

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

At the Supreme Court of Appeals, continued and held at Charleston, Kanawha County, on January 8, 2016, the following order was made and entered **in vacation**:

State of West Virginia ex rel. Belinda Biafore,
in her capacity as Chair of the West Virginia
State Democratic Executive Committee, and
Stephen Davis, Linda Klopp, David Thompson,
Linda Phillips, Stephen Evans, and Patricia Blevins,
each individually, and in their capacity as the members
of the West Virginia Democratic Executive Committee
for the Ninth Senatorial District,
Petitioners

vs.) No. 16-0013

Earl Ray Tomblin, in his capacity as Governor of
the State of West Virginia, and Beverly R. Lund,
Justin M. Arvon, Sue “Waomi” Cline, Tony Paynter,
John Doe, and Jane Doe, in their capacity as the
members of the West Virginia Republican Executive
Committee for the Ninth Senatorial District,
Respondents

SCHEDULING ORDER

On January 8, 2015, came the petitioners, Belinda Biafore, et al., by counsel, Anthony J. Majestro, Esq., Powell and Majestro, PLLC, and presented to the Court an emergency petition praying for a writ of mandamus to be directed against the respondents, Earl Ray Tomblin, et al., as therein set forth.

It is hereby ordered that the respondents file a response to the petition for writ of mandamus, pursuant to Rule 16(g) R.A.P., or a summary response, pursuant to Rule 16(h)

R.A.P., on or before noon on Tuesday January 12, 2016. Interested parties who wish to file an amicus curiae brief may do so on or before noon on Tuesday January 12, 2016.

Once the deadline for filing responses has passed, the matter will be mature for consideration by the Court pursuant to Rule 16(i) R.A.P. In due course thereafter, parties will be notified of any decision in the case.

Nothing in this scheduling order is intended to indicate the Court's views on the merits of this matter, nor is it intended to prevent or delay public officials from exercising any duties under the West Virginia Code. Justice Benjamin did not participate.

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Attest: //s// Rory L. Perry II
Clerk of Court

