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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
MISSOULA DIVISION**

FREE SPEECH COALITION, INC.;
DEEP CONNECTION TECHNOLOGIES,
INC.; CHARYN PFEUFFER; JFF PU-
BLICATIONS, LLC; ANNA LOUISE
PETERSON; LYNSEY GRISWOLD ;
PHE, INC.; AND CONVERGENCE
HOLDINGS, INC.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

AUSTIN KNUDSEN, in his offi-
cial capacity as Attorney General
of the State of Montana

Defendant.

Case No. 9:24-cv-00067-DWM

**DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO
DISMISS PLAINTIFFS'
COMPLAINT AND DEMAND
FOR JURY TRIAL**

Under Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 12(b)(1) and 12(b)(6), Defendant Austin Knudsen, in his official capacity as Attorney General of the State of Montana, respectfully moves this Court to dismiss all claims in Plaintiffs' Complaint and Demand for Jury Trial for failure to state a claim for relief and all Plaintiffs' substantive due process and equal protection claims for because they lack standing. The reasons supporting Defendant's motion are set out in the separately filed Brief in Support of Defendant's Motion to Dismiss Plaintiffs' Complaint and Demand for Jury Trial.

DATED this 24th day of June, 2024.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this date, an accurate copy of the foregoing document was served electronically through the Court's CM/ECF system on registered counsel.

Dated: June 24, 2024

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