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§Case Type: **Appeal From Administrative Hearing**  
Date Filed: **10/17/2025**  
Location: **- Part I**  
Judicial Officer: **Moskal, Patricia Head****PARTY INFORMATION**

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| <b>Defendant</b> | <b>Attorney General Jonathan Srkmetti</b> | <b>Lead Attorneys</b><br><b>Cody N. Brandon</b><br><i>Retained</i><br>615-532-7400(W) |
| <b>Defendant</b> | <b>Governor Bill Lee</b>                  | <b>Cody N. Brandon</b><br><i>Retained</i><br>615-532-7400(W)                          |
| <b>Defendant</b> | <b>Major General Warner A Ross III</b>    | <b>Cody N. Brandon</b><br><i>Retained</i><br>615-532-7400(W)                          |
| <b>Plaintiff</b> | <b>Commissioner Erika Sugarmon</b>        | <b>William J. Harbison, II</b><br><i>Retained</i><br>615-742-4200(W)                  |
| <b>Plaintiff</b> | <b>Council Member Henrie E Brooks</b>     | <b>William J. Harbison, II</b><br><i>Retained</i><br>615-742-4200(W)                  |
| <b>Plaintiff</b> | <b>Council Member JB Smiley Jr</b>        | <b>William J. Harbison, II</b><br><i>Retained</i><br>615-742-4200(W)                  |
| <b>Plaintiff</b> | <b>Mayor Lee Harris</b>                   | <b>William J. Harbison, II</b><br><i>Retained</i><br>615-742-4200(W)                  |
| <b>Plaintiff</b> | <b>Representative GA Hardaway</b>         | <b>William J. Harbison, II</b><br><i>Retained</i><br>615-742-4200(W)                  |
| <b>Plaintiff</b> | <b>Representative Gabby Salinas</b>       | <b>William J. Harbison, II</b><br><i>Retained</i><br>615-742-4200(W)                  |
| <b>Plaintiff</b> | <b>Senator Jeff Yarbro</b>                | <b>William J. Harbison, II</b><br><i>Retained</i><br>615-742-4200(W)                  |

**EVENTS & ORDERS OF THE COURT**

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|            | <b>OTHER EVENTS AND HEARINGS</b>                                                                                                                                    |
| 10/17/2025 | <b>Complaint/Petition</b><br><i>Complaint</i>                                                                                                                       |
| 10/17/2025 | <b>Motion</b><br><i>Motion for Temporary Restraining Order, or in the Alternative, A Temporary Injunction</i>                                                       |
| 10/17/2025 | <b>Brief/Memorandum in Support of Motion</b><br><i>Memorandum in Support of Motion for Restraining Order or, in the Alternative, Temporary Injunction w/ 10 Ex.</i> |
| 10/17/2025 | <b>Summons - Service</b><br><i>Summons issued to Major General Warner A. Ross, III by Private Process Server</i>                                                    |
| 10/17/2025 | <b>Summons - Service</b><br><i>Summons issued to Governor Bill Lee by Private Process Server</i>                                                                    |

