

**U.S. District Court  
Western District of Louisiana (Monroe)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 3:65-cv-11130-RGJ-KLH**

Johnson et al v. Jackson Parish et al  
Assigned to: Judge Robert G James  
Referred to: Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes  
Cause: 28:1343 Violation of Civil Rights

Date Filed: 06/02/1965  
Date Terminated: 12/18/2018  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 440 Civil Rights: Other  
Jurisdiction: Federal Question

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
07/18/2005		CASE Assigned to Judge Robert G James. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 04/27/2009)
08/14/2008	<u>2</u>	MEMORANDUM ORDER: The Court, upon its own motion, hereby AMENDS the standing Decree and amendments as stated in this Order. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 08/14/08. (NOTE: This entry is made on the paper docket sheet as well.)(crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 04/27/2009)
10/10/2008	<u>3</u>	ANNUAL REPORT by School Board of Jackson Parish. (NOTE: This entry is made on the paper docket sheet as well.) (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 04/27/2009)
11/04/2008	<u>4</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: The Court has reviewed the <u>3</u> Annual Report filed by School Board of Jackson Parish. Any party desiring a conference to discuss the status of the case or steps for achieving unitary status may file the appropriate motion. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 11/03/08. (NOTE: This entry is made on the paper docket

		sheet as well.)(crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 04/27/2009)
12/01/2008	<u>1</u>	PAPER DOCKET SHEET of filings through 12/01/008. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 04/27/2009)
09/28/2009	<u>5</u>	STATUS REPORT <i>October 15, 2009 Annual Report</i> by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 09/28/2009)
09/30/2009	<u>6</u>	MOTION for Clarification of Court Order by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits A-C, # <u>2</u> Memorandum / Brief)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) Modified text on 10/1/2009 (Yocum, M). (Entered: 09/30/2009)
10/15/2009	<u>7</u>	MOTION for Leave to File Memorandum by Bertha Robinson. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of proposed order, # <u>2</u> Proposed Pleading, # <u>3</u> Proposed Exhibit)(crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 10/16/2009)
10/20/2009	<u>8</u>	CONSENT to Exercise of Jurisdiction by US Magistrate Judge over <u>6</u> Motion for Clarification of Court Order by School Board of Jackson Parish, and USA. (crt,Crawford, A) Modified on 10/21/2009 to accurately reflect document filed(Crawford, A). (Entered: 10/20/2009)
10/20/2009	<u>9</u>	FILED IN ERROR. ORDER REFERRING CASE to Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes for trial. Chief Judge Robert G James no longer assigned to case as presiding judge. Signed by Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes on 10/20/09. (crt,Crawford, A) Modified on 10/21/2009 to indicate entry FILED IN ERROR(Crawford, A). (Entered: 10/20/2009)
10/20/2009	<u>10</u>	ORDER granting <u>7</u> Motion for Leave to File Memorandum. Signed by Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes on 10/20/09. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 10/20/2009)
10/20/2009	<u>11</u>	RESPONSE to Motion re <u>6</u> MOTION for Clarification of Court Order filed by Bertha Robinson. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits)(crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 10/20/2009)
10/20/2009		CASE Assigned to Chief Judge Robert G James. Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes no longer assigned to the case. (crt,Williams, L) (Entered: 10/21/2009)
10/20/2009	<u>12</u>	NOTICE of Corrective Action regarding <u>8</u> Consent to Trial Jurisdiction by US Magistrate Judge. Action taken: Docket text modified to more accurately reflect pleading filed. (crt,Crawford, A) Modified on 10/21/2009 to correct filing date(Crawford, A). (Entered: 10/21/2009)
10/20/2009	<u>13</u>	NOTICE of Corrective Action regarding <u>9</u> Order Referring Case to Magistrate Judge. Action taken: Docket text modified to indicate order filed in error. (crt,Crawford, A) Modified on 10/21/2009 to correct filing date(Crawford, A). (Entered: 10/21/2009)
10/20/2009	<u>14</u>	ORDER REFERRING MOTION: <u>6</u> MOTION for Clarification of Court Order filed by School Board of Jackson Parish. ADMINISTRATIVE ENTRY as pleading electronically filed as <u>9</u> Order. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 10/20/09. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 10/21/2009)
10/20/2009		Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes assigned in referral capacity. (crt,Williams, L) (Entered: 10/21/2009)
10/21/2009	<u>15</u>	STRICKEN DEFICIENT MOTION for Leave to File memo with consent sought but not obtained by Shirley McConnell. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Text of proposed order)(aty,Rountree, James) Modified to indicate pleading submitted is deficient on 10/21/2009 (Yocum, M). Modified on 11/16/2009 to add stricken text(Crawford, A). (Entered: 10/21/2009)
10/21/2009	<u>16</u>	NOTICE of Deficiency to James A Rountree on behalf of Shirley McConnell regarding <u>15</u> MOTION for Leave to File memo with consent sought but not obtained. Reason: A motion for leave to file must be accompanied by the proposed pleading. The court will not act on such a motion without reviewing the document sought to be filed. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 10/21/2009)
