

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA**

ANDY FORD, BEVERLY SLOUGH,)
JOSEPH JOYNER, CHRISTI MOSS,)
RABBI MERRILL SHAPIRO, and)
REVEREND HARRY PARROT, JR.,)
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Plaintiffs,)
)
v.)
)
KURT BROWNING, in his official capacity)
as Florida Secretary of State,)
)
Defendant.)

Case No. CA-2008-1905

SCHEDULING ORDER

This matter is before the Court pursuant to a case management conference held on June 27, 2008. After considering argument of counsel, reviewing the file and being otherwise fully advised in the premises, it is ORDERED AND ADJUDGED, as follows:

1. The controversy between the parties is a matter of great public importance. Therefore, the Court recognizes the need for a prompt final resolution of the issues presented and places this matter on a schedule which will ensure that all parties have a full opportunity to present their claims and defenses consistent with due process requirements.

2. The Plaintiffs' Motion for Temporary Injunction and supporting memorandum filed on June 13, 2008, will be considered by the Court as a Motion for Final Summary Judgment and supporting memorandum. If the Plaintiffs wish to submit any other matters for consideration with their motion, they shall do so on or before the close of business on July 3, 2008.

3. The Defendant shall file his cross-motion for final summary judgment, his memorandum in support of his cross-motion and his response in opposition to the Plaintiffs' motion, on or before the close of business on July 18, 2008.

4. The Plaintiffs shall file a response to the Defendant's cross-motion on or before the close of business on July 25, 2008, at which time the issues in this litigation shall be deemed submitted to the Court for final disposition.

5. The Defendant on July 18, 2008, and the Plaintiffs on July 25, 2008, may also each submit a proposed final judgment which they would like the Court to consider should judgment be entered in the respective party's favor.

6. A final hearing to receive argument of counsel will be held beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, August 4, 2008. The Court has reserved 3 hours for such hearing with the expectation that the issues can be fully argued in less time than that allotted. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Court intends to announce verbally its ruling in this matter. A final written judgment will be filed as soon thereafter as practical.

7. The hearing time which was reserved for consideration of the Plaintiffs' Motion for Temporary Injunction on July 2, 2008, is cancelled as a result of the Court's intention to enter a prompt final judgment as outlined above.

DONE AND ORDERED this 1st day of July, 2008.



JOHN C. COOPER
Circuit Judge

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