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| 10/17/2025 | <b>Summons - Service</b><br><i>Summons issued to Attorney General Jonathan Skrmetti by Private Process Server</i>                                                                                                                                               |
| 10/17/2025 | <b>Order</b><br><i>Order Denying Restraining Order and Setting Temporary Injunction Hearing</i>                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 10/17/2025 | <b>Order Issued</b><br><i>Order Issued to Major General Warner A. Ross, III by Private Process Server</i>                                                                                                                                                       |
| 10/17/2025 | <b>Order Issued</b><br><i>Order Issued to General Jonathan Skrmetti by Private Process Server</i>                                                                                                                                                               |
| 10/17/2025 | <b>Order Issued</b><br><i>Order Issued to Governor Bill Lee by Private Process Server</i>                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 10/21/2025 | <b>Notice of Appearance</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 10/22/2025 | <b>Motion to Appear pro hac vice</b><br><i>Unopposed Motion for Admission Pro Hac Vice of Zachary R. Clark w/ Proposed Order</i>                                                                                                                                |
| 10/23/2025 | <b>Motion</b><br><i>Defendants' Motion to Advance the Trial on the Merits</i>                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 10/23/2025 | <b>Motion for Continuance</b><br><i>Defendants' Motion for Continuance on Hearing on Plaintiffs' Motion for Temporary Injunction</i>                                                                                                                            |
| 10/23/2025 | <b>Motion</b><br><i>Defendants' Motion for Expedited Hearing on their Motion to Advance the Trial on the Merits and Motion for Continuance w/ Proposed Order</i>                                                                                                |
| 10/24/2025 | <b>Response to Motion</b><br><i>Plaintiffs' Consolidated Opposition to Defendants' Motions for Continuance of Hearing on Motion for Temporary Injunction and to Advance the Trial on the Merits w/ 1 Ex.</i>                                                    |
| 10/27/2025 | <b>Motion to Appear pro hac vice</b><br><i>Unopposed Motion for Admission Pro Hac Vice of Gary R. Dunn w/ 2 Ex. and Proposed Order (No Hearing Date Requested)</i>                                                                                              |
| 10/27/2025 | <b>Chancellor's Order</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 10/29/2025 | <b>Notice of Filing</b><br><i>Notice of Filing Regarding Motion for Admission Pro Hac Vice of Zachary R. Clark</i>                                                                                                                                              |
| 10/29/2025 | <b>Motion to Appear pro hac vice</b><br><i>Motion for Pro Hac Vice - Will Bardwell</i>                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 10/29/2025 | <b>Motion to Appear pro hac vice</b><br><i>Motion for Pro Hac Vice - Marlene Berroa Rodriguez</i>                                                                                                                                                               |
| 10/29/2025 | <b>Motion to Appear pro hac vice</b><br><i>Motion for Pro Hac Vice - Benjamin Rush Farley</i>                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 10/29/2025 | <b>Motion to Appear pro hac vice</b><br><i>Motion for Pro Hac Vice - Brian Netter</i>                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 10/29/2025 | <b>Motion to Appear pro hac vice</b><br><i>Motion for Pro Hac Vice - Efren Olivares</i>                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 10/29/2025 | <b>Motion to Appear pro hac vice</b><br><i>Motion for Pro Hac Vice - Joshua M. Salzman</i>                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 10/29/2025 | <b>Motion to Appear pro hac vice</b><br><i>Motion for Pro Hac Vice - Yenisey Rodriguez</i>                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 10/30/2025 | <b>Order</b><br><i>Order Granting Unopposed Motion For Admission Pro Hac Vice of Zachary R. Clark</i>                                                                                                                                                           |
| 10/30/2025 | <b>Notice of Appearance</b><br><i>Notice of Appearance of David M. Rudolph</i>                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 10/30/2025 | <b>Motion</b><br><i>Consent Motion of ACLU of Tennessee and Local Memphis Community Organizations for Leave to File Brief as Amici Curiae in Support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Temporary Injunction (No Hearing Date Requested) w/ Proposed Order and 1 Ex.</i> |
| 10/30/2025 | <b>Miscellaneous</b><br><i>Return on Service Attorney General Jonathan Skrmetti</i>                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 10/30/2025 | <b>Miscellaneous</b><br><i>Return on Service Governor Bill Lee</i>                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 10/30/2025 | <b>Miscellaneous</b><br><i>Return on Service Major General Warner A. Ross, III</i>                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 10/30/2025 | <b>Response to Motion</b><br><i>Defendants' Response in Opposition to Plaintiffs' Motion for Temporary Injunction</i>                                                                                                                                           |
| 10/30/2025 | <b>Brief/Memorandum in Support of Motion</b><br><i>Plaintiffs' Supplemental Brief in Support of Motion for Temporary Injunction</i>                                                                                                                             |
| 10/31/2025 | <b>Order</b><br><i>Order Granting Leave To File Brief As Amici Curiae</i>                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 10/31/2025 | <b>Order</b><br><i>Order Granting Unopposed Motion For Admission Pro Hac Vice of Gary R. Dunn</i>                                                                                                                                                               |
| 10/31/2025 | <b>Notice</b><br><i>Notice of Non-Opposition to Motions for Pro Hac Vice Admission</i>                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 10/31/2025 | <b>Order</b><br><i>Order Granting Motion For Admission Pro Hac Vice On Will Bardwell</i>                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 10/31/2025 | <b>Order</b><br><i>Order Granting Motion For Admission Pro Hac Vice On Marlene Berroa Rodriguez</i>                                                                                                                                                             |
| 10/31/2025 | <b>Order</b><br><i>Order Granting Motion For Admission Pro Hac Vice On Benjamin Rush Farley</i>                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 10/31/2025 | <b>Order</b><br><i>Order Granting Motion For Admission Pro Hac Vice On Brian Netter</i>                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 10/31/2025 | <b>Order</b><br><i>Order Granting Motion For Admission Pro Hac Vice On Joshua M. Salzman</i>                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 11/03/2025 | <b>Injunction</b> (1:30 PM) (Judicial Officer Moskal, Patricia Head)                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 11/03/2025 | <b>Order</b><br><i>Order Granting Motion For Admission Pro Hac Vice On Efren Carlos Olivares</i>                                                                                                                                                                |