10/22/2009	<u>17</u>	MEMORANDUM ORDER requesting the School Board file a copy of the order at issue, which it is now asking the court to clarify. Order due within next five business days. Once the order to be clarified is established, the court will likely require

		additional briefing and evidence. If the School Board fails to identify an order to be clarified, then the pending motion will be denied. Signed by Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes on 10/22/09. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 10/22/2009)
10/29/2009	<u>19</u>	MOTION FOR EXTENSION of Time to Fully Comply with Court's Order with consent sought but not obtained ; <i>Response to Court's Order and Motion for Additional Time</i> by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits A–E, # <u>2</u> Memorandum / Brief, # <u>3</u> Text of proposed order)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 10/29/2009)
10/29/2009		Motions Transferred regarding <u>19</u> MOTION FOR EXTENSION of Time to Fully Comply with Court's Order with consent sought but not obtained ; <i>Response to Court's Order and Motion for Additional Time</i> . Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (crt,Dean, S) (Entered: 11/02/2009)
11/12/2009	<u>20</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: re <u>5</u> Status Report filed by School Board of Jackson Parish. Having reviewed the annual report, the Court would like to discuss the possibility of the School Board moving toward unitary status and the termination of the litigation in this case. District Judge Status Conference set for 12/8/2009 at 1:00 PM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Chief Judge Robert G James. In addition to counsel, the Court requests the attendance of the Superintendent and the President of the School Board or his or her designee. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 11/12/09. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 11/12/2009)
11/12/2009	<u>21</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: re <u>20</u> Minute Entry Setting Status Conference. The status conference set for December 8, 2009 is RESET for DECEMBER 1, 2009 at 1:00 P.M. In addition to counsel, the Court requests the attendance of the Superintendent and the President of the School Board or his or her designee. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 11/12/09. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 11/12/2009)
11/12/2009		Set/Reset Hearings: District Judge Status Conference Reset for 12/1/2009 at 1:00 PM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Chief Judge Robert G James per Minute Entry <u>21</u> . (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 11/12/2009)
11/13/2009	<u>22</u>	ELECTRONIC MINUTE ENTRY: The Status Conference is RESET for 12/14/2009 at 1:00 PM in Chambers before Chief Judge Robert G James. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 11/13/09. (crt,Floyd, J) (Entered: 11/13/2009)
11/16/2009	<u>23</u>	ORDER TO STRIKE <u>15</u> MOTION for Leave to File memo with consent sought but not obtained. Signed by Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes on 11/16/09. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 11/16/2009)
11/18/2009	<u>24</u>	ORDER granting <u>19</u> Motion to Extend Time to obtain case files. Signed by Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes on 11/18/09. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 11/18/2009)
12/07/2009	<u>25</u>	ORDER that the attachments hereto are incorporated into this case. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the School Board file a memorandum and supporting evidence as outlined in this Order. <u>6</u> MOTION for Clarification of Court Order filed by School Board of Jackson Parish will be deemed submitted for decision after the filing of the memorandum and supporting evidence. Signed by Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes on 12/7/09. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B, # <u>3</u> Exhibit C, # <u>4</u> Exhibit D, # <u>5</u> Exhibit E)(crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 12/07/2009)
12/14/2009	<u>26</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Chief Judge Robert G James: STATUS CONFERENCE held on 12/14/2009. Following discussion with both parties, the Court finds it appropriate to ORDER, on its own motion, that the DOJ begin a unitary status review of this case. The DOJ will file a status report with the Court on March 26, 2010, indicating the DOJ's initial findings, any proposed actions, whether the parties have reached agreement on any or all proposed actions, and whether the School Board opposes any of DOJ findings or recommended actions. If the School Board wishes to file a memorandum in response to the DOJ's status report, it should do so no later than fourteen (14) days from the date the DOJ's status report is filed. The Court will await the filing of the DOJ's report before taking any further action. If the School Board and/or DOJ believe that the intervention of the Court is necessary or would be beneficial, they are advised to contact Chambers. ( Compliance Deadline set for 3/26/2010) (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 12/15/2009)

12/23/2009	<u>27</u>	MEMORANDUM in Support re <u>6</u> MOTION for Clarification of Court Order filed by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 12/23/2009)
01/07/2010	<u>28</u>	ORDER granting <u>6</u> Motion for Clarification of Court Order. Signed by Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes on 1/7/10. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits) (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 01/07/2010)
03/26/2010	<u>29</u>	STATUS REPORT by USA. (aty,Taylor, Lisa) (Entered: 03/26/2010)
