



Presidential Religious Liberty Commission

Run of Show

The following is a run of show for a Religious Liberty Commission hearing. Please note some administrative details are redacted to protect the security and privacy of Commission members.



MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026

9:00 – 9:20 am (20 min) – Welcome

**Chairman Patrick and DFO Mary Margaret Bush Open the Meeting
Invocation – Rev. Franklin Graham**

HHS Assistant Secretary for Health Brian Christine (7 mins)

PANEL I: RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN HEALTHCARE, MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

9:20 – 9:40 am (20 min) – Prepared Remarks

9:40 – 10:10 am (30 min) – Commissioner Question and Answer

- **Dr. Eithan Haim**
Whistleblower on illegal sex change surgeries on minors taking place at Texas Children's hospital
- **Kaley Chiles**
Christian counselor forbidden from providing Biblically-based guidance to children and adolescents in need
- **Abby Sinnett**
Nurse practitioner who fought Colorado's attempt to make it illegal for doctors and nurses to help women who take the first abortion pill but then decide to continue their pregnancies
- **Valerie Kloosterman**
University of Michigan Employee fired for asking for religious exemption to participating in sex change surgeries



PART II: PARENTS & STUDENTS IMPACTED BY VACCINE

10:10 – 10:40 am (30 min) – Prepared Remarks

10:40 – 11:10 am (30 min) – Commissioner Question and Answer

- **Dr. Aaron Kheriaty**
UC department head fired for religious and moral objections to vaccine when he had proven natural immunity
- **Nancy & Isabella Costine**
Mother and daughter who have been barred from school for almost seven years because of the vaccine mandate
- **Ismail Royer**
Advisory board member, father of six children, religious liberty scholar and advocate, member of Muslim community who can speak to religious liberty and healthcare concerns in that faith tradition
- **Karen Amigon**
Parent whose religious beliefs were and continue to be violated by vaccine mandate

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PANEL III: FAITH-BASED HUMAN & SOCIAL SERVICES PROVIDERS

11:10 – 11:40 am (30 min) –Prepared Remarks

11:40 – 12:10 pm (30 min) – Commissioner Question and Answer

- **Jean Marie Davis**
human trafficking survivor, executive director of Branches Pregnancy Resource Center, targeted by Vermont law limiting PRC's ability to advertise
- **Sherrie Laurie**
Director for Downtown Hope Mission, a homeless shelter penalized by state of Alaska for policy of not housing men in women's shelter
- **Pastor Brian & Kaitlyn Wuoti**
Christian family excluded from Vermont foster care program because foster care certification process required denouncing religious beliefs
- **Archbishop Cordileone**
Archbishop of San Francisco, advocate for religious freedom for individuals and faith-institutions in all areas, including social service and healthcare



PANEL IV: PHYSICIAN TRAINING, ETHICS, AND PRACTICES

12:10 – 12:30 pm (20 min) – Prepared Remarks

12:30 – 1:00 pm (30 min) – Commissioner Question and Answer

- **Dr. Kenneth Prager**

Pulmonologist for over 35 years, Director of Clinical Ethics and Chairman of the Medical Ethics Committee at Columbia University Medical Center, writings have appeared in Op-Ed pages of The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal, held clandestine medical clinics in the Soviet Union in 1986, and later set up the first U.S. - Soviet medical student exchange program

- **Dr. Leslee Cochrane**

CMDA member, full-time hospice physician in CA, board-certified in family medicine with a certificate of additional qualification in hospice and palliative medicine; fought California law that forced health-care professionals to actively facilitate the PAS process

- **Dr. Susan Bane**

OB-GYN resident who opted out of abortion training during residency

1:00 pm

- Bishop Barron (or Archbishop Cordileone) offers the closing prayer.
- Program Concludes.
- Lunch provided in the [REDACTED] (note: [REDACTED] is not available for lunch)