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The Honorable Judge Jill A. Otake
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United States Courthouse
300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room C-338
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**Re: *Carmichael et al. v. Governor Ige*; Case No. 1:20-cv-00273 JAO-WRP
Hearing July 2, 2020 at 11:00 on Plaintiffs' TRO Motion**

Dear Honorable Judge Otake:

I write in response to Attorney General Clare Connors' request to the Court to change the agreed-upon hearing format from Zoom, with both counsel on equal footing and I, lead counsel for the Plaintiffs, participating from California, to a format where General Connors would appear in person while I appear by telephone or local counsel handles the hearing. Mr. Hochberg, our local counsel, is indeed very capable; however, I am the lead counsel and have been preparing both the papers and for the hearing. Given that General Connors herself will be handling the hearing, I will make arrangements to attend the hearing in person, and am in the process of securing travel arrangements now. Should the Court accede to the state's request, Plaintiffs do not object and will participate in person, subject to all social distancing requirements imposed by the Court.

Respectfully,

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