

<p>SUPREME COURT  STATE OF COLORADO  2 East 14th Avenue  Denver, Colorado 80203</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">DATE FILED: May 31, 2017 11:02 AM</p>
<p>In the Matter of The Title, Ballot Title,  and Submission Clause for Proposed  Initiative 2017-2018 #20 (Severance  Taxes on Oil and Gas)</p> <p><b>Petitioners:</b>  Andrew J. O'Connor and Mary E. Henry,</p> <p>v.</p> <p><b>Respondent:</b>  Chad Vorthmann,</p> <p>and</p> <p><b>Title Board:</b>  Suzanne Staiert, Shannon Eubanks, and  David Blake.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">▲ COURT USE ONLY ▲</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NOTICE OF RESPONDENT VORTHMANN</b></p>	

Respondent Chad Vorthmann, through his undersigned counsel, hereby notifies the Court and the parties that he rests on the arguments raised in his Opening Brief and will not file an Answer Brief in this matter.

Respectfully submitted this 31st day of May 2017.

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I hereby certify that on May 31st, 2017, I electronically filed a true and correct copy of the foregoing **NOTICE OF RESPONDENT VORTHMANN** via the Colorado Courts E-Filing System on all counsel of record and separately emailed to Petitioners:

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