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**U.S. District Court
Western District of Louisiana (Monroe)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 3:71-cv-16751-RGJ-KLH**

U S A v. Caldwell Parish
Assigned to: Judge Robert G James
Referred to: Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes
Cause: 28:1345 USA Plaintiff

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Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 440 Civil Rights: Other
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Plaintiff

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
02/17/2006	<u>1</u>	PAPER DOCKET SHEET of filings through 2/17/06. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 02/17/2006)
08/14/2008	<u>2</u>	MEMORANDUM ORDER: Upon review of this matter, the Court finds that there has been some apparent confusion about the School Board's reporting requirements. Accordingly, the Court, upon its own motion, hereby AMENDS the standing Decree and amendments stated in this memorandum order. Any party desiring a status conference to discuss the Court's amendment to the reporting requirements may file the appropriate motion. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 8/14/08. (crt,DickersonSealed, D) (Entered: 08/14/2008)
08/27/2008	<u>3</u>	MOTION for Robert L. Hammonds to Enroll as Counsel by School Board of Caldwell Parish. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of proposed order)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 08/27/2008)
08/28/2008	<u>4</u>	ORDER granting <u>3</u> Motion to Enroll as Counsel. Added as counsel Robert L Hammonds for School Board of Caldwell Parish. Signed by Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes on 8/28/08. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 08/28/2008)
10/15/2008	<u>5</u>	ANNUAL REPORT by School Board of Caldwell Parish in response to <u>2</u> Memorandum Order. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 10/16/2008)
11/03/2008	<u>6</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: re <u>5</u> Response (NOT Motions) filed by School Board of Caldwell Parish. The Court has reviewed the annual report filed in compliance with the Court's August 14, 2008 Order. Any party desiring a conference to discuss the status of the case or the steps for achieving unitary status may file the appropriate motion. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 11/3/08. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 11/03/2008)
11/05/2009	<u>7</u>	ANNUAL REPORT by School Board of Caldwell Parish in response to <u>2</u> Memorandum Order. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 11/05/2009)
11/06/2009	<u>8</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: Having reviewed the Annual Report <u>7</u> Response (NOT Motions) filed by School Board of Caldwell Parish, the Court is of the opinion that the parties should move toward unitary status and the termination of the litigation in this case. Therefore a status conference is hereby set for December 2, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. (District Judge Status Conference set for 12/2/2009 at 1:00 PM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Chief Judge Robert G James). Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 11/5/09. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 11/06/2009)

11/13/2009	<u>9</u>	ELECTRONIC MINUTE ENTRY: The Status Conference is RESET for 12/14/2009 at 10:00 AM in Chambers 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/her designee. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 11/13/09. (crt,Floyd, J) (Entered: 11/13/2009)
11/20/2009	<u>10</u>	MAIL RETURNED as Undeliverable: Mail sent to Iley H Evans on behalf of School Board of Caldwell Parish, P O Box 840, Columbia, LA 71418, re: 9 Minute Entry, Set Hearings, returned marked: Return to Sender. Action taken: notice deactivated – unable to locate current contact information. (crt,Alexander, E) (Entered: 11/30/2009)
12/14/2009	<u>11</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Nicholas U Murphy on behalf of USA. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 12/14/2009)
12/14/2009	<u>12</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 in this case. DOJ to file a Status Report due by 2/26/2010. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 12/14/2009)
02/02/2010	<u>13</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: re <u>12</u> Status Conference. At the request of DOJ's counsel, the Court extends the deadline for submission of the status report to March 26, 2010. If the School Board wishes to file a memorandum in response to the DOJ status report, it should do so no later than fourteen (14) days from the date the DOJ status report is filed. Re-set Deadline. (Status Report due by 3/26/2010). Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 2/2/10. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 02/02/2010)
02/10/2010	<u>14</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Waiver of Right to Receive Service of All Documents Including Entry of Final Judgment Under Fed.R.Civ.P 54(b) to Carl B Duke on behalf of School Board of Caldwell Parish. Case edited to disable notice for said counsel. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 02/11/2010)
03/26/2010	<u>15</u>	STATUS REPORT by USA. (aty,Murphy, Nicholas) (Entered: 03/26/2010)
04/05/2010	<u>16</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: re <u>15</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 June 1, 2010, indicating the DOJ's findings, any proposed actions, whether the parties have reached agreement on any or all proposed actions, and whether the Caldwell Parish School Board ("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 status report is filed. (Compliance Deadline set for 6/1/2010). Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 4/5/10. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 04/05/2010)
06/01/2010	<u>17</u>	STATUS REPORT by USA. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate of Service)(aty,Murphy, Nicholas) (Entered: 06/01/2010)
06/03/2010	<u>18</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: The Court has received and reviewed the status report submitted by the Dept of Justice on June 1, 2010. The Dept of Justice is ordered to file another status report due by 9/30/2010. If the School Board wishes to file a memorandum in response to the status report, it should do so no later than 14 days from the date of the filing of the status report. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 06/03/10. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 06/03/2010)
09/30/2010	<u>19</u>	STATUS REPORT <i>3rd Status Report</i> by USA. (aty,Murphy, Nicholas) (Entered: 09/30/2010)
10/21/2010	<u>20</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: District Judge Telephone Status Conference set for 11/8/2010 at 10:30 AM before Chief Judge Robert G James. Counsel for the United States Department of Justice shall initiate the call and contact Chambers at (318)322-6230 when all counsel are present. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 10/21/10. (crt,DickersonSld, D) Modified on 10/21/2010 to correct time to 10:30 A.M. (DickersonSld, D). (Entered: 10/21/2010)

