

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION**

CLERK'S MINUTES

CASE NO.: 8:17-cv-2896-T-02AAS	DATE: March 5, 2019	
HONORABLE WILLIAM F. JUNG		
ROBERT L. VAZZO, et al., Plaintiffs	PLAINTIFF COUNSEL Horatio G. Mihet Roger K. Gannam	
v. CITY OF TAMPA, FLORIDA, Defendant	DEFENDANT COUNSEL Robert V. Williams Dana Robbins	
COURT REPORTER: Scott Gamertsfelder	DEPUTY CLERK:	Shameeka Olden
TIME: 9:03 AM – 10:11 AM; 10:29 AM – 12:01 PM TOTAL: 2 hours, 40 minutes	COURTROOM:	15B

PROCEEDINGS: STATUS CONFERENCE and ORAL ARGUMENT re Defendant's [155] Objections to [148] Report and Recommendations re [84] Motion to Dismiss and [156] Objections to [149] Report and Recommendations re [85] Motion for Preliminary Injunction

City of Tampa representative, David Harvey, was present. Also present, on behalf of Equality Florida Institute, Inc.: Sylvia Walbott, Esq.; Brian Porter, Esq.; and David Dinieli, Esq.

The Court heard argument from Mr. Williams regarding Defendant's objections to the R&R re the Motion for Preliminary Injunction.

Ms. Walbott advised the Court that Equality Florida Institute, Inc., joins in Defendant's objections to the R&Rs. Ms. Walbott tendered to the Court a list of national organizations that have expressed their opinions on the type of mental health therapy for children that is at issue in this case.

Mr. Mihet offered Plaintiffs' suggestions as to how this case should proceed. If an interlocutory appeal is filed, Plaintiff believes a stay of this case would be appropriate and that existing discovery deadlines should be vacated. The Court **denies** Plaintiffs' motion.

The parties should contact chambers if there are any discovery disputes.

The Court heard a response to Mr. Williams' argument from Mr. Mihet; rebuttal from Mr. Williams; follow-up by Ms. Walbolt; and follow-up by Mr. Mihet.

The Court will enter an order at a later date.

The parties should adhere to the deadlines in the Case Management Scheduling Order. The parties may reschedule mediation by agreement of the plaintiffs and defendant. The Court should be notified of any changes to the mediation date.