

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

SUSAN SOTO PALMER; et al.,

Plaintiffs - Appellees,

v.

STEVEN HOBBS, in his official  
capacity as Secretary of State of  
Washington and STATE OF  
WASHINGTON, in his official capacity  
as Secretary of State of Washington,

Defendants - Appellees,

JOSE A. TREVINO; et al.,

Intervenor-Defendants -  
Appellants.

No. 23-35595

D.C. No. 3:22-cv-05035-RSL  
U.S. District Court for Western  
Washington, Tacoma

**ORDER**

The Mediation Program of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals facilitates settlement while appeals are pending. See Fed. R. App. P. 33 and Ninth Circuit Rule 33-1.

By October 4, 2023, counsel for all parties intending to file briefs in this matter are requested to inform Robert S. Kaiser, Circuit Mediator, by email at [Robert\\_Kaiser@ca9.uscourts.gov](mailto:Robert_Kaiser@ca9.uscourts.gov), of their clients' views on whether the issues on appeal or the underlying dispute might be amenable to settlement presently or in

the foreseeable future. **Counsel are requested to include the Ninth Circuit case name and number in the subject line.** This communication will be kept confidential, if requested, from the other parties in the case. This communication should not be filed with the court.

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**The existing briefing schedule remains in effect.**

FOR THE COURT:

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