04/14/2010	<u>30</u>	MINUTE ENTRY re <u>29</u> Status Report filed by USA. The Court has reviewed the status report filed by the DOJ on March 26, 2010. The DOJ is ordered to file a status report with the Court by August 2, 2010, indicating the DOJ's findings, any proposed actions, whether the parties have reached agreement on any or all proposed actions, and whether the Jackson parish School board opposes any of the DOJ's findings or recommended actions. If the School Board wishes to file a memorandum in response to the DOJ's status report, it should do so no later than fourteen (14) days from the date the DOJ's status report is filed ( Compliance Deadline set for 8/2/2010.). Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 4/14/10. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 04/14/2010)
07/30/2010	<u>31</u>	MOTION FOR EXTENSION of Time to File Findings and Recommended Actions by USA. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of proposed order)(aty,Taylor, Lisa) Modified text on 7/30/2010 (Yocum, M). (Entered: 07/30/2010)
08/02/2010	<u>32</u>	ORDER granting <u>31</u> Motion to Extend. The United States shall file its findings and recommended actions no later than October 29, 2010. Jackson Parish School Board may file a response to the findings and recommended actions within fourteen days from the United States' filing. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 8/2/10. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 08/02/2010)
10/07/2010	<u>33</u>	STATUS REPORT / <i>Annual October 15th Report</i> by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A, # <u>2</u> Exhibits B–F)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 10/07/2010)
10/22/2010	<u>34</u>	Second MOTION FOR EXTENSION of Time To File Findings and Recommended Actions with consent by USA. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of proposed order)(aty,Wilson, Ryan) (Entered: 10/22/2010)
10/28/2010	<u>35</u>	ORDER granting <u>34</u> Motion to Extend Time to File Findings and Recommended Actions. Compliance Deadline reset for 11/30/2010. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 10/28/10. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 10/28/2010)
11/30/2010	<u>36</u>	STATUS REPORT <i>and Request for Order</i> by USA. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of proposed order)(aty,Wilson, Ryan) Modified text on 11/30/2010 (Yocum, M). (Entered: 11/30/2010)
12/01/2010	<u>37</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: re <u>36</u> Status Report filed by USA. District Judge Telephone Status Conference set for 12/2/2010 at 11:00 AM before Chief Judge Robert G James. Counsel for DOJ shall initiate the call and contact Chambers and the undersigned when all counsel are present. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 12/1/10. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 12/01/2010)
12/01/2010	<u>38</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Ryan Christopher Wilson on behalf of USA (aty,Wilson, Ryan) (Entered: 12/01/2010)
12/01/2010	<u>39</u>	DUPLICATE RESPONSE by School Board of Jackson Parish to <i>United States' Status Report and Request for Order</i> . See resubmitted <u>40</u> Response with attachments (aty,Hammonds, Robert) Modified text to indicate pleading was resubmitted in its entirety with attachments as Doc No <u>40</u> Response on 12/2/2010 (Yocum, M). (Entered: 12/01/2010)
12/01/2010	<u>40</u>	RESPONSE by School Board of Jackson Parish to <i>United States' 36</i> Status Report and Request for Order. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) Modified text and docket entry relationship on 12/2/2010 (Yocum, M). (Entered: 12/01/2010)
12/02/2010	<u>41</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Chief Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 12/2/2010 after reviewing DOJ's November 30, 2010 Status Report and Request for Order <u>36</u> . If any party has an objection to the Court's interpretation regarding the 8/20/1970 amendment to the desegregation decree

		and Singleton, it should file a memorandum no later than December 23, 2010 ( Compliance Deadline set for 12/23/2010). Finally, with regard to unitary status, Mr. Wilson will continue his document review and will file a report no later than April 15, 2011. If the School Board wishes to file a response to the report, it should do so within fourteen (14) days of the date the DOJ's report is filed ( Status Report due by 4/15/2011). (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 12/03/2010)
01/13/2011	<u>42</u>	MOTION for Entry of Consent Order re <u>41</u> Telephone Conference by School Board of Jackson Parish and USA. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of proposed order)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) Modified filers and text on 1/13/2011 (Yocum, M). (Entered: 01/13/2011)
01/14/2011	<u>43</u>	CONSENT ORDER granting <u>42</u> Motion for Entry of Consent Order. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 1/14/11. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 01/14/2011)
03/01/2011	<u>44</u>	MOTION for Approval of Construction Projects by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Memorandum / Brief, # <u>2</u> Exhibits A–H)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 03/01/2011)
03/01/2011	<u>45</u>	Unopposed MOTION to Expedite consideration of <u>44</u> MOTION for Approval of Construction Projects by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of proposed order)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 03/01/2011)
03/07/2011	<u>46</u>	RESPONSE to Motion re <u>44</u> MOTION for Approval of Construction Projects filed by USA. (aty,Wilson, Ryan) (Entered: 03/07/2011)
