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**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT**

THE REAL TRUTH ABOUT OBAMA,
INC.,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION;
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
JUSTICE,

Defendants-Appellees.

No. 08-1977

CAMPAIGN LEGAL CENTER;
DEMOCRACY 21,

Amici Supporting Appellees.

On Remand from the Supreme Court of the United States.
(S. Ct. No. 09-724)

Decided on Remand: June 8, 2010

Before NIEMEYER, Circuit Judge, C. Arlen BEAM, Senior
Circuit Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the
Eighth Circuit, sitting by designation, and
Joseph F. ANDERSON, Jr., United States District Judge for
the District of South Carolina, sitting by designation.

Published Order on Remand from the Supreme Court entered
per curiam.

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ORDER

PER CURIAM:

In *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission*, 130 S. Ct. 876 (2010), the Supreme Court held that the government may not, under the First Amendment, suppress speech on the basis of the speaker's corporate identity and that a statutory prohibition of corporate spending for electioneering communications violated the First Amendment. Based on that holding, the Court granted the petition filed in this case for a writ of certiorari, vacated our judgment, reported in *The Real Truth About Obama, Inc. v. Federal Election Commission*,

575 F.3d 342 (4th Cir. 2009), and remanded this case for "further consideration in light of *Citizens United* . . . and the Solicitor General's suggestion of mootness." *The Real Truth About Obama, Inc. v. Federal Election Commission*, 78 U.S.L.W. 3627 (U.S. Apr. 26, 2010). On further consideration, we now reissue Parts I and II of our earlier opinion in this case, 575 F.3d at 345-347, stating the facts and articulating the standard for the issuance of preliminary injunctions. On the remaining issues, we remand the case to the district court for consideration of the intervening Supreme Court decision in *Citizens United* and the Solicitor General's new suggestion of mootness.

It is so ordered.