

STATE OF MICHIGAN

IN THE 17TH CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT

MALINDA PEGO, ALI HOSSEIN, HASSAN  
NEHME, ANN DeLISLE, JESSICA BAREFIELD  
NORM SCHINKLE and WARREN CARPENTER,

CASE NO. 24-00658-CZ

HON. J. JOSEPH ROSSI

Plaintiffs,

v.

KRISTINA KARAMO,

Defendant.

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**ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION**

This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction. After reviewing the motions and briefs filed by the parties, hearing oral arguments, and otherwise being fully informed, this Court hereby **GRANTS** Plaintiffs' Motion for the reasons stated on the record.

Therefore, this Court finds, that as of January 6, 2024, Ms. Karamo was removed as Chair of the Michigan Republican State Committee and that Malinda Pego became the Acting Chair of the Michigan Republican State Committee, and that any actions of Ms. Karamo since January 6, 2024 purporting to be taken on behalf of the Michigan Republican State Committee are void and have no effect.

This Order prohibits Ms. Karamo, or any other person acting for or on her behalf, from:

- (1) holding herself out as Chair of the Michigan Republican State Committee, in person, to the media, or on social media;
- (2) calling any meeting of the Michigan Republican State Committee;
- (3) conducting, or attempting to conduct, any business in the name of the Michigan Republican State Committee or the Michigan Republican Party;
- (4) accessing any postal boxes held in the name of the Michigan Republican State Committee or the Michigan Republican Party;
- (5) accessing any bank accounts held in the name of the Michigan Republican State Committee or the Michigan Republican Party;
- (6) filing or causing to be filed any report or any other documentation required by state or federal campaign finance or election law; and
- (7) engaging in any communication, including on social media, that purports to be issued on behalf of the Michigan Republican State Committee or the Michigan Republican Party.

This Order is effective immediately, and has retroactive application to any actions after January 6, 2024 by Ms. Karamo purporting to act as chair.

The Trial date of June 10, 2024 remains.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

THIS IS THE NOT FINAL ORDER AND DOES NOT CLOSE THE CASE.

Date: 2.27.24

J. JOSEPH ROSSI  
HON. J. JOSEPH ROSSI  
Circuit Court Judge