

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NORTH DAKOTA  
EASTERN DIVISION**

ELIZABETH JANE SINNER, WHITNEY  
OXENDAHL, CAROL SAWICKI, LOIS  
ALTENBURG, and NORTH DAKOTA  
VOTERS FIRST,

*Plaintiffs,*

v.

AL JAEGER, in his official capacity as  
Secretary of State of North Dakota,

*Defendant.*

Case No. 3:20-cv-00076

**BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY  
INJUNCTION**

**EXHIBIT 20**

Declaration of Elizabeth Jane Sinner

### DECLARATION OF ELIZABETH JANE SINNER

1. My name is Elizabeth Jane Sinner and I reside at 6218 14th St S, Fargo ND 58104. I was born in Kentucky but I have lived in North Dakota since I was 21 years old.
2. I am a regular voter, and I believe I have voted in every election for which I was eligible since I turned 21. I have signed petitions for ballot measures in the past. I have collected signatures when my husband was running for office. I also regularly donate to support Democratic candidates for office.
3. I am 89 years old and, since my husband's passing two years ago, live alone. I have very severe asthma and, as such, I am strictly adhering to social distancing due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Since mid-March I have remained six feet from all people at all times. My sons have bought groceries for me and left them at my door. Sometimes they have come in the house, but we remain six feet apart.
4. In an effort to support the public health of my community I have been sewing masks. Initially I sewed them for my family, and then friends, and now I have the correct pattern to sew masks for use at the local hospital. My online order of additional elastic recently arrived, so I will be able to sew the masks for the hospital in the coming weeks. So far I have sewn about 40 masks. I do not personally interact with people when I give them masks. I have a table outside my door where I can leave items for neighbors, and they can leave items for me.
5. I would like to sign the North Dakota Voters First petition. In order to do so I would need to have someone witness my signature, but given my at-risk status for COVID-19 due to my age and severe asthma, I do not want to risk coming within six feet of another person. Even if one of my sons could help, they would have to agree to be a petition circulator, leave the form at my house, move back six feet and witness me (using my own pen) signing the form. I could then walk back six feet and my son could take the petition and then later swear an affidavit with a notary (using the same six feet distancing procedure) that he had personally witnessed my signature.
6. Given the continuing COVID-19 pandemic, I would not open my door to a stranger, I would only offer my signature on the petition to someone that I know and trust.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing statements are true and correct. Executed on

May 4, 2020, by

Elizabeth Jane Sinner  
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