UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA SHREVEPORT DIVISION

GRANT K. BANKS, ET AL. CIVIL ACTION NO. 65-11304

VERSUS JUDGE S. MAURICE HICKS, JR.

SCHOOL BOARD OF CLAIBORNE PARISH

MAGISTRATE JUDGE HORNSBY

JUDGMENT

Before the Court is a Motion for Declaration of Unitary Status and to Dismiss filed by the Defendant, Claiborne Parish School Board ("the School Board"). <u>See</u> Record Document 25. The motion was filed on May 7, 2014. <u>See id.</u> On May 28, 2014, Plaintiff-Intervenor United States of America filed a response, stating:

Subsequent to a review of the Defendants' motion and accompanying memorandum in support thereof, the United States does not oppose the Defendants' motion.

Record Document 32.

After a review of the School Board's motion and the memorandum and exhibits in support thereof, the Court finds that the School Board has fulfilled the requirements set forth in Green v. County School Board of New Kent County, Virginia, et al., 391 U.S. 430, 88 S.Ct. 1689 (1968). The School Board has demonstrated attainment of unitary operations in the areas of student assignment, teacher assignment, transportation, extracurricular activities, student assignment, and facilities; has exhibited good faith in achievement and maintenance of such non-discriminatory programs; and is prepared, willing, and ready to move forward in a constitutionally consistent manner without judicial supervision in all areas of operation. The School Board, having acted in accordance with the orders of this Court and in compliance with applicable legal principles, has in fact

eliminated the vestiges of past discrimination in all areas of operation such that further supervision by this Court is no longer warranted. Therefore, finding it in the interests of justice to so do:

IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Motion for Declaration of Unitary Status and to Dismiss (Record Document 25) be and is hereby **GRANTED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that all previous injunctions and orders granted by this Court are hereby VACATED AND LIFTED. This Court's supervision over the Claiborne Parish Public Schools and the Claiborne Parish School Board is hereby terminated.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED, in Shreveport, Louisiana this 3rd day of June, 2014.

S. MAURICE HICKS, JR.
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE