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## **COULD POLITICS BE NEXT FOR JUAN DIAZ?**

The League of Women Voters of Houston the Houston Area and Voter Registrar Paul Bettencourt, the Harris County (Texas) Tax Assessor/Collector, are pleased to announce that WBO/WBA lightweight champion Juan Diaz has been deputized as a Volunteer Voter Registrar.

Mr. Diaz completed the prescribed training program at the Harris County Tax Office and received his Certificate of Appointment on July 18, 2007.

Mr. Diaz may now accept voter registration applications in an official capacity on behalf of Harris County (Texas).

His first voter registration duties will be discharged in connection with a Naturalization Ceremony on Wednesday, July 25, 2007. This ceremony will take place at the Berry Center in Cypress, Texas. Two thousand five hundred petitioners will be sworn in as American citizens by the Honorable Sim Lake, United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas. Each new citizen is immediately eligible to register to vote. To that end, the League of Women Voters has organized a corps of Volunteer Deputy Voter Registrars, and Mr. Diaz will be part of that group.

It is expected that Mr. Diaz's first registered voter will be a new American citizen by the name of Mrs. Olivia Diaz. Mrs. Diaz was born in Mexico, is a long-time resident of Houston and, not incidentally, is Juan Diaz's beloved mother.