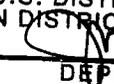


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FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

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SHANNON PEREZ; HAROLD)
DUTTON, JR.; GREGORY TAMEZ;)
SERGIO SALINAS; CARMEN)
RODRIGUEZ; RUDOLFO ORTIZ;)
NANCY HALL and DOROTHY DEBOSE)

Plaintiffs)

v.)

STATE OF TEXAS; RICK PERRY,)
in his official capacity as Governor of the)
State of Texas; DAVID DEWHURST,)
in his official capacity as Lieutenant)
Governor of the State of Texas; JOE)
STRAUS, in his official capacity as Speaker)
of the Texas House of Representatives;)
JOHN STEEN, in his official)
capacity as Secretary of State of the)
State of Texas)

Defendants)

CIVIL ACTION NO.
11-CA-360-OLG-JES-XR
CONSOLIDATED ACTION
[Lead case]

ORDER

On this date the Court held a hearing to discuss the status of this case. After hearing from counsel on the status of the claims in this lawsuit, the Court finds that the parties should proceed as follows:

1. Motions for leave to amend pleadings:

All parties who wish to amend their pleadings in this lawsuit shall file motions for leave to amend, with proposed pleadings and briefs in support, on or before Friday, July 12, 2013. All responses in opposition thereto (and briefs in support) shall be filed on or before Friday, July 19, 2013.

2. Requests for attorneys fees and expenses:

The Court will consider any and all requests for interim attorneys fees and expenses. All parties who wish to seek an interim award of attorneys fees and expenses shall confer with opposing counsel pursuant to W.D. Tex. Rule CV- 7(j)(1) and file their motions for fees and expenses on or before Monday, July 22, 2013. If the motion is opposed in whole or in part, a response in opposition shall be

filed no later than Thursday, August 1, 2013. The requests may include all fees incurred and costs expended through the date below. Any previously filed motions for attorneys fees should be re-filed as new motions. The motions to re-urge the previously filed motions for interim attorneys fees and costs (Dkt. # 750, 751) are DENIED as moot.

3. Supplementation of the record:

The Court's order entered on May 29, 2013 is revised, in part, as follows:¹

Monday July 22, 2013: If the parties wish to offer any evidence from the D.C. trial proceedings as evidence on the issues being litigated herein, the offering parties shall: (1) file a designation chart of the portions of the D.C. record they are offering; (2) electronically file one complete copy of the actual record excerpts that have been listed in the chart; and (3) deliver one courtesy copy of the chart and the actual record excerpts to the chambers of each judge on the panel. The offering parties' designation chart shall include the following: (1) a designation of exhibits by page, section, paragraph and/or line reference, if applicable; and (2) a brief explanation of the significance of the document as it relates to the issues being litigated herein.

August 5, 2013: Any party may respond with objections to the admissibility of the evidence being offered. Global objections will not be sufficient. Objections must be specific as to each designation listed in the chart, and the Court will make determinations as to relevance, materiality, and the probative value of the evidence at a later date.

4. Briefs on Section 3(c) of the Voting Rights Act and its possible impact on this case:

On or before Monday, July 22, 2013, all parties shall simultaneously file briefs (either jointly or separately) on Section 3(c) of the Voting Rights Act and its possible impact on this case. To the extent that any party wishes to respond to any of the arguments in the briefs, a response may be filed on or

¹The Court's previous order allowed the parties to submit both documentary evidence and trial testimony, but the Court will allow only documentary evidence at this time. The deadlines for both submission and objections thereto have been extended seven days.

before Thursday, August 1, 2013.

It is so ORDERED this 1 day of July, 2013.



ORLANDO L. GARCIA
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
[on behalf of the three judge panel]