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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF FORREST COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

**CARTER CARROLL and  
KIM BRADLEY**

**PLAINTIFFS**

**VS.**

**CAUSE NO. CI 14-0212** ✓

**JOHNNY L. DUPREE, in his official  
capacity as Mayor of the City of Hattiesburg**

**DEFENDANT**

**ORDER ON PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR STATUS CONFERENCE**

THIS CAUSE CAME THIS DAY to be heard on the Motion of the Plaintiffs, Carter Carroll and Kim Bradley, for Status Conference filed April 8, 2015; and the Court, having heard and considered the Motion and Defendant's response to same, and arguments of counsel, finds that the Motion is well-taken and should be granted.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that:

1. The Mayor has failed to comply with the very clear orders of this Court directing him to supply nominees for the vacant offices of the City of Hattiesburg and forthwith bring additional names in the event that the city council fails to confirm the nominee of the Mayor.
2. The Mayor, at this time, is in civil contempt of this Court.
3. On May 21, 2015, at one o'clock p.m., the Mayor shall come forward and show cause why the finding of civil contempt should not be enforced by this Court. If the Mayor is successful in demonstrating to this Court that he is not in contempt, then the Court's ruling will be according to that finding. Should the mayor fail in his burden to establish that he is not in civil contempt, then it will be the ruling of the Court that he will be remanded to the custody of the Forrest County Sheriff until he has purged himself of contempt.
4. The Court will reserve ruling on the issues of attorney's fees and costs until the Mayor's show cause hearing on May 21, 2015. If the Court finds that an award of fees and costs

is appropriate, the Court will set a subsequent hearing to determine the reasonableness of the fees and costs claimed by Plaintiffs.

SO ORDERED AND ADJUDGED, this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015.

  
L. BRELAND HILBURN  
SPECIAL CIRCUIT JUDGE

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