#### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF FULTON COUNTY

### STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE: SPECIAL PURPOSE GRAND JURY FILED IN OFFICE

2022-EX-000024

Judge Robert C. I. McBurney

### <u>CERTIFICATE OF MATERIAL WITNESS</u> <u>PURSUANT TO UNIFORM ACT TO SECURE THE ATTENDANCE</u> <u>OF WITNESSES FROM WITHOUT THE STATE,</u> <u>CODIFIED IN THE STATE OF GEOGIA AS</u> <u>O.C.G.A. § 24-13-90 ET SEQ.</u>

Upon the petition of Fani T. Willis, District Attorney, Atlanta Judicial Circuit, pursuant to the Uniform Act to Secure the Attendance of Witnesses from Without the State, codified at O.C.G.A. § 24-13-90 et seq., the Court issues the following Certificate under seal of this Court, and further says as follows:

- A Special Purpose Grand Jury investigation commenced in Fulton County, Georgia, by order of this Court on May 2, 2022. See Order Impaneling Special Purpose Grand Jury Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 15-12-100, et seq., "Exhibit A". The Special Purpose Grand Jury is authorized to investigate any and all facts and circumstances relating directly or indirectly to possible attempts to disrupt the lawful administration of the 2020 elections in the State of Georgia. See Letter Requesting Special Purpose Grand Jury, "Exhibit B".
- Based on the representations made by the State in the attached "Petition for Certification of Need for Testimony Before Special Purpose Grand Jury Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 24-13-90 et seq.", the Court finds that Cleta B. Deatherage Mitchell, born

September 16, 1950 (hereinafter, "the Witness"), is a necessary and material witness to the Special Purpose Grand Jury investigation. The Court further finds that the Witness currently resides at 139 National Drive, Pinchurst, NC 28374.

- 3. Based on the representations made by the State in the attached "Petition for Certification of Need for Testimony Before Special Purpose Grand Jury Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 24-13-90 et seq.", the Court further finds that the Witness was an attorney for the Trump Campaign's legal efforts seeking to influence the results of the November 2020 election in Georgia and elsewhere. As part of those efforts, on January 2, 2021, the Witness, former President Donald Trump, and other individuals associated with the Trump Campaign made a telephone call to Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger and members of his staff. During the telephone call, the Witness and others made allegations of widespread voter fraud in the November 2020 election in Georgia and pressured Secretary Raffensperger to take action in his official capacity to investigate unfounded claims of fraud. Additionally, former President Trump asked Secretary Raffensperger to "find 11,780 votes" in his favor.
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- The testimony of the Witness will not be cumulative of any other evidence in this matter.
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which arose before the Witness's entrance into this State and other states, while traveling to and from this Court for the purpose of testifying for this case.

- 9. The State of Georgia is a participant in a reciprocal program providing for the securing of witnesses to testify in foreign jurisdictions which likewise provide for such methods of securing witnesses to testify in their courts.
- 10. This Certificate is made for the purpose of being presented to a judge of the Monroe County, NC, Superior Court (District 19D) by the Moore County District Attorney, or his duly authorized representative, who is proceeding at the request and on behalf of the Office of the Fulton County District Attorney to compel the Witness to be in attendance and testify before the Special Purpose Grand Jury on July 12, 2022, and continuing through and until the conclusion of the Witness's testimony on or before August 31, 2022, at the Superior Court of Fulton County, Fulton County Courthouse, 136 Pryor Street, 3rd Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL as a judge of the Superior Court of Fulton County,

Georgia,

This the 2022.

Hon. Robert C. I. McBurney Superior Court of Fulton County Atlanta Judicial Circuit State of Georgia

# **Exhibit** A

# IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF FULTON COUNTY ATLANTA JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STATE OF GEORGIA

