UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
EL PASO DIVISION

LEAGUE OF UNITED LATIN AMERICAN CITIZENS (LULAC), et al., Plaintiffs, v. GREG ABBOTT, et al., Defendants.	Civil Action No. 3:21-cv-259 (DCG-JES-JVB) (consolidated cases)

NON-PARTY TEXAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL'S RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO THE UNITED STATES' MOTION TO COMPEL TEXAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL DOCUMENTS

It should not have to bear repeating that the Texas Legislative Council is a non-partisan legislative agency that provides services and legal advice to the whole of the Texas Legislature, including legislators on both sides of the aisle (and in fact both sides of the "v" in this lawsuit). But yet again, the United States tries to pierce the privileges held by both the Texas Legislative Council and its staff, and indeed the entirety of the Texas Legislature, without consideration as to how such a ruling would render all legislators (including some plaintiffs and those legislators and their staff who are not involved with this lawsuit) without privileges fundamental to the legislative process and the provision of legal services.

This time the United States seeks to compel the disclosure of documents listed on the Texas Legislative Council's privilege log, served September 16, 2022. For the following reasons, the United States' motion to compel should be denied.