

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR THE STATE OF TENNESSEE  
TWENTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, DAVIDSON COUNTY, PART IV**

**AKILAH MOORE, TELISE TURNER, )  
and GARY WRIGHT, )**

**Plaintiffs, )**

**v. )**

**BILL LEE, Governor, TRE HARGETT, )  
Secretary of State, MARK GOINS, )  
Tennessee Coordinator of Elections; All )  
in their Official Capacity Only, )**

**Defendants. )**

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CASE NO. 22-0287-IV  
Russell T. Perkins, Chief Judge  
J. Michael Sharp, Judge  
Steven W. Maroney, Chancellor

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CLARENCE E. MASTERSON, JR.  
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**ORDER**

This reapportionment case was filed on February 23, 2022. Plaintiffs Akilah Moore, Telise Turner, and Gary Wright are suing Defendants Governor Bill Lee, Secretary of State Tre Hargett, and Tennessee Coordinator of Elections Mark Goins, in their official capacities, claiming that the State House and Senate maps are unconstitutionally drawn. Plaintiffs’ original Complaint sought declaratory and injunctive relief. On March 1, 2022, the Tennessee Supreme Court entered an Order designating Chancellor Russell Perkins, Circuit Judge Mike Sharp, and Chancellor Steven Maroney as the Three-Judge Panel (“Panel”) to hear this case.

On March 2, 2022, Plaintiffs filed Plaintiffs’ Motion to Set Hearing and Expedited Briefing Schedule on Plaintiffs’ Motion for Summary Judgment, or in the Alternative, for Expedited Trial. On March 3, 2022, Defendants filed Defendants’ Response in Opposition to Plaintiffs’ Motion to Set Hearing and Expedited Briefing Schedule on Plaintiffs’ Motion for Summary Judgment, or in the Alternative, for Expedited Trial. On March 4, 2022, Plaintiffs filed Plaintiffs’ Reply in Support of

Plaintiffs' Motion to Set Hearing and Expedited Briefing Schedule on Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment, or in the Alternative, for Expedited Trial. After conferring, the Panel entered an Order on March 3, 2022, setting Plaintiffs' Motion to Expedite for a telephonic hearing on March 7, 2022 at 2:30 p.m. On March 8, 2022, after hearing oral argument on March 7, 2022, the Court entered an Order denying Plaintiffs' Motion to Expedite.

On March 11, 2022, Plaintiffs filed their First Amended Complaint for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief ("First Amended Complaint") and Plaintiffs' Motion for Temporary Injunction, with accompanying materials. On March 16, 2022, the Panel entered an Order, setting Plaintiffs' temporary injunction motion for an in-person, non-evidentiary hearing on March 31, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. in Nashville. On March 25, 2022, Defendants filed Defendants' Response in Opposition to Plaintiffs' Motion for Temporary Injunction. On March 29, 2022, Plaintiff filed Plaintiffs' Reply in Support of Motion for Temporary Injunction. On March 31, 2022, Defendants filed Defendants' Notice of Filing Affidavit of Doug Himes in Response to Plaintiffs' Affidavit of Jonathan Cervas and the accompanying Affidavit of Doug Himes.

### **Overview**

In our legal system, federal law is the supreme law of the land. Consequently, state statutes and state constitutional provisions are subject to federal law. When there is overlap or conflict between state and federal law, a court may strike down the state provision or keep the state provision intact to the extent that it does not encroach upon enforcement of federal law. Generally speaking, reapportionment disputes arise every ten years by operation of law because the decennial census requires legislative districts









































