STATE OF MICHIGAN

COURT OF CLAIMS

DENNIS HARTMAN, DENNIS LAPAN, JR., OLIVIA SIVY, CHRISTOPHER ZYLICK, STEPHEN CAVNER, and STACEY MOORE,

Plaintiffs,

v

Case No. 25-000071-MZ

MICHIGAN STATE POLICE, YVONNE BRANTLEY, JARED CHIROS, MICHAEL PHILLIPS, and JEFFREY SHORT,

Hon. James Robert Redford

Defendants.
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ORDER LIFTING THE STAY

Defendants sought summary disposition, asserting, in part, that plaintiffs filed notice of their claims beyond the Court of Claims' notice period and statute of limitations. Plaintiffs retorted that defendants fraudulently concealed the facts underlying their claims, tolling the notice period and statute of limitations. On October 21, 2025, the Court determined that plaintiffs had adequately pleaded fraudulent concealment in the complaint, denying defendants' bid to summarily dismiss plaintiffs' action without consideration of the fraudulent concealment issue. The Court stayed these proceedings pending the Michigan Supreme Court's consideration of the application for leave to appeal from *McCormick v Michigan State University*, per curiam opinion of the Court of Appeals, issued January 10, 2025 (Docket No. 367598), which affirmed the Court of Claims' conclusion that fraudulent concealment tolls both the notice period and statute of limitations. The Michigan Supreme Court has now denied the application.

The Court LIFTS the stay of these proceedings.

Oral argument on defendants' motions for summary disposition will be rescheduled for a future date.

IT IS ORDERED.

Date: May 11, 2026

James Robert Redford
Judge, Court of Claims