03/08/2011	<u>47</u>	ORDER granting <u>44</u> Motion for Approval of Construction Projects; mootng <u>45</u> Motion to Expedite. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 03/08/11. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 03/08/2011)
03/09/2011	<u>48</u>	AMENDED ORDER re <u>47</u> Order on Motion for Miscellaneous Relief; Order on Motion to Expedite. Correction of the wording in the third sentence of the first paragraph to read "The DOJ notes that the district remains racially identifiable and, thus, the School Board should consider means of diversifying the schools". Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 3/9/11. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 03/09/2011)
04/08/2011	<u>49</u>	First MOTION FOR EXTENSION of Deadline to File Status Report with consent of <i>Jackson Parish School Board</i> by USA. (aty,Wilson, Ryan) (Entered: 04/08/2011)
04/14/2011	<u>50</u>	ORDER DENYING AS MOOT <u>49</u> Motion to Extend Time to File Status Report. The status report must be filed by april 15, 2011. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 4/14/11. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 04/14/2011)
04/15/2011	<u>51</u>	STATUS REPORT by USA. (aty,Wilson, Ryan) (Entered: 04/15/2011)
04/25/2011	<u>52</u>	RESPONSE by School Board of Jackson Parish re <u>51</u> Status Report. (aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 04/25/2011)
10/19/2011	<u>53</u>	STATUS REPORT / <i>Annual October 15th Report</i> by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 10/19/2011)
02/08/2012	<u>54</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: The Court first ordered the DOJ to begin a unitary status review in this case on December 14,2009. While the Court is aware of staff changes at DOJ since that time, the parties have now had two years to meet, confer, and establish a plan of action without Court involvement. Yet, no such plan has been presented to the Court, and it has been almost one year since DOJ has made any report to the Court. No later than March 30, 2012, the parties shall file (1)a joint proposed consent order on any unitary status issues which can be resolved and/or (2)a joint status report, identifying any remaining unitary status issues and requesting a hearing on those issues which cannot be resolved amicably. ( Compliance Deadline set for 3/30/2012). Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 2/8/12. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 02/08/2012)
03/30/2012	<u>55</u>	STATUS REPORT – <i>Joint Status Report</i> by School Board of Jackson Parish, USA. (aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 03/30/2012)
04/04/2012	<u>56</u>	MINUTE ENTRY. The Court approves the deadlines agreed to by the parties in their plan of action and sets a Telephone Status Conference for 6/4/2012 at 2:00 PM before Chief Judge Robert G James. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 4/4/12. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 04/04/2012)

04/05/2012	<u>57</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: re <u>56</u> Minute Entry setting a status conference. The District Judge Status Conference is re-set for 6/4/2012 at 10:30 AM before Chief Judge Robert G James. Counsel should conference together and contact Chambers at (318)322-6230 when all counsel are present. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 4/5/12. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 04/05/2012)
06/01/2012	<u>58</u>	STATUS REPORT by School Board of Jackson Parish, USA. (aty,Wilson, Ryan) (Entered: 06/01/2012)
06/04/2012	<u>59</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Chief Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 6/4/2012. In light of the parties' progress, the Court set a status conference for April 22,2013, at 9:00 a.m. The parties may participate in person or by telephone. The Court also set a hearing on any remaining unitary status issues for May 6, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. ( District Judge Miscellaneous Hearing set for 5/6/2013 at 9:00 AM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Chief Judge Robert G James. (District Judge Status Conference set for 4/22/2013 at 9:00 AM before Chief Judge Robert G James). (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 06/05/2012)
03/19/2013	<u>60</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: The District Judge Telephone Status Conference is re-set for 4/12/2013 at 11:00 AM before Judge Robert G James. Counsel for DOJ shall initiate the call and contact Chambers when all counsel are present. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 3/18/13. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 03/19/2013)
04/12/2013	<u>61</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: STATUS CONFERENCE held on 4/12/2013. In light of this development, the Court continued the unitary status hearing, currently set for May 6, 2013 to September 16, 2013, at 9:00 am. No further continuances of the hearing will be granted. Another telephone status conference is set for June 3, 2013, at 2:00 p.m. Counsel for the School Board should arrange the conference call and notify the DOJ and the Court of the arrangements. The parties are still working toward an agreement on the factors of extracurricular activities, facilities, and transportation. On or before July 12, 2013, the parties will file a consent decree on these factors and/or will file a joint status report advising the Court which factor(s) will need to be addressed at the September 16, 2013 hearing. ( Status Report due by 7/12/2013. District Judge Miscellaneous Hearing set for 9/16/2013 at 9:00 AM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Judge Robert G James. District Judge Telephone Status Conference set for 6/3/2013 at 2:00 PM before Judge Robert G James). (crt,DickersonSld, D) Modified on 4/16/2013 to correct miscellaneous Haring date (DickersonSld, D). (Entered: 04/12/2013)
