

EXHIBIT 2

**SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
APPELLATE DIVISION: THIRD DEPARTMENT**

In the Matter of the Application of the PEOPLE OF THE
STATE OF NEW YORK, by LETITIA JAMES, Attorney
General of the State of New York,

Petitioner-Respondent,

and

TROY BRANCH OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR
THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE, CLIFTON
PEREZ, SHARON FERGUSON, and DANIELLE COLIN
CHARLESTIN,

Proposed Intervenor
Petitioner-Respondents

-against-

JASON SCHOFIELD, individually and in his capacity of
Commissioner of the Rensselaer County Board of Elections,
EDWARD McDONOUGH, individually and in his capacity of
Commissioner of the Rensselaer County Board of Elections,
and RENSSELAER COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS,

Respondents-Appellants.

Appellate Division—
Third Department Case
No. 533467

AFFIDAVIT OF DANIELLE COLIN CHARLESTIN

I, DANIELLE COLIN CHARLESTIN, being duly sworn, say:

1. I am 38 years old.
2. I am a Black woman.
3. I am a registered voter in Rensselaer County.
4. I reside at 757 5th Avenue in Troy, New York in the Lansingburgh neighborhood.
5. I am self-employed as an artist and arts educator. I perform and teach mostly

within the Capital Region. I also work part-time at The Social Justice Center in Albany.

6. I do not own a personal vehicle. I rely on public transportation to get around.

7. I prefer to vote in person because I believe it is more likely that my ballot will be counted if I vote in person on a voting machine as opposed to by absentee ballot.

8. None of three early voting sites designated by the Rensselaer County Board of Elections for the 2021 election cycle are reasonably accessible to me. The early voting site at the Town of Brunswick Office Building at 336 Town Road is not accessible by public transportation at all. It would take approximately 50 minutes to get from my residence to the Walmart-Brunswick Plaza bus stop, which is the closest site to the Brunswick Town Office Building, but I would still have to walk nearly 2 miles each way from the bus stop to the early voting site before taking a 50 minute bus ride home. The early voting site at the Holy Cross Armenian Church is not reasonably accessible to me. To reach Holy Cross Armenian Church by public transportation from my residence takes at least 45 minutes each way (if I catch the bus immediately upon leaving my home) and requires at least one bus transfer. I frequently work in Albany or on the west side of Troy. I do not recall ever working near the Holy Cross Armenian Church and it is not along any commuting route that I use regularly, which means that it would require a special 90-minute round-trip just to vote. On those days on which the Schodack Town Hall site is accessible by public transportation from my neighborhood, the round trip requires at least two hours and twenty minutes of travel time, including two bus transfers in each direction.

9. I would not want to miss out on in-person voting just because my health happens to be poor on Election Day. For another reason, as someone who is primarily self-employed, I cannot afford to turn down jobs just because they may make it difficult for me to cast a ballot in-person on Election Day at my local polling place. Access to early voting would make it possible for me to cast an in-person ballot and meet my work obligations. For a third reason, I want to be

able to vote early because I want to be able to vote together with other members of my community. It is easier to coordinate voting together on weekends than on weekdays.

10. I was not aware of aware of any organized programs that would have provided me with transportation to the polls for ~~either~~^{DC} the June primary. I not aware of any such program for the November general election either.

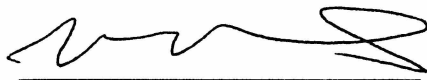
11. If the Rensselaer County Board of Elections designated an early voting site that is accessible by public transportation with a reasonable travel time from my residence, my ability to exercise my right to vote would be substantially less burdened than under the early voting site plan that included only the Brunswick, Schodack, and Holy Cross Armenian Church sites.


(Signature)

Danielle Chardestin
(Print Name)

Sworn to before me this

2nd day of August, 2021


(Notary public)

NINA NICHOLS
NOTARY PUBLIC-STATE OF NEW YORK
No. 01NI6301886
Qualified in Rensselaer County
My Commission Expires 04-28-2022