

EXHIBIT “21”

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
NORTHEASTERN DIVISION

HISPANIC INTEREST COALITION)
OF ALABAMA; et al.,)
)
Plaintiffs,)

v.)

CASE NO. 5:11-CV-2484-SLB

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

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

v.)

Case Number: 5:11-CV-2736-CLS

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
)
Plaintiff,)

v.)

Case Number: 2:11-CV-2746-LSC

STATE OF ALABAMA;)
GOVERNOR ROBERT J. BENTLEY,)
)
Defendants.)

AFFIDAVIT OF CHRISTINE C. WRIGHT

My name is Christine C. Wright. I am over the age of 19 years and am competent to give this affidavit. I have personal knowledge of the matters stated herein. This affidavit is submitted in support of a motion for preliminary injunction filed by the Plaintiffs in the Case No. 5:11-CV-2736-CLS, styled Rt. Rev. Henry N. Parsley, Jr. etc., et al. v. Robert Bentley, etc., et al.

I am the Principal of St. Ann School in Decatur, Alabama. I am responsible for the education and safety of 120 students ranging from 3 year old Pre-Kindergarten children through junior high students. St. Ann has served this community since 1955 and is affiliated with Anunciation of the Lord Parish, which is part of the Birmingham Diocese. There are 700 Hispanic families who belong to this Parish.

St. Ann school is Biblically based. Students attend religion courses daily and attend Mass weekly as a school. We teach the Gospel values in all we do. Jesus said:

"Let the little children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." (Matthew 19:14, New American Bible).

We educate students of various ages and backgrounds. Our students are White, Black, Asian and Hispanic. We do not segregate nor do we require information about their citizenship. To my knowledge, St. Ann has never collected immigration status from students or parents of students. Such information has never been necessary. Immigration status has never made a difference in the services we provide--our services are based on the Gospel and Catholic teaching not immigration status.

We minister to all human beings the love of Christ. Jesus ate with sinners, Romans, Jews, even Samaritans. He turned no one away. As a Catholic administrator of a school, I may not turn people away who want to learn about their faith. HB 56 negatively affects the practice of my own religious faith as well as this Parish's practice of faith through St. Ann School.

Some of our Hispanic students and their parents have already been stopped, humiliated and asked to produce proof of their immigration status. It is my information and belief that multiple students' families will leave this area, and thus leave St. Ann School if HB 56 goes into effect. St. Ann's enrollment, which has already declined in recent years, will decrease even more. In addition, St. Ann will be in jeopardy of losing state funds for free and reduced student lunches. As a result, St. Ann will be forced to raise tuition for its remaining students. Increased tuition costs in the current economic climate will be difficult to sell, and even more difficult to pay for many parents of our students. Parents pay tuition on a monthly basis pursuant to our contracts with them. We have been struggling to make ends meet with lower enrollment and we cannot afford to lose more students at this time. To put it bluntly, HB 56 will have a crippling effect on St. Ann school.

Further affiant sayeth not.

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STATE OF ALABAMA)

COUNTY OF MORGAN)

Before me, the undersigned notary public in and for said county in said state, personally appeared Christine C. Wright, who is known to me and who, being by me first duly sworn, did depose and state that she has read the foregoing Affidavit and the statements contained therein are true and correct.

Given under my hand and official seal on this the 12 day of August, 2011.

Wanda St. Champ
Notary Public

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My Commission Expires **NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF ALABAMA AT LARGE**
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: May 17, 2015
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