No. 18-1170

In the UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT

EXXON MOBIL CORPORATION,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

MAURA TRACY HEALEY, IN HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS, LETITIA JAMES, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF NEW YORK, IN HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY,

Defendants-Appellees.

MOTION TO WITHDRAW THE STATE OF MICHIGAN FROM AUGUST 10, 2018 AMICUS BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFF-APPELLANT

The State of Michigan moves to withdraw its support for the amicus brief filed in this case in support of plaintiff-appellant and provides the following in support of its motion:

- 1. On August 10, 2018, the State of Michigan under Attorney General Bill Schuette joined an amicus brief in support of plaintiff-appellant. A corrected amicus brief was filed on October 23, 2018.
- 2. On January 1, 2019, the new Attorney General in Michigan,
 Dana Nessel, took office.

- 3. In Michigan, the Attorney General is the chief law enforcement officer of the State, *Fieger v. Cox*, 734 N.W.2d 602, 604 (Mich. Ct. App. 2007), and the Attorney General has the authority to intervene in any action in which the Attorney General believes the interests of the People of the State of Michigan are implicated, Mich. Comp. Laws §§ 14.28, 14.101.
- 4. Likewise, under federal law, the State Attorney General represents the legal position for the State. *Cf.* 28 U.S.C. § 2403(b); Fed. R. Civ. P. 5(a)(1)(B).
- 5. In this matter, Attorney General Nessel has determined that the amicus brief filed on August 10, 2018, no longer represents the legal position of the State of Michigan. Thus, she seeks to withdraw Michigan's support for this amicus brief.

Wherefore, the State of Michigan respectfully asks this Court to grant this motion to withdraw its support for the previously filed amicus brief.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on February 7, 2019, the foregoing document was served on all parties or their counsel of record through the CM/ECF system.

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