

We have several appeals pending in Kim's case, which include (1) a challenge to Judge Bunning's original Injunction ordering Kim Davis to issue marriage licenses, (2) Kim Davis's federal suit against Gov. Steven Beshear requesting a reasonable accommodation, (3) the Contempt Order that remanded Kim Davis to jail for six days, and (4) the challenge to Judge Bunning's expansion of the original Injunction that went beyond the plaintiffs to essentially include the entire world.

The Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals has agreed to expedite a ruling on the challenge against Judge Bunning's expanded Injunction. A ruling on that issue is expected within days. Later this week, Liberty Counsel will file another suit against Gov. Beshear, seeking a reasonable accommodation for Kim and others.

Yesterday morning as she returned to work, Kim Davis addressed the press amidst throngs of people who gathered to show support. She was surrounded by police officers for security, with her son at her side. After a season of prayer, Kim said she is at peace with her course of action:

"Effective immediately, and until an accommodation is provided by those with the authority to provide it, any marriage license issued in my office will not be issued or authorized by me. I want the whole world to know... my deputy clerks ... don't have the authority to issue any license whatsoever. ... I love my deputy clerks, and I hate that they have been caught in the middle. If any of them feels that they must issue an unauthorized license to avoid being thrown in jail, I understand their tough choice, and I will take no action against them. However, any unauthorized marriage license that they issue will not have my name, my title, or my authority on it. Instead, the licenses will state that they are issued pursuant to a federal court order."

What Kim Davis is facing is not unique to her. Of course, her case happens to be on the forefront of media coverage and in the crossfire of a social media firestorm. But Kim is one of millions of people in the public and private sectors whose deeply held religious convictions will collide with the opinion of five Supreme Court Justices issued just over two months ago. As I write this, our staff at Liberty Counsel is stretched thin giving legal counsel to scores of people who have chosen to "obey God rather than man" on the issue of marriage. We will continue to defend the religious liberty of Kim Davis and those now in the crosshairs of this opinion, and we will also vigorously support religious liberty legislation. In my last few messages to you, I mentioned our \$30,000 budget need due to the thousands of hours our team has spent litigating for religious liberty in the past several months. Though many of you have generously given, we are still short of our goal.

We depend on the financial support of friends like you, and right now I need your help to fill a war chest to defend Kim Davis and many others who are seeking our help against an escalating legal onslaught.

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