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**MONTANA 18TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT,
GALLATIN COUNTY**

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF
MONTANA,

Plaintiff,

v.

AUSTIN KNUDSEN, in his official capacity
as the Attorney General of the State of
Montana; CHRISTI JACOBSEN, in her
official capacity as Secretary of State of the
State of Montana; and CHRIS GALLUS, in
his official capacity as the Commissioner of
Political Practices of the State of Montana,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. DV-16-23-1073
Hon. Peter B. Ohman

**STIPULATION FOR DISMISSAL
WITHOUT PREJUDICE**

Pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(ii) of the Montana Rules of Civil Procedure, the parties, through their undersigned counsel of record, hereby stipulate to the following and agree to dismiss this matter **without prejudice**, with all parties to bear their own costs and fees.

1. On October 31, 2023, Plaintiffs filed their Complaint for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief, seeking a declaration that the provision of House Bill 892 (“HB 892”) codified at sections 13-35-210(5)-(6) of the Montana Code violates several provisions of the Montana Constitution, and injunctive relief enjoining Defendants, their agents, officers, employees, successors, and all persons acting in concert with them from enforcing that provision. (Doc. 1). Plaintiffs moved for a preliminary injunction on November 16, 2023. (Doc. 14).
2. A separate federal lawsuit was also filed against Defendants in the U.S. District Court for the District of Montana, challenging HB 892 under federal law. On April 24, 2024, the U.S. District Court for the District of Montana granted federal plaintiffs’ motion for a preliminary injunction, which enjoined “Defendants, their agents, and their successors . . . from enforcing HB 892’s multiple registration prohibition and prior registration disclosure requirement provisions codified in Mont. Code. Ann. § 13-35-210(5).” *Montana Public Interest Research Group v. Jacobsen*, No. 6:23-cv-00070-BMM (D. Mont. Apr. 24, 2024), ECF No. 79 at 33–34.
3. On April 29, 2024, this Court denied Plaintiff’s Motion for a Preliminary Injunction as moot based on the federal court injunction. (Doc. 58).
4. On September 17, 2024, the Court issued an Order staying this matter, pending resolution of the federal court case. (Doc. 91).

5. On March 10, 2025, the U.S. District Court for the District of Montana enjoined section 13-35-210(5) of the Montana Code based on the federal parties’ stipulation and joint request for a consent judgment. The federal court’s order states that the “preliminary injunction enjoining Defendants, their agents, and their successors from enforcing HB 892’s multiple registration prohibition and prior registration disclosure requirements codified in Mont. Code. Ann. § 13-35-210(5) shall remain in effect permanently.” *Montana Public Interest Research Group v. Jacobsen*, No. 6:23-cv-00070-BMM (D. Mont. Mar. 10, 2025), ECF No. 111 at 2. Additionally, the federal court’s order states that “Defendants agree not to enforce HB 892’s multiple registration prohibition or prior registration disclosure requirements codified in Mont. Code. Ann. § 13-35-210(5).” *Id.* Given the federal court’s permanent injunction of Mont. Code. Ann. § 13-35-210(5), section 13-35-210(6) penalties specifically for violations of section 13-35-210(5) are also null and void.

A Proposed Order accompanies this Stipulation for Dismissal.

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Respectfully submitted this 9th day of April 2025.

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