

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

Richmond Division

JEFFREY THOMAS, JR., *et al.*,
Pro se Plaintiffs,

v.

Civil No. 3:22cv427 (DJN)

SUSAN BEALS *et al.*,
Defendants.

ORDER
(Granting Motion for Enlargement of Page Limits)

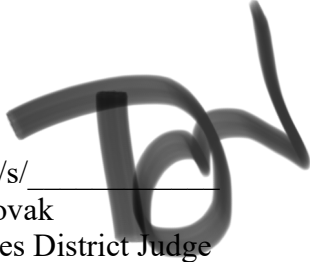
This matter comes before the Court on Defendants' Motion for Enlargement of Page Limit for Opening Brief (ECF No. 17), moving the Court to enlarge the page limit for their forthcoming Motion to Dismiss. Plaintiff opposes the Motion. (ECF No. 19.) Because of the unique and novel legal theories and distinct factual allegations raised by three different Plaintiffs in the Amended Complaint, and because the Court will require the parties to address additional arguments in their briefs, Defendants' Motion (ECF No. 17) is hereby GRANTED. Defendants' opening brief may not exceed forty (40) pages. The Court will also grant Plaintiffs a commensurate enlargement, such that their opposition brief may not exceed forty (40) pages. There will be no expansion of the page limits for the Reply brief.

Additionally, in their briefs, the parties shall address which, if any, of the issues raised in Defendants' Motion may be addressed by the undersigned as a single judge and which issues, if any, must be addressed by a three-judge panel. The parties shall base their responses to this

inquiry on the reasoning set forth by the Court in its June 6, 2022 Memorandum Opinion in *Goldman v. Brink*, No. 3:21cv420, ECF No. 89.

Let the Clerk file a copy of this Order electronically, notify all counsel of record and forward a copy to *pro se* Plaintiffs at their addresses of record.

It is so ORDERED.


_____/s/
David J. Novak
United States District Judge

Richmond, Virginia
Dated: June 23, 2022