

**IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT**

Chamber of Commerce of the United States of
America, Longview Chamber of Commerce,
American Bankers Association, Consumer
Bankers Association, Independent Bankers
Association of Texas, Texas Association of
Business, and Texas Bankers Association,
Plaintiffs-Appellees,

v.

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau; and
Russell Vought, in his official capacity as Acting
Director of the Consumer Financial Protection
Bureau,
Defendants-Appellants.

No. 23-40650

UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR STAY OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS

Defendants-Appellants the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, *et al.*,
(CFPB) respectfully move to stay this appeal for ninety days. Plaintiffs-Appellees
consent to the relief sought in this motion. In support of this motion, the CFPB
states the following:

1. This case is fully briefed and was scheduled for oral argument on
Monday, February 3.
2. On the morning of February 3, counsel for the CFPB learned that the
President designated Secretary Scott Bessent to serve as Acting Director of the CFPB.
Then Acting Director Bessent instructed CFPB staff not to make any appearances in

litigation other than to seek a pause in the proceedings.

3. The CFPB promptly advised the Court that it would not present oral argument other than to respectfully request a pause in the proceedings. *See* Doc. No. 129. The CFPB indicated it would meet and confer with Plaintiffs-Appellees and provide a further update to the Court as soon as practicable.

4. On February 7, 2025, the President designated Russell Vought to replace Secretary Bessent as Acting Director of the CFPB. The CFPB's new leadership needs time to review and consider its position in this litigation.

5. In order to facilitate the Acting Director's review of ongoing litigation, the CFPB respectfully requests a ninety-day stay of this appeal.

6. If the Court believes it would be appropriate, the CFPB will submit a report upon the conclusion of the stay advising the Court of the status of the appeal.

7. Plaintiffs-Appellees do not oppose the relief sought in this motion.

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