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December 19, 2022

Curry County Board of Commissioners
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Re: Curry County Board of Commissioners' policy and practice regarding prayer

Dear Curry County Board of Commissioners,

We are pleased that you have asked us to provide legal counsel regarding a letter the Board received from the Americans United for Separation of Church and State challenging the Board's practice of opening each meeting in prayer.

Please understand that our agreement to represent you in this matter does not constitute an agreement or promise to file a lawsuit. We will at all times endeavor, when appropriate, to discuss these matters with you fully before personnel or resources are committed on your behalf. We recognize that the final authority regarding legal strategy lies with the client, and we will work on your behalf pursuant to the authority you have given us. We sincerely hope that our relationship will be fruitful, but in the unlikely event that a disagreement arises between yourself and the ACLJ that cannot be resolved, we retain the right to withdraw our appearance on your behalf upon reasonable notice to you and subject to the applicable rules of law and professional ethics.

ACLJ PUBLICATION OF CASE:

The ACLJ may be required to discuss your situation with various media sources, including via social media. In addition, it may be deemed helpful to others in circumstances similar to yours to let them know of your case on the "Jay Sekulow Live" radio program, "ACLJ This Week" television program, or on the ACLJ's website, www.ACLJ.org, so that their rights can be protected too. Please let us know at the time that you sign this Agreement if you are opposed to the disclosure of any specific facts of your case to the public via written materials, radio or television programs, etc.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

In order for us to properly represent you, it is necessary for you to always provide us with your

current address and phone numbers where you can be reached at all reasonable times. It is important that you listen to and strongly consider the advice we give you. You are to leave all contact with the opposing parties' agents and attorneys to us, and shall not contact them directly unless specifically authorized by us to do so.

LEGAL FEES/COSTS:

You will not be responsible for the payment of our legal fees for your case. The ACLJ is a non-profit legal corporation under IRS Code Section 501(c)(3). The ACLJ is funded by private contributions, which are deductible.

WORKING WITH OTHER COUNSEL:

By signing this Agreement with the ACLJ, you acknowledge that you are required to disclose whether you have previously retained other legal counsel for this same matter. We understand that the Board is currently represented by the County's legal counsel. You further acknowledge that if you hire other legal counsel hereafter, without the ACLJ's knowledge, the ACLJ may immediately withdraw representation in this matter.

When prudent or necessary to do so, ACLJ attorneys may associate with other attorneys to assist in the review, preparation, or presentation of your case.

You also acknowledge that ACLJ and other counsel assisting in the case have made no promises about the outcome of this matter and/or how long it will take for this matter to be resolved. You acknowledge that ACLJ and any local counsel working with ACLJ cannot guarantee any particular result and that any opinion offered by them in the future about possible results and/or when the matter will be resolved will not constitute a guarantee.

If you are in agreement with the terms and conditions contained herein, please sign a copy of this letter and return it to us by email.

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I have read the contents of this letter and agree to its terms.

Dated: 1/9 ²⁰²³
~~2022~~

[Signature]
Curry County Board of Commissioners