

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

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No. 15-0320
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KING STREET PATRIOTS, CATHERINE ENGELBRECHT, BRYAN ENGELBRECHT, AND
DIANE JOSEPHS, PETITIONERS

v.

TEXAS DEMOCRATIC PARTY; GILBERTO HINOJOSA, SUCCESSOR TO BOYD RICHIE,
IN HIS CAPACITY AS CHAIRMAN OF THE TEXAS DEMOCRATIC PARTY; JOHN
WARREN, IN HIS CAPACITY AS DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE FOR DALLAS COUNTY
CLERK; AND ANN BENNETT, IN HER CAPACITY AS THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE
FOR HARRIS COUNTY CLERK, RESPONDENTS

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ON PETITION FOR REVIEW FROM THE
COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE THIRD DISTRICT OF TEXAS
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JUDGMENT

THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS, having heard this cause on petition for review from the Court of Appeals for the Third District, and having considered the appellate record, briefs, and counsels' argument, concludes that the court of appeals' judgment should be affirmed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, in accordance with the Court's opinion, that:

- 1) The court of appeals' judgment is affirmed in part;
- 2) The portions of the lower courts' judgments upholding the facial constitutionality of the political committee definitions of the Texas Election Code are vacated;
- 3) The case is remanded to the trial court for further proceedings consistent with this opinion; and
- 4) King Street Patriots; Catherine Engelbrecht; Bryan Engelbrecht; Diane Josephs; Texas Democratic Party; Gilberto Hinojosa, Successor to Boyd

Richie, in his capacity as Chairman of the Texas Democratic Party; John Warren, in his capacity as Democratic Nominee for Dallas County Clerk and Ann Bennett, in her capacity as Democratic Nominee for Harris County Clerk, shall pay their own costs incurred in this Court and the court of appeals.

Copies of this judgment and the Court's opinion are certified to the Court of Appeals for the Third District and to the 261st District Court of Travis County, Texas, for observance.

Opinion of the Court delivered by Justice Guzman.

Concurring opinion filed by Justice Devine.

June 30, 2017
