IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRATIC :

PARTY, et al.,

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Petitioners,

133 MM 2020

v.

:

KATHY BOOCKVAR, et al.,

:

Respondents. :

CERTAIN RESPONDENTS' SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF TO SECRETARY BOOCKVAR'S APPLICATION FOR THE COURT TO EXERCISE EXTRAORDINARY JURISDICTION OVER THE COMMONWEALTH COURT CASE DOCKETED AT 407 MD 2020

Respondents Armstrong County Board of Elections, Bedford County Board of Elections, Blair County Board of Elections, Centre County Board of Elections, Columbia County Board of Elections, Dauphin County Board of Elections, Fayette County Board of Elections, Huntingdon County Board of Elections, Indiana County Board of Elections, Lackawanna County Board of Elections, Lawrence County Board of Elections, Lebanon County Board of Elections, Montour County Board of Elections, Northumberland County Board of Elections, Venango County Board of Elections, and York County Board of Elections (collectively, the "Counties"), by their counsel, Babst, Calland, Clements and Zomnir, P.C. file the following

Supplemental Brief to Secretary Boockvar's Application for the Court to Exercise Extraordinary Relief Over the Commonwealth Court Case Docketed at 407 MD 2020 (the "Application"). On September 1, 2020, this Court granted the Application and permitted the parties and intervenors to file supplemental briefing and/or affidavits to support their respective positions on the claims raised in this case.

The Counties believe they acted in compliance with Pennsylvania election law when administering prior elections, and therefore do not believe that new directives from this Court are necessary. Furthermore, the Counties are prepared to comply with the current law when administering the November 2020 General Election (the "General Election"). However, to the extent this Court determines updates to the election law are needed, the Counties intend to fully comply with the Court's directives when administering the General Election.

Regardless of whether this Court affirms or updates Pennsylvania law on the issues raised in this litigation, the Counties request a ruling from the Court as soon as possible. The Counties are diligently planning and preparing to administer the General Election. The Counties intend to begin printing mail-in ballots as soon as possible upon the Commonwealth's approval. Therefore, they require clear directives from this Court in order to communicate the appropriate procedures to their respective voters.

The Petitioners and Intervenors have fully and thoroughly briefed the legal issues raised in this litigation. Therefore, in the interests of a speedy and clear resolution, the Counties will rely upon the robust legal arguments raised by the other parties involved in this case.

WHEREFORE, the Counties respectfully request that this Court provide a prompt ruling on the issues raised in this litigation to ensure consistency and clarity, and to enable the Counties to administer the General Election in compliance with Pennsylvania law.

Date: September 8, 2020 Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: September 8, 2020 /s/ Krista-Ann M. Staley
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