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Supreme Court of Texas PO Box 12248 Austin, Texas 78711

Re: Case Update for Cause No. 22-0997, Trial Court Cause No. 2022-73765, and Cause No. 22-1044

To the Supreme Court of Texas:

On March 8, 2023, this Court requested all parties to provide a status report on the cases listed above. The Texas Organizing Project¹ provides the following report:

This Court's November 8, 2022 Order in matter No. 22-0997 stayed the District Court's Temporary Restraining Order in matter No. 2022-73765 below, which had extended the time for Harris County's polls to remain open during General Election Day 2022 by an hour. On November 22, 2022 in matter No. 22-1044, this Court ordered Harris County to separately tabulate in their canvassed election returns ballots cast by voters who entered or began waiting to enter a Harris County polling place after 7 p.m. on Election Day. Pursuant to the Court's November 22nd Order, Harris County also filed a letter on the same day providing the Court a copy of the canvassed election returns, including the separately tabulated later-cast ballots.

Since then, four election contests have been filed at the district court level by candidates who, as part of their arguments, contest the validity of the later-cast ballots as to their particular races.² Plaintiffs are not aware of any other updates involving the later-cast ballots and believe the matters listed above are now moot.

¹ The Texas Organizing Project asked the other parties on April 6, 2023 about filing a joint status report, but did not receive a response from the State.

² The four contests are: Lunceford v. Craft, 2022-79328, Dkt. 1 at 1, 12–15 (Tex. Dist. Ct. 164th filed Dec. 7, 2022); Pierce v. Jones, 2023-00841, Dkt. 1 at 1, 4-6 (Tex. Dist. Ct. 165th filed Jan. 5, 2023); Lombardino v. Lawton-Evans,





Sincerely,

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2023-00955, Dkt. 1 at 1, 19–21 (Tex. Dist. Ct. 295th filed Jan. 6, 2023); and *Olsen v. Cox, et. al.*, 2023-00958, Dkt. 1 at 1, 19–21 (Tex. Dist. Ct. 165th filed Jan. 6, 2023).

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