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# IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF COBB COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

NATIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEE, COBB COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY, and JASON SHEPHERD,

Plaintiffs,

V.

CIVIL ACTION NO.: 20108231

COBB COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION, and JANINE EVELER, in her official capacity as Elections Director of the Cobb County Board of Elections and Registration,

Defendants.

#### **CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER**

Whereas, by the signatures of their counsel hereunder, Plaintiffs NATIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEE, COBB COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY and JASON SHEPHERD, and Defendants COBB COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION and JANINE EVELER, in her official capacity as Elections Director of the Cobb County Board of Elections and Registration (collectively with Plaintiffs referred to as the "Parties") have consented for the Court to enter a Final Consent Agreement and Order as follows:

1.

At all times during which absentee ballot processes are taking place, Defendants shall allow Plaintiffs' monitors and observers to view absentee ballots as they are processed pursuant to State Elections Board ("SEB" Rule 183-1-14-0.9-.15(6) and (12); and

For advance voting and absentee ballot processing, Defendants shall allow the rotation of (relieving of) Plaintiffs' monitors and poll watchers by Plaintiffs' other monitors and poll watchers in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 21-2-408(b)(3) and SEB Rule 183-1-14-0.9-.15. Plaintiffs are permitted to substitute poll watchers specifically assigned to the particular advance voting or absentee processing location, as long as they are properly credentialed and there are no more than two per polling location at any given time. Poll watchers are not permitted to rotate to other advance voting or polling locations other than the one assigned them by their party.

3.

For voting day, poll watchers shall be governed by the provisions of O.C.G.A. §21-2-408(b)(1) and SEB Rule 183-1-13.

4.

Defendants shall allow the Plaintiffs to observe the process of absentee ballot signature verification from the general public observation area consistent with O.C.G.A. § 21-2-406, O.C.G.A. §21-2-483(b), 183-1-14-0.9-.15(12), and the guidance of the Secretary of State in Official Election Bulletin dated December 9, 2020.

5.

Upon entry of this Consent Agreement and Order this matter shall be deemed voluntarily dismissed with prejudice by agreement and the Clerk shall mark the case as closed. Plaintiffs and Defendants shall bear their own costs and attorney's fees.

## SO ORDERED THIS 28 day of December, 2020.

Hon. George H. Kreeger

Judge, Cobb County Superior Court

GEORGE H. KREEGER SENIOR JUDGE, STATE OF GEORGIA PRESIDING IN COBB JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

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