TULTON COUN

IN RE: REQUEST FOR SPECIAL PURPOSE GRAND JURY

# ORDER APPROVING REQUEST FOR SPECIAL PURPOSE GRAND JURY PURSUANT TO O.C.G.A. §15-12-100, et seq.

The District Attorney for the Atlanta Judicial Circuit submitted to the judges of the Superior Court of Fulton County a request to impanel a special purpose jury for the purposes set forth in that request. This request was considered and approved by a majority of the total number of the judges of this Court, as required by O.C.G.A. §15-12-100(b).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that a special purpose grand jury be drawn and impaneled to serve as provided in O.C.G.A. § 15-12-67, and 15-12-100, to commence on May 2, 2022, and continuing for a period not to exceed 12 months. Such period shall not include any time periods when the supervising judge determines that the special purpose grand jury cannot meet for safety or other reasons, or any time periods when normal court operations are suspended by order of the Supreme Court of Georgia or the Chief Judge of the Superior Court. The special purpose grand jury shall be authorized to investigate any and all facts and circumstances relating directly or indirectly to alleged violations of the laws of the State of Georgia, as set forth in the request of the District Attorney referenced herein above.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 15-12-101(a), the Honorable Robert C. I. McBurney is hereby assigned to supervise and assist the special purpose grand jury, and shall charge said special purpose grand jury and receive its reports as provided by law. This authorization shall include the investigation of any overt acts or predicate acts relating to the subject of the special purpose grand jury's investigative purpose. The special purpose grand jury, when making its presentments and reports, pursuant to O.C.G.A. §§ 15-12-71 and 15-12-101, may make recommendations concerning criminal prosecution as it shall see fit. Furthermore, the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 15-12-83 shall apply.

This Court also notes that the appointment of a special purpose grand jury will permit the time, efforts, and attention of the regular grand jury(ies) impaneled in this Circuit to continue to be devoted to the consideration of the backlog of criminal matters that has accumulated as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Fulton County. SO ORDERED, THIS 14 DAXOF 2022.

CHRISTOPHER S. BRASHER, CHIEF JUDGE Superior Court of Fulton County Atlanta Judicial Circuit

# Exhibit B

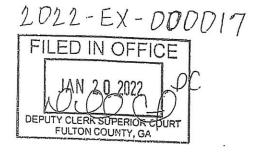
## OFFICE OF THE FULTON COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY ATLANTA JUDICIAL CIRCUIT 136 PRYOR STREET SW, 3RD FLOOR ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303

Fani T. Millis District Attorney



TELEPHONE 404-612-4639

The Honorable Christopher S. Brasher Chief Judge, Fulton County Superior Court Fulton County Courthouse 185 Central Avenue SW, Suite T-8905 Atlanta, Georgia 30303



January 20, 2022

Dear Chief Judge Brasher:

I hope this letter finds you well and in good spirits. Please be advised that the District Attorney's Office has received information indicating a reasonable probability that the State of Georgia's administration of elections in 2020, including the State's election of the President of the United States, was subject to possible criminal disruptions. Our office has also learned that individuals associated with these disruptions have contacted other agencies empowered to investigate this matter, including the Georgia Secretary of State, the Georgia Attorney General, and the United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Georgia, leaving this office as the sole agency with jurisdiction that is not a potential witness to conduct related to the matter. As a result, our office has opened an investigation into any coordinated attempts to unlawfully alter the outcome of the 2020 elections in this state.

We have made efforts to interview multiple witnesses and gather evidence, and a significant number of witnesses and prospective witnesses have refused to cooperate with the investigation absent a subpoena requiring their testimony. By way of example, Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger, an essential witness to the investigation, has indicated that he will not participate in an interview or otherwise offer evidence until he is presented with a subpoena by my office. Please see Exhibit A, attached to this letter.

Therefore, I am hereby requesting, as the elected District Attorney for Fulton County, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 15-12-100 et. seq., that a special purpose grand jury be impaneled for the purpose of investigating the facts and circumstances relating directly or indirectly to possible attempts to disrupt the lawful administration of the 2020 elections in the State of Georgia. Specifically, a special purpose grand jury, which will not have the authority to return an indictment but may make recommendations concerning criminal prosecution as it shall see fit, is needed for three reasons: first, a special purpose grand jury can be impaneled by the Court for any time period required in order to accomplish its investigation, which will likely exceed a normal grand jury term; second, the special purpose grand jury would be empowered to review this matter and this matter only, with an investigatory focus appropriate to the complexity of the facts and circumstances involved; and third, the sitting grand jury would not be required to attempt to address this matter in addition to their normal duties.

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I have attached a proposed order impaneling the special purpose grand jury for the consideration of the Court.

Respectfully

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- Based on the representations made by the State in the attached "Petition for Certification of Need for Testimony Before Special Purpose Grand Jury Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 24-13-90 et seq.", the Court finds that Jacki Pick Deason (aka Jacki Lynn

Pick), born October 20, 1976 (hereinafter, "the Witness"), is a necessary and material witness to the Special Purpose Grand Jury investigation. The Court further finds that the Witness currently resides at 10134 Waller Drive, Dallas, TX 75229.

