

# Exhibit 9

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA  
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

MARCUS CASTER, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

JOHN H. MERRILL, in his official capacity  
as Alabama Secretary of State,

Defendant.

Case No.: 2:21-cv-1536-AMM

**DECLARATION OF LAKEISHA CHESTNUT**

I, LaKeisha Chestnut, make the following declaration:

1. I am a Plaintiff in the above-captioned case.
2. I identify as Black.
3. My address is [REDACTED], Mobile, AL 36606.
4. I am a registered voter in Congressional District 1 under the 2021 enacted map.
5. I resided in Congressional District 1 under the 2011 congressional map.
6. In 2018, I voted for congressional candidate Robert Kennedy, Jr., who was defeated by incumbent, Rep. Bradley Byrne.
7. In 2020, I voted for the Black congressional candidate, James Averhart, who was defeated by white candidate, Jerry Carl.
8. I intend to vote in future congressional elections.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/   
LaKeisha Chestnut

12/15/2021

Date