UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

PRESS ROBINSON, EDGAR CAGE, DOROTHY NAIRNE, EDWIN RENE SOULE, ALICE WASHINGTON, CLEE EARNEST LOWE, DAVANTE LEWIS, MARTHA DAVIS, AMBROSE SIMS, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE ("NAACP") LOUISIANA STATE CONFERENCE, AND POWER COALITION FOR EQUITY AND JUSTICE,

Civil Action No. 3:22-cv-00211-SDD-RLB

Plaintiffs,

v.

KYLE ARDOIN, in his official capacity as Secretary of State for Louisiana.

Defendant.

EDWARD GALMON, SR., CIARA HART, NORRIS HENDERSON, TRAMELLE HOWARD,

Plaintiffs,

v.

KYLE ARDOIN, in his official capacity as Secretary of State for Louisiana.

Defendant.

Civil Action No. 3:22-cv-00214-SDD-RLB

CONSENT MOTION FOR A SCHEDULING ORDER

Counsel for Plaintiffs and Defendants in the above consolidated cases request this Court enter the following scheduling order as soon as practicable and in time to allow the Parties to prepare for trial beginning either February 5, 2024 or March 25, 2024.

The parties have agreed to the following schedule, subject to the reservations below:

- 1. Should the Legislature fail to enact a remedial map, consistent with the Court's October 19, 2023, order, ECF No. 301, on or before January 30, 2024;
 - a. December 22, 2023 deadline for Plaintiffs to serve expert disclosures in accordance with Rule 26(a)(2)(B). Plaintiffs file expert reports related to illustrative maps, other than those related to Racially Polarized Voting ("RPV") or election analysis on 2023 elections
 - b. January 5, 2024 deadline for Parties to exchange initial list of fact and expert witnesses, except for experts performing RPV or election analysis on 2023 elections, and including any experts previously disclosed in connection with the preliminary injunction and remedial proceedings that the party may call at trial
 - c. January 12, 2024 deadline for Parties to serve rebuttal expert reports, other than those related to RPV or election analysis on 2023 elections
 - d. January 12, 2024 close of fact discovery
 - e. January 15, 2024 deadline for Parties to file pre-trial motions
 - f. January 15, 2024 deadline for the simultaneous exchange of expert reports related to RPV or election analysis on 2023 elections
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 - h. January 22, 2024 deadline for Parties to serve surrebuttal expert reports
 - i. January 22, 2024 deadline for Parties to oppose any pretrial motions
 - j. January 24, 2024 deadline for the close of expert discovery
 - k. January 26, 2024 deadline for Parties to file dispositive motions
 - 1. January 26, 2024 deadline for Parties to exchange witness and exhibit lists for trial

- m. January 29, 2024 final in-person pretrial conference
- n. January 30, 2024 deadline for Parties to file witness and exhibit lists, with objections, and exchange stamped exhibits
- o. February 1, 2024 deadline for Parties to file motions in opposition to dispositive motions
- p. February 5, 2024 first day of trial
- 2. Should the Legislature enact a remedial map, consistent with the Court's October 19, 2023 order, ECF No. 301, on or before January 30, 2024;
 - a. January 30, 2024 deadline for Parties to produce, exchange, and file enacted maps and illustrative maps
 - b. February 6, 2024 deadline for Plaintiffs to notify Court whether they oppose the new enacted map
 - c. February 8, 2024 deadline for Plaintiffs to file an Amended Complaint or supplemental complaint
 - d. February 9, 2024 deadline for the simultaneous exchange of expert reports related to the new enacted map
 - e. February 16, 2024 deadline for Defendants to respond to Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint, if filed
 - f. February 19, 2024 deadline for the simultaneous exchange of rebuttal expert reports
 - g. February 22, 2024 close of fact and expert discovery
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 - i. March 1, 2024 deadline for Parties to file oppositions to pretrial motions
 - j. March 8, 2024 deadline for Parties to file dispositive motions
 - k. March 11, 2024 deadline for Parties to exchange witness and exhibit lists
 - 1. March 18, 2024 final in-person trial conference

- m. March 18, 2024 deadline for Parties to file oppositions to dispositive motions
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- o. March 25, 2024 first day of trial

I. Plaintiffs' Position

In accordance with the December 21, 2023 status conference and the Court's December 22, 2023 order, ECF No. 324, the schedule agreed upon by the Parties incorporates the opportunity for Plaintiffs to submit additional illustrative maps for the trial beginning February 5, 2024. Plaintiffs' map submissions are necessary to demonstrate and remedy the alleged violation of the Voting Rights Act that is at issue in this action.

II. Defendants' Position

Defendants object to the introduction of new illustrative maps at this late stage in litigation—which is proceeding on an expedited timeline—as prejudicial to Defendants' ability to defend against Plaintiffs' claims.

III. Conclusion

For the foregoing reasons, Plaintiffs respectfully request that this Court enter the scheduling order above.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A

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[PROPOSED] SCHEDULING ORDER

This Court, having heard from the parties at a status conference held on December 21,

2023, and having received the Consent Motion of all Parties in this case enters the following Scheduling Order,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

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Signed in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, this	day of	, 2023.
Judge Scott D. Johnson		