### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

#### EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

ROY FERRAND, LUTHER SCOTT, JR., and LOUISIANA STATE CONFERENCE OF THE NAACP, for themselves and all other persons similarly situated,

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:11-00926 LMA - JCW

v.

TOM SCHEDLER in his official capacity as the Louisiana Secretary of State, RUTH JOHNSON, in her official capacity as Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Children & Family Services, and BRUCE D. GREENSTEIN, in his official capacity as Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health & Hospitals,

# MOTION OF DEFENDANT, TOM SCHEDLER, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS LOUISIANA SECRETARY OF STATE, TO DISMISS UNDER RULE 12(b)

NOW INTO COURT, through undersigned counsel, comes Defendant, Tom Schedler, in his capacity as Louisiana Secretary of State, who moves to dismiss the plaintiffs complaint, all as more fully set forth in the Memorandum in Support filed herewith, for the following reasons:

- A. This Court should dismiss plaintiffs' claims for relief for failure to satisfy the requirements of 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-9(b) prior to filing suit;
- B. This Court should dismiss the complaint of Louisiana Conference of the NAACP because it lacks standing to sue;
- C. This Court should dismiss the plaintiffs' action for declaratory relief because it seeks to adjudicate past conduct;

- This Court lacks subject matter jurisdiction over the plaintiffs' second claim D. for relief because the Eleventh Amendment bars all state law claims for injunctive or declaratory relief; and
- This Court should dismiss the plaintiffs' claims for imposition of a court-Ε. approved plan of reporting and monitoring because the NVRA does not require court-approved reporting and monitoring.

WHEREFORE, Defendant, Tom Schedler, in his official capacity as Louisiana Secretary of State, prays that this Court issue an Order granting his Motion To Dismiss and dismissing the plaintiffs' Complaint with prejudice.

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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