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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

**PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRATIC
PARTY, et al.,**

Petitioners,

v.

KATHY BOOCKVAR, et al.,

Respondents.

No. 133 MM 2020

**ANSWER OF RESPONDENT LUZERNE COUNTY
BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO PETITIONERS'
PETITION FOR DECLARATORY AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF**

NOW COMES, the Luzerne County Board of Elections, by and through its undersigned counsel, and hereby files the following:

On September 1, 2020, this Honorable Court entered an Order granting extraordinary jurisdiction over the Commonwealth Court case docketed at 407 MD 2020 and permitting the parties and intervenors to file “supplemental briefing and/or affidavits to support their respective positions on the claims raised in this case on or before Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.” See Order of Pennsylvania Supreme Court dated September 1, 2020.

The 2020 general election is less than two months away, and it is critically important that the Boards of Elections focus their efforts on preparing for it. The

Luzerne County Board of Elections seeks a determination on the claims raised in this case which would permit it sufficient time to incorporate any necessary guidance from or decisions by this Honorable Court into its administration of the November 2020 General Election.

Joinder in Brief of Secretary Boockvar

The Luzerne County Board of Elections shares the position of Respondent, Secretary Boockvar, on the claims raised in this case and to that end hereby joins in the Brief filed by Secretary Boockvar.

Respectfully Submitted,

DATED: September 8, 2020

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