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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**

Strong Communities Foundation of Arizona, Inc., and Yvonne Cahill,
Plaintiffs,

v.

Stephen Richer, in his official capacity as Maricopa County Recorder; Maricopa County; Larry Noble in his official capacity as Apache County Recorder; Apache County; David W. Stevens, in his official capacity as Cochise County Recorder; Cochise County; Patty Hansen, in her official capacity as Coconino County Recorder; Coconino County; Sadie Jo Bingham, in her official capacity as Gila County Recorder; Gila County; Polly Merriman, in her official capacity as Graham County Recorder; Graham County; Sharie Milheiro, in her official capacity as Greenlee County Recorder; Greenlee County; Richard Garcia, in his official capacity as La Paz County

**JOINDER IN MARICOPA COUNTY
DEFENDANTS' RESPONSE TO
OPPOSING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION
FOR A TEMPORARY
RESTRAINING ORDER AND
PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION**

1 Recorder; La Paz County; Lydia Durst, in her
2 official capacity as Mohave County
3 Recorder; Mohave County; Michael Sample,
4 in his official capacity as Navajo County
5 Recorder; Navajo County; Gabriella Cazares-
6 Kelly, in her official capacity as Pima County
7 Recorder; Pima County; Dana Lewis, in her
8 official capacity as Pinal County Recorder;
9 Pinal County; Anita Moreno, in her official
10 capacity as Santa Cruz County Recorder;
11 Santa Cruz County; Michelle Burchill, in her
12 official capacity as Yavapai County
13 Recorder; Yavapai County; Richard Colwell,
14 in his official capacity as Yuma County
15 Recorder; Yuma County,

16 Defendants.

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18 COMES NOW, the Pinal County Attorney, Kent Volkmer, by and through his
19 undersigned deputy county attorneys, and hereby notices this court and the parties that
20 Pinal County hereby joins the Maricopa County Defendants' Response Opposing
21 Plaintiffs' Motion for a Temporary Restraining Order and Preliminary Injunction.
22 Through this Notice, the Pinal County Defendants hereby adopt all arguments,
23 requests and points of authorities in that document as if fully set forth in its own
24 separate pleadings.

The Pinal County Recorder and the Maricopa County Recorder are similarly
situated and conduct their list maintenance procedures in substantially the same
manner as dictated by Arizona Revised Statutes, Title 16, and the 2023 Elections
Procedures Manual (EPM). Specifically, with regard to list maintenance procedures

1 that are being challenged in this lawsuit and in the Plaintiffs' Motion for Temporary
2 Restraining Order and Preliminary Injunction, the Pinal County Recorder would make
3 the same arguments regarding standing, laches and Plaintiffs' inability to satisfy the
4 standard of review for issuance of a preliminary injunction. Therefore, in an effort to
5 reduce duplicative filings and to remain respectful of the court's time given the
6 number of parties involved in this lawsuit, the Pinal County Defendants respectfully
7 request this Court apply all arguments set forth in the Maricopa Defendants' Response
8 Opposing Plaintiffs' Motion for Temporary Restraining Order and Preliminary
9 Injunction, to the Pinal County Defendants.
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11 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 27th day of September, 2024.

12 KENT VOLKMER
13 PINAL COUNTY ATTORNEY

14 /s/Scott Johnson

15 Scott Johnson

16 Craig Cameron

17 Deputy County Attorneys

18 *Attorneys for the Pinal County Defendants*

19 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

20 I hereby certify that on the 27th day of September, 2024, I electronically
21 transmitted the foregoing document to the Clerk's Office using the CM/ECF system for
22 filing and transmittal of a Notice of Electronic Filing to the CM/ECF registrants on
23 record.
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25 By: /s/Scott Johnson