

CAUSE NO. DC-25-09345

BRIAN MORROW, ET AL.,	§	IN THE DISTRICT COURT
	§	
Plaintiffs,	§	
v.	§	
	§	DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS
RANDY SCHACKMANN, ET. AL.,	§	
	§	
Defendants.	§	95TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF APPEAL

Defendants Carrollton-Farmers Branch Independent School District; Nancy Kimmel Brady, Cassandra Hatfield, Ileana Garza-Rojas, and Marjorie Barnes, in their official capacities (collectively, Defendants), file this Notice of Appeal.

1. This is an accelerated appeal under Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 28.1 because Defendants are filing an interlocutory appeal permitted by statute. This appeal is not a parental termination case, a child-protection case, or an appeal from an order certifying a child to stand trial as an adult, as defined by Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 28.4.

2. Defendants desire to appeal from the district court's Order denying Defendants' Motion for Traditional and No-Evidence Summary Judgment by the 95th Judicial District Court, Judge Monica Purdy presiding, on September 3, 2026. Defendants do not appeal the portions of the Order granting Defendants' Pleas to the Jurisdiction and Motions to Dismiss as to Wendy Eldredge and Randy Schackmann.

3. The trial court, cause number, and style of this case are shown in the caption above.

4. Defendants appeal to the Fifth (5th) Court of Appeals.

5. The parties filing this Notice of Appeal are Carrollton-Farmers Branch Independent School District; Nancy Kimmel Brady, in her official capacity; Cassandra Hatfield,

in her official capacity; Ileana Garza-Rojas, in her official capacity; and Marjorie Barnes, in her official capacity.

6. This interlocutory appeal is permitted under Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code Section 51.014(a)(8). Defendants seek review of the denial of their Traditional and No-Evidence Motion for Summary Judgment insofar as Plaintiffs' failure to establish a violation of the Texas Open Meetings Act fails to establish the jurisdictional facts necessary to demonstrate a waiver of governmental immunity. *See Town of Shady Shores v. Swanson*, 590 S.W.3d 544, 549-52 (Tex. 2019); *Thomas v. Long*, 207 S.W.3d 334, 339-40 (Tex. 2006); *Tex. A&M Univ. Sys. v. Koseoglu*, 233 S.W.3d 835, 844-45 (Tex. 2007).

7. This appeal does not involve a matter described by Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 25.1(d)(9).

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