

EXHIBIT A

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

WILLIAM GELINEAU, GARY E. JOHNSON
and LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF MICHIGAN

Plaintiffs,

v.

RUTH JOHNSON, Secretary of State of
Michigan, in her official capacity,

Defendant.

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DECLARATION OF CITY CLERK MICHAEL MIZZI

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, Michael Mizzi declares:

1. I am above the age of 18 and a resident of Michigan.
2. I am the nonpartisan City Clerk of the City of Allen Park in Wayne County, Michigan. In this capacity, I am the local elections official and am directly involved with producing local ballots.
3. As of September 13, 2012, we have not yet begun printing ballots. To my knowledge, clerks state-wide have not begun printing. There are so many oddities with the ballots this year that clerks have not been able to start printing yet.
4. If the Court orders that Gary E. Johnson be placed on the ballot, clerks around the state can be notified instantly. The Secretary of State has an election news email system that allows for instant notification of all clerks in the state.
5. If the Court issues an order by tomorrow morning, September 14, 2012, I do not believe it would place any difficulty in adding Gary E. Johnson to the ballot. Michigan now uses

digital technology to add fields to the ballot, and adding Gary E. Johnson is certainly feasible. The process of proofing ballots as it relates to a presidential candidate is handled at the state level. As a local clerk, I would have no involvement in proofing Gary E. Johnson's name on the ballot if the order was issued by tomorrow morning.

6. I understand that a hearing is currently scheduled in this case for the morning of Tuesday, September 18, 2012. The deadline to print ballots is September 22, 2012. If the Court ordered that Gary E. Johnson's name be placed on the ballot on the morning of September 18, 2012, it is absolutely feasible to place Gary E. Johnson on the ballot.

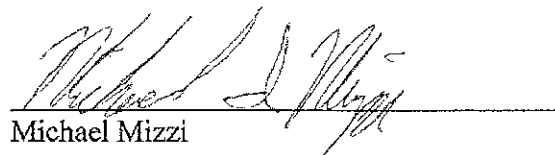
7. A decision on September 18, 2012 would be cutting it close, but staff could be put on overtime to ensure that ballots are printed on time. Rush printing is also a possibility. In the past, printers have been paid to do rush printing on ballots and clerks have had to work overtime to get ballots out and correct mistakes. The same thing could be done here. I believe that Inland Press, which serves as the printer for all of Wayne County, could handle the job.

8. I am available to testify by telephone if the Court would like more information.

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on September 13, 2012


Michael Mizzi