STATE OF MICHIGAN

COURT OF CLAIMS

THE MICHIGAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY and KATHLEEN ROGERS,

Plaintiffs,

v

Case No. 26-000182-MZ

SECRETARY OF STATE, DIRECTOR OF ELECTIONS, and the MICHIGAN BUREAU OF ELECTIONS,

Hon. Randy J. Wallace

Defendants.
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EMERGENCY SCHEDULING ORDER

Plaintiffs filed this complaint, a motion for preliminary injunction, and a motion for summary disposition at 9:39 p.m. on August 26, 2026. Plaintiffs did not file a motion for expedited consideration but requested expedited consideration by September 4, 2026 in their complaint and motion for a preliminary injunction. Plaintiffs filed proof that defendants were personally served with process on August 27, 2026. The Court will consider this matter on an expedited basis.

Plaintiffs are directed to serve the complaint, motion for preliminary injunction, and this order on the challenged candidate by **noon on Friday, August 28, 2026**, and promptly file proof of service with the Court.

Defendants are directed to respond to the complaint, motion for preliminary injunction, and motion for summary disposition in a combined pleading by **noon on Tuesday, September 1, 2026**. No replies to defendants' responses to the motions are permitted.

If defendants respond to the complaint with a motion for summary disposition, plaintiffs must file a response by **noon on Wednesday, September 2, 2026**. No reply is permitted.

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 Court, 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 28, 2026

Hon. Randy J. Wallace
Judge, Court of Claims