

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND**

STATE OF WASHINGTON, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN
DEVELOPMENT, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Case No. 25-cv-626-MSM-AEM

District Judge Mary S. McElroy
Magistrate Judge Amy E. Moses

NOTICE OF APPEAL

All Defendants in this action—U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and Eric Scott Turner, in his official capacity as Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development—respectfully provide notice that they hereby appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit the Court’s February 27, 2026 Text Order denying Defendants’ February 17, 2026 Motion to Dissolve, ECF No. 89, the December 19, 2025 preliminary injunction order entered against Defendants.

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