

[Lead Case]

[Consolidated Case]

On this day, the Three Judge District Court considered the Pleas to the Jurisdiction by Defendants Greg Abbott, in his official capacity as Governor of the State of Texas, and John Scott, in his official capacity as Secretary of State of Texas (collectively, “Defendants”), and Defendant

the State of Texas (the “State”), as well as Plaintiff Mexican American Legislative Caucus’ (“MALC”) Expedited Motion for Temporary Injunction, and Plaintiffs Roland Gutierrez, Sarah Eckhardt, Ruben Cortez Jr., and the Tejano Democrats’ (collectively, the “Gutierrez Plaintiffs”) Application for Temporary Injunction. The Court, having considered the pleas, the applications, and the supporting and opposing briefing, as well as the applicable law cited therein, evidence presented, arguments of counsel, and the pleadings on file in this case, is of the opinion:

- 1) Defendants’ Plea to the Jurisdiction should be DENIED;
- 2) The State’s Plea to the Jurisdiction should be GRANTED IN PART as to the Gutierrez Plaintiffs’ claims for injunctive relief and DENIED IN PART as to the Gutierrez Plaintiffs’ claims for declaratory relief; and
- 3) MALC’s Expedited Motion for Temporary Injunction should be DENIED.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Defendants’ Plea to the Jurisdiction is DENIED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the State’s Plea to the Jurisdiction is GRANTED IN PART as to the Gutierrez Plaintiffs’ claims for injunctive relief only and that such claims for injunctive relief against the State are DISMISSED. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the State’s Plea to the Jurisdiction is DENIED IN PART as to the Gutierrez Plaintiffs’ claims for declaratory relief.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that MALC’s Expedited Motion for Temporary Injunction is DENIED.

The Court ORDERS a final trial in this matter to begin January 10, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. at a location to be determined by the Court.

SIGNED on the 22nd day of December, 2021.

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The Honorable Karin Crump, Judge Presiding

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The Honorable Ken Wise, Judge Presiding

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The Honorable Emily Miskel, Judge Presiding

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