3. Based on the representations made by the State in the attached "Petition for Certification of Need for Testimony Before Special Purpose Grand Jury Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 24-13-90 et seq.", the Court finds that the Witness was an attorney for the Trump Campaign's legal efforts seeking to influence the results of the November 2020 election in Georgia and elsewhere. As part of those efforts, on December 3, 2020, the Witness and other individuals known to be associated with both her and the Trump Campaign appeared publicly before the Georgia State Senate at the Georgia State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia. At that hearing, the Witness provided testimony and documentary evidence purporting to demonstrate the existence of election fraud in Fulton County, Georgia, during the administration of the November 2020 election. Among the evidence offered by the Witness was a video recording of election workers at State Farm Arena in Atlanta that purported to show election workers producing "suitcases" of unlawful ballots from unknown sources, outside the view of election poll watchers. The Witness personally presented and narrated selected portions of the State Farm video to members of the Georgia State Senate. Within 24 hours of the December 3, 2020, legislative hearing, the Georgia Secretary of State's Office debunked the State Farm video and explained that its investigation revealed no voter fraud of any kind had taken place at State Farm Arena. There is evidence that the Witness's appearance and testimony at the hearing

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1984 (hereinafter, "the Witness"), is a necessary and material witness to the Special Purpose Grand Jury investigation. The Court further finds that the Witness currently resides at 2171 Burbank Street, Berthoud, CO 80513.

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WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL as a judge of the Superior Court of Fulton County,

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#### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF FULTON COUNTY

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Judge Robert C. I. McBurney

2022-EX-000024

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This the  $28^{\text{TV}}$  day of June, 2022.

Hon. Robert C. I. McBurney

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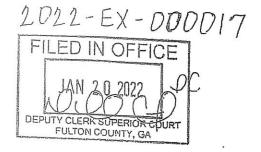
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- Based on the representations made by the State in the attached "Petition for Certification of Need for Testimony Before Special Purpose Grand Jury Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 24-13-90 et seq.", the Court finds that Lindsey Olin Graham, born July 9,



1955, (hereinafter, "the Witness") is a necessary and material witness to the Special Purpose Grand Jury investigation. The Court further finds that the Witness currently resides at 253 Stonehaven Way, Seneca, SC 29672.

- 3. Based on the representations made by the State in the attached "Petition for Certification of Need for Testimony Before Special Purpose Grand Jury Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 24-13-90 et seq.", the Court finds that the Witness made at least two telephone calls to Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger and members of his staff in the weeks following the November 2020 election in Georgia. During the telephone calls, the Witness questioned Secretary Raffensperger and his staff about reexamining certain absentee ballots cast in Georgia in order to explore the possibility of a more favorable outcome for former President Donald Trump. The Witness also made reference to allegations of widespread voter fraud in the November 2020 election in Georgia, consistent with public statements made by known affiliates of the Trump Campaign.
- 4. Based on the representations made by the State in the attached "Petition for Certification of Need for Testimony Before Special Purpose Grand Jury Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 24-13-90 et seq.", the Court finds that the Witness, based on the substance and timing of the telephone calls he personally made to Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger, is a necessary and material witness in this investigation. The Witness possesses unique knowledge concerning the substance of the telephone calls, the circumstances surrounding his decision to make the telephone calls, the logistics of setting up the telephone calls, and any communications between himself, others involved in the planning and execution of the telephone calls, the Trump

Campaign, and other known and unknown individuals involved in the multi-state, coordinated efforts to influence the results of the November 2020 election in Georgia and elsewhere. Finally, the Witness's anticipated testimony is essential in that it is likely to reveal additional sources of information regarding the subject of this investigation.

- The testimony of the Witness will not be cumulative of any other evidence in this matter.
- 6. The Witness will be required to be in attendance and testify before the Special Purpose Grand Jury on July 12, 2022, and continuing through and until the conclusion of the Witness's testimony on or before August 31, 2022, at the Superior Court of Fulton County, Fulton County Courthouse, 136 Pryor Street, 3rd Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.
- The Office of the Fulton County District Attorney, in and for the State of Georgia, will pay all reasonable and necessary travel expenses and witness fees required to secure the Witness's attendance and testimony, in accordance with O.C.G.A. §24-13-90 et seq.
- 8. The Witness shall be given protection from arrest and from service of civil or criminal process, both within this State and in any other state through which the Witness may be required to pass in the ordinary course of travel, for any matters which arose before the Witness's entrance into this State and other states, while traveling to and from this Court for the purpose of testifying for this case.

