IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS AUSTIN DIVISION

OCA – GREATER HOUSTON and MALLIKA DAS;

Plaintiffs,

v

CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:15-cv-00679-RP

STATE OF TEXAS; CARLOS CASCOS, in his official capacity as Texas Secretary of State and Chief Election Officer; et al.,

Defendants.

JOINT REPORT ON ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Plaintiffs OCA-Greater Houston and Mallika Das ("Plaintiffs"), Defendants State of Texas and Carlos Cascos ("State Defendants"), and Defendant Williamson County ("Williamson County") (collectively, the "Parties") file this Alternative Dispute Resolution ("ADR") Report in accordance with the Parties' proposed Scheduling Order (Dkt 30-1) and Local Rule CV-88 as follows:

- 1. The parties have already conducted meaningful discussions about settlement, and the discussions are on-going.
- 2. In addition to Plaintiffs' litigation counsel, Mallika Das is the party representative responsible for settlement negotiations on Plaintiffs' behalf. Likewise, in addition to litigation counsel for the State Defendants, Secretary of State is the party representative responsible for settlement negotiations on State Defendants' behalf. In addition to litigation counsel for Williamson County, Williamson County Elections Administrator, Christopher Davis, is the party representative responsible for settlement negotiations on Williamson County's behalf.

- 3. The Parties do not believe that alternative dispute resolution is appropriate in this case.
- 4. Each of the undersigned counsel hereby certifies that his or her client has been fully informed of the ADR procedures available in the Western District of Texas.

Dated: January 29, 2016 Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing

document has been served on January 29, 2016, to all counsel of record who are deemed to have

consented to electronic service via the Court's CM/ECF system per Local Rule CV-5(b)(1).

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