In re 2021 Apportionment of Maine House of Representatives, Maine Senate, U.S. House of Representatives, and County Commissioners

## AMENDED¹ PROCEDURAL ORDER

President of the Senate Troy D. Jackson, Senate Minority Leader Jeffrey L. Timberlake, Speaker of the House Ryan M. Fecteau, and House Minority Leader Kathleen R.J. Dillingham have filed a petition for an order of this Court extending the deadlines contained in Me. Const. art. IV, pt. 1, § 3; Me. Const. art. IV, pt. 2, § 2; Me. Const. art. IX, § 24(1), (2); and Me. Const. art. IX, § 25(1)(C), (2) for apportioning legislative, congressional, and county districts. The petition requests a decision from this Court on or before August 10, 2021.

## It is ORDERED as follows:

- 1. The petitioners shall file eight printed copies of their petition, bound in the manner required for briefs by M.R. App. P. 7A(g)(3), on or before **June 4, 2021**.
- 2. Any individual, legal entity, or organization may file, on or before **June 18, 2021**, a response to the petition.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The original order, dated May 27, 2021, is amended to correct the date by which the petition requests a decision from this Court.

- a. The response must contain, under appropriate headings, a table of contents, a table of authorities cited, any background that the respondent wishes to present, and an argument.
- b. The response must not exceed 30 pages, excluding the cover, tables, and signature blocks.
- c. The response must be signed, must meet the requirements of M.R. App. P. 7A(g)(2), and must contain a cover page mirroring the format of the cover of the petition and including the title "Response to petition to extend constitutional deadlines of" followed by the name(s) of the respondent(s) filing the response.
- d. Unless the response is filed by an individual on his or her own behalf, the response must be signed and filed by a member of the Maine bar.
- e. The response must be bound in the manner required for briefs by M.R. App. P. 7A(g)(3).
- f. Eight printed copies of the response must be filed with the Executive Clerk.
- g. The response must also be filed electronically with the Executive Clerk in the form of a single native pdf file emailed to lawcourt.clerk@courts.maine.gov.

h. The response must be served on counsel for the petitioners in any manner acceptable to counsel.

3. On or before **June 22, 2021**, the petitioners must inform the Executive Clerk via telephone or email whether they wish to file a reply to the responses. If the petitioners choose to file a reply, they must do so on or before **June 25, 2021**.

4. After reviewing the filings, the Court will determine whether any further briefing or oral argument is necessary and, if it holds oral argument, which respondents will be permitted to argue.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2021

For the Court,

Associate Justice

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