- 9. The State of Georgia is a participant in a reciprocal program providing for the securing of witnesses to testify in foreign jurisdictions which likewise provide for such methods of securing witnesses to testify in their courts.
- 10. This Certificate is made for the purpose of being presented to a judge of the South Carolina Tenth Circuit Court of General Sessions, by the Tenth Judicial Circuit Solicitor or his duly authorized representative, who is proceeding at the request and on behalf of the Office of the Fulton County District Attorney to compel the Witness to be in attendance and testify before the Special Purpose Grand Jury on July 12, 2022, and continuing through and until the conclusion of the Witness's testimony on or before August 31, 2022, at the Superior Court of Fulton County, Fulton County Courthouse, 136 Pryor Street, 3rd Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. This Certificate may also be presented to a judge of the South Carolina Tenth Circuit Court of General Sessions by the Fulton County District Attorney's Office.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL as a judge of the Superior Court of Fulton County,

Georgia,

This the day of June, 2022.

Hon. Robert C. I. McBurney Superior Court of Fulton County Atlanta Judicial Circuit State of Georgia

## **Exhibit** A

### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF FULTON COUNTY ATLANTA JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STATE OF GEORGIA

### IN RE: REQUEST FOR SPECIAL PURPOSE GRAND JURY

## ORDER APPROVING REQUEST FOR SPECIAL PURPOSE GRAND JURY PURSUANT TO O.C.G.A. §15-12-100, et seq.

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The District Attorney for the Atlanta Judicial Circuit submitted to the judges of the Superior Court of Fulton County a request to impanel a special purpose jury for the purposes set forth in that request. This request was considered and approved by a majority of the total number of the judges of this Court, as required by O.C.G.A. §15-12-100(b).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that a special purpose grand jury be drawn and impaneled to serve as provided in O.C.G.A. § 15-12-62.1, 15-12-67, and 15-12-100, to commence on May 2, 2022, and continuing for a period not to exceed 12 months. Such period shall not include any time periods when the supervising judge determines that the special purpose grand jury cannot meet for safety or other reasons, or any time periods when normal court operations are suspended by order of the Supreme Court of Georgia or the Chief Judge of the Superior Court. The special purpose grand jury shall be authorized to investigate any and all facts and circumstances relating directly or indirectly to alleged violations of the laws of the State of Georgia, as set forth in the request of the District Attorney referenced herein above.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 15-12-101(a), the Honorable Robert C. I. McBurney is hereby assigned to supervise and assist the special purpose grand jury, and shall charge said special purpose grand jury and receive its reports as provided by law. This authorization shall include the investigation of any overt acts or predicate acts relating to the subject of the special purpose grand jury's investigative purpose. The special purpose grand jury, when making its presentments and reports, pursuant to O.C.G.A. §§ 15-12-71 and 15-12-101, may make recommendations concerning criminal prosecution as it shall see fit. Furthermore, the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 15-12-83 shall apply.

This Court also notes that the appointment of a special purpose grand jury will permit the time, efforts, and attention of the regular grand jury(ies) impaneled in this Circuit to continue to be devoted to the consideration of the backlog of criminal matters that has accumulated as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Fulton County, SO ORDERED, THIS 14 DAXOF ,2022.

CHRISTOPHER S. BRASHER, CHIEF JUDGE Superior Court of Fulton County Atlanta Judicial Circuit

# Exhibit B

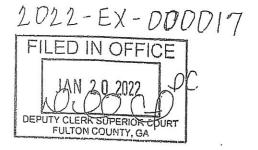
### OFFICE OF THE FULTON COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY ATLANTA JUDICIAL CIRCUIT 136 PRYOR STREET SW, 3RD FLOOR ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303

Fani T. Millis District Attorney



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The Honorable Christopher S. Brasher Chief Judge, Fulton County Superior Court Fulton County Courthouse 185 Central Avenue SW, Suite T-8905 Atlanta, Georgia 30303



January 20, 2022

Dear Chief Judge Brasher:

I hope this letter finds you well and in good spirits. Please be advised that the District Attorney's Office has received information indicating a reasonable probability that the State of Georgia's administration of elections in 2020, including the State's election of the President of the United States, was subject to possible criminal disruptions. Our office has also learned that individuals associated with these disruptions have contacted other agencies empowered to investigate this matter, including the Georgia Secretary of State, the Georgia Attorney General, and the United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Georgia, leaving this office as the sole agency with jurisdiction that is not a potential witness to conduct related to the matter. As a result, our office has opened an investigation into any coordinated attempts to unlawfully alter the outcome of the 2020 elections in this state.

We have made efforts to interview multiple witnesses and gather evidence, and a significant number of witnesses and prospective witnesses have refused to cooperate with the investigation absent a subpoena requiring their testimony. By way of example, Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger, an essential witness to the investigation, has indicated that he will not participate in an interview or otherwise offer evidence until he is presented with a subpoena by my office. Please see Exhibit A, attached to this letter.

