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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

MUHAMMAD FARRAKHAN, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

CHRISTINE O. GREGOIRE, *et al.*,

Defendants.

NO. CV-96-076-RHW

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION  
FOR SUBSTITUTION OF  
PUBLIC OFFICERS**

Before the Court is Defendants' Motion for Substitution of Public Officers (Ct. Rec. 197). Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 25(d) states that “[w]hen a public officer is a party to an action in his official capacity and during its pendency . . . ceases to hold office, . . . the officer’s successor is automatically substituted as a party.” Fed. R. Civ. P. 25(d).

Accordingly, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

1. Defendants’ Motion for Substitution of Public Officers (Ct. Rec. 193) is **GRANTED**.

2. The caption of this action shall be corrected to substitute (1) the Honorable Christine O. Gregoire, Governor of the State of Washington, for her predecessor in office, the Honorable Gary Locke; (2) the Honorable Sam Reed, Secretary of State of the State of Washington, for his predecessor in office, the Honorable Ralph Munro; and (3) the Honorable Harold W. Clarke, Secretary of the Department of Corrections of the State of Washington, for his predecessor in office, the Honorable Joseph Lehman.

1           **IT IS SO ORDERED.** The District Court Executive is directed to enter this  
2 Order and forward copies to counsel.

3           **DATED** this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2005.

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s/ ROBERT H. WHALEY  
Chief United States District Judge

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