

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
IN AND FOR LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

**BLACK VOTERS MATTER CAPACITY  
BUILDING INSTITUTE, INC., et al.,**

Plaintiffs,

Case No.: 2022 CA 0666

v.

**LAUREL M. LEE, in her official capacity as  
Florida Secretary of State, et al.,**

Defendants.

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**ORDER DISMISSING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AS A DEFENDANT**

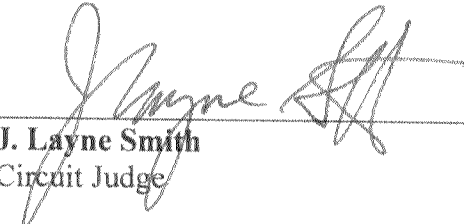
On May 9, 2022, the Attorney General filed a response to the Plaintiffs' motion for temporary injunction, taking the position that she is not a proper party Defendant in this action. She provided supporting caselaw.

At the May 11, 2022, temporary injunction hearing, the Court and counsel for the Attorney General and the Plaintiffs discussed the issue and by the parties' agreement the Court announced the Attorney General's dismissal as a party (see hearing transcript at pages 6-8).

The Attorney General is welcome to attend subsequent hearings and remain on the e-service list so that her office may monitor the case.

Accordingly, this Court **ORDERS** and **ADJUDGES** that the Attorney General is dismissed as a Defendant.

**DONE and ORDERED** on May 17, 2022.

  
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**J. Layne Smith**  
Circuit Judge

**Copies furnished to counsel of record via e-service**