questions regarding voting, contact the League of Women Voters of Georgia at (678) 547-0755 or [www.lwvga.org](http://www.lwvga.org).

**State Government Agencies (continued)**

**Regents (University System)**  
<http://www.usg.edu> (404) 656-2202

**Revenue**  
<http://www.etax.dor.ga.gov> 1-877-602-8477

**Technical and Adult Education**  
<http://www.dtae.org> (404) 679-1600

**Transportation**  
<http://www.dot.state.ga.us> (404) 656-5267

**Veterans Service**  
<http://sdvs.georgia.gov> (404) 656-2305

**Workers' Compensation**  
<http://sbwc.georgia.gov> (404) 656-2048

**State Courts**

**Georgia Supreme Court**  
<http://www.gasupreme.us> (404) 656-3470

Chief Justice Leah Ward Sears

Justice Robert Benham

Justice George H. Carley

Justice P. Harris Hines

Justice Carol W. Hunstein

Justice Harold D. Melton

Justice Hugh P. Thompson

**Georgia Court of Appeals**  
<http://www.gaappeals.us> (404) 656-3450

**Georgia Public Service Commission**

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## STATE GOVERNMENT

### State Government Website

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House Information Office (404) 656-5015

Senate Information Office (404) 656-5040

## State Government Agencies

### Children and Youth Coordinating Council

<http://www.cycc.state.ga.us> (404) 508-6574

### Commission for a New Georgia

<http://www.newgeorgia.org> (404) 463-7485

### Commission on Equal Opportunity

<http://www.gceo.state.ga.us> 1-800-473-OPEN

### Community Affairs

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us> 1-800-359-4663

### Consumer Affairs

<http://consumer.georgia.gov> (404) 651-8600  
1-800-869-1123 (Toll Free)

### Corrections

<http://www.dcor.state.ga.us> (404) 656-9772

### Driver Services

<http://www.dds.ga.gov> (678) 413-8400  
1-866-754-3687

### Elections

<http://www.sos.state.ga.us> (404) 656-2871

### Ethics Commission

<http://ethics.georgia.gov> (404) 463-1980

### Family and Children Services

<http://dfcs.dhr.georgia.gov> (404) 651-9361

### Homeland Security

<http://www.ohs.state.ga.us> 1-800-TRY-GEMA

### Human Resources

<http://dhr.georgia.gov> (404) 651-6316

### Natural Resources

<http://www.gadnr.org> (404) 656-3500

### Pardons and Paroles

<http://www.pap.state.ga.us> (404) 656-5651