STATE OF MICHIGAN

COURT OF CLAIMS

JAMES GALEN, JR. and CINDY JAKUBISZEN,

Plaintiff,

v Case No. 26-000176-MB

SECRETARY OF STATE JOCELYN BENSON, Hon. Michael J. Riordan

Defendant.
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EMERGENCY SCHEDULING ORDER

Plaintiffs filed this complaint at 11:31 a.m. and emergency motion for order to show cause at 4:56 p.m. on August 18, 2026. The Court will consider this matter on an expedited basis.

Plaintiffs are directed to serve the complaint, emergency motion, and this order on defendant and the challenged candidate by **noon** on **Thursday, August 20, 2026**, and promptly file proof of service with the Court.

Defendant is directed to respond to the complaint and emergency motion in a combined pleading by **noon on Monday, August 24, 2026.**

If defendant responds with a motion for summary disposition, plaintiffs must file a response by **noon on Tuesday, August 25, 2026**. Defendant must file a reply by **noon on Wednesday, August 26, 2026.**

The Court will schedule oral argument or a hearing if the Court determines it is required.

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 Amber Tykoski at atykoski@courts.mi.gov. Any questions may be directed to Ms. Tykoski as well.

Date: August 19, 2026

Michael J. Riordan
Judge, Court of Claims