

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

DICK ANTHONY HELLER, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:22-cv-1894-DRF

DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR EXPEDITED DISCOVERY

Defendants District of Columbia and Metropolitan Police Department Chief Robert J. Contee III move for expedited discovery related to Plaintiffs' Application for Preliminary Injunction [7]. The expedited discovery—consisting entirely of the five written requests attached to this Motion—is narrowly limited to Plaintiffs' standing and allegations of irreparable harm. Defendants require the information sought by these requests to adequately defend against Plaintiffs' emergency motion. And because Defendants seek to propound only a small number of requests, Plaintiffs will not be significantly burdened, nor will the case be unreasonably delayed, as Plaintiffs should be able to respond within the 14-day response time proposed by Defendants. Under the circumstances, expedited discovery is reasonable. Plaintiffs do not consent.

A memorandum of points and authorities and a proposed order are attached.

Date: July 13, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,

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RULE 7(m) CERTIFICATION

On July 13, 2022, I contacted Plaintiffs' counsel via telephone regarding this Motion.

Plaintiffs do not consent to the relief requested.

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