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## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

CAROL ANN CARTER; MONICA PARRILLA; REBECCA POYOUROW; WILLIAM TUNG; ROSEANNE MILAZZO; BURT SIEGEL; SUSAN CASSANELLI; LEE CASSANELLI; LYNN WACHMAN; MICHAEL GUTTMAN; MAYA FONKEU; BRADY HILL; MARY ELLEN BALCHUNIS; TOM DEWALL; STEPHANIE MCNULTY; and JANET TEMIN,

No. 7 MM 2022

Petitioners,

v.

LEIGH M. CHAPMAN, in her official capacity as the Acting Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; JESSICA MATHIS, in her official capacity as Director for the Pennsylvania Bureau of Election Services and Notaries, Respondents.

## CARTER PETITIONERS' ANSWER TO REPUBLICAN LEGISLATIVE INTERVENORS' APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO FILE RESPONSES

The Carter Petitioners (Carol Ann Carter, Monica Parrilla, Rebecca Poyourow, William Tung, Roseanne Milazzo, Burt Siegel, Susan Cassanelli, Lee Cassanelli, Lynn Wachman, Michael Guttman, Maya Fonkeu, Brady Hill, Mary Ellen Balchunis, Tom Dewall, Stephanie McNulty, and Janet Temin) oppose the Republican Legislative Intervenors' application for leave to file briefs in response to the other parties' or *amici*'s exceptions to the Special Master's report and recommendations.

This is not a typical appellate proceeding that might warrant the opportunity for a responsive brief. Each party stands on equal footing before this Court because each has the opportunity to file a brief in support of its map and in response to the Special Master's report. Thus, the Republican Legislative Intervenors are free to submit a brief in support of the report or otherwise advocating for their map. But there is no justification for allowing the Republican Legislative Intervenors the tactical advantage of waiting to file a response brief, particularly where there would be little or no time for the inevitable replies. This Court ordered each party and *amicus* to file simultaneous briefing on February 14, 2022, and the Republican Legislative Intervenors should, like all other parties and *amici*, file a brief in support of their position at that time.

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