

STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE SUPREME COURT

**ROBERT LaBRANT, ANDREW BRADWAY,
NORAH MURPHY, and WILLIAM NOWLING,**

Plaintiffs-Appellants,

v

JOCELYN BENSON, in her official
capacity as Secretary of State,

Defendant-Appellee,

and

DONALD J. TRUMP,

Intervening Defendant-Appellee.

ROBERT DAVIS,

Plaintiff,

v

WAYNE COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION,

Defendant,

and

DONALD J. TRUMP,

Intervening Defendant.

Supreme Court No.
Court of Appeals No. 368628
Court of Claims No. 23-000137-MZ

**THIS APPEAL INVOLVES AN
URGENT ELECTION MATTER
RELATED TO THE FEBRUARY
27, 2024 PRESIDENTIAL
PRIMARY**

Court of Appeals No. 368615
Circuit Court No. 23-012484-AW

**MOTION FOR IMMEDIATE AND EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION
OF EMERGENCY APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO APPEAL
OF PLAINTIFFS-APPELLANTS LaBRANT ET AL.**

ORAL ARGUMENT REQUESTED

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NOW COME the above-captioned Plaintiffs-Appellants, Robert LaBrant, Andrew Bradway, Norah Murphy, and William Nowling, by and through their attorneys, Goodman Acker, P.C. and Free Speech For People, and for their Motion for Immediate and Expedited Consideration of their Emergency Application for Leave to Appeal state as follows:

1. This appeal involves a ruling by the Court of Appeals that erred by giving political parties the unreviewable discretion to place candidates on the presidential primary ballot.

2. As a result of the Court of Appeals decision, the integrity of Michigan elections is threatened by the placement of a constitutionally disqualified candidate—Donald Trump—on the February 27, 2024 presidential primary ballot.

3. With the pressing need to finalize and print the ballots for the presidential primary election, time is of the essence in this election case. In *Scott v Mich Dir of Elections*, 490 Mich 888; 804 NW2d 119 (2011), this Court recognized that appellate review in election cases must of necessity be expedited.

4. By their Motion for Immediate and Expedited Consideration of its Application, Plaintiffs-Appellants seek to expedite consideration of that Application in every way possible.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Plaintiffs-Appellants respectfully request that this Motion be granted; that its Application be immediately and expeditiously considered by the Court; that its Application be granted; and that the Court award the relief sought in the Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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