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Plaintiffs,	) ) Case Number: 22-CV-16 SWS
W. FRANK EATHORNE in his capacity as chairman of THE WYOMING REPUBLICAN PARTY, THE WYOMING REPUBLICAN STATE CENTRAL	) ) )
COMMITTEE, and MARK GORDON, in his capacity	, )
as Governor of the State of Wyoming	)
, c	) )
Defendants.	)

## PLAINTIFF'S REPLY BRIEF

COMES NOW Plaintiffs, acting by and through their counsel, Patrick J. Crank, and files this Reply to the briefing provided by the Honorable Governor Mark Gordon in this matter.

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The Honorable Mark Gordon argues in his briefing that the case of *Rodriguez v. Popular* 

Democratic Party, 457 U.S 1 (1982) somehow shows that the Plaintiffs are unlikely to succeed on

the merits. This contention must be rejected.

Rodriguez is not on point and involves a much different factual situation than that presented

to this Court. Most importantly, the selection process challenged in *Rodriguez* involved a one man

one vote election that resulted in the selection of a legislator to occupy the vacant legislative seat.

See, Rodriguez, 557 U.S 14, N.3. Second, at the time that Rodriguez was decided, the Supreme

Court had not decided that the 14th Amendment to the United Constitution was even applicable to

the territory of Puerto Rico. Id. N.6. As admitted by Governor Gordon in his briefing, Rodriguez

did not involve a one man one vote challenge because a one man one vote election among party

members had occurred and the parties to the case had not, and could not have, challenged the

selection process on 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment Equal Protection Grounds. Whatever *Rodriguez* held; it does

not establish that the Plaintiffs are unlikely to succeed on the merits.

DATED this 26th day of January, 2022.

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