

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF RAMSEY

DISTRICT COURT
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case Type: Civil Other/Misc.
Judge Leonardo Castro

Patrick Jensen, Karen Graves, Scott Metcalf,

Petitioners/Contestants,

v.

Case No. 62-CV-20-5599

Steve Simon, in his official capacity as
Minnesota Secretary of State, and
Angie Craig, Congressional candidate,

Respondents/Contestees.

Robin Peterson, Mark Feldman, Jeffrey Thompson,

Petitioners/Contestants,

v.

Case No. 62-CV-20-5600

Steve Simon, in his official capacity as
Minnesota Secretary of State, and
Dean Phillips, Congressional candidate,

Respondents/Contestees.

Rene Rodriguez, Craig Johnson,

Petitioners/Contestants,

v.

Case No. 62-CV-20-5601

Steve Simon, in his official capacity
Minnesota Secretary of State, and
Betty McCollum, Congressional candidate,

Respondents/Contestees.

Corinne Braun, Susan Satterlee, Wanda Hart,

Petitioner/Contestants,

v.

Case No. 62-CV-20-5602

Steve Simon, in his capacity as
Minnesota Secretary of State, and
Ilhan Omar, Congressional candidate,

Respondents/Contestees.

ORDER RULING ON CONTESTEES' MOTIONS TO DISMISS

The above-entitled matters came before the Honorable Leonardo Castro, Chief Judge of the Second Judicial District, on December 18, 2020, for hearing on Contestees' Motions to Dismiss. Susan Shogren Smith, Esq., appeared on behalf of Petitioners/Contestants. Nathan Hartshorn, Assistant Minnesota Attorney General, appeared on behalf of Respondent/Contestee Minnesota Secretary of State Steve Simon. Abha Khanna, Esq., appeared on behalf of Respondents/Contestees Angie Craig, Dean Phillips, Betty McCollum, and Ilhan Omar. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and in accordance with related social distancing practices and procedures, all appearances were made via Zoom videoconferencing.

Based upon all the files, records, and proceedings herein, and on the submissions and arguments of counsel,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. Contestee Steve Simon's Motions to Dismiss case file nos. 62-CV-20-5599, 62-CV-20-5600, 62-CV-20-5601, and 62-CV-20-5602, are **GRANTED**;
2. Contestee Angie Craig's Motion to Dismiss case file no. 62-CV-20-5599 is **GRANTED**;

3. Contestee Dean Phillips's Motion to Dismiss case file no. 62-CV-20-5600 is **GRANTED;**

4. Contestee Betty McCollum's Motion to Dismiss case file no. 62-CV-20-5601 is **GRANTED;**

5. Contestee Ilhan Omar's Motion to Dismiss case file no. 62-CV-20-5602 is **GRANTED.**

6. The Notice of Contest filed in each of the above captioned case files is **DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE.**

7. This Court shall issue a separate written memorandum setting forth findings of fact and conclusions of law consistent with this Order.

LET JUDGMENT BE ENTERED ACCORDINGLY.

BY THE COURT:

Dated: December 18, 2020

Leonardo Castro
Chief Judge
Second Judicial District