06/03/2013	<u>62</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: STATUS CONFERENCE held on 6/3/2013. The unitary status hearing is continued from September 16, 2013 to October 1, 2013 at 9:00 AM, before Judge James. The Court also extended the parties' deadline to July 26, 2013 to file a consent decree on the <i>Green</i> factors and/or file a joint status report advising the Court which factor(s) will need to be addressed at the hearing. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 06/03/2013)
07/01/2013	<u>63</u>	DEFICIENT NOTICE of Appearance by Torey Brooks Cummings on behalf of USA (Attorney Torey Brooks Cummings added to party USA(pty:intvp)) (aty,Cummings, Torey) Modified to indicate pleading submitted is deficient on 7/2/2013 (Yocum, M). Modified to remove "?" text on 7/26/2013. See <u>65</u> Motion to Substitute Attorney. (Yocum, M) (Entered: 07/01/2013)
07/02/2013	<u>64</u>	NOTICE of Deficiency to Torey Brooks Cummings on behalf of USA regarding <u>63</u> DEFICIENT ? Notice of Appearance. Reason: This party is already represented by other counsel. Please refer to provisions under LR83.2.12 regarding appearance of other counsel to ensure compliance with this rule. A motion to enroll as co-counsel or to substitute counsel (signed by the current counsel of record) is required to remedy this situation. (Please also refer to LR5.7.08 regarding electronic filing of documents requiring signatures of more than one party.). (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 07/02/2013)
07/17/2013	<u>65</u>	MOTION to Substitute Attorney Torey B. Cummings in place of Ryan C. Wilson with consent by USA. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed order)(aty,Wilson, Ryan) (Entered: 07/17/2013)
07/18/2013	<u>66</u>	ORDER granting <u>65</u> Motion to Substitute Attorney. Attorney Torey B. Cummings is substituted as counsel of record for the United States, and Attorney Ryan Christopher Wilson is removed as counsel of record. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 7/18/13.



		(crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 07/18/2013)
07/25/2013	<u>67</u>	FILED IN ERROR. COUNSEL REQUESTED TO RESUBMIT. <i>JOINT STATUS REPORT</i> by USA. (aty,Cummings, Torey) Modified text to indicate filed in error on 7/26/2013 (Yocum, M). (Entered: 07/25/2013)
07/25/2013	<u>68</u>	FILED IN ERROR. COUNSEL REQUESTED TO RESUBMIT. <i>PROPOSED ORDER/JUDGMENT Consent Order Granting Partial Unitary Status</i> by School Board of Jackson Parish. (aty,Dill, Pamela) Modified text to indicate filed in error on 7/26/2013 (Yocum, M). (Entered: 07/25/2013)
07/26/2013		NOTICE of Corrective Action to Robert L Hammonds, Jon Keith Guice, Torey Brooks Cummings on behalf of School Board of Jackson Parish, USA regarding <u>67</u> Status Report and <u>68</u> Proposed Order/Judgment. Action taken: Docket text for these entries has been modified to reflect FILED IN ERROR. COUNSEL REQUESTED TO RESUBMIT. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 07/26/2013)
07/26/2013	<u>69</u>	PROPOSED ORDER/JUDGMENT – <i>Proposed Consent Order Declaring Partial Unitary Status (revised)</i> by School Board of Jackson Parish and USA. (aty,Hammonds, Robert) Modified filers on 7/26/2013 (Yocum, M). (Entered: 07/26/2013)
07/29/2013	<u>70</u>	CONSENT ORDER: The Court finds that the Jackson Parish School Board has, in good faith, maintained nondiscriminatory operations in the areas of facilities, transportation, and extracurricular activities for the requisite period. The Court further accepts and agrees with the conclusion that the School Board has achieved unitary status and is entitled to dismissal of the injunction entered in this case as to the areas of facilities, transportation and extracurricular activities. Therefore, the Court hereby declares that the Jackson Parish School Board has achieved unitary status in the areas of facilities, transportation, and extracurricular activities; and that the injunction and any other orders previously entered in this cause as to said areas are hereby dissolved. This order does not affect the continued judicial supervision over the remaining Green factor areas of student assignment, faculty and staff hiring and assignment. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 7/29/13. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 07/29/2013)
09/17/2013	<u>71</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: The hearing, currently set for October 1, 2013, is CONTINUED WITHOUT DATE. A telephone status conference is set for December 2, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. Counsel for DOJ shall initiate the call and contact Chambers and the undersigned when all counsel are present ( District Judge telephone Status Conference set for 12/2/2013 at 1:00 PM before Judge Robert G James.). Signed by Judge Robert G James on 9/17/13. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 09/17/2013)
10/15/2013	<u>72</u>	DEFICIENT STATUS REPORT – <i>October 15th Report</i> by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Ex 1–2) (aty,Dill, Pamela) Modified to indicate the pleading is deficient as e–filing attorney is not counsel of record on 10/17/2013 (Yocum, M). (Entered: 10/15/2013)
10/16/2013	<u>73</u>	STATUS REPORT – <i>October 15th Report</i> by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Ex. 1–2) (aty,Hammonds, Robert) Modified text 10/17/2013. (Yocum, M). (Entered: 10/16/2013)
