

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA  
MONROE DIVISION**

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STATE OF LOUISIANA *et al.*,

*Plaintiffs,*

v.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION *et al.*,

*Defendants.*

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No. 24-cv-563

RAPIDES PARISH SCHOOL BOARD,

*Plaintiff,*

v.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION *et al.*,

*Defendants.*

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No. 24-cv-567

**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

NOTICE is hereby given that Defendants United States Department of Education; Miguel Cardona, in his official capacity as Secretary of Education; United States Department of Education’s Office for Civil Rights; Catherine Lhamon, in her official capacity as Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights; United States Department of Justice; Merrick B. Garland, in his official capacity as Attorney General of the United States; and Kristen Clarke, in her official capacity as Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice (together “Defendants”) appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit from

the Court's June 13, 2024, Memorandum Ruling (ECF No. 53) and Judgment (ECF No. 54) granting Plaintiffs' motions for preliminary injunction (ECF Nos. 17 & 27).

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Respectfully submitted,

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