STATE OF MAINE KENNEBEC, ss.

SUPERIOR COURT CIVIL ACTION DKT. NO. CV 20-95

ALLIANCE FOR RETIRED AMERICANS; DOUG BORN; DON BERRY; and VOTE.ORG,

Plaintiffs.

v.

MATTHEW DUNLAP, in his official capacity as the Maine Secretary of State; and AARON FREY, in his official capacity as the Maine Attorney General.

Defendants

and

DONALD J. TRUMP FOR PRESIDENT, INC., REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE, NATIONAL REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL COMMITTEE, and REPUBLICAN PARTY OF MAINE,

Intervenor-Defendants

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION OF MAINE FOUNDATION and MAINE CONSERVATION VOTERS,

Amici Curiae

**NOTICE OF APPEAL** 

AUGUSTA COURTS SEP 30 '20 PM3:19

Plaintiffs provide notice, pursuant to M.R.App.P. 2A(b)(1), that they are appealing the trial court's *Decision on Motion for Preliminary Injunction* dated September 30, 2020, in particular the portions of the decision regarding (a) notice and opportunity to cure defects with absentee ballots and (b) the requirement in Maine statute, 21-A M.R.S. §§ 755, that absentee ballots must be received by election day in order to be counted. Pursuant to M.R.App.P. 2A(b)(1), copies of this Notice of Appeal are being provided to counsel for Defendants Secretary Dunlap and Attorney

General Frey, counsel for Intervenor-Defendants, and counsel for Amici Curiae. In addition, a copy of the transcript order confirmation sheet evidencing Plaintiffs' order of the transcript from the September 21 - 22, 2020 hearing is included with this filing in accordance with M.R.App.P. 2A(d)(1). Finally, the parties are notified, pursuant to Rule 2A(b)(1) of the need to file an appearance to be heard on the appeal.

Plaintiffs will shortly be filing a motion for expedited consideration of this appeal with the Law Court pursuant to M.R. App. P. 7(b)(4), because this appeal concerns two issues of importance to the upcoming November election, namely whether absentee ballots must be received by election day in order to be counted and whether absentee voters will receive adequate notice of and a meaningful opportunity to cure any defects with their absentee ballots.

Dated this 30th day of September.

Respectfully submitted,

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