STATE OF COLORADO SECRETARY OF STATE Administrative Hearing Office 1700 Broadway, Suite 550 Denver, CO 80290

Case number: 2025 AHO 17 CPF (in re ED 2024-64)

IN THE MATTER OF:

ELECTIONS DIVISION of the SECRETARY OF STATE

Complainant

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Respondent

REVISED SCHEDULING ORDER AND ORDER CONTINUING ANSWER DATE

- 1. The June 20, 2025 Scheduling Order required Respondent to answer the Complaint on prior to July 7, 2025.
- 2. On July 3, 2025, Respondent's counsel filed on an unopposed Motion to obtain an additional two weeks to respond to the complaint. Counsel did that within a day of being retained to represent Respondent.
- 3. I find that there is good cause to grant a continuance of the time for Respondent's Answer or response to the Complaint. Campaign & Political Finance [CPF] Rule 24.12.1, 8 Code Colo. Regs. 1505-6. Accordingly, the Motion is GRANTED.
 - 4. **Revised Scheduling Order.** Other dates are hereby established as follows:

Pleading or action	Date
Answer [CPF Rule 24.7.1, 8 Code Colo. Regs. 1505-6]	Monday, July 21, 2025
Dispositive Motions	Monday, July 28, 2025

Pleading or action	Date
Pre-hearing statements and exhibits exchanged and filed [CPF Rule 24.11.2]	Monday, August 18, 2025
Exhibits list	Thursday, August 21, 2025
Hearing	Tuesday, August 26, 2025

- 5. **Dispositive motions.** If dispositive motions are filed, responses and replies due 14 and 21 days thereafter. The filing of a dispositive motion by one party relieves both parties of the obligation of filing a prehearing statement at the time set forth above. After a ruling on dispositive motions, an amended scheduling order will issue that establishes new dates for pre-hearing statements, exchange of exhibits and the hearing.
- 6. Motions shall be handled in accordance with Campaign & Political Finance [CPF] Rule 24.9, 8 Code Colo. Regs. 1505-6.
 - 7. **Prehearing Statements** shall comply with CPF Rule 24.11.
- 8. **Exchange of exhibits.** Exhibits of the parties are to be exchanged on the same date that Prehearing Statements are filed.
- 9. **Exhibit format.** Exhibits of the parties are to be filed on the same date as the Prehearing Statements. Each party shall put its exhibits in a single bookmarked pdf file, with each exhibit labeled (with the Division using numbers and the Respondent using letters) and bookmarked within the pdf file. The exhibit "labels" must contain the exhibit number or letter, the hearing date and the case number.
- 10. **Trial Efficiencies.** Include an estimate of time needed for direct examination of each witness in each parties' case in chief, as well as the amount of time required to try the case.
- 11. The Division shall file **a single exhibit list**, noting stipulations as to admissibility and objections by the parties, using the template that will be provided by the Court Clerk on request.
- 12. **Hearing in this matter**, pursuant to \$1-45-111.7(6)(a) and \$24-4-105, C.R.S. is hereby scheduled for Tuesday, August 26, 2025 at 2:00 PM in the hearing room of the Secretary of State at 1700 Broadway, Suite 550, Denver, Co 80290.
- 13. **Certificates of Service.** Respondent's certificate of service on the unopposed Motion "copying all parties of record" is no certificate at all. It is NOT descriptive and therefore is inadequate. Parties and non-parties (like the Third-Party Complainant) who are served must be individually identified with the address that is used for service.

SO ORDERED this 9th day of July 2025

Macon Cowles, Hearing Officer

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that one true copy of this Scheduling Order was sent via email on July 9, 2025 to the following:

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