

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**SUPREME COURT**

**In Case No. 2022-0249, Petition of City of Dover & a., the court on May 5, 2022, issued the following order:**

On May 3, 2022, the City of Dover and Debra Hackett filed a Rule 11 petition for original jurisdiction, which identifies the respondent as the Secretary of State. Having reviewed the Rule 11 petition, the court hereby joins the State of New Hampshire (the State) as an additional respondent. The Attorney General, as counsel for the State, see RSA 21-M:2 and :12-a, has already been served through the electronic filing system with the Rule 11 petition.

On or before May 13, 2022, the respondents shall file brief memoranda that address whether the petition's "questions to be reviewed" satisfy the standards of Rule 11 for the exercise of our original jurisdiction. See Rule 11(1) ("Petitions requesting this court to exercise its original jurisdiction shall be granted only when there are special and important reasons for doing so."). The brief memoranda may also include any factual, procedural, or legal grounds that the respondents believe are material to the acceptance or denial of the petition. See Rule 11(6).

MacDonald, C.J., and Hicks, Bassett, Hantz Marconi, and Donovan, JJ., participated.

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