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SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS

No. CV-18-745

JIM KNIGHT, IN HIS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY AND ON BEHALF OF CITIZENS FOR LOCAL CHOICE PETITIONER

V.

MARK MARTIN, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS

RESPONDENT

Opinion Delivered: September 14, 2018

AN ORIGINAL ACTION: MOTIONS FOR EXPEDITED SCHEDULING ORDER, CONSECUTIVE BRIEFING, AND ORAL ARGUMENT.

MOTION FOR EXPEDITED
SCHEDULING ORDER GRANTED;
MOTION FOR CONSECUTIVE
BRIEFING GRANTED; AND
MOTION FOR ORAL ARGUMENT
DENIED.

PER CURIAM

Respondent, Mark Martin, Arkansas Secretary of State, certified a proposed constitutional amendment with the popular name "An Amendment to Require Four Licenses to be Issued for Casino Gaming at Casinos, One Each in Crittenden (to Southland Racing Corporation), Garland (to Oaklawn Jockey Club, Inc.), Pope, and Jefferson Counties" to be placed on the November 6, 2018 general election ballot. On September 12, 2018, petitioner, Jim Knight, in his individual capacity and on behalf of Citizens for Local Choice, filed an original action¹ with this court challenging the sufficiency of the ballot title for the proposed constitutional amendment. Petitioner also filed motions for

¹See Ark. Const. art. 5, § 1, as amended by Ark. Const. amend. 7.

expedited scheduling order, consecutive briefing, and oral argument. Respondent filed a response to the original action petition and responses to the related motions.

We grant petitioner's motion for expedited scheduling order and consecutive briefing, and we set the briefing schedule as follows. Petitioner's brief is due by 4:30 p.m. on September 21, 2018; response briefs by respondent and any potential intervenors are due by 4:30 p.m. on September 28, 2018; and petitioner's reply brief is due by 4:30 p.m. on October 1, 2018. Petitioner's motion for oral argument is denied.

Motion for expedited scheduling order granted; motion for consecutive briefing granted; and motion for oral argument denied.

WOMACK, J., would grant motion for oral argument.

KEMP, C.J., not participating.