

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

A12-1149 and A12-1258

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APPELLATE COURTS

JUL 27 2012

**FILED**

Warren Limmer, et al.,

Petitioners,

vs. (A12-1149)

Mark Ritchie, et al.,

Respondents.

**RESPONDENTS' RESPONSE TO  
PETITIONERS' MOTION FOR  
ADDITIONAL TIME FOR ORAL  
ARGUMENT AND FOR ARGUMENT  
BY TWO ATTORNEYS**

and

Mary Kiffmeyer, et al.,

Petitioners,

vs. (A12-1258)

Mark Ritchie, et al.,

Respondents.

Respondents oppose Petitioners' motion. The Court's July 26, 2012 Order provides for an efficient and reasonable process for the presentation of oral argument to the Court. The Court properly consolidated the cases for oral argument due to the substantial overlap in the issues presented and the Court's July 26, 2012 Order is consistent with the consolidation of the two cases. The issues are also extensively briefed by the parties. It is unnecessary to extend the time for oral argument or otherwise modify the Court's July 26, 2012 Order.

## CONCLUSION

Petitioners' motion should be denied.

Dated: July 27, 2012

Respectfully submitted,

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*Mary Kiffmeyer, et al. v. Mark Ritchie, et al.*, No. A12-1258

STATE OF MINNESOTA     )  
                                      ) ss.  
COUNTY OF RAMSEY     )

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BARBARA J. FEHRMAN, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

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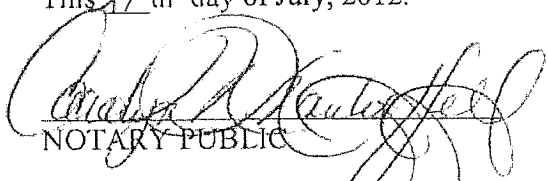
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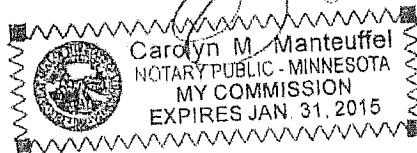
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Dear Ms. Gernander:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter please find the original and four copies of Respondents' Response to Petitioners' Motion for Additional Time For Oral Argument and For Argument By Two Attorneys. Also enclosed is an affidavit of service.

By copy of this letter service is made upon counsel for Petitioners and counsel for *Amicus* Non Partisan Organizations and Law Professors, et al. and *Amicus* Matt Dean and David Senjem.

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