

**U.S. District Court
District of Connecticut (New Haven)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 3:20-cv-00909-JBA**

Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches et
al v. Merrill

Assigned to: Judge Janet Bond Arterton

Cause: 42:1983 Civil Rights Act

Date Filed: 07/02/2020

Date Terminated: 09/28/2020

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 441 Civil Rights:
Voting

Jurisdiction: Federal Question

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
07/02/2020	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against Denise Merrill (Filing fee \$400 receipt number ACTDC-5950304.), filed by Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches, Gloria Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut.(Barrett, Dan) Modified on 7/2/2020 to update party (Anastasio, F.). (Entered: 07/02/2020)
07/02/2020	<u>2</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Dan Barrett on behalf of Gloria Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut, Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches (Barrett, Dan) Modified on 7/2/2020 to update party (Anastasio, F.). (Entered: 07/02/2020)
07/02/2020	<u>3</u>	Corporate Disclosure Statement by League of Women Voters of Connecticut, Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches. (Barrett, Dan) Modified on 7/2/2020 to update party (Anastasio, F.). (Entered: 07/02/2020)
07/02/2020		Request for Clerk to issue summons as to Denise Merrill. (Barrett, Dan) (Entered: 07/02/2020)
07/02/2020		Judge Janet Bond Arterton added. (Nuzzi, Tiffany) (Entered: 07/02/2020)
07/02/2020	<u>4</u>	Order on Pretrial Deadlines: Amended Pleadings due by 8/31/2020 Discovery due by 1/1/2021 Dispositive Motions due by 2/5/2021 Signed by Clerk on 07/02/2020.(Nuzzi, Tiffany) (Entered: 07/02/2020)
07/02/2020	<u>5</u>	ELECTRONIC FILING ORDER FOR COUNSEL - PLEASE ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH COURTESY COPY REQUIREMENTS IN THIS ORDER Signed by Judge Janet Bond Arterton on 07/02/2020.(Nuzzi, Tiffany) (Entered: 07/02/2020)
07/02/2020	<u>6</u>	STANDING PROTECTIVE ORDER Signed by Judge Janet Bond Arterton on 07/02/2020.(Nuzzi, Tiffany) (Entered: 07/02/2020)
07/02/2020	<u>7</u>	NOTICE TO COUNSEL/SELF-REPRESENTED PARTIES : Counsel or self-represented parties initiating or removing this action are responsible for serving all parties with attached documents and copies of <u>1</u> Complaint, filed by League of Women Voters of Connecticut, Gloria Francesconi, <u>2</u> Notice of Appearance filed by League of Women Voters of Connecticut, Gloria Francesconi, <u>4</u> Order on Pretrial Deadlines, <u>6</u> Protective

		Order, 5 Electronic Filing Order, 3 Corporate Disclosure Statement filed by League of Women Voters of Connecticut Signed by Clerk on 07/02/2020.(Nuzzi, Tiffany) (Entered: 07/02/2020)
07/02/2020	8	NOTICE of Appearance by Elana Spungen Bildner on behalf of Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches, Gloria Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut (Bildner, Elana) (Entered: 07/02/2020)
07/07/2020	9	ELECTRONIC SUMMONS ISSUED in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 4 and LR 4 as to *Denise Merrill* with answer to complaint due within *21* days. Attorney *Dan Barrett* *American Civil Liberties Union - CT* *765 Asylum Ave., 1st Floor* *Hartford, CT 06105*. (Nuzzi, Tiffany) (Entered: 07/07/2020)
07/07/2020	10	MOTION for Attorney(s) Davin M. Rosborough, Ceridwen Cherry, Ihaab Syed, Dale E. Ho, and Sophia Lin Lakin to be Admitted Pro Hac Vice (paid \$1000 PHV fee; receipt number ACTDC-5957718) by Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches, Gloria Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut. (Attachments: # 1 Declaration of Sophia Lin Lakin, # 2 Declaration of Davin Rosborough, # 3 Declaration of Ceridwen Cherry, # 4 Declaration of Ihaab Syed, # 5 Declaration of Dale Ho)(Bildner, Elana) (Entered: 07/07/2020)
07/08/2020	11	ORDER granting 10 Motion to Appear Pro Hac Vice for Davin M. Rosborough, Ceridwen Cherry, Ihaab Syed, Dale E. Ho, and Sophia Lin Lakin. Certificate of Good Standing due by 9/6/2020. Signed by Clerk on 07/08/2020. (Nuzzi, Tiffany) (Entered: 07/08/2020)
07/13/2020	12	SUMMONS Returned Executed by Gloria Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut, Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches. Denise Merrill served on 7/9/2020, answer due 7/30/2020. (Barrett, Dan) (Entered: 07/13/2020)
07/13/2020	13	NOTICE of Appearance by Davin Rosborough on behalf of Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches, Gloria Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut (Rosborough, Davin) (Entered: 07/13/2020)
07/13/2020	14	CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING re 10 MOTION for Attorney(s) Davin M. Rosborough, Ceridwen Cherry, Ihaab Syed, Dale E. Ho, and Sophia Lin Lakin to be Admitted Pro Hac Vice (paid \$1000 PHV fee; receipt number ACTDC-5957718) by Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches, Gloria

		Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut. (Rosborough, Davin) (Entered: 07/13/2020)
07/13/2020	<u>15</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Ceridwen Cherry on behalf of Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches, Gloria Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut (Cherry, Ceridwen) (Entered: 07/13/2020)
07/13/2020	<u>16</u>	CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING re <u>10</u> MOTION for Attorney(s) Davin M. Rosborough, Ceridwen Cherry, Ihaab Syed, Dale E. Ho, and Sophia Lin Lakin to be Admitted Pro Hac Vice (paid \$1000 PHV fee; receipt number ACTDC-5957718) by Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches, Gloria Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut. (Cherry, Ceridwen) (Entered: 07/13/2020)
07/13/2020	<u>17</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Sophia Lin Lakin on behalf of Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches, Gloria Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut (Lakin, Sophia) (Entered: 07/13/2020)
07/13/2020	<u>18</u>	CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING re <u>10</u> MOTION for Attorney(s) Davin M. Rosborough, Ceridwen Cherry, Ihaab Syed, Dale E. Ho, and Sophia Lin Lakin to be Admitted Pro Hac Vice (paid \$1000 PHV fee; receipt number ACTDC-5957718) by Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches, Gloria Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut. (Lakin, Sophia) (Entered: 07/13/2020)
07/13/2020	<u>19</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Ihaab Syed on behalf of Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches, Gloria Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut (Syed, Ihaab) (Entered: 07/13/2020)
07/13/2020	<u>20</u>	CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING re <u>10</u> MOTION for Attorney(s) Davin M. Rosborough, Ceridwen Cherry, Ihaab Syed, Dale E. Ho, and Sophia Lin Lakin to be Admitted Pro Hac Vice (paid \$1000 PHV fee; receipt number ACTDC-5957718) by Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches, Gloria Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut. (Syed, Ihaab) (Entered: 07/13/2020)
07/13/2020	<u>21</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Dale Ho on behalf of Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches, Gloria Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut (Ho, Dale) (Entered: 07/13/2020)

07/13/2020	<u>22</u>	CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING re <u>10</u> MOTION for Attorney(s) Davin M. Rosborough, Ceridwen Cherry, Ihaab Syed, Dale E. Ho, and Sophia Lin Lakin to be Admitted Pro Hac Vice (paid \$1000 PHV fee; receipt number ACTDC-5957718) by Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches, Gloria Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut. (Ho, Dale) (Entered: 07/13/2020)
07/23/2020	<u>23</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Michael Skold on behalf of Denise Merrill (Skold, Michael) (Entered: 07/23/2020)
07/23/2020	<u>24</u>	MOTION for Extension of Time until August 29, 2020 to Respond to Complaint <u>1</u> Complaint, by Denise Merrill. (Skold, Michael) (Entered: 07/23/2020)
07/23/2020	<u>25</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Maura Murphy-Osborne on behalf of Denise Merrill (Murphy-Osborne, Maura) (Entered: 07/23/2020)
07/23/2020	<u>26</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Alma Rose Nunley on behalf of Denise Merrill (Nunley, Alma) (Entered: 07/23/2020)
07/24/2020	27	ORDER granting <u>24</u> Defendant's Motion for Extension of Time to Respond to the Complaint, on consent, to 8/29/20. Signed by Judge Janet Bond Arterton on 7/24/20. (Tooker, Aimee) (Entered: 07/24/2020)
07/24/2020		Answer deadline updated for All Defendants. (Tooker, Aimee) (Entered: 07/24/2020)
08/21/2020	<u>28</u>	Joint MOTION for Extension of Time until September 28, 2020 <i>for</i> Defendant's Response to Complaint by Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches, Gloria Francesconi, League of Women Voters of Connecticut. (Barrett, Dan) (Entered: 08/21/2020)
08/25/2020	29	ORDER granting <u>28</u> Joint Motion for Extension of Time to Respond to the Complaint to 9/28/20. Signed by Judge Janet Bond Arterton on 8/24/20. (Tooker, Aimee) (Entered: 08/25/2020)
08/25/2020		Answer deadline updated for All Defendants. (Tooker, Aimee) (Entered: 08/25/2020)
09/25/2020	<u>30</u>	NOTICE of Voluntary Dismissal of Case by All Plaintiffs (Barrett, Dan) (Entered: 09/25/2020)

09/28/2020		<p>JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS SURVEY - FOR COUNSEL ONLY: The following link to the confidential survey requires you to log into CM/ECF for SECURITY purposes. Once in CM/ECF you will be prompted for the case number. Although you are receiving this survey through CM/ECF, it is hosted on an independent website called SurveyMonkey. Once in SurveyMonkey, the survey is located in a secure account. The survey is not docketed and it is not sent directly to the judge. To ensure anonymity, completed surveys are held up to 90 days before they are sent to the judge for review. We hope you will take this opportunity to participate, please click on this link:</p> <p>https://ecf.ctd.uscourts.gov/cgi-bin/Dispatch.pl?survey (Nuzzi, Tiffany) (Entered: 09/28/2020)</p>
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