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| 11/04/2025 | <b>Notice of Filing</b><br><i>Unopposed Notice of Filing</i>                                                                                                                      |
| 11/14/2025 | <b>Miscellaneous</b><br><i>Suggestion of Sufficient Bond</i>                                                                                                                      |
| 11/14/2025 | <b>Notice</b><br><i>Notice of Recent Factual Developments</i>                                                                                                                     |
| 11/14/2025 | <b>Motion</b><br><i>Unopposed Motion for Extension to File Response</i>                                                                                                           |
| 11/17/2025 | <b>Chancellor's Order</b><br><i>Order on Plaintiffs' Motion for Temporary Injunction</i>                                                                                          |
| 11/18/2025 | <b>Order</b><br><i>Agreed Order Granting Unopposed Motion For Extension to File Response</i>                                                                                      |
| 11/19/2025 | <b>Motion</b><br><i>Defendants' Motion to Clarify and for Permission for Interlocutory Appeal (Relief Requested by November 21, 2025)</i>                                         |
| 11/19/2025 | <b>Chancellor's Order</b><br><i>Order on Defendants' Motion for Clarification and Rule 9 Permission to Appeal</i>                                                                 |
| 11/20/2025 | <b>Response</b><br><i>Plaintiff's Response to Defendant's Motion for Permission for Interlocutory Appeal and Conditional Cross-Motion for Permission for Interlocutory Appeal</i> |
| 11/21/2025 | <b>Miscellaneous Bond</b><br><i>Restraining/Injunction Bond for \$50,000 filed by Sherrad Roe Voight &amp; Harbison PLC as Cash in Lieu of Surety</i>                             |
| 11/21/2025 | <b>Order Issued</b><br><i>Order on Plaintiffs' Motion for Temporary Injunction</i>                                                                                                |
| 11/22/2025 | <b>Chancellor's Order</b><br><i>ORDER ON (1) DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR INTERLOCUTORY APPEAL AND (2) PLAINTIFFS CROSS-MOTION FOR INTERLOCUTORY APPEAL</i>                             |
| 11/26/2025 | <b>Motion</b><br><i>Agreed Motion to Stay All Proceedings Pending Appeal w/ Proposed Order</i>                                                                                    |
| 12/01/2025 | <b>Order</b><br><i>Agreed Order Staying Proceedings Pending Appeal</i>                                                                                                            |

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