

Case No.: SC22-25

In the Supreme Court of Florida

ADVISORY OPINION TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL RE: LIMITED
AUTHORIZATION OF CASINO GAMING

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ANSWER BRIEF

Florida Voters in Charge (“FVIC”), sponsor of the citizen initiative petition which is the subject of this proceeding, respectfully requests a modification of the briefing schedule to extend the time for FVIC to file its answer brief through and including February 14, 2022. In support of this Motion, FVIC states as follows:

1. This Court’s January 11, 2022, scheduling order provided opponents of the citizen initiative petition seventeen days from the date of the scheduling order, through January 28, 2022, to file their Initial Brief. Opponents were, of course, aware of the language of the citizen initiative petition for months prior to such deadline being imposed.

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2. On January 28, 2022, one initial brief, and one comment, were filed with this Court. The initial brief was not docketed until January 31, 2022.

3. FVIC's Answer Brief is currently due by February 7, 2022, ten days after the initial brief and comment were filed.

4. The 45-page initial brief raises five primary arguments requiring responses by FVIC.

5. Given the importance of the constitutional questions posed in this is proceeding, and given the demands on FVIC's counsel in other proceedings, FVIC respectfully requests an extension of the deadline for the Answer Brief to February 14, 2022. If the corresponding deadline for reply briefs is extended to February 21, 2022, then the briefing schedule will not require any change to the potential date for oral argument included in this Court's scheduling order.

6. FVIC has consulted with counsel for the Attorney General and is authorized to represent that the Attorney General does not oppose this requested extension. FVIC contacted counsel for No Casinos, Inc., and counsel for Hamilton Downs Horsetrack, LLC, on January 31, 2022, but as of the time of filing of this motion has not

received a response as to the position of either party on the requested extension.

WHEREFORE, Florida Voters in Charge respectfully requests the Court grant this Motion and allow it through and including February 14, 2022, to serve its Answer Brief.

Respectfully submitted this 1st day of February, 2022,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on February 1, 2022, the foregoing was filed through the Court's efilng portal system, which will send notice and a copy of this filing to counsel of record for all parties.

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