Plaintiffs filed objections to the Magistrate Judge's Decision to allow the Governor to take over the State Department of Education.

Attached are a news release and the Plaintiff's <u>objection</u> to a Magistrate Judge's Decision on denying the Motion for a preliminary injunction. Hopefully, the court will seriously review this matter. It is inconceivable that the court would allow the legislature and Governor to overturn a constitutional provision by mere legislation.

Objections Filed to the Magistrate Judge's Decision in OH Education Takeover Case

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Plaintiffs file objections to the magistrate judge's decision denying the motion for a preliminary injunction

Franklin County, OH — Today, on behalf of parents and the Toledo School Board, Democracy Forward and Ulmer & Berne LLP filed an objection to the magistrate judge's decision in *Collins v. DeWine* denying our motion for a preliminary injunction. The filing argues that the magistrate judge's opinion was in error and that a preliminary injunction on the Education Takeover Rider should be issued.

After filing, Senior Counsel Maddy Gitomer released the following statement:

"Our objections to the magistrate judge's decision denying our motion for a preliminary injunction argue that the magistrate judge's opinion was in error and that a preliminary injunction on the Education Takeover Rider should be issued. We have no doubt that Governor DeWine's takeover of public education in Ohio is unconstitutional, and await a final decision from the court. We remain confident that democracy will have the last word in this case."

Plaintiffs Michelle Newman and Dr. Christina Collins released the following statement:

"As a result of Governor DeWine's unconstitutional education takeover, our elected State Board members no longer have power to govern or effect change in response to the concerns we and parents across the state have historically raised. As parents, we have been stripped of the ability to effectively advocate to elected decision makers on state policy that directly impacts our children. The new Department of Education and Workforce is not a substitute for the State Board of Education voted into our Constitution by Ohioans decades ago. We are proud to continue our fight in court to defend democracy and public education."

Read the objection here.