

STATE OF MAINE
CUMBERLAND, SS

SUPERIOR COURT
DOCKET NO. PORSC-AP-2026-10

JANE GILBERT; MARK SAYRE; and
KAITLIN WEBBER,

Petitioners,

v.

SHENNA BELLOWS, in her official capacity
as Maine Secretary of State,

Respondent.

**JOINT MOTION FOR
SCHEDULING ORDER**

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Petitioners Jane Gilbert, Mark Sayre, and Kaitlin Webber (“Petitioners”) and Respondent Shenna Bellows, in her official capacity as Secretary of State for the State of Maine (the “Secretary”), hereby jointly propose the following schedule for the above-captioned matter.

In the pending action, Petitioners challenge the Secretary’s determination of the validity of a petition for citizen-initiated legislation, entitled “An Act to Designate School Sports Participation and Facilities by Sex.” Under 21-A M.R.S. § 905(2), this Court must issue its final decision in the Rule 80C appeal within 40 days of the date of the Secretary’s decision, which was issued on March 17, 2026. Accordingly, the Court’s order must be issued no later than **April 27, 2026**. Working back from this deadline, the parties jointly propose the following schedule:

Secretary Files Agency Record with Court	Monday, April 6, 2026
Petitioners’ (and any supporting Intervenors’) Brief is Due	Friday, April 10, 2026
Respondent’s (and any supporting Intervenors’) Brief Due	Friday, April 17, 2026
Petitioners’ Reply Brief is Due	Thursday, April 22, 2026

The parties provided the above proposed schedule to counsel for proposed Intervenor Protect Girls Sports BQC, who indicated agreement with the proposed schedule:

A proposed scheduling order is attached for the Court's review and consideration. Should the Court request, the parties will make themselves available for a conference with the Court.

Dated: April 3, 2026

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**[PROPOSED]
SCHEDULING ORDER**

The parties having submitted a Joint Motion for Scheduling Order in the above-captioned action, it is hereby ORDERED that:

1. Respondent shall produce the agency record by Monday, April 6, 2026;
 2. Petitioners' (and any supporting Intervenors') brief is due by Friday, April 10, 2026;
 3. Respondent's (and any supporting Intervenors') brief is due by Friday, April 17, 2026;
- and
4. Petitioners' (and any supporting Intervenors') reply brief is due by Wednesday, April 22, 2026.

This Court will issue its final decision on the above-captioned administrative appeal by Monday, April 27, 2026.

Pursuant to M.R. Civ. P. 79(a), the clerk is hereby directed to incorporate this order by reference in the docket.

Dated:

Justice, Superior Court