STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

CHERYL A. COSTANTINO and EDWARD P. MCCALL, JR.,

Plaintiffs-Appellants,

v.

CITY OF DETROIT; DETROIT ELECTION COMMISSION; JANICE M. WINFREY, in her official capacity as the CLERK OF THE CITY OF DETROIT and the Chairperson of the DETROIT ELECTION COMMISSION; CATHY M. GARRETT, in her official capacity as the CLERK OF WAYNE COUNTY; and the WAYNE COUNTY BOARD OF CANVASSERS,

Defendants-Appellees,

v.

MICHIGAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY,

Intervenor Defendant-Appellee.

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INTERVENOR DEFENDANT-APPELLEE'S RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF-APPELLANTS' MOTION FOR PEREMPTORY REVERSAL UNDER MCR 7.211(C)(4)

Intervenor Defendant-Appellee, in Response to Plaintiffs-Appellants' Motion for Peremptory Reversal Under MCR 7.211(C)(4), states as follows:

1. Plaintiffs-Appellants seek peremptory reversal of the lower court's November 13, 2020 denial of their motion for temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction. MCR 7.211(C)(4) provides that an appellant may seek peremptory reversal in one very limited circumstance — i.e., when "reversible error is so manifest that an *immediate* reversal of the judgment or order appealed from should be granted without formal argument or submission." (emphasis added).

2. Furthermore, as this Court has held, "[p]eremptory reversal should be reserved for those cases in which the law is settled and no factual assessment is required." *Hicks v. Department of Commerce, Bd. of Medicine*, 560 NW2d 54, 58, 220 Mich App 501, 509 (1996) (citing *People v Kelley*, 433 Mich 882, 885, 446 NW2d 821 (1989) (Levin, J., separate opinion)).

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3. Plaintiffs-Appellants' submission to this Court is completely devoid of law and acknowledges that there are "significant and substantial . . . factual issues." Therefore, Plaintiffs-Appellants are not entitled to this extraordinary relief.

WHEREFORE, Intervenor Defendant-Appellee, based on the foregoing and based on its Brief in Opposition to Plaintiffs-Appellants' Application for Leave to Appeal, respectfully requests that this Honorable Court deny Plaintiffs-Appellants' Motion for Peremptory Reversal in its Entirety, for failure to persuade this Court that any alleged error in the Circuit Court was "so manifest that an immediate reversal of the judgment or order appealed from should be granted without formal argument or submission[,]" award Intervenor Defendant-Appellee its costs, interest, and attorney fees, and grant any other relief this Court deems just and appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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Scott Eldridge certifies that on the 16th day of November 2020, he served a copy of the above document in this matter on all counsel of record via the Court's electronic filing system and via courtesy email.

<u>s/Scott R. Eldridge</u> Scott Eldridge