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Via Email and Hand Delivery

Ms. Sheila T. Reiff
Clerk of Supreme Court
110 East Main Street, Suite 215
Madison, WI 53701-1688

Re: *Johnson v. Wisconsin Elections Commission*,
Case No. 2021AP1450-OA

Dear Ms. Reiff:

We write on behalf of Respondents, Wisconsin Elections Commission and all six commissioners in their official capacities (the "Commission"), to inform the Court that the Commission respectfully will not be filing a brief addressing the four questions posed by the Court in its order dated October 14, 2021.

It is the Commission's position that these questions and answers are better left to the parties who will be litigating the contours of the maps. The Commission does not take a position on issues related to the drawing of the maps; it is simply focused on its ability to administer the fall election once the new maps are complete. To that end, as explained in previous submissions to the Court, the new maps must be in place by March 1, 2022. That deadline, as opposed to any particular redistricting plan, is the Commission's primary concern.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. C. Kilpatrick".

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cc: All parties and amici listed on the electronic docket.