STATE OF COLORADO SECRETARY OF STATE

BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER

1700 Broadway #550

Denver, CO 80290

ELECTIONS DIVISION OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE,

Complainant,

vs.

HUSCH BLACKWELL LLP, and JOHN DOE(S)

Respondents.

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Case Number: 2023 AHO 0019

ORDER REGARDING HEARING DATE

An administrative complaint before a hearing officer was filed herein on November 3, 2023. § 1-45-111.7(6)(a), C.R.S, of the Fair Campaign Practices Act requires the hearing officer to set a hearing within thirty days of the date that the administrative complaint was filed.

I am ordering counsel promptly to confer with each other regarding the schedule for discovery, dispositive motions, motions in limine and filing pretrial statements consistent with Rule 24.11.1 of the Secretary of State's Rules Concerning Campaign and Political Finance, 8 CCR 1505-6. The goal of conferring is to reach an agreement on these matters.

After conferring, counsel for the Division is ordered to file a Motion to Set Hearing, on or before December 8, 2023, that sets forth the proposed pretrial schedule and hearing dates.

Respondent's counsel is ordered to file a Response, if any, to the Motion to Set Hearing on or before December 15, 2023. The Motion and Response are to be served on the Secretary of State's administrative staff and me by using the email address

AdministrativeHearingOfficer@ColoradoSOS.gov. Administrative staff will then coordinate the trial

setting with the availability of the hearing room, counsel and the Hearing Officer. An order setting out these dates will follow on or before December 21, 2023.

SO ORDERED this 21st day of November 2023.

Macon Cowles, Hearing Officer

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby states and certifies that one true copy of the Order herein was sent via email on November 21, 2023 to the following:

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