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No. 23-1248

IN THE
UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT

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KERESA RICHARDSON,

*Petitioner,*

v.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
TEXAS GOVERNOR GREG  
ABBOTT IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY, and  
TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE JANE NELSON  
IN HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY,

*Respondents.*

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On Petition for Writ of Certiorari
to the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals

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**PETITIONER’S MOTION FOR EMERGENCY  
CONSIDERATION OF PETITION FOR WRIT  
OF CERTIORARI AND IMPLEMENTATION  
OF INTERIM RELIEF**

In accordance with Supreme Court rule 21, Petitioner requests immediate, emergency consideration of her pending Petition for Writ of Certiorari and timely implementation of an interim districting map for the upcoming 2024 Texas general election.

The Petition sets out the arguments explaining why the current districting map the State of Texas uses for its intermediate appellate courts is constitutionally infirm because it ignores the equal protection rights of Texas voters in the election of those officials. As such, a new, interim map must be implemented before the next election.

The next Texas general election is on November 5, 2024, and if that election is to be conducted in a Constitutionally-sound manner, the federal courts must create an interim districting map and order the Texas Secretary of State to reorganize the election processes for the Texas appellate courts to conform to the new map. This could also involve the Secretary of State ordering new primary elections before the general election so that voters may nominate their preferred partisan candidates to square off in the general election. All of these things will take time, and the more time this Court can provide, the better the machinery will be able to implement a satisfactory, lawful 2024 election.

Petitioner also asks for such other and further relief as is just.

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