

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
Case No.: 16-cv-25-TDS-JEP

PEOPLE FOR THE ETHICAL
TREATMENT OF ANIMALS, INC.;
CENTER FOR FOOD SAFETY;
ANIMAL LEGAL DEFENSE FUND;
FARM SANCTUARY; FOOD & WATER
WATCH; GOVERNMENT
ACCOUNTABILITY PROJECT; FARM
FORWARD; and AMERICAN SOCIETY
FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY
TO ANIMALS,

Plaintiffs,

v.

JOSHUA H. STEIN, in his official
capacity as Attorney General of North
Carolina, and CAROL FOLT, in her
official capacity as Chancellor of the
University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill,

Defendants.

DEFENDANTS' RESPONSE TO
NORTH CAROLINA FARM BUREAU
FEDERATION, INC.'S MOTION TO
INTERVENE

Defendants, Attorney General Joshua H. Stein and Kevin Guskiewicz, Interim Chancellor of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill,¹ take no position on Farm Bureau's motion to intervene. However, the Defendants disagree with the Farm Bureau's contention that they cannot adequately defend its interest in the lawsuit. While the Defendants have maintained throughout the litigation that they are not the proper parties to

¹ Carol Folt is no longer the Chancellor of The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Dr. Kevein Guskiewicz is now serving as the Interim Chancellor and is automatically substituted as a party pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 25(d).

this lawsuit, they have vigorously defended the challenged legislation in this lawsuit to date and intend to continue to do so as this litigation progresses.

Respectfully submitted this the 22nd day of February 2019.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I electronically filed the foregoing **DEFENDANTS' RESPONSE TO NORTH CAROLINA FARM BUREAU FEDERATION, INC.'S MOTION TO INTERVENE** with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of such filing to all registered CM/ECF users.

This the 22 day of February, 2019.

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