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

VOTE.ORG; FLORIDA ALLIANCE FOR RETIRED AMERICANS; FLORIDA STATE CONFERENCE OF BRANCHES AND YOUTH UNITS OF THE NAACP; DISABILITY RIGHTS FLORIDA,

Case No. 4:23-cv-111-AW-MAF

*Plaintiffs*,

v.

MDENOCRACYDOCKET.COM CORD BYRD, in his official capacity as Secretary of State of Florida; et al.,

Defendants, and

**REPUBLICAN NATIONAL** COMMITTEE and REPUBLICAN PARTY OF PASCO COUNTY, Intervenor-Defendants.

## PLAINTIFFS' RESPONSE CONCERNING CLAIMS AGAINST **REMAINING DEFENDANTS**

This Court has directed Plaintiffs to file a response showing why, considering its Order Granting Motions to Dismiss, ECF No. 140, the Court should not dismiss claims against non-moving Defendants and enter final judgment. Plaintiffs respectfully maintain that the Court erred in granting the motions to dismiss. Thus, to preserve their arguments on appeal, Plaintiffs oppose dismissal and final judgment

for the same reasons set out in Plaintiffs' Memorandum in Opposition to Defendants' and Intervenors' Motions to Dismiss, ECF No. 119. However, Plaintiffs recognize that the logic behind the Court's order extends to their claims against those Defendants who did not join in the motion. Plaintiffs therefore acknowledge that the natural extension of the Court's order is dismissal and final judgment in favor of all Defendants.

## **LOCAL RULE 7.1(F) CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned, Frederick Wermuth, certifies that this response contains 133 words, excluding the case style and certifications.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on November 8, 2023, I filed a copy of the foregoing with

the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of

such filing to all counsel of record.

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