

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
FORT WORTH DIVISION

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BLESSED CAJUNS LLC, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ISABELLA CASILLAS GUZMAN, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 4:21-cv-00677-O

**DEFENDANTS' REPLY TO PLAINTIFFS' SUPP. REPLY (ECF NO. 16)**

Defendants write to briefly clarify one issue regarding Plaintiffs' citation to yesterday's Sixth Circuit decision. Although it is correct that the Sixth Circuit rejected the government's mootness argument, that Court issued its decision minutes *before* the government was about to file the Second Miller Declaration (ECF No. 14) in that case. See *Vitolo v. Guzman*, Case No. 21-5517, Doc. 13 (6th Cir. May 24, 2021) (First Miller Declaration); *id.*, Doc. 22 (order). The Sixth Circuit panel therefore did not have before it the information that "SBA has reordered its processing queue based on the time that applicants submitted their applications" and "is now processing applications based on the time they were filed, not based on the priority status of the applicant." Second Miller Decl. ¶ 6. The panel accordingly did not have the opportunity to consider the full set of facts before the Court here. The United States plans to inform the Sixth Circuit of this development today.

Respectfully submitted,

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