### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA TALLAHASSEE DIVISION

WILLIAM A. LINK, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

Case No. 4:21-cv-00271-MW-MAF

v.

MANNY DIAZ, JR., in his official capacity as the Florida Commissioner of Education, et al.,

Defendants.

# UNOPPOSED MOTION TO VOLUNTARILY DISMISS PLAINTIFF BLAKE SIMPSON

Plaintiff Blake Simpson moves under Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 41(a)(2) and 15(a)(2) to voluntarily dismiss him from this action. Mr. Simpson does not intend to further prosecute his claims in this action. See Florida Rising Together et al. v. Lee et al., Case No. 4:21-cv-201-MW/MJF, ECF No. 229 (N.D. Fla. Oct. 29, 2021) (construing a motion to withdraw as plaintiff as a motion for voluntary dismissal as to that plaintiff only pursuant to Rule 41(a)(2) or, in the alternative, as a motion to amend the complaint to drop the withdrawing plaintiff as a party pursuant to Rule 15(a)(2)).

This Motion does not affect the claims brought by the remaining Plaintiffs in this action. The remaining Plaintiffs and Defendants do not oppose the requested relief.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Blake Simpson requests that Court voluntarily dismiss him from this action, with each side to bear its own fees and costs.

#### LOCAL RULE 7.1(B) CERTIFICATION

Plaintiffs' counsel has conferred with counsel for Defendants who have confirmed that they do not oppose this Motion.

# LOCAL RULE 7.1(F) CERTIFICATION

The undersigned certifies that this motion contains 148 words, excluding the case style and certifications.

Respectfully submitted this in day of January, 2023.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on January 5, 2023 I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court by using the CM/ECF system, which will send a notice of electronic filing to all counsel in the Service List below.

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