

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA  
NORTHERN DIVISION**

<b>ALABAMA LEGISLATIVE</b>	)	
<b>BLACK CAUCUS, et al.,</b>	)	
	)	
<b>Plaintiffs,</b>	)	
	)	
<b>v.</b>	)	<b>Case No. 2:12-cv-691</b>
	)	
<b>THE STATE OF ALABAMA, et al.,</b>	)	
	)	
<b>Defendants.</b>	)	
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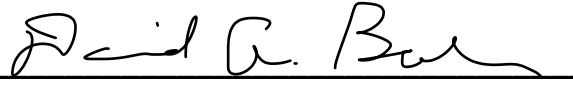
**ORDER**

The matter of attorney’s fees to be awarded in this matter has been referred to the undersigned for mediation to assist the parties in attempting to resolve the issues. To facilitate the process, the Court intends to conduct a telephone conference in early September to discuss how best to go forward.

By **August 28, 2017**, each side **shall submit (but not file) to the Clerk’s Office**, for delivery to the Settlement Judge, a “Confidential Statement of the Case” not to exceed ten pages which should set forth the parties’ contentions, fee calculation and analysis, and proposals for resolution. Specifically, in the respective Confidential Statements of the Case, each party shall identify the individuals who will be in attendance and their authority at a settlement conference. The Statement (which is for the Court’s sole use and is not to be filed or served on other parties)

shall include a succinct, non-argumentative statement of the remaining legal and factual issues on which there is disagreement; the position of the party with respect to each issue; a list of filings (by docket entry number) the party wishes the Court to review prior to the Conference, a statement of the party's settlement positions as to the claims for fees and costs (including any prior demands or offers), analysis of the party's expectation as to probable litigation outcomes, and any other matter which the party deems pertinent. Counsel should list their availability for a telephone conference from September 1-8, 2017. Following receipt of these Confidential Statements, the Court will schedule the telephone conference.

**DONE** and **ORDERED** this 17th day of August 2017.

  
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DAVID A. BAKER  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE