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Samuel A. Christensen Clerk of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Wisconsin Supreme Court 110 East Main Street, Suite 215 Madison, Wisconsin 53701-1688

Re: Elizabeth Bothfeld v. Wisconsin Elections Commission, No.2025XX001438 (Wis.)

Dear Clerk Christensen,

We represent Congressmen Glenn Grothman, Bryan Steil, Tom Tiffany, Scott Fitzgerald, Derrick Van Orden, and Tony Wied and individual Wisconsin voters Gregory Hutcheson, Patrick Keller, Patrick McCalvy, and Mike Moeller. This Court permitted us to intervene as Respondents in Bothfeld v. Wisconsin Elections Commission ("WEC"), No.2025AP996-OA (Wis.). As with the Bothfeld original action, which this Court denied, this case challenges under the Wisconsin Constitution the map that this Court adopted in Johnson v. WEC, 2022 WI 14, 400 Wis. 2d 626, 971 N.W.2d 402 ("Johnson II"), raising identical theories to those that these same plaintiffs raised in their unsuccessful original action. We respectfully submit that this Court dispose of this case in the same manner that we suggested that this Court handle the recently filed Wisconsin Business Leaders for Democracy v. WEC, No.2025XX001330 (Wis.), case. Specifically, before this Court considers Plaintiffs' request to appoint a three-judge panel under Wis. Stat. § 751.035(1), this Court should set a briefing schedule that allows this Court to consider whether to dismiss this case, including because Plaintiffs in this case—just like the plaintiffs in Wisconsin Business Leaders for Democracy—ask this Court to appoint an inferior tribunal to violate the Wisconsin Constitution by adjudicating the constitutionality of the relief that this Court issued in Johnson II. See Wis. Const. art. VII, § 3.*

^{*} Further, as we did in Wisconsin Business Leaders for Democracy, we respectfully request that this Court consider streamlining these initial proceedings in two respects. First, this Court should deem all parties that this Court already permitted to intervene in the Bothfeld original action to also be intervenors in this case, without the need to refile motions and supporting memoranda. Second, this Court should provide that our motion to recuse Justice Protasiewicz filed in Bothfeld be deemed filed and denied in this case as well, again, without the need to refile a motion making the same arguments that Justice Protasiewicz already rejected, so as to preserve these parties' rights.



Respectfully submitted,

<u>Electronically signed by Misha Tseytlin</u> Misha Tseytlin

cc: All Counsel of Record (via Electronic Filing)