

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT  
MOHAVE COUNTY, STATE OF ARIZONA**

**HONORABLE LEE F. JANTZEN  
DIVISION: IV COURTROOM: 201  
COURT REPORTER: KIM FAEHN**

**CHRISTINA SPURLOCK, CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT  
BY: A. SHELTON, DEPUTY CLERK  
HEARING DATE: MAY 16, 2023**

**JEANNE KENTCH, an individual, TED  
BOYD, an individual, ABRAHAM  
HAMADEH, an individual, and REPUBLICAN  
NATIONAL COMMITTEE, a federal political  
party committee,**

**Plaintiffs,**

**vs.**

**KRIS MAYES, et. al.,**

**Defendants.**

**CASE NO: CV-2022-01468**

**ORAL ARGUMENT**

**START: 1:33 P.M.**

**APPEARANCES:** Timothy La Sota, Attorney for the and with the Plaintiffs; Jennifer Wright, Alexander Kolodin, James Sabalos, and Sigal Chattah, Attorney for and with the Plaintiff Hamadeh; Abraham Hamadeh, Jeanne Kentch, and Ted Boyd, Plaintiff's; Craig Morgan (appearing via Zoom), Attorney for the Defendant Secretary of State Adrian Fontes; Paul Eckstein (appearing via Zoom), Margo Casselman (appearing via Zoom), Samantha Burke (appearing via Zoom), and Alexis Danneman (appearing via Zoom), Attorneys for the Defendant Kris Mayes; Joseph Larue (appearing via Zoom), Thomas Liddy (appearing via Zoom), Jack O'Connor (appearing via Zoom), and Karen Hartman-Tellez (appearing via Zoom), Attorneys for the Defendants Stephen Richer, Maricopa County Recorder, and Maricopa County Board of Supervisors; Ryan Esplin and William Davis, Attorneys for the Defendants Kristi Blair, Mohave County Recorder, and Mohave County Board of Supervisors; Jason Moore (appearing via Zoom), Attorney for the Defendant Michael Sample, Navajo County Recorder, and Navajo County Board of Supervisors; Daniel Jurkowitz (appearing via Zoom), Attorney for the Defendants Gabriela Cazarez-Kelley, Pima County Recorder, and Pima County Board of Supervisors; James Mitchell (appearing via Zoom) and Chris Keller (appearing via Zoom), Attorneys for the Defendants Dana Lewis, Pinal County Recorder, and Pinal County Board of Supervisors.

This is the time set for an Oral Argument on the Plaintiff's Motion for a New Trial.

The Court explains court proceedings for Oral Arguments.

Mr. Sabalas presents arguments to the Court.

Ms. Wright presents arguments to the Court.

Ms. Danneman presents arguments to the Court.

Mr. Morgan presents arguments to the Court.

Mr. Jurkowitz is unsure on what the Petitioners are asking for; if they are asking for a recount then he objects.

Mr. Davis addresses the Court and notes the Mohave County Attorney's Office is only present today to argue for compensation for ballot inspectors.

The Court recesses at 2:48 p.m.

The Court reconvenes at 3:00 p.m.; all parties heretofore mentioned are present.

Ms. Wright presents rebuttal arguments to the Court; notes she is not asking for a recount; she is asking to count those ballots that were rejected.

Mr. Sabalos presents rebuttal arguments to the Court.

The Court notes the pending issues are Attorney's fees and the Motion to Compensate Ballot Inspectors; further, the Court does not need Oral Arguments for Attorney's fees at this time and will move forward with Oral Arguments for the Motion to Compensate Ballot Inspectors.

Mr. Moore presents arguments to the Court.

Mr. Davis notes Mohave County and Navajo County leave the decision up to the Court.

Mr. Kolodin leaves the decision up to the Court.

**IT IS ORDERED** taking all pending matters under advisement.

The Court recesses at 3:26 p.m.

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