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## IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

## FOR THE ELEVENTH CIRCUIT

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No. 13-10999 Non-Argument Calendar

D.C. Docket No. 5:12-cv-04023-AKK

DORETTA JOYCE HOLYFIELD-VEGA, Min., "The Messenger",

Plaintiff-Appellant,

versus

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE Leaders,

Defendant,

ALABAMA SUPREME COURT/ HONORABLE ROY MOORE, ALABAMA LEGISLATURE MEMBERS, US SUPREME COURT/ HONORABLE JOHN ROBERTS,

Defendants-Appellees.

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Appeal from the United States District Court for the Northern District of Alabama

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(January 8, 2014)

Before MARCUS, PRYOR and FAY, Circuit Judges.

## PER CURIAM:

Doretta Holyfield-Vega appeals <u>pro se</u> the dismissal with prejudice of her complaint for injunctive relief against officials of the United States and the State of Alabama. The district court ruled that Holyfield-Vega lacked standing to sue the officials. We affirm.

The district court correctly concluded that Holyfield-Vega failed to allege that she had suffered an injury in fact. To have standing, a plaintiff must establish that she has incurred an injury to a protected interest that is "concrete and particularized." Fla. Wildlife Fed'n, Inc. v. S. Fla. Water Mgmt. Dist., 647 F.3d 1296, 1302 (11th Cir. 2011). Holyfield-Vega alleged that "[t]he removal of pray[er]" from "school and other areas" by federal and state officials violated her right to the free exercise of religion under the First Amendment, but Holyfield-Vega failed to describe how she had been injured by the officials' conduct. Holyfield-Vega argued that she was entitled to proceed "[a]s a concern[ed] United States Citizen," but a plaintiff "does not state an Article III case or controversy" by

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"claiming only harm to [her] and every citizen's interest in proper application of the Constitution . . . and seeking relief that no more directly and tangibly benefits [her] than it does the public at large," <u>Lance v. Coffman</u>, 549 U.S. 437, 439, 127 S. Ct. 1194, 1196 (2007) (quoting <u>Lujan v. Defenders of Wildlife</u>, 504 U.S. 555, 573–74, 112 S. Ct. 2130, 2143 (1992)); <u>Fairchild v. Hughes</u>, 258 U.S. 126, 42 S. Ct. 274 (1922). The district court correctly dismissed Holyfield-Vega's complaint for lack of subject matter jurisdiction.

We **AFFIRM** the dismissal of Holyfield-Vega's complaint.