## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA **WESTERN DISTRICT**

CENTER FOR COALFIELD JUSTICE, WASHINGTON BRANCH NAACP. BRUCE JACOBS, JEFFREY MARKS, JUNE DEVAUGHN HYTHON, ERIKA WOROBEC, : Petition for Allowance of Appeal SANDRA MACIOCE, KENNETH ELLIOTT, AND DAVID DEAN

No. 259 WAL 2024

: from the Order of the Commonwealth Court

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WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE AND REPUBLICAN PARTY OF PENNSYLVANIA

PETITION OF: REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE AND REPUBLICAN PARTY OF PENNSYLVANIA

**ORDER** 

## **PER CURIAM**

**AND NOW**, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024, the Petition for Allowance of Appeal is **GRANTED**. The issues, rephrased for clarity and brevity, are:

- (1) Whether the Commonwealth Court erred in holding the mail-in ballot return policy implemented by the Washington County Board of Elections resulted in violations of electors' procedural due process rights.
- (2) Whether the Commonwealth Court erred in affirming the trial court's injunction and order directing the board to (1) "notify any elector whose mailin packet is segregated for a disqualifying error, so the voter has an opportunity to challenge (not cure) the alleged defects"; (2) "input the accurate status of the mail-in packet in the SURE system and provide the status to the elector if requested"; and (3) "properly document in the poll

books that the elector has not 'voted' when an elector's mail-in packet is segregated for a disqualifying defect in accordance with 25 P.S. §3150.16 (which will allow the elector the opportunity to cast a provisional ballot) and choose the most appropriate selection in the SURE system to reflect as such." Opinion and Order, *Ctr. for Coalfield Justice v. Washington Cty. Bd. of Elections*, No. 2024-3953, at 4 (C.P. Washington, Aug. 23, 2024).

Petitioners' brief shall be filed on or before October 9, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. Respondents and any *amici* shall file their briefs on or before October 11, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. No reply brief will be permitted. This matter will be submitted on the briefs without oral argument.