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**IN THE SUPREME COURT  
OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA**

ROBERT BACKIE, an individual and a  
qualified elector of Congressional District  
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Plaintiff/Appellant,

v.

KIM GEORGE, an individual; ADRIAN  
FONTES, in his official capacity as  
Arizona Secretary of State; MARICOPA  
COUNTY BOARD OF  
SUPERVISORS; JACK SELLERS, in  
his official capacity as Maricopa County  
Supervisor; THOMAS GALVIN, in his  
official capacity as Maricopa County  
Supervisor; BILL GATES, in his official  
capacity as Maricopa County  
Supervisor; CLINT HICKMAN, in his  
official capacity as Maricopa County  
Supervisor; STEVE GALLARDO, in his  
official capacity as Maricopa County  
Supervisor; STEPHEN RICHER, in his  
official capacity as Maricopa County  
Recorder;

Defendants/Appellees.

No.

Maricopa County Superior Court  
No. CV2024-008687

**NOTICE OF APPEAL AND  
STATEMENT DESIGNATING  
THE CASE AS AN  
EXPEDITED ELECTION  
MATTER**

**(Expedited Election  
Case/Candidate Challenge per  
A.R.S. § 16-351)**

Pursuant to Arizona Rule of Civil Appellate Procedure 10(c), Plaintiff/Appellant Robert Backie hereby designates this appeal as an Expedited Election Matter, as it involves a challenge to a candidate's nomination petition arising under A.R.S. § 16-351. The names and contact information of counsel for the parties involved in this appeal are as follows.

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A file-stamped copy of Plaintiff's/Appellant's Notice of Appeal is attached as Exhibit A. A copy of the Maricopa County Superior Court's Order and Judgment that Plaintiff/Appellant is appealing is attached as Exhibit B.

DATED this 29th day of April, 2024.

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