In The United States District Court For The Northern District Of Ohio Western Division

League of Women Voters of Ohio, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

vs. Case No. 3:05-CV-7309

J. Kenneth Blackwell, et al.,

Judge Carr

Defendants.

Defendants' Motion For Leave To Take An Interlocutory Appeal Pursuant to 28 USC § 1292

Defendants Governor Taft and Secretary of State Blackwell seek permission to take an interlocutory appeal of this Court's decision denying their motion to dismiss Intervenor White's claim. The question presented in this interlocutory appeal would be whether the Intervenor's complaint stated a constitutional violation. This Court has already authorized that appeal as it relates to the Plaintiffs' claims. The Defendants incorporate, by reference, all arguments they made in support of that interlocutory appeal.

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