

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

REBECCA KELLY SLAUGHTER, *et al.*,
in their official and personal capacities,

Plaintiffs,

v.

DONALD J. TRUMP, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 25 - 909 (LLA)

ORDER

For the reasons stated in the court’s Memorandum Opinion, ECF No. 51, it is hereby **ORDERED** that Plaintiff Alvaro Bedoya’s claims are **DISMISSED** without prejudice. It is further

ORDERED that Plaintiff Rebecca Slaughter’s Motion for Summary Judgment, ECF No. 20, is **GRANTED** and Defendants’ Cross-Motion for Summary Judgment, ECF No. 32, is **DENIED**. It is further

DECLARED that the purported removal of Ms. Slaughter from the Federal Trade Commission was unlawful under the Federal Trade Commission Act, 15 U.S.C. § 41 *et seq.*, and is therefore without legal effect. It is further

DECLARED that Ms. Slaughter remains a rightful member of the Federal Trade Commission until the expiration of her Senate-confirmed term on September 25, 2029; and that she may only be removed by the President for “inefficiency, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office” pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 41. It is further

ORDERED that Defendants Andrew Ferguson, Melissa Holyoak, David Robbins, and their subordinates and agents are **ENJOINED** from removing Ms. Slaughter from her lawful position as an FTC Commissioner or otherwise interfering with Ms. Slaughter's right to perform her lawful duties as an FTC Commissioner until the expiration of her term or unless she is lawfully removed by the President for "inefficiency, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office" pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 41. This injunction accordingly requires Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Holyoak, Mr. Robbins, and their subordinates and agents to provide Ms. Slaughter with access to any government facilities, resources, and equipment necessary for her to perform her lawful duties as an FTC Commissioner during the remainder of her term.

This Order constitutes a final judgment of the court within the meaning of Rule 58(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The Clerk of Court is directed to terminate the case.

SO ORDERED.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Alikhan", is written above a horizontal line.

LOREN L. ALIKHAN
United States District Judge

Date: July 17, 2025