

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA  
MONROE DIVISION**

**PHILLIP CALLAIS ET AL**

**CASE NO. 3:24-CV-00122**

**VERSUS**

**CIRCUIT JUDGE: CARL E. STEWART  
DISTRICT JUDGES: ROBERT R.  
SUMMERHAYS AND DAVID C. JOSEPH**

**NANCY LANDRY, ET AL**

**MAG. JUDGE KAYLA D. MCCLUSKY**

**MINUTES OF COURT:  
PRETRIAL CONFERENCE/MOTIONS HEARING**

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Date:	April 4, 2024	Presiding:	Judges Carl E. Stewart, Robert R. Summerhays, David C. Joseph
Court Opened:	9:00 AM	Courtroom Deputy:	Lisa LaCombe/Chrissy Craig
Court Adjourned:	9:45 AM	Court Reporter:	DD Juranka
Statistical Time:	45 Minutes	Courtroom:	Zoom Video Conference

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**APPEARANCES**

Edward D Greim	For	Phillip Callais, et al, Plaintiffs
Adam P Savitt	For	Press Robinson, et al, Intervenor
Stuart Naifeh		Defendants
Amitav Chakraborty		
Daniel Hessel		
I Sara Rohani		
Jonathan Hurwitz		
Victoria Wenger		
T. Alora Thomas		
Colin Burke		
Morgan Elizabeth Brungard	For	State of Louisiana, Intervenor
Brennan Bowen		Defendant
Jason Brett Torchinsky		
Carey Jones		
Phillip Michael Gordon		
Zachary D. Henson		
John Carroll Walsh	For	Nancy Landry, In her official
Alyssa M. Riggins		capacity as Secretary of State
Cassie A. Holt		

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## PROCEEDINGS

The Court held a Final Pretrial Conference and Motions Hearing via Zoom Video Conference.

After considering oral argument, motions and memoranda submitted and the applicable law, the Court ruled as follows:

1 – [142] Motion for Leave to Allow Anthony Fairfax and Royce Duplessis to Testify at Trial Remotely via Videoconferencing by Edgar Cage, Martha Davis, Davante Lewis, Clee Earnest Lowe, Dorothy Nairne, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Louisiana State Conference, Power Coalition for Equity & Justice, Press Robinson, Ambrose Sims, Edwin Rene Soule, Alice Washington is GRANTED IN PART AND DENIED IN PART. The Court will allow Anthony Fairfax to testify remotely. The Court declined to allow Royce Duplessis to testify remotely.

2 – [144] Motion in Limine by Clee Earnest Lowe, Dorothy Nairne, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Louisiana State Conference, Power Coalition for Equity & Justice, Press Robinson, Ambrose Sims, Edwin Rene Soule, Alice Washington was DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE for the reasons stated on the record.

3 – [145] MOTION to Strike *Improper Rebuttal Expert Testimony of Dr. Ben Overholt* by Edgar Cage, Martha Davis, Davante Lewis, Clee Earnest Lowe, Dorothy Nairne, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Louisiana State Conference, Power Coalition for Equity & Justice, Press Robinson, Ambrose Sims, Edwin Rene Soule, Alice Washington was DEFERRED/CARRIED OVER to trial.

ORAL motion by the Robinson Intervenors for an additional two hours for presentation of evidence. The motion was opposed by the Plaintiffs. After careful consideration, the Court declined to allow additional time; however, upon completion of each case-in-chief and for good cause shown, the Court may revisit this issue and consider awarding additional time. The Court will also award and designate a time allotment for closing arguments.

At the conclusion of trial, the Court will allow post-trial briefs to be submitted within *seven (7)* days. Briefs are limited to *twenty-five (25) pages*.