

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
IN AND FOR LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

CARNELL STAPLES, DON MIZELL,  
LYNNE HUBBARD and CHARLES RIDLEY,

Petitioners,

vs.

CASE NO.: 2021 CA 1781

RON DESANTIS, in his official  
capacity as Governor of Florida,

Respondent.

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**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE**

THIS CAUSE was considered on the "Complaint for Writ of Mandamus" filed on October 15, 2021. After reviewing the Complaint, it is hereby,

**ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** Respondent shall have **20 days** from the date of legal service of the Complaint and this order as described below to file a written response to the "Complaint for Writ of Mandamus" showing cause why the Mandamus relief requested in the Complaint should not be granted. The response shall include copies of all documents necessary to establish the validity of Respondent's position(s). The Respondent shall file the original with the Clerk of the Court and provide a copy to both the Court and the Petitioner. The Respondent shall also provide the Court a proposed order/judgment in Microsoft Word via email at [hooperh@leoncountyfl.gov](mailto:hooperh@leoncountyfl.gov) and provide a copy to the Petitioner's attorney.

If the Petitioners choose to file a Reply to the Respondent's Response, the Reply must be filed with the Clerk of Court within **10 days** from the date of the certificate of service on the Respondent's Response and Petitioners shall provide a copy to both the Court and the attorneys for Respondent. Petitioners may also submit a proposed order/judgment in Microsoft Word via email at [hooperh@leoncountyfl.gov](mailto:hooperh@leoncountyfl.gov) within the same 10 days. Upon the filing of the Response and Reply or upon the expiration of the time to respond, whichever occurs first, the Court will review the case and decide whether a hearing is necessary.

Petitioner shall promptly serve a copy of this Order to Show Cause and the Complaint to Respondent by personal service (unless waived by Respondent). Thereafter, Petitioners shall promptly file a certificate of service or waiver of personal service as to Respondent

Requests for extensions of time to file a Response or Reply will not be granted unless good cause is demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Court.

DONE AND ORDERED in Tallahassee, Florida, October 19, 2021.

  
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ANGELA C. DEMPSEY  
Circuit Judge

copy furnished to:  
Angelo Marino, Jr., Attorney for Petitioners

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