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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LEA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

REPUBLICAN PARTY OF NEW MEXICO, DAVID GALLEGOS, TIMOTHY JENNINGS, DINAH VARGAS, MANUEL GONZALES, JR., BOBBY AND DEE ANN KIMBRO, and PEARL GARCIA,

Plaintiffs,

V.

MAGGIE TOULOUSE OLIVER in her official capacity as New Mexico Secretary of State, MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM in her official capacity as Governor of New Mexico, HOWIE MORALES, in his official capacity as New Mexico Lieutenant Governor and President of the New Mexico Senate, MIMI STEWART in her official capacity as President Pro Tempore of the New Mexico Senate, and JAVIER MARTINEZ in his official capacity as Speaker of the New Mexico House of Representatives,

Defendants,

and

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF NEW MEXICO,

[Proposed] Intervenor-Defendant.

No. D-506-CV-2022-00041 Judge Fred T. Van Soelen

## <u>DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF NEW MEXICO'S</u> <u>UNOPPOSED MOTION TO DISMISS APPEAL VOLUNTARILY</u>

COMES NOW Proposed Intervenor-Defendant Democratic Party of New Mexico ("DPNM"), by and through counsel, and hereby moves to dismiss its pending appeal. As grounds for this motion, DPNM states as follows.

On September 18, 2023, the Court entered an order denying DPNM's motion to intervene. DPNM filed a notice of appeal on September 22, 2023. The appeal has not yet been docketed in the Court of Appeals. Accordingly, DPNM moves this Court for voluntary dismissal of its appeal under Rule 12-401(A) NMRA.

Counsel for DPNM conferred with counsel for Plaintiffs and Defendants regarding their position on this motion as required by Rule 1-007.1 NMRA on October 19, 2023. The Secretary of State, the Legislative Defendants, and Plaintiffs do not object to the relief sought in this motion. The parties agree to bear their own costs and fees, if any, incurred in this appeal.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, DPNM asks the Court to dismiss its pending undocketed appeal and order the Clerk of Court to advise the Court of Appeals in writing of the dismissal under Rule 12-401(A) NMRA.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and complete copy of the foregoing has been e-served to all counsel of record on the 25th day of October, 2023 via electronic service through the electronic filing system.

/s/Justin R. Kaufman

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