10/16/2013	<u>74</u>	MOTION for Pamela Wescovich Dill to Enroll as Counsel by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed order)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 10/16/2013)
10/17/2013	<u>75</u>	ORDER granting <u>74</u> Motion to Enroll as Counsel. Added as additional counsel Pamela Wescovich Dill for School Board of Jackson Parish. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 10/17/13. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 10/17/2013)
12/02/2013	<u>76</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 12/2/2013. In light of the parties' continued cooperation, the Court set another telephone status conference for March 4, 2014, at 10:00 a.m before Judge Robert G. James. Counsel should conference together and contact Chambers at (318)322–6230. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 12/02/2013)
02/28/2014	<u>77</u>	MOTION to Continue Status Conference with consent by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed order)(aty,Dill, Pamela) (Entered: 02/28/2014)

03/03/2014	<u>78</u>	ORDER granting <u>77</u> Motion to Continue Telephone Status Conference. District Judge Telephone Status Conference re-set for 4/7/2014 at 10:15 AM before Judge Robert G James. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 3/3/14. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 03/03/2014)
04/07/2014	<u>79</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 4/7/2014. In light of parties' continued cooperation, the Court set another telephone status conference for July 7, 2014, at 10:15 a.m. Counsel should conference together and contact Chambers at (318)322-6230. ( District Judge Telephone Status Conference set for 7/7/2014 at 10:15 AM before Judge Robert G James). (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 04/07/2014)
07/07/2014	<u>80</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 7/7/2014. In light of the parties' continued cooperation, the Court set another telephone status conference for 2/2/2015, at 10:15 AM, before Judge Robert G James. Counsel should conference together and contact Chambers at (318)322-6230. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 07/07/2014)
10/14/2014	<u>81</u>	STATUS REPORT – <i>Annual October 15th Report</i> by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits 1–2)(aty,Dill, Pamela) (Entered: 10/14/2014)
01/26/2015	<u>82</u>	ELECTRONIC MINUTE ENTRY: The Telephone Status Conference on 2/2/2015 which was previously set for 10:15 AM is RESET for 3:45 PM CST before Judge Robert G James. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 01/26/2015. (crt,Floyd, J) (Entered: 01/26/2015)
02/02/2015	<u>83</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 2/2/2015. Counsel for DOJ and the School board continue to work in good faith toward a resolution of the remaining unitary factors. the School board will meet in the near future and will consider the DOJ's proposals. The Court set another Telephone Conference for 4/13/2015 at 10:15 AM before Judge Robert G James. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 02/03/2015)
04/13/2015	<u>84</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 4/13/2015. Counsel for DOJ and the School board continue to work in good faith toward a resolution of the remaining unitary factors. The DOJ recently provided another proposal to the School Board, which will be reviewed by the School Board's demographer. The Court set another District Judge Telephone Status Conference for 6/11/2015 at 10:00 AM before Judge Robert G James. The Court will provide call-in information shortly before the conference. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 04/13/2015)
06/11/2015	<u>85</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 6/11/2015. Counsel reported that the DOJ's proposed zoning changes were provided to the School board and reviewed by the School Board's demographer. The School Board has also considered and proposed other possible remedial action to the DOJ and the Court. After some discussion, the Court requested that counsel consult with the School board about the implementation of some of the proposals during the next school year. The Court set an In Chambers Status Conference for 6/30/2015 at 1:30 p.m., U. S. Courthouse Monroe, 2nd floor before Judge Robert G James. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 06/12/2015)
06/17/2015	<u>86</u>	MOTION Relative to Athletic Eligibility of Majority-to-Minority Transferees by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Memorandum / Brief, # <u>2</u> Proposed order)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 06/17/2015)
06/22/2015	<u>87</u>	ORDER granting <u>86</u> Motion Relative to Athletic Eligibility of Majority-to-Minority Transferees. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 6/22/15. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 06/22/2015)
07/01/2015	<u>88</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: IN CHAMBERS CONFERENCE held on 7/1/2015. A status conference was conducted by the undersigned in Chambers on June 30, 2015, at 1:20 p.m. Participating were Torey Cummings, counsel for United States Department of Justice (DOJ); Robert Hammonds, counsel for Jackson Parish School Board (School Board); Wayne Alford, Superintendent of Jackson Parish schools; and Kayla Dye May, Law Clerk. Counsel and the Superintendent discussed changes to the programming offered at the high schools in the District as a means of achieving desegregation and offered the Court a

		number of suggestions. The District intends to move forward with programming during this school year. Additionally, counsel intend to present the Court with joint proposed orders regarding the registration of students and the procedural for selection of administrators. They will also confer on possible actions with regard to the elementary and middle schools. The conference concluded at 2:30 p.m. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 07/01/2015)
