

APPENDIX G

Serial: 92338

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF MISSISSIPPI

No. 2001-M-01891

**IN RE: CAROLYN MAULDIN, STACY SPEARMAN, DAVID MITCHELL,
JAMES C. HAYS AND MISSISSIPPI
REPUBLICAN EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE** **Petitioners**

(Filed Dec. 13, 2001)

ORDER

This matter came before the Court sitting en banc on the Petition for Writ of Mandamus filed by Carolyn Mauldin, Stacy Spearman, David Mitchell, James C. Hays and the Mississippi Republican Executive Committee, the Response filed by Beatrice Branch, Rims Barber, L.C. Dorsey, David Rule, Melvin Horton, James Woodard, Joseph P. Hudson and Robert Norvel, the Petition for Writ of Prohibition filed by the State of Mississippi, the Supplemental Petition for Writ of Prohibition filed by Carolyn Mauldin, Stacy Spearman, David Mitchell, James C. Hays and the Mississippi Republican Executive Committee, the Supplement to Petition for Writ of Prohibition filed by the State, and the Responses filed by the Honorable Pat Wise and other respondents. Petitioners ask that this Court order that the Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint filed in cause no. G-2001-1777 W/4, Hinds County Chancery Court, be dismissed, or that cause no. G-2001-1777 W/4 be transferred to

Hinds County Circuit Court. Petitioners also ask that this Court stay the trial set in cause no. G 2001-1777 W/4 for December 14, 2001. After due consideration the Court finds that the Hinds County Chancery Court has jurisdiction of this matter. The Court further finds that the request to dismiss the Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is denied. The Court further finds that the request to transfer this cause to circuit court is denied, as is the request for stay of the December 14, 2001, trial date. Any congressional redistricting plan adopted by the chancery court in cause no. G-2001-1777 W/4 will remain in effect, subject to any congressional redistricting plan which may be timely adopted by the Legislature.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Petition for Writ of Mandamus filed by Carolyn Mauldin, Stacy Spearman, David Mitchell, James C. Hays and the Mississippi Republican Executive Committee be and the same is hereby denied.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Writ of Prohibition filed by the State of Mississippi be and the same is hereby denied.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Supplemental Petition for Writ of Prohibition filed by Carolyn Mauldin, Stacy Spearman, David Mitchell, James C. Hays and the Mississippi Republican Executive Committee be and the same is hereby denied.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Supplement to Petition for Writ of Prohibition filed by the State of Mississippi be and same is hereby denied.

SO ORDERED, this the 13th day of December, 2001.

/s/ Edwin Lloyd Pittman

EDWIN LLOYD PITTMAN, CHIEF JUSTICE
FOR THE COURT

Smith, P.J., would dismiss Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, or
in the alternative, transfer to circuit court.

Cobb, J., not participating.