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Plaintiffs,

v.

PAULA DOW, in her official capacity as Attorney General of New Jersey; JENNIFER VELEZ, in her official capacity as Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Human Services; and MARY E. O'DOWD, in her official capacity as Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services,

Defendants.

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION
MERCER COUNTY
DOCKET NO. L-1729-11
CIVIL ACTION**

**ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFFS'
MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT
AND ENTERING FINAL JUDGMENT IN
FAVOR OF PLAINTIFFS**

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THIS MATTER having come before the court by way of Plaintiffs' motion for summary judgment; and Defendants having opposed the motion; and the court having carefully considered the arguments of the parties set forth in the briefs and presented to the court during oral argument; and for the reasons set forth in the Decision on Motion for Summary Judgment accompanying this Order; and for good cause shown:

IT IS on this 27th day of September, 2013, **HEREBY ORDERED** that:

1. Plaintiffs' motion for summary judgment is **GRANTED** as to Count One of the Complaint.
2. Effective October 21, 2013, Defendants, or such officials of the State of New Jersey as are empowered to do so, shall permit any and all same-sex couples, who otherwise satisfy the requirements to enter into a civil marriage, to marry in New Jersey.
3. Because the relief set forth in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Order grants Plaintiffs the remedy requested in their Complaint, Count Three of the Complaint is dismissed as moot and final judgment is entered in favor of Plaintiffs.



MARY C. JACOBSON, A.J.S.C.