

→ Frank Howard
for dist. ct

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

SENATOR MITCH McCONNELL, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civ. No. 02-582 (CKK, KLH, RJL)

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**NANCY MAYER WHITTINGTON, CLERK
U.S. DISTRICT COURT**

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF
AMERICA, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civ. No. 02-581 (CKK, KLH, RJL)

EMILY ECHOLS, a minor child, by and through
her next friends, TIM AND WINDY ECHOLS, *et
al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civ. No. 02-633 (CKK, KLH, RJL)

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF THE UNITED STATES, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civ. No. 02-751 (CKK, KLH, RJJ)

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BROADCASTERS,

Plaintiff,

v.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civ. No. 02-753 (CKK, KLH, RJJ)

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR AND CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civ. No. 02-754 (CKK, KLH, RJJ)

CONGRESSMAN RON PAUL, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civ. No. 02-781 (CKK, KLH, RJL)

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE,
et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION, *et al.*

Defendants.

Civ. No. 02-874 (CKK, KLH, RJL)

CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATIC PARTY, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civ. No. 02-875 (CKK, KLH, RJL)

VICTORIA JACKSON GRAY ADAMS, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Civ. No. 02-877 (CKK, KLH, RJL)

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

REPRESENTATIVE BENNIE G. THOMPSON,
et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Civ. No. 02-881 (CKK, KLH, RJL)

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

ORDER
(May 13, 2002)

Presently before the Court is a Motion of the United States to Intervene as Party-Defendant [#45]. The United States seeks to intervene in all actions where it, or the Attorney General, has not been named as a Defendant. The motion is unopposed¹ and, as such, the Court


¹ The Government noted in their accompanying memorandum that the motion was consented to by all Plaintiffs, except that Plaintiffs American Civil Liberties Union and Thomas McNerney in the *McConnell* action had not expressed a position on the motion. The Court contacted counsel for the American Civil Liberties Union and Mr. McNerney who indicated that these Plaintiffs did not object to the Government's motion. The Court also independently contacted Plaintiffs' counsel in *RNC v. FEC* and *Adams v. FEC*, two recently filed cases where the United States, or the Attorney General, was not named as a Defendant, and faxed them a copy of the United States' motion. These Plaintiffs, likewise, did not object to the Government's motion.

shall grant this motion.

Accordingly, it is, this 13 of May, 2002, hereby

ORDERED that the Motion of the United States to Intervene as Party-Defendant [#45] is GRANTED. The United States is deemed to be an Intervenor-Defendant in all actions presently before the Court that are consolidated around *McConnell v. FEC*, where it was not originally named as a Defendant.

SO ORDERED.


COLLEEN KOLLAR-KOTELLY
United States District Judge