

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA**

RT. REV. HENRY N. PARSLEY, JR., in his)
official capacity as Bishop of the Episcopal)
Church in the Diocese of Alabama; *et al.*)

Plaintiffs,)

vs.)

Case Number:
5:11-cv-02736-SLB

ROBERT BENTLEY, in his official capacity)
as Governor of the State of Alabama; *et al.*,)

Defendants.)

JOINT MOTION TO DISMISS AS MOOT

The parties respectfully ask the Court to dismiss this case without prejudice, if it enters the recently proposed order in *United States v. Alabama*, Case No. 2:11-cv-02746-SLB, enjoining Sections 13 and 27 of H.B. 56. In support of this motion, the parties state as follows:

1. In *United States*, the United States and Alabama recently asked the Court to enter a proposed order that, among other things, would enter a final injunction against Sections 13 and 27 of H.B. 56 (Doc #119 in Case No. 2:11-cv-02746-SLB).
2. Plaintiffs believe that if this Court enjoins Sections 13 and 27 in *United States v. Alabama*, then Plaintiffs will have received the relief they requested in this case.

3. Plaintiffs and Defendants agree that Plaintiffs' request for relief in this case will be moot once the proposed order in *United States* is entered.
4. By jointly moving this Court to dismiss this case without prejudice as moot, neither Plaintiffs nor Defendants make any representations, admissions, concessions, or stipulations about any other aspect of this case, including but not limited to the underlying merits of Plaintiffs' claims.

The parties therefore respectfully ask this Court to dismiss this action without prejudice as moot if the proposed order is entered in *United States*.

Respectfully submitted,

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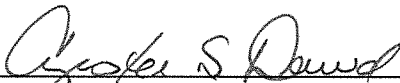
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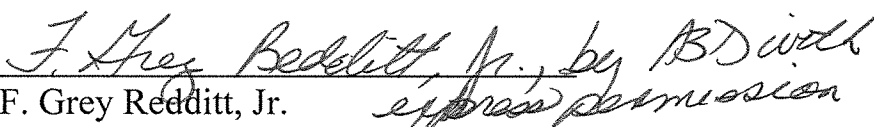
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