## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS AUSTIN DIVISION

INSTITUTE FOR FREE SPEECH, a nonprofit corporation and public interest law firm,

Plaintiff,

v.

Cause No. 4:23-cv-01370-DAE

J.R. JOHNSON, in his official and individual capacities as Executive Director of the Texas Ethics Commission; MARY KENNEDY, CHRIS FLOOD, and RICHARD SCHMIDT in their official capacities as commissioners of the Texas Ethics Commission; and RANDALL ERBEN, CHAD CRAYCRAFT, PATRICK MIZELL, JOSEPH SLOVACEK, and STEVEN WOLENS, in their individual and official capacities as commissioners of the Texas Ethics Commission;

Defendants.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Plaintiff INSTITUTE FOR FREE SPEECH now appeals to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit from the orders of the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas – Austin Division, dated August 30, 2024 (Order Granting Defendants' Motion to Dismiss) [Dkt. 40] and September 3, 2024 (Text Order Mooting Motion for Summary Judgment).

Defendants and their counsel are receiving notice of this appeal via notice of electronic filing.

## Respectfully submitted,

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