

IN THE SUPREME COURT
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

ORDER

Supreme Court No. 20220233

**Jared Hendrix, as chairman of the North
Dakota for Term Limits Sponsoring
Committee, and North Dakota for Term Limits, Petitioners**

v.

**Alvin A. Jaeger, in his official capacity as
North Dakota Secretary of State, Respondent**

[¶1] On August 12, 2022, a petition for a writ of mandamus was filed by Jared Hendrix, as chairman of the North Dakota for Term Limits Sponsoring Committee and North Dakota for Term Limits, requesting this Court exercise its original jurisdiction to order Alvin A. Jaeger, in his capacity as North Dakota’s Secretary of State, to place the Term Limits Initiative on the November 8, 2022 ballot. The Court considered the matter, determined that there are disputed questions of fact necessary to its decision in this matter, and

[¶2] ORDERED that this matter is assigned to the Honorable James S. Hill, Judge of the district court, South Central Judicial District, to hold an evidentiary hearing and make findings of fact on the following issue: the Respondent’s disqualification of petition signatures.

[¶3] IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Judge Hill hold the hearing and submit findings of fact no later than August 26, 2022.

[¶4] IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any response by the Respondent to the petition and the district court’s findings of fact must be filed no later than 12:00 p.m. on August 30, 2022 and any reply by the Petitioners no later than 12:00 p.m. on September 1, 2022.

[¶5] IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that oral argument will be held on Friday, September 2, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

[¶6] The Supreme Court of the State of North Dakota convened this 17th day of August 2022 with the Honorable Jon J. Jensen, Chief Justice, and the Honorable Lisa Fair McEvers and the Honorable Jerod E. Tufte, Justices, directing the Clerk of the Supreme Court to enter the above order. The Honorable Gerald W. VandeWalle and the Honorable Daniel J. Crothers were disqualified and did not participate in the decision.

/s/ Petra H. Mandigo Hulm
Clerk
North Dakota Supreme Court