# STATE OF MICHIGAN

# COURT OF CLAIMS

ROBERT DAVIS,

Plaintiff,

v

Case No. 26-000135-MB

JOCELYN BENSON, in her official capacity as the duly elected Secretary of State,

Hon. Michael F. Gadola

Defendant.
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**AMENDED ORDER GRANTING EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION AND SCHEDULING ORDER**

In light of this Court's August 4, 2026 order rejecting plaintiff's August 3, 2026 amended complaint that was filed on the day that plaintiff's response to defendant's motion for summary disposition was due, the Court will allow plaintiff the opportunity to substantively respond to defendant's motion for summary disposition. The Court orders as follows:

1. Plaintiff is DIRECTED to file a substantive response to defendant's July 27, 2026 motion for summary disposition by **4:00 p.m. on Friday, August 7, 2026.** Any reply must be filed by defendant by 4:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, August 11, 2026.**

2. The Court will schedule an evidentiary hearing or oral argument if the Court determines it is required.

3. Plaintiff is DIRECTED to serve this order and a copy of the Court's August 4, 2026 order upon the challenged candidates by **4:00 p.m. today, August 5, 2026.**

Because time is of the essence, the parties are directed, in addition to filing all pleadings with the Clerk, to e-mail all pleadings to Court of Claims Commissioner Vicki Malacina at Vmalacina@courts.mi.gov. Any questions may be directed to Ms. Malacina as well.

Date: August 5, 2026

Hon. Michael F. Gadola
Chief Judge, Court of Claims