

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

VICTORIA JACKSON GRAY ADAMS, et al.,
Appellants,

v.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION, et al.,
Appellees

ADAMS APPELLANTS' MOTION FOR ORAL ARGUMENT

In accordance with the June 19, 2003 order of this Court, the *Adams* appellants hereby move for 15 minutes of oral argument time to present their case during the session before the Court scheduled for September 8, 2003.

The *Adams* appellants' claims bear no resemblance to those of any other party in this consolidated litigation. The *Adams* appellants have alleged that the increased contribution limits of sections 304(a), 307, and 319 of the Bipartisan Campaign Finance Reform Act (BCRA) violate the equal protection guarantee incorporated by the Due Process Clause of the Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution. Since they are the only appellants to make this claim, the *Adams* appellants need 15 minutes of the total oral argument time allotted to appellants in the consolidated BCRA cases in order to fully present their arguments to the Court.¹

¹ The *Adams* appellants sought to coordinate this request with the appellants filing a joint submission regarding oral argument on claims challenging provisions of Titles I and II of BCRA. The appellants making that joint submission refused to include a request for any time for the *Adams* appellants.

The *Adams* appellants, in fact, take positions contrary to those of most of the other appellants. Unlike the majority of appellants who were plaintiffs in the district court proceedings below, the *Adams* appellants do not oppose the BCRA's soft money restrictions. To the contrary, the *Adams* appellants believe that the soft money restrictions are constitutional, and the *Adams* organizational appellants plan to file an *amicus* brief to that effect. Neither have the *Adams* appellants challenged the BCRA's electioneering provisions as unconstitutional. The *Adams* appellants solely challenge the hard money increases in BCRA.

Given that no other appellants make this claim, the *Adams* appellants respectfully request that this Court grant their motion for 15 minutes of oral argument time to present their case.

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Respectfully submitted,

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