

United States Court of Appeals  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

No. 18-5289

September Term, 2018

1:18-cv-01261-KBJ

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American Federation of Government  
Employees, AFL-CIO, et al.,

Appellees

v.

Donald J. Trump, in his official capacity as  
President of the United States, et al.,

Appellants

**BEFORE:** Rogers, Srinivasan, and Wilkins, Circuit Judges

**ORDER**

Upon consideration of the motion to expedite, the responses thereto, and the reply, it is

**ORDERED** that the motion to expedite be granted in part. Dispositive motions will not be allowed in this case, and the parties are directed to incorporate in their briefs any jurisdictional arguments they intend to raise. Any motions to participate as amicus curiae shall be due by October 26, 2018. It is

**FURTHER ORDERED** that appellees show cause by October 26, 2018, why they should not be limited to one joint brief, not to exceed 13,000 words. See Fed. R. App. P. 32(a)(7). The response to the order to show cause may not exceed 5,200 words. See Fed. R. App. P. 27(d)(2).

Whether the parties are aligned or have disparate interests, they must provide *detailed* justifications for any request to file separate briefs or to exceed in the aggregate the standard word allotment. Requests to exceed the standard word allotment must specify the word allotment necessary for each issue. It is

**FURTHER ORDERED** that the motion to expedite be otherwise denied. Appellants have not articulated “strongly compelling” reasons why “delay will cause irreparable injury and that the decision under review is subject to substantial challenge” or why “the public generally, or . . . persons not before the Court, have an unusual

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interest in prompt disposition.” D.C. Circuit Handbook of Practice and Internal Procedures 33 (2018). Nor do appellants’ conclusory assertions of “good cause” establish that the appeal should be expedited under 28 U.S.C. § 1657(a).

Per Curiam

**FOR THE COURT:**  
Mark J. Langer, Clerk

BY: /s/  
Laura Chipley  
Deputy Clerk