STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF CLAIMS

DAVID MURRAY, ELVINE VANBOLDEN, MYCHAEL FOSTER AND NIRVA CIVILUS,

Plaintiff,

v

JOCELYN BENSON in her individual capacity and STATE OF MICHIGAN and THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF STATE and JACKIE VENTON in her individual capacity and CHRISTINA ANDERSON in her individual capacity and JOHN STRODTBECK in his individual capacity and BRITTANY EDWARDS in her individual capacity,

Defendants.

No. 26-000023-MZ

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STIPULATED ORDER TO DISMISS COUNT V OF PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT WITH PREJUDICE AND TRANSFER REMAINING CLAIMS BACK TO WAYNE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

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This matter having come before the Court through the stipulation of the parties and the Court being advised that:

1. Plaintiffs are suing Defendants for alleged violations of the Elliott Larsen Civil Rights Act, MC L37.2201, *et seq*, and a claim against Defendant Edwards for defamation.
2. Plaintiffs originally filed this action in Wayne County Circuit Court. The case pending in the Wayne County Circuit Court is entitled *David Murray, et al v Jocelyn Benson, et al*, and is case number 26-000491-CD.
3. Defendants filed their Notice of Transfer in this case to the Court of Claims on February 9, 2026.
4. Plaintiffs have agreed to dismiss Count V of the Complaint alleging Defamation as to Plaintiff Nirva Civilus against Defendant Brittany Edwards with prejudice.
5. The parties have agreed that the remaining claims (i.e. except for Count V) are to be transferred back to Wayne County Circuit Court.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Count V of Plaintiffs' Complaint alleging a claim of defamation is dismissed with prejudice; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Plaintiffs' remaining claims pending in this Court against Defendants shall be transferred back to the Wayne County Circuit Court; and

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this is a final order that closes only the Court of Claims' file in this matter.

Dated: 3/3/26

HONORABLE CHRISTOPHER P. YATES
Court of Claims Judge

We stipulate to the entry of the above order:

/s/Leonard Mungo Dated: 3/3/2026
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