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Ms. Shealy,

Attached for filing is Plaintiffs' Return to Defendants' Motion to argue against precedent.

Thank you,  
Allen

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Dear Counsel:

We have today received a Motion to argue against precedent filed on behalf of Governor McMaster's office. This is to advise that any returns to this motion should be received by 12:00 PM, on Monday August 24, 2026.

Thank you,



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