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CAUSE No. D-1-GN-14-005114

JAMES STEELE, et al.	§	IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
Plaintiffs,	§	
	§	
VS.	§	TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS
	§	
GTECH CORPORATION,	§	
Defendant.	§	201 ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT
	§	·

AMENDED ORDER OVERRULING DEFENDANT GTECH CORPORATION'S FIRST AMENDED PLEA TO THE JURISDICTION

After considering Defendant GTECH Corporation's First Amended Plea to the Jurisdiction, Plaintiffs' response thereto and other evidence on file, the Court OVERRULES Defendant GTECH Corporation's First Amended Plea to the Jurisdiction.

Pursuant to Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 51.014(d) and Tex. R. Civ. P. 168, the Court hereby GRANTS permission to appeal this Amended Order Overruling Defendant GTECH Corporation's First Amended Plea to the Jurisdiction ("Amended Order").

The Court finds that GTECH Corporation's entitlement to derivative governmental immunity is a controlling question of law as to which there is a substantial ground for difference of opinion and finds that an immediate appeal from this Amended Order may materially advance the ultimate termination of the litigation. More specifically, GTECH Corporation's entitlement to derivative governmental immunity is a threshold question of law upon which all of Plaintiffs' claims depend. Its resolution would thus deeply affect and could significantly shorten the time, effort, and expense of litigating this case.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Defendant GTECH Corporation's First Amended Plea to the Jurisdiction is OVERRULED and that GTECH Corporation's Petition for Permission to Appeal this Amended Order is GRANTED.

SIGNED on this 26day of March, 2016

Presiding Judge

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