

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION**

**Ohio Republican Party, *et al.*,**

**Plaintiffs,**

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**Case No.: 2:08-cv-00913**

**Judge Smith**

**Magistrate Judge King**

**Jennifer Brunner,**

**Defendant.**

**ORDER**

This matter is before the Court on Defendant's Motion to Stay the Temporary Restraining Order (Doc. 54). Defendant asserts that she demonstrated during the oral hearing the difficulty involved in modifying the Statewide Voter Registration Database ("SWVRD") in the manner contemplated by the Court's Order. Defendant argues that any substantial programming of the SWVRD can lead to a breakdown in the boards' ability to properly prepare accurate lists of voters for each precinct. However, the Court has not seen any evidence of that. Rather, the Court has seen evidence that the SWVRD contains all the information and that the State has the ability to search most of the fields of the database, including name, address, social security, date of birth, precinct number . . . etc. Even if such reprogramming takes four to five days as Defendant suggests, it could still be done well before the Court-ordered deadline such that the information be available to the county Boards of Elections no later than October 17, 2008. The Court understands that this is a burden on Defendant, however, the weighty interests involved, including safeguarding the legitimacy of the election, justify this burden.

Defendant's Motion to Stay is therefore **DENIED**. Defendant shall begin taking all the necessary steps to ensure compliance with the Temporary Restraining Order.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

*/s/ George C. Smith* \_\_\_\_\_  
**GEORGE C. SMITH, JUDGE**  
**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**