08/28/2015	<u>89</u>	Unopposed MOTION to Approve Agreed Order of Modification regarding student residency by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Agreed Order of Modification)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 08/28/2015)
08/31/2015	<u>90</u>	ORDER granting <u>89</u> Motion to Approve Agreed Order of Modification. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 8/31/15. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 08/31/2015)
11/02/2015	<u>91</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: The Jackson Parish School Board shall file its annual status report no later than November 15, 2015. A telephone status conference is set for November 30, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. The Court will provide the telephone number and pass code to counsel before the date of the status conference. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 11/2/15. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 11/02/2015)
11/06/2015	<u>92</u>	STATUS REPORT by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits 1-3)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 11/06/2015)
11/30/2015	<u>93</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 11/30/2015. After some discussion, the Court REFERRED this matter to Magistrate Judge Karen L. Hayes to conduct a mediation. Magistrate Judge Hayes will consult with counsel on a date for the mediation and any information to be submitted to her prior to mediation. In the event the parties are unable to reach agreement on the remaining issues, the Court will hold a unitary status hearing on April 5, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. in Monroe, 2nd floor before Judge Robert G James. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 12/04/2015)
12/11/2015	<u>94</u>	ORDER FOR SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE: Settlement Conference set for 2/18/2016 at 9:30 AM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes. Written confidential settlement conference statements due by 2/13/16. Signed by Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes on 12/11/15. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 12/11/2015)
02/11/2016	95	ELECTRONIC MINUTE ENTRY resetting the Settlement Conference to begin on 2/25/2016 at 9:00 AM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes. Written confidential settlement conference statements due by 2/22/16. Signed by Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes on 2/11/16. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 02/11/2016)
02/25/2016	96	ELECTRONIC MINUTES for proceedings held before Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes: SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE held on 2/25/2016. Progress made. Parties were instructed to report status to the court in 30 days. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 02/25/2016)
03/29/2016	<u>97</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: re <u>93</u> Telephone Conference. The unitary status hearing set in this matter for April 5, 2016, at 9:00 a.m., is hereby CONVERTED to a telephone status conference and re-set for 1:30 p.m. on that same date. The Court will provide call-in information to counsel via email. At the conference, the Court will set a new date for the hearing to be held in April. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 3/29/16. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 03/29/2016)
04/05/2016	<u>98</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 4/5/2016. The parties advised they have made progress and agreed to continue to work together. Another Telephone Status Conference was set for 4/21/2016 at 1:30 PM before Judge Robert G James. A hearing, if necessary, will be held on 5/17/2016 at 10:00 AM. (crt,Crawford, A) Modified on 5/5/2016 to correct telephone conference date to 4/5/16(DickersonSld, D). (Entered: 04/06/2016)
04/06/2016		Set Hearings: Evidentiary Hearing set for 5/17/2016 at 10:00 AM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Judge Robert G James. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 04/06/2016)
04/21/2016	99	ELECTRONIC MINUTE ENTRY: The District Judge Telephone Conference which was previously set for 4/21/2016 at 1:30 PM is RESET for 12:00 NOON on the same date. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 04/21/2016. (crt,Floyd, J) (Entered: 04/21/2016)

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04/21/2016	<u>100</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 4/21/2016. The parties have continued to work together to resolve the remaining issues without the necessity of a court hearing. They will notify the Court as soon as possible if they reach agreement. A hearing, if necessary, remains set for May 17, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 04/22/2016)
05/13/2016	<u>101</u>	Joint MOTION for Approval of Proposed Consent Order by School Board of Jackson Parish and USA. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Consent Order, # <u>2</u> Proposed Exhibit A part 1, # <u>3</u> Proposed Exhibit A part 2)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) Modified text and filers on 5/13/2016 (YocumSld, M). (Entered: 05/13/2016)
05/13/2016	<u>102</u>	CONSENT ORDER. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 5/13/16. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A Part 1, # <u>2</u> Exhibit A Part 2) (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 05/13/2016)
