TENTH DISTRICT

SUPREME COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA

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JABARI HOLMES, FRED CULP, DANIEL E. SMITH, BRENDON JADEN PEAY, AND PAUL KEARNEY, SR. WAKE COUNTY v. TIMOTHY K. MOORE, in his official capacity as Speaker of the North Carolina House of Representatives: PHILIP E. BERGER, in his official capacity as President Pro Tempore of the North Carolina Senate; DAVID R. LEWIS, in his official capacity as Chairman of the House Select Committee on Elections for the 2018 Third Extra Session; RALPH E. HISE, in his official capacity as Chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Elections for the 2018 Third Extra Session: THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA; and THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF **ELECTIONS**

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ORDER

Pursuant to this Court's administrative order of 23 December 2021, and after thorough and thoughtful deliberation, I have concluded that I can and will be fair and impartial in deciding *Holmes v. Moore*, et al. (No. 342P19-2). Accordingly, the 15 January 2022 Motion for Disqualification filed therein is denied.

In reaching this conclusion, I thoughtfully considered: (1) the arguments presented by the parties; (2) my ethical responsibilities as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina under our Code of Judicial Conduct; (3) my solemn oath to serve on our state's Court of last resort—rather than recusing myself or being disqualified to avoid controversy; and (4) my resulting judicial duty to all North Carolinians and my personal ability to discharge that duty.

For the reasons summarized above, the Motion for Disqualification is denied. This the $1^{\rm st}$ day of March 2022.

Tamara Patterson Barringer

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, this the day of March, 2022.



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