

LINDA H. LAMONE,

Petitioner,

v.

NANCY LEWIN, *et al.*,

Respondents.

* IN THE
* COURT OF APPEALS
* OF MARYLAND
* September Term, 2018
* Petition Docket No. _____

COA-PET-0097-2018

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**CONSENT MOTION TO SHORTEN TIME TO RESPOND
TO PETITIONER’S MOTION FOR STAY PENDING FURTHER REVIEW**

Pursuant to Maryland Rule 1-204, petitioner Linda H. Lamone, in her official capacity as Chief Administrator of Elections for the State of Maryland, moves for an order to shorten the time for respondents Nancy Lewin, Elinor Mitchell, and Christopher Ervin to respond to petitioners’ Motion for Stay Pending Further Review (the “Stay Motion”), which is being filed contemporaneously with this Motion and which is incorporated by reference herein.

1. As set forth in the Stay Motion, the petitioners seek an order staying the circuit court’s April 26, 2018 entry of a preliminary injunction, which requires State Board of Elections to remove former Senator Nathaniel T. Oaks from the primary ballot for the 2018 gubernatorial election, despite clear statutory language precluding such removal at this stage of the election.

2. As explained in the Stay Motion, if a stay is not granted today, April 26, 2018, the State Board of Elections will have to halt printing of the affected ballots for the 2018 primary election, which has already begun, and begin the process of revising the ballots.

3. By way of this Motion, the petitioners seek to shorten the time for respondents to respond to Defendants' Motion for Stay Pending Further Review to April 26, 2018 at 4:00 p.m., so as to ensure that this Court has time to rule on the Stay Motion before any additional unnecessary delay in the ballot-production process is incurred.

4. Pursuant to Md. Rule 1-204(b), petitioner's counsel e-mailed counsel for respondents on April 26, 2018 at 2:41pm, and requested that respondents consent to shorten their time respond to the Stay Motion to 4:00pm today, April 26, 2018. Petitioner's counsel then provided a draft of the Stay Motion to counsel for respondents at 2:49pm. Counsel for plaintiffs consented to the motion.

Therefore, the petitioners respectfully request that the Court enter an order providing that plaintiffs' time to respond to the Stay Motion is shortened to 4:00pm today, April 26, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

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