IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS FORT WORTH DIVISION

THE ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF AMERICA, INC. et al.,

Plaintiffs,

Civil Action No. 4:21-cv-01344-O

JOSEPH R. BIDEN et al.,

v.

Defendants.

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to the Court's August 29, 2022 order (ECF No. 27), the parties submit this joint status report as to how the plaintiffs' request for preliminary relief (ECF No. 6) should proceed in light of the Eleventh Circuit's decision in Georgia v. President of the United States, No. 21-14269, 2022 WL 3703822 (11th Cir. Aug. 26, 2022). The Eleventh Circuit's mandate will not take effect until at least October 18, 2022. See Fed. R. App. P. 41(b) & (c); see also Fed. R. App. P. 40(a)(1). Until that mandate issues, the Georgia district court's preliminary injunction remains in effect, and federal agencies remain precluded from taking any steps to enforce Executive Order 14042. See also Courtney Bublé, The Ban on the Contractor Vaccine Mandate Was Lifted Partially. That Could Cause Confusion., Gov't Executive (Aug. 29, 2022), https://perma.cc/C9G2-ZSHK (quoting an August 29, 2022 statement by the Office of Management & Budget: "At this time, the nationwide injunction remains in effect, and thus agencies should continue not to take any steps to enforce Executive Order 14042."); For Federal Contractors, Safer Federal Workforce (last visited Sept. 1, 2022), https://perma.cc/Y2AJ-9NP5 ("To ensure compliance with an applicable preliminary nationwide injunction, which may be supplemented, modified, or vacated, depending on the course of ongoing litigation, the Federal Government will take no action to implement or enforce Executive Order 14042."). Accordingly, to allow the defendants additional time to assess how to proceed in light of the Eleventh Circuit's Georgia decision (including whether to seek leave to amend or supplement the existing briefing in this case), the parties respectfully

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request that they be allowed to submit another joint status report on September 9, 2022. The parties' agreement to provide a follow-up status report on September 9 is without prejudice to the plaintiffs seeking expedited consideration of the pending preliminary injunction motion, or any other relief, in the event that the defendants still require additional time to assess how to proceed in light of the Eleventh Circuit's *Georgia* decision.

Dated: September 2, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On September 2, 2022, I electronically submitted this document to the Clerk of Court for the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas using the Court's electronic case filing system. I certify that I have served all parties electronically or by another manner authorized by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 5(b)(2).

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