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Lyle W. Cayce  
Clerk of Court  
United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit  
F. Edward Hebert Building  
600 South Maestri Place  
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130-3408

Re: *Whole Woman's Health v. Jackson*, No. 21-50792

Dear Mr. Cayce:

Earlier today, the district court acknowledged that the notice of appeal has divested it of jurisdiction over all claims except those asserted against Mr. Dickson. A few minutes ago, the district court ordered Mr. Dickson to respond to the plaintiffs' motion for summary judgment by Friday, September 3, 2021. The appellees also filed their response to Mr. Dickson's motion to stay at 4:06 P.M., which makes numerous arguments that Mr. Dickson wishes to respond to before the Court rules.

The original motion to stay requested a ruling from this Court by 5:00 P.M. today, so that all of the defendants could know whether they would need to spend the weekend preparing for the preliminary-injunction hearing of August 30, 2021. Because Mr. Dickson is now the only party affected by the motion to stay, and because Mr. Dickson wishes to respond to the recent developments in the district court and the brief that the appellees filed at 4:06 P.M., Mr. Dickson respectfully asks to extend the requested deadline for ruling until **12:00 P.M. tomorrow, August 28, 2021.**

Thank you for considering this.

Sincerely,



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cc: All counsel (via CM/ECF)