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CASE NOS.: SC00-2346, SC00-2348 & SC00-2349

PALM BEACH COUNTY
CANVASSING BOARD

vs. KATHERINE HARRIS, ETC., ET AL.

VOLUSIA COUNTY
CANVASSING BOARD

vs. MICHAEL MCDERMOTT, ET AL.

FLORIDA DEMOCRATIC PARTY vs. MICHAEL MCDERMOTT, ET AL.

Petitioners/Appellants

Respondents/Appellees

MOTION TO EXPAND REPLY BY PETITIONERS/APPELLANTS
AL GORE, JR. AND FLORIDA DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Al Gore, Jr. and the Florida Democratic Party move pursuant to Florida Rule of Appellate Procedure 9.300 to expand the page limit for its Reply Brief in this proceeding to 25 pages. In support of this Motion Al Gore and the Florida Democratic Party show:

1. This courts Briefing Order restricts Petitioners/Appellants to one 15 page reply brief.
2. After noon today Petitioner/Appellants received three Answer Briefs, one from The Secretary of State and the Elections Canvassing Commission, one from George W. Bush, and one from Matt Butler. Secretary Harris' Answer Brief is 40

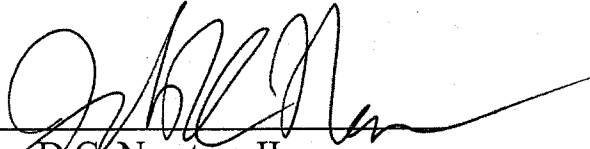
pages long. George Bush's Answer Brief is 46 pages long. Matt Butler's is 19 pages long.

3. The Court's Order only permits Petitioners/Appellants 15 pages to respond to these 106 pages of argument.

4. Petitioners/Appellants must file their Reply Brief by 3:00 p.m., which gives a period of less than three hours to write, produce, and file the brief. The magnitude of the arguments to respond to, the short time available to prepare the brief, and the importance of this case constitute good cause to expand the Reply Brief page limit to 25 pages.

WHEREFORE, Interveners/Appellants move the Court to extend to 25 the number of pages permitted in their Reply Brief.

Respectfully submitted this 19th day of November, 2000.



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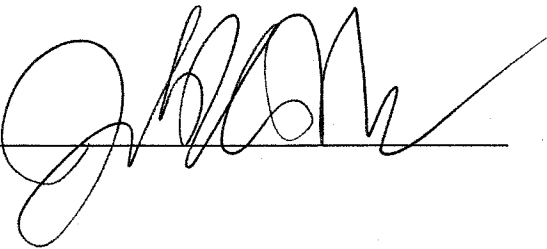
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