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SUPREME COURT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN ITS ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

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Appellate Case No. 2024-001227

S.C. SUPREME COURT

League of Women Voters of South Carolina Petitioner,

v.

Thomas Alexander, in his official capacity as President of the South Carolina Senate; Murrell Smith, in his official capacity as Speaker of the South Carolina House of Representatives; Howard Knapp, in his official capacity as Director of the South Carolina State Election Commission Respondents,

and

Henry McMaster, in his official capacity as the Governor of South Carolina.....Intervenor

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE *AMICUS CURIAE* BRIEF
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Pursuant to South Carolina Appellate Court Rule 213, Campaign Legal Center (CLC) respectfully moves for leave to appear in this case as *amicus curiae* and file a brief in support of Petitioner. The proposed brief is attached hereto as Attachment A.

CLC is a non-partisan, nonprofit organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. CLC is dedicated to advancing democracy through law, and litigates cases in a variety of areas, including voting rights and redistricting. CLC has litigated numerous partisan gerrymandering cases, including *Gill v. Whitford*, 585 U.S. 48 (2018), and *Rucho v. Common Cause*, 588 U.S. 684 (2019). CLC also has expertise in state constitutional partisan gerrymandering cases, serving as lead counsel in Utah and Kansas and filing amicus briefs in Kentucky, New Hampshire, New York, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Ohio, and North Carolina. *See LWV of Utah v. Utah Legislature*, 554 P.3d 872 (Utah 2024); *Rivera v. Schwab*, 512 P.3d 168 (Kan. 2022).

CLC has an interest in the proper application of the South Carolina Free Elections Clause, and has experience and expertise in the history and application of Free Elections Clauses, as well as the justiciability of partisan gerrymandering suits. CLC seeks to file this brief to assist the Court in analyzing and deciding this case.

For the foregoing reasons, CLC respectfully requests leave to file the *amicus curiae* brief attached to this Motion as Attachment A.

Respectfully submitted,

January 22, 2025

/s/ Armand Derfner