THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA CHARLOTTE DIVISION CIVIL CASE NO. 3:14-cv-00213-MR-DLH

GENERAL SYNOD OF THE UNITED) CHURCH OF CHRIST, et al.,) Plaintiffs,) vs. 0 R D E R ROY COOPER, et al.,) Defendants.)

THIS MATTER is before the Court *sua sponte* to continue the stay of this matter.

On August 20, 2014, the United States Supreme Court granted an application to stay the issuance of the mandate in <u>Bostic v. Schaefer</u>, ______ F.3d ___, 2014 WL 3702493 (4th Cir. July 28, 2014), pending the filing and disposition of a petition for a writ of certiorari. <u>See McQuigg v. Bostic</u>, _____ S.Ct. ___, 2014 WL 4096232 (U.S. Aug. 20, 2014). As the present case was previously stayed pending the issuance of the final mandate in <u>Bostic</u> [<u>see Doc. 89</u>], the Court will continue the stay pending the Supreme Court's disposition of the case. Accordingly, **IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED** that this matter is hereby **STAYED** pending the Supreme Court's disposition of <u>Bostic</u>, whether by denial of the petition for a writ of certiorari, or by a grant of such petition and a judgment by the Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that proposed intervenor Chris Sevier's Motion for Reconsideration [Doc. 90] shall be **HELD IN ABEYANCE** until the stay is lifted.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Signed: August 23, 2014

Martin Reidinger United States District Judge