## SUPREME COURT OF COLORADO

2 East 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue Denver, CO 80203

DATE FILED: February 16, 2016 3:05 PM

**Original Proceeding** 

Pursuant to Colo. Rev. Stat. § 1-40-107(2) Appeal from the Ballot Title Board

In the Matter of the Title, Ballot Title, and Submission Clause for Proposed Initiative 2015-2016 #62 ("Prohibition on Use of Hydraulic Fracturing")

**Petitioners: TRACEE BENTLEY AND STAN DEMPSEY** 

V.

**Respondents: BRUCE MASON AND KAREN DIKE** 

and

Title Board: SUZANNE STAIERT; JASON

GELENDER; AND FREDERICK R. YARGER

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UNOPPOSED MOTION TO DISMISS THE PETITION FOR REVIEW OF FINAL ACTION OF BALLOT TITLE SETTING BOARD CONCERNING PROPOSED INITIATIVE 2015-2016 #62 ("PROHIBITION ON USE OF HYDRAULIC FRACTURING")

Tracee Bentley and Howard Stanley Dempsey ("Petitioners"), registered electors of the State of Colorado, through their undersigned counsel, respectfully submit this Unopposed Motion to Dismiss Petition for Review as follows:

- 1. This matter is before the Court on Petitioners' Petition for Review of Final Action of Ballot Title Setting Board Concerning Proposed Initiative 2015-2016 #62 ("Prohibition on Use of Hydraulic Fracturing") (hereinafter "Initiative").
- 2. Bruce Mason and Karen Dike (hereinafter "Respondents") have withdrawn and are no longer pursuing the proposed Initiative. *See* Withdrawal of Initiative 2015-2016 #62, attached as Exhibit 1.
- 3. As Respondents are no longer pursuing the Initiative it is no longer necessary for this Court to review the title as set by the Title Board.
- 4. Petitioners' have conferred with Martha M. Tierney, Respondents' counsel, as well as Matthew D. Grove of the Attorney General's office, which represents the Title Board. There is no objection to this Motion to Dismiss.
- 5. A briefing schedule was ordered by the Court in this matter on February 11, 2016. It is respectfully requested that this Motion to Dismiss be granted so that the parties do not spend needless times preparing briefs in this matter.

# Respectfully submitted this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016, by:

## s/Matthew K. Tieslau

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on this 16th day of February, 2016, a true and correct copy of the foregoing **MOTION TO DISMISS** was filed and served thru ICCES addressed to the following:

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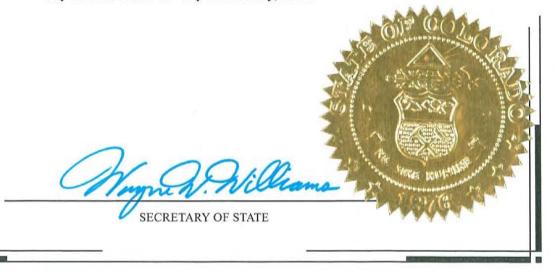
Frederick R. Yarger Solicitor General 1300 Broadway Denver, CO 80203

s/Ann I. Palius



I, WAYNE W. WILLIAMS, Secretary of State of the State of Colorado, do hereby certify that:

the attached are true and exact copies of the withdrawal letters for Proposed Initiative "2015-2016 #62 'Prohibition on Use of Hydraulic Fracturing'".....



February 11, 2016

### VIA EMAIL

Wayne Williams Secretary of State 1700 Broadway, Suite 200 Denver, CO 80290

Re: Withdrawal of Initiative 2015-16 #62

Dear Secretary Williams:

Pursuant to CRS §1-40-134, the undersigned designated representatives of Initiative 2015-2016 #62 hereby withdraw the initiative from consideration as a ballot issue.

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STATE OF COLORADO
) ss.

COUNTY OF Boolder
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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by in the County of Boolder, State of Colorado, on the 1/4

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: Mpy 31, 2014

MATTHEW LEMASTER
Notary Public
State of Colorado
Notary ID 20134034185
My Commission Expires May 31, 2017

Notary Public, State of Colorado

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Bruce G. Mason

STATE OF COLORADO ) ss.
COUNTY OF Boulder )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by in the County of Boiler, State of Colorado, on the 1/1 day of February 2016.

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: Zz April, 2019

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MY COMMISSION EXPIRES APRIL 22, 2019

### Steven Ward

From:

Martha Tierney

Sent:

Thursday, February 11, 2016 5:00 PM

To:

Steven Ward

Cc:

Subject:

Letter withdrawing Initiative #62

Attachments:

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page.pdf

Follow Up Flag:

Follow up

Due By:

Friday, February 12, 2016 8:00 AM

Flag Status:

Flagged

Steven,

Attached is a letter notifying the Secretary of State of the withdrawal by the proponents of Initiative #62, with notarized signatures.

Please let me know if you have any further questions and please confirm that the measure has been withdrawn.

Thank you,

Martha

Martha M. Tierney

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