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You are hereby notified that the Court has entered the following order:

2019AP2397

State of Wisconsin ex rel. Timothy Zignego v. Wisconsin Elections
Commission (L.C. # 2019CV449)

Before Fitzpatrick, P.J., Kloppenburg and Nashold, JJ.

The Wisconsin Elections Commission and individual Commissioners (collectively, “the Commission”) have moved for relief pending appeal in the form of a stay of the circuit court’s order for a writ of mandamus. The circuit court’s order directed the Commission “to comply with the provisions of § 6.50(3) and deactivate the registrations of those electors who have failed

to apply for continuation of their registration within 30 days of the date the notice was mailed under that provision.”

The respondents, the plaintiffs in the circuit court, are three individual Wisconsin taxpayers and registered voters. They have opposed the Commission’s motion to stay and filed a petition to bypass in the supreme court.

We previously issued an order holding the motion to stay in abeyance pending supreme court action. At approximately 6:00 p.m. yesterday, the supreme court denied the petition to bypass. It is our understanding from one of the Commission’s filings in this court in a related case that the Commission is scheduled to meet at 10:00 a.m today.

After careful review of the parties’ submissions and consistent with applicable law, we now grant a stay as ordered below. Our reasoning will be set forth in greater detail in a separate order to follow at a later date given the circumstances stated in the previous paragraph.

Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that the circuit court’s order for a writ of mandamus is stayed until further order of this court.

Sheila T. Reiff
Clerk of Court of Appeals