

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:13-cv-01699-CRC**

WILLIAMS et al v. SEBELIUS et al  
Assigned to: Judge Christopher R. Cooper  
Cause: 28:1331 Federal Question: Other Civil Rights

Date Filed: 10/30/2013  
Date Terminated: 01/08/2015  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 440 Civil Rights: Other  
Jurisdiction: Federal Question

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
10/30/2013	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against All Defendants ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-3519280) filed by STONE RIVER MANAGEMENT CO., JOSEPH A. WILLIAMS, III, MARK A. WILLIAMS, DUNSTONE CO., JOSEPH A. WILLIAMS, IV, ELECTROLOCK INCORPORATED. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons Summons, Kathleen Sebelius, # <u>3</u> Summons Summons, U.S. Dep't of HHS, # <u>4</u> Summons Summons, Jack Lew, # <u>5</u> Summons Summons, U.S. Dep't of the Treasury, # <u>6</u> Summons Summons, Thomas Perez, # <u>7</u> Summons Summons, U.S. Dep't of Labor, # <u>8</u> Summons Summons, U.S. Atty. General, # <u>9</u> Summons Summons, U.S. Atty. D.C.)(Mersino, Erin) (Entered: 10/30/2013)
10/30/2013	<u>2</u>	LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by DUNSTONE CO., ELECTROLOCK INCORPORATED, STONE RIVER MANAGEMENT CO., JOSEPH A. WILLIAMS, III, JOSEPH A. WILLIAMS, IV, MARK A. WILLIAMS (Mersino, Erin) (Entered: 10/30/2013)
10/30/2013		Case Assigned to Judge Robert L. Wilkins. (sth, ) (Entered: 10/31/2013)
10/31/2013	<u>3</u>	ELECTRONIC SUMMONS (8)Issued as to JACK LEW, THOMAS E. PEREZ, KATHLEEN SEBELIUS, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Summons, # <u>2</u> Summons, # <u>3</u> Summons, # <u>4</u> Summons, # <u>5</u> Summons, # <u>6</u> Summons, # <u>7</u> Summons, # <u>8</u> Summons)(sth, ) (Entered: 10/31/2013)
11/01/2013		DISCHARGED PURSUANT TO MINUTE ORDER FILED 11/12/2013.....MINUTE ORDER: Pursuant to Local Rule 40.5, not later than 11/12/2013 Plaintiffs shall SHOW CAUSE why this case is not related to Civil Action Nos. 13-cv-1441-ABJ

