IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF NORTH CAROLINA; WILLIAM COLLINS; ELLIOTT FELDMAN; CAROL FAULKNER FOX; ANNETTE LOVE; MARIA PALMER; GUNTHER PECK; ERSLA PHELPS; JOHN QUINN, III; AARON SARVER; JANIE SMITH SUMPTER; ELIZABETH TORRES EVANS; and WILLIS WILLIAMS;



Plaintiffs,

v.

No. 1:16-cv-01164-WO-JEP

ROBERT A. RUCHO, in his official capacity as Chairman of the North Carolina Senate Redistricting Committee for the 2016 Extra Session and Co-Chairman of the Joint Select Committee on Congressional Redistricting; DAVID R. LEWIS, in his official capacity as Chairman of the North Carolina House of Representatives Redistricting Committee for the 2016 Extra Session and Co-Chairman of the Joint Select Committee on Congressional Redistricting; TIMOTHY K. MOORE, in his official capacity as the Speaker of the North Carolina House of Representatives; PHILIP E. BERGER, in his official capacity as the President Pro Tempore of the North Carolina Senate; A. GRANT WHITNEY, JR., in his official capacity as Chairman and acting on behalf of the North Carolina State Board of Elections; THE CAROLINA STATE BOARD ELECTIONS; and THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

Defendants.

ORDER

IT APPEARING to the undersigned Chief Judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit of the United States that a civil action as above entitled was filed in the United States District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina wherein the plaintiffs allege, inter alia, that the North Carolina 2016 Congressional Redistricting Plan (N.C. Sess. Law 2016-1), as a whole and as to each of the thirteen congressional districts created by the Plan, is an unconstitutional partisan gerrymander in violation of the Equal Protection Clause and the First Amendment.

IT FURTHER APPEARING that a request for a three-judge district court has been presented to the Honorable William L. Osteen, Jr., who has notified the undersigned pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2284 of the pendency of such request to the end that a court of three judges may be convened as required by 28 U.S.C. § 2284.

NOW, THEREFORE, I DO HEREBY DESIGNATE the Honorable James A. Wynn, United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit; the Honorable William L. Osteen, Jr., Chief United States District Judge for the Middle District of North Carolina; and the Honorable W. Earl Britt, Senior United States District Judge for

the Eastern District of North Carolina, to serve in the hearing and determination of this matter, as provided by law, the three to constitute a district court of three judges as provided by 28 U.S.C. § 2284.

This 27^{+-} day of October, 2016.

Roger L. Gregory

Chief Judge, U.S. Count of Appeals

for the Fourth Circuit