

**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE SIXTH CIRCUIT**

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Re: Case No. 22-3497/22-3702, *Hunter Doster, et al v. Frank Kendall, et al*
Originating Case No. 1:22-cv-00084

Dear Counsel,

The Court issued the enclosed Order today in this case.

Sincerely yours,

s/Virginia Lee Padgett
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Enclosure

Nos. 22-3497/3702

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HUNTER DOSTER, et al.,

Plaintiffs-Appellees,

v.

HON. FRANK KENDALL, In his official capacity
as Secretary of the Air Force, et al.,

Defendants-Appellants.

O R D E R

Before: KETHLEDGE, BUSH, and MURPHY, Circuit Judges.

Defendants appeal two separate district court orders granting preliminary injunctive relief, initially to the named plaintiffs then to the certified class, in this lawsuit challenging the U.S. Air Force's administration of a COVID-19 vaccine mandate under the Free Exercise Clause of the First Amendment and the Religious Freedom and Restoration Act. Plaintiffs move to consolidate these appeals. Defendants respond in opposition and plaintiffs reply.

The motion to consolidate is GRANTED IN PART and DENIED IN PART. These appeals will be briefed independently pursuant to the respective briefing schedules already issued. Upon the completion of briefing, these appeals will be submitted to the same panel for consideration on the same date. The decision on the structure of any appellate argument is reserved to the panel.

ENTERED BY ORDER OF THE COURT



Deborah S. Hunt, Clerk