

In the Supreme Court of the United States

No. 23-696

COLORADO REPUBLICAN STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE,
Petitioner,

v.

NORMA ANDERSON ET AL.,
JENA GRISWOLD,

in her official capacity as Colorado Secretary of State,
and

DONALD J. TRUMP,
Respondents.

On Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to the Colorado Supreme Court

**RESPONSE OF THE ANDERSON RESPONDENTS TO PETITIONER'S
MOTION TO EXPEDITE CONSIDERATION OF THE PETITION FOR A
WRIT OF CERTIORARI AND TO EXPEDITE MERITS BRIEFING AND
ORAL ARGUMENT IN THE EVENT THAT THE COURT GRANTS THE
PETITION**

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The Anderson Respondents (the four Republican and two unaffiliated Colorado voters who brought this lawsuit) agree with Petitioner that the Court should expedite consideration of the petition for writ of certiorari.¹ They also agree that, if the Court grants the petition, the Court should expedite briefing, oral argument, and issuance of a decision on the merits.

However, for the reasons explained in the Anderson Respondents' own motion, filed contemporaneously with this response, Petitioner's proposal does not go far enough. First, Petitioner requests a schedule that would have this Court issue a decision before the presidential primaries on Super Tuesday, March 5, 2023. However, voting in Colorado happens mostly by mail and will begin for in-state residents once the ballots are mailed out on February 12. Additionally, significant primaries will take place in other states between February 12 and March 5. Petitioners therefore propose a schedule that will allow for briefing and argument in time for a decision by February 11, so that voters in Colorado and elsewhere will know whether Trump is disqualified before they cast their ballots.

Second, Petitioner's motion does not address the possibility that Donald Trump will also petition this Court to review aspects of the decision below. The Anderson Respondents' motion asks this Court to set a deadline for Trump to file a petition

¹ Petitioner's motion makes a number of incorrect factual claims which are irrelevant for the motion, as both the Petitioners and the Anderson Respondents agree this case should be expedited. The Anderson Petitioners will respond to any relevant misstatements in their forthcoming Brief in Response.

seeking review of any additional issues. This deadline will facilitate prompt resolution of all of the questions presented on the merits in this case.

Respectfully submitted.

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