

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE STATE OF TENNESSEE  
THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT MEMPHIS

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PAMELA MOSES, )  
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 Plaintiff, )  
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 v. )  
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 MARK GOINS, TRE HARGETT, and )  
 JONATHAN SKRMETTI, in their official )  
 capacities, )  
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 Defendants. )

Case No. CT-1579-19  
Judge Felicia Corbin-Johnson  
Judge Suzanne Cook  
Judge Barry Tidwell

ORDER

Before the Court<sup>1</sup> is the December 11, 2023 Motion of Defendants Mark Goins, Tre Hargett, and Jonathan Skrmetti, in their official capacities, to quash Plaintiff Pamela Moses's subpoena *duces tecum* directed to the non-party Tennessee Department of Corrections (the "Department"). Also before the Court is the January 2, 2024 Motion of Defendants to quash Plaintiff Pamela Moses's subpoena *duces tecum* directed to the non-party Office of Legal Services ("OLS"). Both motions are DENIED for the same reasons.

Following a case management conference during which counsel for Plaintiff made an oral motion for additional, limited discovery with respect to Defendants, the Court issued an order on October 11, 2023, granting that motion and giving Plaintiff thirty days to pursue additional discovery from Defendants limited to three topics. The first subpoena was issued on November 9, 2023, and was served on the Department on November 21, 2023. The second subpoena was issued on December 8, 2023, and served upon OLS on December 12, 2023. Defendants argue the subpoenas are both untimely and, alternatively, exceed the scope of the Court's limited discovery

<sup>1</sup> Presiding over this matter is a three-judge panel appointed by the Tennessee Supreme Court pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 20-18-101 *et seq.* and Supreme Court Rule 54.

order both as to the party whom discovery is being sought from and the nature of the discovery being sought. We disagree. The Court's limited discovery order was the result of a lengthy discussion at the case management conference as to Plaintiff's options regarding *Defendants* and issued within that context. The Court made no ruling as to Plaintiff pursuing discovery from third parties. Accordingly, Defendants' Motions are not well taken and therefore **DENIED**.

**It is so ORDERED.**

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/S/JUDGE FELICIA CORBIN-JOHNSON, CHIEF JUDGE

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/S/JUDGE SUZANNE COOK

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/S/JUDGE BARRY TIDWELL