IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF OCONEE COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

SUZANNAH HEIMEL,)
Plaintiff,))
v.) CIVIL ACTION NO. SUSR2024000058-LL
SHARON GREGG - DIRECTOR OF BOARD OF ELECTIONS and JAY HANLEY - CHAIRMAN OF BOARD OF ELECTIONS,))))
Defendants.)))

ANSWER OF INTERVENOR COMMON CAUSE GEORGIA

Intervenor Common Cause Georgia ("Common Cause"), by and through its attorneys, submits the following Answer to Plaintiff's Application for Writ of Mandamus (the "Application") and Cross-Claims. Common Cause responds to the allegations in the Application as follows.

ANSWER

1. Unnumbered Paragraph 1 of the Application appears to state that Defendant Sharon Gregg took actions against Plaintiff, including those set forth in subparagraphs 1-3. Common

the truth of this allegation. Unnumbered Paragraph 3 of the Application also states, "It is in clear violation of your duties as Director of Board of Election." This allegation calls for a legal conclusion to which no response is required. To the extent a further response is deemed required, Common Cause denies the allegation.

7.

FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiff's claims are barred because she lacks the requisite clear legal right to relief in order for a writ of mandamus to issue.

FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on October 4, 2024, the foregoing was served upon the following persons by electronic mail and the Court's electronic service delivery to:

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