

Committee to Elect Scott Lassiter

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SWCD SUPERVISOR LASSITER, CANDIDATE FOR NEW NC HOUSE DISTRICT 21, REACTS TO COURT RULINGS SUSPENDING FILINGS AND MOVING ELECTION DATE

CARY, NC- Unsurprisingly, Scott Lassiter, current Wake Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor, and declared candidate for the newly drawn NC House District 21 in south-central Wake County, expressed his frustration and disappointment regarding the NC Supreme Court's decision to suspend candidate filings and move the primary election date from March 8th to May 17th.

Lassiter, an educator who is licensed to teach Civics in NC schools, stated, "Our Founding Fathers established three separate but equal branches of government with specifically assigned areas of focus. When one branch oversteps their authority and interferes with the Constitutional powers vested in another we've got a problem. That's just what happened when a still undisclosed group of partisan hacks wearing black dresses chose to supersede the will of a duly elected and authorized legislature to completely throw the entire transparent election process into chaos."

By agreeing to take up the complaint of partisan gerrymandering raised by an extremely liberal special interest group, the NC Supreme Court halted all candidates from filing for every office up for election in 2022 including those whose jurisdictions have nothing to do with legislative redistricting. Specifically, candidates for county-wide and state-wide elected offices like the NC Supreme Court, US Senator, Sheriff, Clerk of Superior Court, County Commission, and municipal officials were turned away without reason.

"Our government is not in a position to lose any more credibility with the people," stated Lassiter. He continued, "By injecting uncertainty about when and if elections will be held for important public servants the Court has furthered the cynicism and skepticism many have regarding their governing officials' and their accountability to the voting populus- This is a clear example of partisan judicial overreach intended to help out of touch liberals who's message and record of failure has fallen out of favor with voters."

Critics of the lawsuit causing the halt to filing and election day confusion have compared the maps drawn by Democrats to the maps more recently drawn by Republicans suggesting that the latter is actually significantly less gerrymandered to favor their party. Many pundits have also remarked on the high number of "toss-up" districts that do not heavily favor one party or another. House District 21 has regularly been categorized as such and is seen by many as a pathway to attaining a supermajority in the chamber.

Lassiter was able to officially file for election on December 7th on the one day filing was open in the midst of judicial gamesmanship. He intends to run for the House regardless of exactly where the district lines fall or the date of the election and continues to focus his campaign on the importance of quality public education, infrastructure improvements, and increased economic opportunity for all.

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