SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
M-832 September Term 2019
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Raymond Arthur Abbott, et al.,

Plaintiffs-Movants,

v. ORDER

Fred G. Burke, et al.,

Defendants-Respondents.

This matter having come before the Court on plaintiffs' motion in aid of litigants' rights pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 1:10-3 and <u>Rule</u> 2:8-1;

And plaintiffs having sought an Order directing defendants to comply with certain specified decisions of the Court, including <u>Abbott v. Burke</u>, 153 N.J. 480 (1998) (<u>Abbott V</u>) and <u>Abbott v. Burke</u>, 164 N.J. 84 (2000) (<u>Abbott VII</u>);

And the Court having duly considered the submissions of the parties;

And the Court having determined that the relief sought by movants is premature in that any arguments by plaintiffs in respect of the State's compliance with relevant portions of prior decisions of the Court have to be made in the context of the Fiscal Year 2021 budget, which has not been enacted;

And the Court having declined to proceed on the assumption that respondents will fail to comply with their constitutional obligations to provide a thorough and efficient educational system pursuant to $\underline{N.J.~Const.}$ art. VIII, $\S~4, \P~1$;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that the motion in aid of litigants' rights is denied, without prejudice.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 1st day of April, 2020.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

Hatha Bates