

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
IN SUPREME COURT

A12-1149

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APPELLATE COURTS**

Warren Limmer, Steve Gottwalt, Dan Hall,  
Steve Drazkowski, Sean Nienow, Paul Gazelka,  
Julianne Ortman, Peggy Scott, Michelle Benson,  
Ernie Leidiger, Bob Dettmer, Glenn Gruenhagen,  
Bob Gunther, Joyce Peppin and Mike Benson,  
all individuals, registered voters and Members of  
the Minnesota Legislature; John Helmberger,  
an individual and registered voter; and  
Minnesota for Marriage, an association of  
individuals and registered ballot committee,

Petitioners,

vs.

Mark Ritchie, in his official capacity as Secretary  
of State of the State of Minnesota, Lori Swanson,  
in her official capacity as Attorney General of the  
State of Minnesota,

Respondents.

**O R D E R**

Based upon all the files, records and proceedings herein,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The request of the Law Professors for leave to participate as amici curiae in the above-entitled matter in support of respondents be, and the same is granted, and the amici brief is accepted as filed. Counsel for the amici shall provide the clerk of appellate courts with an e-mail address to which the clerk may transmit any further notices, orders,

or decisions of the court. Amici will not be permitted to participate in oral argument.

2. The petition of Kurt Zellers and Michelle Fischbach for leave to participate as amici curiae in the above-entitled matter by joining the brief previously filed by amici Matt Dean and David H. Senjem be, and the same is, denied as untimely under paragraph 6 of the court's July 9, 2012 order.

Dated: July 17, 2012

BY THE COURT:

/s/

Lorie S. Gildea  
Chief Justice