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Ohioans Against Corporate Bailouts, LLC,
aka Ohioans Against Corporate Bailouts, et
al.

Case No. 2019-1447

v.

ENTRY

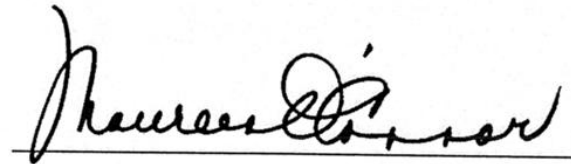
Frank LaRose, in his official capacity as
Ohio Secretary of State, et al.

This cause is here on the certification of a state law question from the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, Eastern Division. Upon review pursuant to S.Ct.Prac.R. 9.05, the court will answer the following questions:

- 1.) “Whether the right to referendum set forth in Article II, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution guarantees those circulating petitions in support of a referendum a full ninety days solely for the purpose of circulating petitions?”
- 2.) “If so, whether Ohio Rev. Code § 3519.01 violates the Ohio Constitution by shortening the ninety days to accommodate the fair-and-truthful review?”
- 3.) “If the Ohio Constitution guarantees a petitioner ninety days to circulate petitions, whether the number of days attributable to a petitioner’s own errors in submitting a referendum petition under Ohio Rev. Code § 3519.01 is “credited” to the petitioner or deducted from the ninety days?”
- 4.) “Whether a petitioner who does not claim to be “aggrieved” by the fair-and-truthful determination and thus fails to appeal the denial of a certification under Ohio Rev. Code § 3519.01(C) is entitled to credit toward the ninety days for the time spent fixing deficiencies in a fair-and-truthful statement?”
- 5.) “Whether a petitioner gets credit toward the ninety days for the time before, or between, a petition submission when the Attorney General and Secretary of State do not have a petition to review and consider under Ohio Rev. Code § 3519.01?”

It is ordered by the court that the petitioners shall file their merit brief within 40 days of the date of this entry and the parties shall otherwise proceed in accordance with S.Ct.Prac.R. 16.02 – 16.04, and S.Ct.Prac.R. 9.07.

(U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, Eastern Division; No. 2:19-CV-4466)

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Maureen O'Connor
Chief Justice