

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
WESTERN DIVISION  
NO. 5:65-CV-01796-FL

HAROLD DOUGLAS COPPEDGE, et al., )  
Plaintiffs, )  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )  
Plaintiff-Intervenor, )  
v. )  
THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF )  
EDUCATION, et al., )  
Defendants. )


ORDER

For good cause having been shown upon the Joint Motion for Declaration of Partial Unitary Status filed by the United States of America (“the United States”) and the Franklin County Board of Education (“the District”), it is hereby ORDERED that:

1. The Joint Motion is GRANTED;
2. The District is declared partially unitary with respect to desegregation of staff and the following quality of education areas governed by the June 17, 2003 Consent Order (“2003 Order”) in this case: academic achievement, advanced course offerings and enrollment, special education program, and student dropouts;
3. All prior court-ordered obligations in this case are DISSOLVED and jurisdiction is TERMINATED with respect to the areas declared unitary in the previous paragraph, along with their related reporting obligations in Paragraphs IV.B-I and IV.M-S of the 2003 Order;
4. The Court will retain jurisdiction as it pertains to the *Green* factor of student assignment until all current participants in the District’s majority-to-minority (“M-to-

- M”) transfer program complete the terminal grade at their receiving school (*e.g.*, 5th, 8th, or 12th grade) and the District fulfills its desegregation obligations under the 2003 Order regarding the administration of discipline and its gifted and talented program;
5. The District’s obligations set forth in the 2003 Order under Paragraphs III.C.1, III.C.3-4, III.D.3-5, along with the related reporting requirements in Paragraphs IV.A, IV.J-L, and IV.P-S, shall remain in effect until the District makes a showing to the Court that it has fulfilled these remaining desegregation obligations;
  6. Within 60 days from the date of this order, the District shall file with the Court an annual report for the 2017-18 school year pursuant to its remaining obligations under the 2003 Order. Subsequent reports will be filed annually on or before October 15, consistent with the 2003 Order; and
  7. By December 21, 2020, the Parties shall file a status report regarding whether the District has fulfilled its desegregation obligations as outlined above.

ENTERED THIS 18 DAY OF December, 2018.

  
LOUISE WOOD FLANAGAN  
United States District Judge