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## **Attorney General Marshall Leads Multistate Legal Effort Supporting President Trump's Executive Order to Prohibit Federal Funding of Sex-Change Procedures on Minors**

(Montgomery, Ala) – Alabama Attorney General Steve Marshall has filed amicus briefs in the Fourth and Ninth Circuit Courts of Appeals supporting President Trump's Executive Order that directs federal agencies to cease funding sex-change procedures for minors. The appeals arise from preliminary injunctions entered by district courts in Washington and Maryland earlier this year in lawsuits filed by the State of Washington and plaintiffs represented by the ACLU and Lambda Legal.

"Even though President Trump is in office, common sense and constitutional principles are under constant assault by radical leftist groups like the ACLU, who are now asking federal courts to force taxpayers to fund sex-change procedures on children—an unconscionable demand that ignores overwhelming medical, legal, and moral concerns," Attorney General Steve Marshall said.

"Thanks to the work of our team in Alabama, we've uncovered a disturbing, top-down effort to manipulate medical guidelines and eliminate age restrictions for these irreversible procedures. Even as global medical authorities urge caution, and public opinion on this issue is turning against it, the ACLU and its radical allies continue to rely on discredited standards to argue that these procedures are medically necessary. The evidence says otherwise. These harmful interventions have lasting consequences for vulnerable children."

"Our brief again sets the record straight and urges the courts to reject these dangerous, politically motivated efforts," Marshall said.

Attorney General Marshall continues to lead in defending and protecting children from irreversible sex-change procedures. While successfully defending the now-dismissed case against Alabama's Vulnerable Child Compassion and Protection Act, Alabama uncovered a political and legal scandal concerning how the leading medical standards of care were created to help groups like the ACLU win lawsuits and bring about political change despite a lack of scientific evidence supporting their recommendations. Marshall submitted an amicus brief to the Supreme Court in October detailing these findings and has led numerous other amicus efforts in courts across the country. Comprehensive background on Alabama's case, discovery, and leadership on the issue can be viewed at <https://www.alabamaag.gov/boe-v-marshall/>.

The Alabama-led brief was joined by the attorneys general of Alaska, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wyoming.



The full brief to the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals can be found here.

The full brief to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals can be found here.