Therefore, I am hereby requesting, as the elected District Attorney for Fulton County, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 15-12-100 et. seq., that a special purpose grand jury be impaneled for the purpose of investigating the facts and circumstances relating directly or indirectly to possible attempts to disrupt the lawful administration of the 2020 elections in the State of Georgia. Specifically, a special purpose grand jury, which will not have the authority to return an indictment but may make recommendations concerning criminal prosecution as it shall see fit, is needed for three reasons: first, a special purpose grand jury can be impaneled by the Court for any time period required in order to accomplish its investigation, which will likely exceed a normal grand jury term; second, the special purpose grand jury would be empowered to review this matter and this matter only, with an investigatory focus appropriate to the complexity of the facts and circumstances involved; and third, the sitting grand jury would not be required to attempt to address this matter in addition to their normal duties.

Additionally, I am requesting that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 15-12-101, a Fulton County Superior Court Judge be assigned to assist and supervise the special purpose grand jury in carrying out its investigation and duties.

I have attached a proposed order impaneling the special purpose grand jury for the consideration of the Court.

Respectfully

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#### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF FULTON COUNTY

### STATE OF GEORGIA

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IN RE: SPECIAL PURPOSE GRAND JURY FILED IN OFFICE

2022-EX-000024

Judge Robert C. I. McBurney

### <u>CERTIFICATE OF MATERIAL WITNESS</u> <u>PURSUANT TO UNIFORM ACT TO SECURE THE ATTENDANCE</u> <u>OF WITNESSES FROM WITHOUT THE STATE,</u> <u>CODIFIED IN THE STATE OF GEOGIA AS</u> <u>O.C.G.A. § 24-13-90 ET SEQ.</u>

Upon the petition of Fani T. Willis, District Attorney, Atlanta Judicial Circuit, pursuant to the Uniform Act to Secure the Attendance of Witnesses from Without the State, codified at O.C.G.A. § 24-13-90 et seq., the Court issues the following Certificate under seal of this Court, and further says as follows:

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Jury, "Exhibit B".

 Based on the representations made by the State in the attached "Petition for Certification of Need for Testimony Before Special Purpose Grand Jury Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 24-13-90 et seq.", the Court finds that Rudolph William Louis Giuliani, born May 28, 1944 (hereinafter, "the Witness"), is a necessary and material witness to the Special Purpose Grand Jury investigation. The Court further finds that the Witness currently resides at 45 E 66th Street, New York, NY 10065-6102.

3. Based on the representations made by the State in the attached "Petition for Certification of Need for Testimony Before Special Purpose Grand Jury Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 24-13-90 et seq.", the Court further finds that the Witness was both a personal attorney for former President Donald Trump and a lead attorney for the Trump Campaign's legal efforts seeking to influence the results of the November 2020 election in Georgia and elsewhere. As part of those efforts, on December 3, 2020, the Witness and other individuals known to be associated with both him and the Trump Campaign appeared publicly before the Georgia State Senate at the Georgia State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia. At that hearing, the Witness provided testimony, additional witnesses, and documentary evidence purporting to demonstrate the existence of election fraud in multiple Georgia counties during the administration of the November 2020 election. Among the evidence offered by the Witness was a video recording of election workers at State Farm Arena in Atlanta that purported to show election workers producing "suitcases" of unlawful ballots from unknown sources, outside the view of election poll watchers. Within 24 hours of the December 3, 2020, legislative hearing, the Georgia Secretary of State's Office debunked the State Farm video and explained that its investigation revealed no voter fraud of any kind had taken place at State Farm Arena. Despite this, the Witness made additional statements, both to the public and in subsequent legislative hearings, claiming widespread voter fraud in Georgia during the November 2020 election and

using the now-debunked State Farm video in support of those statements. There is evidence that the Witness's appearance and testimony at the hearing was part of a multi-state, coordinated plan by the Trump Campaign to influence the results of the November 2020 election in Georgia and elsewhere.

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August 31, 2022, at the Superior Court of Fulton County, Fulton County Courthouse,

136 Pryor Street, 3rd Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL as a judge of the Superior Court of Fulton County,

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This the <u>2</u><sup>2</sup> day of June, 2022.

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2022-EX-D00017 FILED IN OFFICE SUPERICE FULTON COUNTY, GA

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CHRISTOPHER S. BRASHER, CHIEF JUDGE Superior Court of Fulton County Atlanta Judicial Circuit