		and/or 13-cv-1261-EGS. Signed by Judge Robert L. Wilkins on 11/1/13. (lcrwl1) Modified on 11/12/2013 (ztc), ). (Entered: 11/01/2013)
11/05/2013	<u>4</u>	RESPONSE TO ORDER OF THE COURT re Order, Order to Show Cause filed by DUNSTONE CO., ELECTROLOCK INCORPORATED, STONE RIVER MANAGEMENT CO., JOSEPH A. WILLIAMS, III, JOSEPH A. WILLIAMS, IV, MARK A. WILLIAMS. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Exhibit 1)(Mersino, Erin) (Entered: 11/05/2013)
11/12/2013		MINUTE ORDER: It is hereby ORDERED that the Order to Show Cause issued on November 1, 2013 is DISCHARGED. Signed by Judge Robert L. Wilkins on 11/12/2013. (tcb) (Entered: 11/12/2013)
11/15/2013	<u>5</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Preliminary Injunction , Unopposed MOTION to Stay by DUNSTONE CO., ELECTROLOCK INCORPORATED, STONE RIVER MANAGEMENT CO., JOSEPH A. WILLIAMS, III, JOSEPH A. WILLIAMS, IV, MARK A. WILLIAMS (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order Proposed Order)(Mersino, Erin) (Entered: 11/15/2013)
11/15/2013	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Michelle Renee Bennett on behalf of All Defendants (Bennett, Michelle) (Entered: 11/15/2013)
11/19/2013	<u>7</u>	ORDER re: Plaintiffs' Unopposed MOTION for Preliminary Injunction, Unopposed MOTION to Stay; Upon Plaintiffs Unopposed Motion for Preliminary Injunction and Stay of Proceedingsand for good cause shown, Plaintiffs motion is hereby GRANTED.IT IS ORDERED that Defendants, their employees, agents, and successors in office arehereby enjoined until thirty (30) days after the mandate issues in Gilardi v. U.S. Dept of Health& Human Servs., No 13-5069 (D.C. Cir.), from enforcing against Plaintiffs, their employeehealth plans, the group health insurance coverage provided in connection with such plans, and/ortheir insurers the statute and regulations that require Plaintiffs to provide their employees insurance coverage for [a]ll Food and Drug Administration approved contraceptive methods, sterilization procedures, and patient education and counseling for all women with reproductive capacity, 77 Fed. Reg. 8725 (Feb. 15, 2012), as well as any penalties, fines, assessments, or anyother enforcement actions for noncompliance, including those found in 26 U.S.C. §§ 4980D, 4980 H, and 29 U.S.C. §§ 1132, 1185d. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all proceedings in this case are stayed until thirty (30) days after the mandate issues from the Court of Appeals in Gilardi v. U.S. Dept of Health &Human Servs., No. 13-5069 (D.C. Cir.). IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within thirty (30) days after the mandate issues from the Court of Appeals in Gilardi v. U.S. Dept of Health & Human Servs., No. 13-5069 (D.C.Cir.), the parties shall file a Joint Status Report informing the Court of how they plan to proceedin light of the Court of Appeals opinion. Signed by Judge Robert L. Wilkins on 11/19/2013. (tcb) (Entered: 11/19/2013)
01/24/2014		Case reassigned to the Calendar Committee who will oversee it until it is reassigned to another judge. Judge Robert L. Wilkins has been elevated to the U.S. Court of Appeals for DC and is no longer assigned to the case. Any questions should be directed to Terri Barrett, formerly Judge Wilkins deputy clerk, at 202-354-3179 or terri_barrett@dcd.uscourts.gov. (ztnr, ) (Entered: 01/24/2014)
04/07/2014		Case reassigned to Judge Christopher R. Cooper. Calendar Committee no longer assigned to the case. (ztnr, ) (Entered: 04/07/2014)
09/05/2014	<u>8</u>	STATUS REPORT (Joint) by JACK LEW, THOMAS E. PEREZ, KATHLEEN SEBELIUS, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Bennett, Michelle) (Entered: 09/05/2014)
09/10/2014		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the Joint Status Report filed on 9/5/2014, it is hereby ORDERED that the preliminary injunction currently in place shall be extended until October 20, 2014; and it is further ORDERED that this matter is STAYED until October 6, 2014 and the parties are directed to submit a joint status report on or before October 6, 2014. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 9/10/2014. (tcr) (Entered: 09/10/2014)

10/06/2014	<u>9</u>	STATUS REPORT ( <i>Joint</i> ) by JACK LEW, THOMAS E. PEREZ, KATHLEEN SEBELIUS, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Bennett, Michelle) (Entered: 10/06/2014)
10/06/2014		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the Joint Status Report filed on October 6, 2014, it is hereby ORDERED that this matter is STAYED until November 5, 2014 and the parties are directed to submit a joint status report on or before November 5, 2014. It is further ORDERED that the preliminary injunction currently in place shall be extended until final judgment is entered in this case. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 10/6/2014. (lccrc2, ) (Entered: 10/06/2014)
10/07/2014		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 11/5/2014 (tcr) (Entered: 10/07/2014)
11/05/2014	<u>10</u>	Joint MOTION for Judgment <i>and Entry of Permanent Injunction</i> by DUNSTONE CO., ELECTROLOCK INCORPORATED, STONE RIVER MANAGEMENT CO., JOSEPH A. WILLIAMS, III, JOSEPH A. WILLIAMS, IV, MARK A. WILLIAMS (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Mersino, Erin) (Entered: 11/05/2014)
11/05/2014	<u>11</u>	ORDER granting <u>10</u> Joint MOTION for Judgment and Entry of Permanent Injunction;ORDERED that judgment is entered in favor of plaintiffs and against defendants on plaintiffs claim under the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000bb et seq.; and it is further ORDERED that all other claims against Defendants are DISMISSED; and it is further ORDERED that pursuant to Local Civ. R. 54.2, the Parties will meet and confer to reach agreement on attorneys fees and costs. The Parties will file a joint status report, including a recommendation for further proceedings, by no later than January 7, 2014. If there is no resolution of the attorneys fees and costs matter, Plaintiffs may file a motion for attorneys fees and costs within thirty days of January 7, 2014, pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P. 54; and it is further ORDERED that this Injunction and Judgment does not apply with respect to any changes in statute or regulation that are enacted or promulgated after this date, and nothing herein prevents plaintiffs from filing a new civil action to challenge any such future changes.(SEE ORDER FOR FULL DETAILS). Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 11/5/2014. (tcr) (Entered: 11/05/2014)
01/07/2015	<u>12</u>	STATUS REPORT ( <i>Joint</i> ) by JACK LEW, THOMAS E. PEREZ, KATHLEEN SEBELIUS, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Bennett, Michelle) (Entered: 01/07/2015)