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COLUMBUS Today a three-judge panel on the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals granted the States motion for stay while the appeal of the District Courts [May 19th ruling](#), granting relief for Ohioans for Secure and Fair Elections, plays out.

The following is a statement from Toni Webb, Campaign Manager for Ohioans for Secure and Fair Elections:

This is a very disappointing ruling from the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. The three-judge panel has said that collecting hundreds of thousands of signatures during a global pandemic was within the capacity of the campaign, but we know, other courts across the country know, and our diverse coalition of supporters knows that to embark on traditional signature collection during this time would have been dangerous, unethical, immoral, and absurd. Given the rapid pace of the litigation, we continue to consider our path forward and evaluate our next steps. Our commitment has always been to voters. The states drastic move to stop our campaign from moving forward reveal their true priorities when it comes to the rights of Ohio voters. The response from Ohio officials underscores why people, not politicians, should decide how to update Ohios election laws.

[The order is available.](#)

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