11/08/2010	<u>21</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Chief Judge Robert G James: STATUS CONFERENCE held on 11/8/2010. The Court noted that the School board had failed to file its required annual report by October 15, 2010. The School Board must file the report no later than November 19, 2010. Otherwise, given the progress made by the parties, the Court finds no need to take further action at this time. However, a telephone status conference is set for 6/13/2011, at 10:30 AM. The DOJ shall initiate the call and contact Chambers at (318)322-6230 when all counsel are present. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 11/08/2010)
11/08/2010		Set/Reset Deadlines: Compliance Deadline set for 11/19/2010 for the School board to file its required annual report. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 11/08/2010)
11/08/2010	<u>22</u>	STATUS REPORT – <i>Annual October 15th Report</i> by School Board of Caldwell Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits A–B)(aty,Hammonds, Robert) (Entered: 11/08/2010)
06/13/2011	<u>23</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Chief Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 6/13/2011. Mr. Murphy reported that after having conducted a site visit and having obtained information from the School Board, the DOJ is now prepared to work with the School Board to draft a joint motion for unitary status. Both the DOJ and the School anticipate that the motion will be filed by the end of the summer. In light of this information, the Courts set a deadline of September 7, 2011, for the parties to file a joint motion for unitary status or to file a status report if the motion is not completed by that time, (Compliance Deadline set for 9/7/2011). (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 06/14/2011)
06/30/2011	<u>24</u>	PROPOSED ORDER/JUDGMENT of Dismissal by USA, School Board of Caldwell Parish. (aty,Murphy, Nicholas) Modified to more accurately identify pleading and to add filer on 7/1/2011. (Alexander, E) (Entered: 06/30/2011)
06/30/2011		NOTICE of Corrective Action to Nicholas U Murphy, II on behalf of School Board of Caldwell Parish, USA regarding <u>24</u> PROPOSED ORDER/JUDGMENT of Dismissal. Action taken: Modified text of entry to more accurately identify pleading is not a motion and to add filer. (crt,Alexander, E) (Entered: 07/01/2011)
07/05/2011	<u>25</u>	AGREED ORDER OF DISMISSAL. The Court concludes that the Caldwell Parish School District has met the legal standards for a declaration of unitary status and is entitled to dismissal of this action. It is hereby ORDERED that all prior injunctions against the Caldwell Parish School District are DISSOLVED, jurisdiction is TERMINATED, and the case against the Caldwell Parish School District is DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 07/05/11. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 07/05/2011)
08/04/2011	<u>26</u>	MAIL RETURNED as Undeliverable: Mail sent to Geoffrey L J Carter, U S Dept of Justice Civil Rights Div (Penn Ave), 950 Pennsylvania Ave N W Rm 4034, Washington, DC 20530, re: <u>25</u> Order, returned marked: Return to Sender – Moved/Left No Address. Action taken: Unable to obtain current contact information. Set notice to no. (crt,Alexander, E) (Entered: 08/08/2011)
08/04/2011	<u>27</u>	MAIL RETURNED as Undeliverable: Mail sent to Geoffrey L J Carter, U S Dept of Justice Civil Rights Div (Penn Ave), 950 Pennsylvania Ave N W Rm 4034, Washington, DC 20530 re: Notice of Corrective Action, returned marked: Return to Sender – Moved/Left No Address. Action taken: Unable to obtain current contact information. Set notice to no. (crt,Alexander, E) (Entered: 08/08/2011)