

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

SUSANNAH WARNER KIPKE, <i>et al.</i> ,)	
)	
<i>Plaintiffs,</i>)	
)	
v.)	Case No. 1:23-cv-01293-GLR
)	Member Case: 1:23-cv-1295-GLR
)	
WES MOORE, in his official capacity)	
as Governor of Maryland, <i>et al.</i> ,)	
)	
<i>Defendants.</i>)	

JOINT STATUS REPORT

The *Kipke* Plaintiffs, *Novotny* Plaintiffs, and State Defendants respectfully submit this Joint Status Report in response to the Court’s Order of September 29, 2023. (ECF No. 32). The Court ordered the parties to respond jointly to five questions. (*Id.* at 2). The parties respond as follows:

1. Whether any party plans to seek an interlocutory appeal and/or to file answers to the Complaints

Response: No party plans to seek an interlocutory appeal of this Court’s Memorandum Opinion and Order. (ECF Nos. 31, 32). State Defendants filed an answer to the *Novotny* Complaint on October 12, 2023. (*See* ECF No. 36, Case No. 1:23-cv-1293-GLR).

2. Whether the parties wish to participate in discovery, and if so, the parties shall submit a proposed scheduling order and new motions’ deadline

Response: No party wishes to participate in discovery.

3. Whether the parties object to having the case transferred to a U.S. Magistrate Judge for all further proceedings

Response: The parties object to having the case transferred to a U.S. Magistrate Judge.

4. Whether the parties would like to participate in a settlement conference

Response: The parties do not wish to participate in a settlement conference.

5. Of any other matters they wish to bring to the Court's attention

Response: The parties request that the Court rule on the parties' cross-motions for summary judgment. (ECF Nos. 13, 18, 21, 23). Because the Court "DENIED without prejudice" all motions for summary judgment, (ECF No. 32 at 2), the parties respectfully request that the Court construe this Joint Status Report as a request to renew all motions for summary judgment, including all materials filed in support of such motions. The parties do not intend to file any additional briefing on summary judgment.

Dated: October 13, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 13th day of October 2023, the foregoing was served, via electronic delivery to Defendants' counsel via CM/ECF system which will forward copies to Counsel of Record.

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