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**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES**

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JOHN H. MERRILL, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS THE ALABAMA  
SECRETARY OF STATE, *et al.*,

*Appellants,*

v.

EVAN MILLIGAN, *et al.*,

*Appellees.*

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JOHN H. MERRILL, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS THE ALABAMA  
SECRETARY OF STATE, *et al.*,

*Petitioners,*

v.

MARCUS CASTER, *et al.*,

*Respondents.*

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**CASTER RESPONDENTS' UNOPPOSED APPLICATION  
TO EXCEED WORD LIMIT**

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## **CORPORATE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Per Supreme Court Rule 29.6, Respondents state that they have no parent company or publicly held company with a 10% or greater ownership interest in it.

Pursuant to Rules 22 and 33.1(d), the Caster Respondents respectfully request leave to file a brief on the merits in excess of the word limit, not to exceed 14,000 words.

1. On March 14, 2022, the Court granted Appellants/Petitioners' unopposed application to exceed word limits, permitting them to file a brief on the merits of up to 18,000 words and a reply brief of up to 10,000 words. The Caster Respondents consented to the motion as part of an agreement among all parties providing consent for Appellants/Petitioners to file an opening brief of up to 18,000 words and a reply brief of up to 10,000 words and for the Caster Respondents and Milligan Appellees to file response briefs of up to 14,000 words each.

2. On April 25, 2022, Appellants/Petitioners filed their 17,879-word opening brief.

3. Aside from short discussions of the parties' expert testimony, Appellants/Petitioners' brief does not distinguish between the Caster Respondents' claims and the Milligan Appellees' claims. Rather, Appellants/Petitioners' entire brief is devoted to arguments that are fully applicable to the Caster Respondents' claims, and to which the Caster Respondents must therefore respond.

4. The Caster Respondents cannot adequately address the arguments in Appellants/Petitioners' 17,879-word opening brief in a response brief of just 13,000 words.

5. The fact that the Milligan Appellees will also file a response brief does not eliminate this issue, because the Milligan Appellees and the Caster Respondents are separately represented and make arguments that are distinct in several respects.

The Caster Respondents must therefore address all of Appellants/Petitioners' arguments in their response brief.

6. The Caster Respondents therefore respectfully request leave to file a response brief on the merits of up to 14,000 words.

7. Respondents have conferred with Appellants/Petitioners, who consent to Respondents' request.

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