

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

THE OHIO ORGANIZING
COLLABORATIVE, *et al.*,

Petitioners,

v.

OHIO REDISTRICTING
COMMISSION, *et al.*,

Respondents.

: Case No. 2021-1210
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: **APPORTIONMENT CASE**
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: Filed pursuant to S.Ct.Prac.R. 14.03(A)
: and Section 9 of Article XI of the Ohio
: Constitution to challenge a plan of
: apportionment promulgated pursuant to
: Article XI.
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**PETITIONERS THE OHIO ORGANIZING COLLABORATIVE, ET AL. JOINDER
IN OBJECTIONS TO THE ALREADY-INVALIDATED FEBRUARY 24, 2022 PLAN,
RE-ADOPTED ON MAY 5, 2022 FILED BY PETITIONERS BRIA BENNETT, ET AL.
IN CASE NO. 2021-1198**

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STATEMENT OF JOINDER

Petitioners the Ohio Organizing Collaborative et al. (the “OOC Petitioners”) hereby join in the Objections to the Already-Invalidated February 24, 2022 Plan, Re-Adopted on May 5, 2022 filed by Petitioners Bria Bennett et al. (the “Bennett Petitioners”) on May 6, 2022 in Case No. 2021-1198. For the reasons stated in the Bennett Petitioners’ objections, the OOC Petitioners request that this Court summarily reject the Ohio Redistricting Commission’s resubmission of the February 24, 2022 General Assembly district plan that this Court previously held invalid and grant all other requested relief, including ordering the Commission to produce a new plan under threat of sanction and, if the commission still fails to do so, order the implementation of a constitutionally-compliant plan along with revised election-related deadlines.

The OOC Petitioners agree that time is of the essence and that a majority of the Commission continues engaging in stall tactics in a bid to circumvent this Court’s orders and the substantive requirements of the Ohio Constitution.

Like the Bennett Petitioners, the OOC Petitioners also “resubmit” their objections to the February 24 plan that were filed in this matter on February 28. *See* Objections and Request for Remedies of Petitioners the Ohio Organizing Collaborative, et al., *Ohio Organizing Collaborative et al. v. Ohio Redistricting Comm.*, Case No. 2021-1210 (Feb. 28, 2022). In a forthcoming motion, the OOC Petitioners will provide additional briefing as to why this Court should immediately invalidate the Commission’s reenactment of the February 24, 2022 plan and hold the Commission in contempt of court.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Danielle Stewart, hereby certify that, on May 6, 2022, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing Joinder in Objections to the Already-Invalidated February 24, 2022 Plan, Re-Adopted on May 5, 2022 Filed by Petitioners Bria Bennett, et al. in Case No. 2021-1198 to be served by email upon the counsel listed below:

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