

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

MICHAEL NEWDOW, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

HON. JOHN ROBERTS, JR., *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:08-cv-02248-RBW

DECLARATION OF MICHAEL NEWDOW

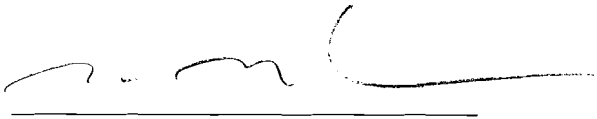
I am a citizen of the United States, a resident of the State of California, Reverend of the First Atheist Church of True Science (“FACTS”), a member of the Freedom From Religion Foundation (“FFRF”) and the American Humanist Association (“AHA”), and an Atheist. I plan to view the 2009 Inaugural ceremony via the large video displays being set up on the Capitol mall.

I viewed the 2001 presidential inauguration on television, and actually had a ticket for the 2005 inauguration. However, solely because those orchestrating that event refused to eliminate the use of (Christian) Monotheistic clergy during the ceremony, I did not attend that inaugural. Because I have a keen interest in our nation's government generally, and in the inaugural ceremonies in particular, I plan to view every future inauguration for the rest of my life. Being age 55 and in good health, I expect that I will view at least six more inaugurals after the one occurring on January 20, 2009.

One of the plaintiffs in this case is a minor child, who has an intense desire to personally witness the inauguration of Barack Obama. That child, who is being referred to as female in the Reply Memorandum, will be traveling alone (with parental permission) from California to Washington, DC, to accomplish that end. Unless there is an alteration in plans, she will also be alone when she attends the formal inaugural ceremony, itself.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on January 10, 2009,

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Michael Newdow