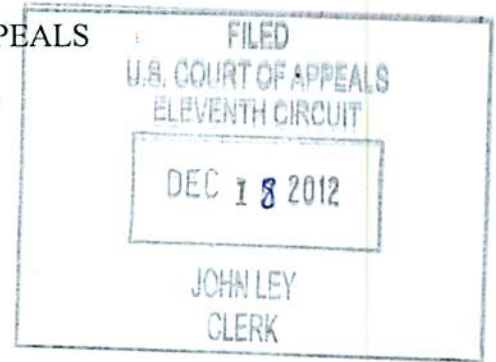


IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE ELEVENTH CIRCUIT

No. 12-14676-FF



CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY PRESS,
OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS, INC.,
SAGE PUBLICATIONS, INC.,

Plaintiffs-Appellants,

versus

CARL V. PATTON, et al.,

Defendants,

J. L. ALBERT,
in his official capacity as Georgia State
University Associate Provost for Information
System and Technology,
KENNETH R. BERNARD, JR.,
in his official capacity as member of the
Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia.,
ROBERT F. HATCHER, in his official capacity as
Vice Chair of the Board of Regents of the
University System of Georgia,
W. MANSFIELD JENNINGS, JR.,
in his official capacity as member of the
Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia,
JAMES R. JOLLY,
in his official capacity as member of the Board of Regents
of the University System of Georgia, et al.,

Defendants-Appellees.

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

Before BARKETT, WILSON and JORDAN, Circuit Judges.

BY THE COURT:

Defendants-appellees' motion to dismiss for lack of subject matter jurisdiction is DENIED. The district court's August 10, 2012 order granting a permanent injunction is a final, appealable order, and the district court's subsequent order and final judgment, entered on September 30, 2012, resolved issues that were collateral to the underlying merits of the case. 28 U.S.C. §§ 1291, 1292; *LaChance v. Duffy's Draft House, Inc.*, 146 F.3d 832, 837 (11th Cir. 1998); *Pitney Bowes, Inc. v. Mestre*, 701 F.2d 1365, 1368 (11th Cir. 1983).

Next, defendants-appellees' alternative motion to consolidate this appeal with Appeal No. 12-15147-FF is GRANTED. The Clerk is DIRECTED to consolidate Appeal No. 12-14676-FF with Appeal No. 12-15147-FF and inform the parties accordingly. The parties are ORDERED to submit briefs in the consolidated case only, and they are further ORDERED to comply with this Court's October 11, 2012 order, entered in Appeal No. 12-14676, establishing an extended, 18,000-word limit for the initial and answer briefs, and a 9,000-word limit for plaintiff-appellants' reply brief.