

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF DUPLIN

ADRAIN ARNETT, in his individual capacity³⁶⁷⁷
and in his capacity as Chairman of the Duplin
County Republican Party, and NORTH
CAROLINA REPUBLICAN PARTY

Plaintiffs,

v.

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD
OF ELECTIONS; DAMON CIRCOSTA, in his
official capacity as CHAIR OF THE STATE
BOARD OF ELECTIONS; STELLA
ANDERSON, in her official capacity as
SECRETARY OF THE STATE BOARD OF
ELECTIONS; JEFF CARMON III, in his
official capacity as MEMBER OF THE STATE
BOARD OF ELECTIONS; KAREN
BRINSON BELL, in her official capacity as
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE
BOARD OF ELECTIONS,

Defendants,

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION

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**PROPOSED DEFENDANT-
INTERVENOR NORTH CAROLINA
DEMOCRATIC PARTY'S
MOTION FOR PARTIAL STAY
PENDING TRANSFER TO THREE-
JUDGE PANEL**

The North Carolina Democratic Party (“NCDP”) moves this Court to stay proceedings related to Plaintiffs Adrain Arnett’s and North Carolina Republican Party’s (collectively “NCGOP”) facial constitutional challenges to North Carolina law regarding challenges to and the pre-election processing of absentee ballots.

For the reasons discussed in the memorandum in support, filed concurrently herewith, those claims can only be adjudicated by a three-judge panel of this Court under Sections 1-267.1 of the General Statutes and North Carolina Rule of Civil Procedure 42(b)(4).

WHEREFORE, NCDP respectfully requests that the Court stay all proceedings other than the NCGOP's Public Records Act claim, and upon prompt resolution of that claim, transfer any remaining claims to a three judge panel of this Court.

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*Motion for admission *pro hac vice* pending

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