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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF FORREST COUNTY, MISSISSIP

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 CIVIL CONTEMPT

THIS CAUSE CAME THIS DAY to be heard upon order of this Court to show cause why the Defendant should not be held in civil contempt of court, on June 4, 2015; and the Court, having heard and considered the testimony of witnesses, parties, and arguments of counsel, as well as all of the evidence in the record from Plaintiffs and Defendant, finds as follows:

- 1. After the Court's order of January 13, 2015, only two additional nominees have been provided to the city council for confirmation, neither of which were confirmed. This, in the Court's opinion, is a failure of Defendant to demonstrate due diligence in complying with the orders of this Court.
- 2. Based on all of the evidence in the record to date, the Court finds that the Defendant is in civil contempt of the orders of this Court.
- 3. Considering the representations made by counsel for Plaintiffs as well as the evidence offered by the Defendant, it is the decision of this Court to impose a sanction of \$150.00 per day, to be paid personally by Johnny L. Dupree, beginning the tenth day of July, 2015.
- 4. The Defendant has until July 10, 2015 to comply with the Court's order before the above sanction is imposed. Should the Defendant fail to comply with this order by July 10, 2015, said personal monetary sanction of \$150.00 per day shall be imposed at that time, and shall continue from day to day until Defendant purges himself of contempt.

5. This ruling is without prejudice to any further or additional options that the Court may have available to it to enforce its Order should the Defendant fail to comply as reflected herein. SO ORDERED AND ADJUDGED, this the 3

> L. BRELAND HILBURN SPECIAL CIRCUIT JUDGE

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