IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE NASHVILLE DIVISION

L.W., by and through her parents and next)
friends, Samantha Williams and Brian)
Williams, et al.,)
Plaintiffs,) No. 3:23-cv-376 JUDGE RICHARDSON
and) JUDGE NEWBERN
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,))
Plaintiff-Intervenor,)
v.	
JONATHAN SKRMETTI, in his official capacity as the Tennessee Attorney General and Reporter, <i>et al.</i> ,)))
Defendants.)

UNITED STATES' NOTICE OF VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a)(1)(A)(i), the United States hereby dismisses its complaint in intervention with prejudice:

- 1. In April 2023, a group of individual plaintiffs challenged Tennessee's Senate Bill 1 ("SB1"), which "bann[ed] the use of certain medical procedures" for minors. United States v. Skrmetti, 145 S. Ct. 1816, 1826 (2025). The plaintiffs alleged that SB1 violated, among other things, the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution. See Doc. 1.
- 2. The United States intervened as a plaintiff pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2000h-2, similarly alleging that SB1 violated the Equal Protection Clause. See Doc. 38.

- 3. After the Sixth Circuit reversed the district court's preliminary injunction, the Supreme Court granted the United States' petition for a writ of certiorari "to decide whether SB1 violates the Equal Protection Clause." Skrmetti, 145 S. Ct. at 1828.
- 4. On February 7, 2025, the United States submitted a letter to the Court representing that the United States "has now determined that SB1 does not deny equal protection on account of sex or any other characteristic." Id. at 1828 n.1 (quoting Letter from C. Gannon, Deputy Solicitor General, to S. Harris, Clerk of Court, February 7, 2025).
- On June 18, 2025, the Supreme Court issued its opinion in *United States v. Skrmetti*. 5. The Court "concluded" SB1 "does not violate" the Equal Protection Clause. Id. at 1837. The Court thus affirmed the Sixth Circuit's judgment reversing the district court's preliminary injunction. Id. On July 21, 2025, a certified copy of the Supreme Court's judgment was sent to the Clerk of the Sixth Circuit.
- After the Supreme Court's decision in *Skrmetti*, the individual plaintiffs voluntarily 6. dismissed their complaint. Doc. 205. That dismissal does not terminate the United States' complaint in intervention made pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2000h-2. See Pasadena City Bd. of Ed. v. Spangler, 427 U.S. 424, 430-31 (1976).
- 7. In light of the United States' determination that SB1 does not deny equal protection on account of sex or any other characteristic, and the Supreme Court's decision in Skrmetti, the United States' participation in this matter no longer serves the "statutory purpose" set forth in § 2000h-2. *Pasadena City*, 427 U.S. at 430-31.
 - The United States' complaint in intervention is hereby dismissed with prejudice. 8.

Dated: July 21, 2025 Respectfully submitted,

> HARMEET K. DHILLON **Assistant Attorney General** Civil Rights Division

JESUS A. OSETE Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General Civil Rights Division

CARRIE PAGNUCCO Chief, Housing and Civil Enforcement Section

/s/ Tamica Daniel

TAMICA DANIEL (DC Bar No. 995891) Deputy Chief Housing and Civil Enforcement Section United States Department of Justice Civil Rights Division 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW – 4CON Washington, DC 20530 Tel.: (202) 598-9636 Tamica.Daniel@usdoj.gov

Counsel for Plaintiff-Intervenor

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on July 21, 2025, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via the Court's CM/ECF system, if registered.

Sruti J. Swaminathan, Esq. Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc. 120 Wall Street, 19th Floor New York, NY 10005 Email: sswaminathan@lambdalegal.org	Tara L. Borelli, Esq. Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc. 1 West Court Square, Suite 105 Decatur, GA 30030 Email: tborelli@lambdalegal.org
Chase Strangio, Esq. Joshua A. Block, Esq. American Civil Liberties Union Foundation 125 Broad Street, 18th Floor New York, New York 10004 Email: cstrangio@aclu.org Email: jblock@aclu.org	Lucas Cameron-Vaughn, Esq. Stella Yarbrough ACLU (Nashville Office) P.O. Box 120160 Nashville, TN 37212 Email: lucas@aclu-tn.org Email: syarbrough@aclu-tn.org
Christopher J. Gessner, Esq. Dean L. Chapman Jr., Esq. Joseph L. Sorkin, Esq. Kristen W. Chin, Esq. Richard J. D'Amato, Esq. Theodore James Salwen, Esq. Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP One Bryant Park New York, NY 10036 Email: cgessner@akingump.com Email: dchapman@akingump.com Email: jsorkin@akingump.com Email: Kristen.chin@akingump.com Email: rdamato@akingump.com Email: jsalwen@akingump.com	David Bethea, Esq. Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld LLC (DC Office) 2001 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006 Email: dbethea@akingump.com
Elizabeth D. Scott Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP 2300 N. Field Street, Suite 1800 Dallas, TX 75201 Email: edscott@akingump.com	Jeff Preptit, Esq. Herzfeld Suetholz Gastel Leniski and Wall, PLLC 223 Rosa L. Parks Avenue Suite 300 Nashville, TN 37203 Email: jpreptit@aclu-tn.org

Steven J. Griffin, Esq. Trenton Meriwether, Esq. Ryan N. Henry, Esq. Brooke A. Huppenthal, Esq. Office of the Tennessee Attorney General P.O. Box 20207 Nashville, Tennessee 37202 steven.griffin@ag.tn.gov trenton.meriwether@ag.tn.gov ryan.henry@ag.tn.gov brooke.huppenthal@ag.tn.gov	Adam Karl Mortara, Esq. Lawfair LLC 40 Burton Hills Blvd., Suite 200 Nashville, TN 37215 Email: mortara@lawfairllc.com
Cameron T. Norris, Esq. Tiffany H. Bates, Esq. Consovoy McCarthy PLLC 1600 Wilson Blvd., Ste 700 Arlington, VA 22209 Email: cam@consovoymccarthy.com Email: tiffany@consovoymccarthy.com	