

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND**

BETHEL MINISTRIES, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

DR. KAREN B. SALMON, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civil Case No.: SAG-19-1853

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ORDER OF JUDGMENT

For the reasons set forth in the accompanying Memorandum Opinion, it is this 10th day of December, 2021, by the United States District Court for the District of Maryland ORDERED that Bethel’s motion for summary judgment, ECF 80, is GRANTED as to Count II, and Defendants’ motion for summary judgement, ECF 75, is DENIED as to Count II. Judgment is, therefore, ENTERED in favor of Bethel, and against Defendants, because Defendants’ application of the 2018 iteration of the BOOST nondiscrimination provision to exclude Bethel from BOOST eligibility for the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school years violated Bethel’s First Amendment rights. Further, Defendants are enjoined from demanding that Bethel repay the \$102,600 Bethel previously received in BOOST funding.

Bethel claims an entitlement to its reasonable attorneys’ fees, costs, and expenses pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1988. ECF 1 at 36. Within 30 days of this Order, Bethel may submit a petition requesting, and explaining the basis for its entitlement to, such fees, costs, and expenses. Defendants may oppose any such petition within 14 days of its filing.

/s/
Stephanie A. Gallagher
United States District Judge