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United States Court of AppealsFor the First Circuit

No. 17-1593

SEXUAL MINORITIES UGANDA

Plaintiff - Appellee

V.

SCOTT LIVELY, individually and as President of Abiding Truth Ministries

Defendant - Appellant

Declaration of Pamela C. Spees

I, PAMELA C. SPEES, declare pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746:

- I am an attorney with the Center for Constitutional Rights and represent
 Plaintiff-Appellee Sexual Minorities Uganda in the above captioned-matter.
- 2. On September 27, 2017, and October 2, 2017, I spoke with Mr. Gerry Claude, Case Manager in the Clerk's office of the First Circuit Court of Appeals, to inquire about the effect of the still-pending Motion to Dismiss Defendant-Appellant's Appeal and Motion to Stay Proceedings Pending Resolution of Plaintiff-Appellee's Motion to Dismiss on the deadlines and briefing schedule issued by the Court.

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3. Mr. Claude advised me that because the motions were pending, the parties would not be defaulted for not filing briefs by the deadlines set out in the scheduling order.

- 4. In my conversation with Mr. Claude on Monday, October 2, 2017, I further clarified that Plaintiff-Appellee would not be defaulted if it did not file a brief in opposition by the deadline in the scheduling order even if Defendant-Appellant filed his opening appeal brief by the deadline, and Mr. Claude confirmed this was the case.
- 5. Mr. Claude further advised that if the result of rulings on the motions meant that the appeal briefing should proceed, the Court would then reset a schedule.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on January 1, 2018, at Lake Charles, Louisiana.

PAMELA C. SPEES