

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

ALBERT SNYDER

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Plaintiff

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vs.

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Civil Action No. RDB-06-1389

FRED W. PHELPS, SR.,  
WESTBORO BAPTIST CHURCH,  
INC., JOHN DOES, JANE DOES

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Defendants

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**ORDER**

By Letter Order of June 11, 2007, this Court Ordered that the Plaintiff shall submit to the independent psychological medical examination to be conducted by Dr. Neil Blumberg on June 18, 2007, without his counsel being present during the examination. This Court previously found that the examination could be conducted in three hours. This Court allowed subsequent submissions on the issue of the scope of that examination, particularly with respect to the sexual background of the Plaintiff. The Defendants, Westboro Baptist Church, Inc. and Fred W. Phelps, Sr., have now filed a Motion to Reconsider Limitation on the Length of the Independent Medical Examination, as well as a Memorandum regarding the scope of that examination. (Paper #88).

The Court having reviewed this submission, said Motion for Reconsideration of Time (Paper #88) is HEREBY GRANTED; and IT IS FURTHER HEREBY ORDERED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 2007, that said examination may be conducted for a period of up to six hours (excluding breaks).

With respect to the scope of the examination, there is simply no basis for Dr. Blumberg to explore the sexual background and propensities of the Plaintiff and the scope of this examination will not include or permit any such inquiry. Dr. Blumberg may inquire as to marital history and other family issues, but not the sexual background and propensities of the Plaintiff.

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Richard D. Bennett  
United States District Judge