08/31/2016	<u>103</u>	MINUTE ENTRY re <u>102</u> Consent Order. The Jackson Parish School Board's annual status report is due on October 15, 2016. The United States shall review the report and notify the Court no later than December 5, 2016, if it desires a status conference to discuss the report or any other issues. If no conference is requested, it will be the Court's understanding that the School Board is continuing to meet its desegregation obligations and is on track for the filing of a motion for unitary status within sixty (60) days of its October 15, 2018 report. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 8/31/16. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 08/31/2016)
10/14/2016	<u>104</u>	STATUS REPORT – <i>October 15th Report</i> by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B, # <u>3</u> Exhibits C–G)(aty,Dill, Pamela) (Entered: 10/14/2016)
12/09/2016	<u>105</u>	MOTION to Substitute Attorney Amanda K Dallo in place of Torey B Cummings by USA. (aty,Vincent, Katherine) Modified on 12/9/2016 to modify filer, modify docket text and indicate <u>106</u> Proposed Order submitted as separate entry (Crick, S). (Entered: 12/09/2016)
12/09/2016	<u>106</u>	PROPOSED ORDER by USA re <u>105</u> Motion to Substitute Attorney. (aty,Vincent, Katherine) Modified on 12/9/2016 to modify filer (Crick, S). (Entered: 12/09/2016)
12/12/2016	<u>107</u>	ORDER granting <u>105</u> Motion to Substitute Attorney. Added attorney Amanda K Dallo for USA. Attorney Torey Brooks Cummings terminated. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 12/12/16. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 12/12/2016)
01/11/2017	<u>108</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: A Telephone Status Conference is set for 2/6/2017 at 10:30 AM before Judge Robert G James. Call–in information will be provided separately. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 1/11/17. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 01/11/2017)
02/06/2017	<u>111</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: STATUS CONFERENCE held on 2/6/2017. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 02/23/2017)
02/22/2017	<u>109</u>	MOTION for John Richard Blanchard to Enroll as Additional Counsel by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed order)(aty,Dill, Pamela) (Entered: 02/22/2017)
02/22/2017		Motions Transferred regarding <u>109</u> MOTION for John Richard Blanchard to Enroll as Counsel . Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (crt,FinnSld, P) (Entered: 02/22/2017)
02/23/2017	<u>110</u>	ORDER GRANTING <u>109</u> Motion to Enroll as Counsel, and that John Richard Blanchard be enrolled as additional counsel for the Jackson Parish School Board. Signed by Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes on 2/23/17. (crt,Leday, A) (Entered: 02/23/2017)
06/20/2017	<u>112</u>	MOTION to Amend Procedure for Filling Administrative and Supervisory Positions by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Memorandum / Brief, # <u>2</u> Exhibit A, # <u>3</u> Exhibit B, # <u>4</u> Proposed order)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 06/20/2017)
07/17/2017	<u>113</u>	ORDER granting <u>112</u> Motion to Amend Procedure for Filling Administrative and Supervisory Positions. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 7/17/2017. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 07/17/2017)

10/06/2017	<u>114</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: The United States shall review Jackson Parish School Board's annual status report that is due on 10/16/17 and notify the Court by 12/4/17, if it desires a status conference. If no conference requested, the School Board will be on track for the filing of a motion for unitary status within sixty days of the 10/15/18 report. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 10/6/2017. (crt,Crawford, A) Modified on 10/10/2017 to correct text (Crawford, A). (Entered: 10/06/2017)
10/16/2017	<u>115</u>	STATUS REPORT by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits A – G)(aty,Blanchard, John) Modified on 10/16/2017 to modify docket text. (Crick, S). (Entered: 10/16/2017)
04/27/2018	<u>116</u>	Unopposed MOTION to Change Grade Structures at Jonesboro–Hodge Elementary and Middle Schools by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed order)(aty,Dill, Pamela) (Entered: 04/27/2018)
04/30/2018	<u>117</u>	ORDER granting <u>116</u> Motion to Change Grade Structures at Jonesboro–Hodge Elementary and Middle Schools. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 4/30/2018. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 04/30/2018)
10/11/2018	<u>118</u>	STATUS REPORT <i>October 2018 Report</i> by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A – Student Enrollment, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B – Discipline, # <u>3</u> Exhibit C – Faculty and Staff, # <u>4</u> Exhibit D – M–to–M Notices, # <u>5</u> Exhibit E – M–to–M Transfers, # <u>6</u> Exhibit F – Recruitment, Hiring, Assignment, and Training Efforts, # <u>7</u> Exhibit G – Vacancies)(aty,Blanchard, John) (Entered: 10/11/2018)
12/17/2018	<u>119</u>	MOTION for Declaration of Unitary Status and to Dismiss by School Board of Jackson Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed order)(aty,Hammonds, Robert). Added MOTION to Dismiss on 12/17/2018 (Crick, S). (Entered: 12/17/2018)
12/18/2018	<u>120</u>	JUDGMENT GRANTING <u>119</u> Motion for Unitary Status and Dismissal, filed by the Jackson Parish School Board. The permanent injunctions and all such injunctions emanating therefrom shall be and are hereby Dissolved, and this matter is Dismissed With Prejudice. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 12/18/2018. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 12/18/2018)