

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

MARYLAND HEMP
COALITION, INC., et al.
Plaintiffs

vs.

WES MOORE, et al.
Defendants

CASE NO. C-21-CV-23-348

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ORDER FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

The Motion for Preliminary Injunction having been considered, along with any Opposition thereto, upon the 12th day of October, 2023, the Court hereby finds:

1. That the Plaintiffs have shown a strong likelihood of success on the merits in this matter, and,
2. That the Plaintiffs will be irreparably harmed should this Preliminary Injunction fail to issue, in that the Plaintiffs shall be unable to engage in their usual and customary business and may lose customers and be forced to go out of business; and,
3. The harm to Plaintiffs is considerable, as stated in paragraph 2, above, whereas the harm to the Defendants is minimal, in that the parties shall be returned to the status quo ante as of June 30, 2023; and,
4. The grant of this Order is not contrary to the public interest.

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED:

That the Defendants are enjoined from enforcing Maryland Code Ann. Alc. Bev. §36-1102 against any person who was already lawfully in the business of selling hemp derived products prior to July 1, 2023, until such time as the Court shall rule upon the merits in this lawsuit.

A party or person affected by the Order may apply for modification or dissolution of the preliminary injunction. The party who obtained the preliminary injunction has the burden of showing that it should be continued.



Brett R. Wilson
Judge