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Attorney General Marshall Files Brief With Supreme Court Supporting Tennessee and Kentucky Laws Protecting Children from Experimental Sex Change Procedures

(**Montgomery**) – Alabama Attorney General Steve Marshall today filed an amicus brief in the U.S. Supreme Court supporting Tennessee and Kentucky in defense of their laws protecting children from devastating and irreversible experimental gender transitioning treatments. The Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals allowed the laws to go into effect, and Alabama’s brief urges the Supreme Court to deny requests from the plaintiffs and United States to review those decisions.

Plaintiffs and the United States argue that because advocacy groups like the World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH) endorse these drugs and surgeries for kids, States must permit the same. But as Attorney General Marshall explains, WPATH is no model of disinterested science. Rather its "'standards of care' for children with gender dysphoria rely on limited evidence-based research and suppressing dissent. This stance persists, even in the face of a European movement distancing itself from WPATH's unproven approach to care. We strongly urge the Court to keep these laws in place, allowing a full discovery to expose the truth of WPATH’s radical and unproven agenda.”

The brief highlights reporting and public statements from WPATH that call its legitimacy into question. One example given in the brief is WPATH’s Standards of Care chapter on Eunuchs, which recommends “castration to better align their bodies with their gender identity.” The scientific information developed from a “large online peer-support community known as the ‘Eunuch Archive’” also boasts a fictional section of thousands of stories that “involve the sadistic sexual abuse of children.”

Attorney General Marshall also points to the organization’s well-documented aversion to scientific skepticism and alternative views, which has resulted in research from experts like Dr. Ken Zucker being discarded for the offense of being concerned that “transitioning children would entrench gender dysphoria that would otherwise resolve.” Protestors even interrupted and picketed him at a 2017 USPATH conference, ultimately canceling his presentation. USPATH apologized not to Zucker, but to the activists who then took the stage chanting “Trans Power!”

Alabama has been on the forefront of efforts to protect children from these irreversible sex change procedures, defending its own law and leading briefs in support of other



states' laws. In January, the Eleventh Circuit cleared the way for Alabama's Vulnerable Child Compassion and Protection Act to be enforced, as the state proceeds towards a full trial scheduled for August 2024.