IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA CHARLOTTE DIVISION CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:14-CV-213-RJC-DCK

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GENERAL SYNOD OF THE UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST; REVEREND JOSEPH
HOFFMAN: REVEREND NANCY ELLETT
ALLISON; REVEREND NATHAN KING;
REVEREND NANCY KRAFT; RABBI
JONATHAN FREIRICH; REVEREND ROBIN
TANNER; REVEREND MARK WARD;
REVEREND DR. NANCY E. PETTY; KAY
DIANE ANSLEY: CATHERINE
MCGAUGHEY; ELIZABETH "LISA"
CLONINGER; KATHLEEN SMITH; SHAUNA
BRAGAN; STACY MALONEY; CATHY FRY;
JOANNE MARINARO; JOEL BLADY;
JEFFREY ADDY; BETTY MACK; CAROL
TAYLOR; REVEREND TODD DONATELLI;
RABBI ARIEL EDERY; REVEREND CANON
THOMAS MURPHY; CENTRAL
CONFERENCE OF RABBIS: ALLIANCE OF
BAPTISTS, INC.; REVEREND AMY JACKS
DEAN: ASSOCIATION OF WELCOMING &
AFFIRMING BAPTISTS; REVEREND MILLY
MORROW: REVEREND RUSS DEAN: RABBI
ERIC M. SOLOMON; RABBI ARI N.
MARGOLIS; and RABBI LUCY H.F. DINNER
            Plaintiffs,
                                            ORDER
  v.
ROY COOPER, Attorney General of North
Carolina; DREW REISINGER, Register of Deeds
for Buncombe County; WAYNE NIXON,
Register of Deeds for Cabarrus County; TONIA
HAMPTON, Register of Deeds for McDowell
County; J. DAVID GRANBERRY, Register of
Deeds for Mecklenburg County; LAURA M.
RIDDICK, Register of Deeds for Wake County:
RONALD L. MOORE, Buncombe County District
Attorney: ROXANN VANEEKHOVEN,
Cabarrus County District Attorney; BRADLEY
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GREENWAY, McDowell County District
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Attorney; ANDREW MURRAY, Mecklenburg)
County District Attorney; and NED MANGUM,)
Wake County District Attorney,)
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Defendants.)
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THIS MATTER IS BEFORE THE COURT on "Plaintiffs' Request For Oral Argument" (Document No. 73) filed June 23, 2014; as well as other scheduling concerns. The instant motion has been referred to the undersigned Magistrate Judge pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b), and immediate review is appropriate.

The undersigned observes that the "Plaintiffs' Request For Oral Argument" (Document No. 73) fails to satisfy the requirement of consultation pursuant to Local Rule 7.1 (B). Plaintiffs do not indicate whether the parties have conferred regarding the instant motion and whether Defendants consent to or oppose the motion. As such, the undersigned will deny the motion without prejudice to Plaintiffs re-filing.

In addition, it appears that Defendants Laura M. Riddick and Wayne Nixon have failed to timely file reply briefs in support of their motions to stay proceedings (Document Nos. 47 and 61), or notices of intent not to file a reply, pursuant to Local Rule 7.1 (E). "Plaintiffs' Brief In Opposition To Defendants' Motion To Stay Proceedings" (Document No. 66) was filed on June 13, 2013, and therefore, Defendants' replies were due on or before June 23, 2014.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that "Plaintiffs' Request For Oral Argument" (Document No. 73) is DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant Riddick and Defendant Nixon shall file reply briefs in support of their motions to stay proceedings on or before July 1, 2014.

SO ORDERED.

Signed: June 26, 2014

David C. Keesler United States Magistrate Judge