

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

NORTH CAROLINA STATE)
CONFERENCE OF THE NAACP, *et al.*,)

Plaintiffs,)

v.)

1:13CV658

PATRICK LLOYD MCCRORY, in his)
official capacity as Governor of North)
Carolina, *et al.*,)

Defendants.)

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF)
NORTH CAROLINA, *et al.*,)

Plaintiffs,)

and)

LOUIS M. DUKE, *et al.*,)

Plaintiffs-Intervenors,)

v.)

1:13CV660

THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, *et al.*,)

Defendants.)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)

Plaintiff,)

v.)

1:13CV861

THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, *et al.*,)

Defendants.)

**DEFENDANTS' STATUS REPORT ON THE EFFECT OF S.L. 2015-103 ON THE
VOTER IDENTIFICATION CLAIMS**

Defendants, in accordance with the directive in this Court's order of June 26, 2015 (Doc. 282 in Case No. 1:13-cv861), provide the court with a status report on the effect of S.L. 2015-103 on plaintiffs' voter identification claims in the above-captioned matters and request that the Court dismiss these claims for the reasons stated in Defendants' motion to dismiss for lack of subject matter jurisdiction (Doc. No. 299 in Case No. 1:13-cv861) and supporting memoranda of law (Docs. 300 and 322 in Case No. 1:13-cv861).

In further support of their position, defendants request that the court consider the decision of the Fifth Circuit in *Veasey v. Abbott*, Case No. 14-41127 (5th Cir. Aug. 5, 2015), which plaintiffs filed with the Court in these matters on August 7, 2015 as part of their Suggestion of Subsequently Decided Authority. (Doc. 323 and 323-1 in Case No. 1:13-cv-861).

In *Veasey*, the Fifth Circuit found that Texas's photo identification requirements violated Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act. Rather than affirming the District Court's remedy of a permanent injunction of the statute, the Fifth Circuit indicated that any discriminatory burden resulting from the photo identification requirement would be remedied if Texas allowed voters to sign an affidavit stating that they did not have an acceptable form of photo identification and present a copy of their voter registration card. The remedy suggested by the Fifth Circuit is similar to the options provided to North Carolina voters under S.L. 2015-103.

For these reasons, plaintiffs' claims challenging North Carolina's voter identification requires are now moot and should be dismissed.

This 17th day of August, 2015.

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