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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND WASHINGTON, SC.

#### SUPERIOR COURT

MARY BURKE PATTERSON, ROBERT
E. PATTERSON, MELISSA JENKINS,
VALERIE ANN HENRY, PAULA
CHILDS, DAVID H. STENMARK and
CAROL M. STENMARK
Plaintiffs,
Vs.

C.A. No. WC-2020-0130

## THE BONNET SHORES FIRE DISTRICT Defendant.

#### **CONSENT JUDGMENT**

It is agreed by and between the Plaintiffs and Defendant, that the terms of the following Consent Judgment may enter as a Final Judgment with no right of appeal by any party.

1. The Court having granted summary judgment in favor of the Plaintiffs on Count I of the Complaint, judgment shall enter in favor of Plaintiff Melissa Jenkins. In furtherance thereof, beginning with any Bonnet Shores Fire District Annual Meeting or Special Meeting (each, a "Meeting") held after the date hereof, every citizen of the United States of the age eighteen years or over who has had residence and home in the Bonnet Shores Fire District for thirty days next preceding the time of voting, who has resided thirty days in the Bonnet Shores Fire District, and whose name shall be registered at least thirty days next preceding the time of voting as provided by the Bonnet Shores Fire District Charter, shall have the right to vote for all offices to be elected and on all questions submitted to the electors.

2. On Count II of the Complaint, judgment shall enter in favor of Plaintiff Melissa Jenkins.

3. The Court having previously granted Defendant's Motion to Dismiss Count III of the Complaint, said Count is dismissed.

4. On Count IV of the Complaint, judgment shall enter in favor of Plaintiffs Mary Burke Patterson, Robert E. Patterson, Valerie Ann Henry, Paula Childs, David H. Stenmark and Carol M. Stenmark.

5. Promptly upon the entry of this Consent Judgment, the Bonnet Shores Fire District Council shall appoint a Charter Revision Committee, consisting of five persons, at least one of whom shall be one of the Plaintiffs, to address the issues raised in the Plaintiffs' Complaint and to propose amendments to the Fire District Charter, such proposed Charter amendments to be presented for approval first to the Rhode Island General Assembly, and then to the voters at an Annual or Special Meeting.

6. The parties having reached an agreement with regard to the Plaintiffs' claim for attorneys' fees, the claim for attorneys' fees is dismissed.

7. The Court declines to award monetary damages.

8. All parties waive their rights of appeal.

Plaintiffs,

Mary Burke Patterson, Robert E. Patterson, Melissa Jenkins, Valerie Ann Henry, Paula Childs, David H. Stenmark, and Carol M.

Stenmark, By their Attorney. /s/ Matthe

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Entered as an Order of this Court this <u>26th</u> day of <u>May</u> 2022.

ENTER:

PER ORDER:

/s/ Sarah Taft-Carter

Sarah Taft-Carter Associate Trial Justice /s/ Christine Feeney

Clerk of the Court

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 2022, I filed and served this document through the electronic filing system on the following:

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/s/ Nadine Hendrickson, Legal Assistant