

STATE OF MAINE

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT
Sitting as the Law Court
Docket No. Ken-20-169

Clare Hudson Payne et al.

v.

**ORDER ESTABLISHING COURSE OF
APPEAL**

Secretary of State et al.

The Superior Court (Kennebec County, *Murphy, J.*) has reported this matter to the Law Court pursuant to M.R. App. P. 24(a). Counsel have informed the Clerk of the Law Court that the parties agree that the matter should be decided by August 28, 2020, to provide time for the preparation and printing of the ballots for the November election. The Clerk of the Law Court has docketed the appeal under Law Court docket number Ken-20-169.

It is ORDERED as follows:

1. The Clerk of the Superior Court must transmit the record on appeal to the Clerk of the Law Court on or before **Monday, June 22, 2020**, at 4:00 p.m.
2. For purposes of applying the Maine Rules of Appellate Procedure, the plaintiffs, Clare Hudson Payne, Philip Steele, Frances M. Babb, and the Committee for Ranked Choice Voting (collectively, the Committee for Ranked Choice Voting) are designated as appellants. The Committee for Ranked Choice Voting must pay

the appeal fee of \$175 to the Clerk of the Law Court on or before **Friday, June 26, 2020.**

3. Any interested person or organization may file a brief as an amicus curiae pursuant to M.R. App. P. 9(e) without consent of the parties or separate leave of the Court.
4. All parties and any amici must file their briefs and submit the required electronic versions of their briefs, and the Committee for Ranked Choice Voting must file the appendix, on or before **Thursday, July 2, 2020, at 3:00 p.m.**
5. The parties may file reply briefs on or before **Monday, July 13, 2020, at 3:00 p.m.**

The Court will hold an argument on the appeal by videoconference on **Tuesday, July 28, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.** The audio of the videoconference will be streamed on the Court's website.

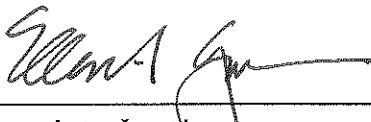
6. The Court will hold a "rehearsal" at some point before the argument to ensure that all technology works correctly and that all counsel are able to use the technology. The Clerk of the Law Court will contact counsel to arrange the date and time of the rehearsal. For the rehearsal, each attorney who will be arguing must be at the place from which the attorney will participate in

the argument and must use the exact device(s) and internet connection that the attorney will use to participate in the argument.

7. The Court will establish a “high-profile case” page on its website at www.courts.maine.gov/rankedchoice. All available information on the case, all documents filed, and all orders and notices issued by the Court will be posted on that page as expeditiously as possible. The Clerk’s office will not provide information about this appeal over the phone or in person.

Dated: June 17, 2020

For the Court,



Associate Justice

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