

The Honorable Ricardo S. Martinez

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

WASHINGTON STATE ASSOCIATION OF  
HEAD START AND EARLY CHILDHOOD  
ASSISTANCE AND EDUCATION  
PROGRAM; ILLINOIS HEAD START  
ASSOCIATION; PENNSYLVANIA HEAD  
START ASSOCIATION; WISCONSIN HEAD  
START ASSOCIATION; FAMILY  
FORWARD OREGON; and PARENT  
VOICES OAKLAND,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ROBERT F. KENNEDY, JR., in his official  
capacity as Secretary of Health and Human  
Services; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
AND HUMAN SERVICES; ANDREW  
GRADISON, in his official capacity as Acting  
Assistant Secretary of the Administration for  
Children and Families; ADMINISTRATION  
FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; OFFICE  
OF HEAD START; and TALA HOOBAN, in  
her official capacity as Acting Director of the  
Office of Head Start,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:25-cv-00781-RSM

DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF  
APPEAL

**PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION APPEAL**

1 All defendants hereby appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit from the  
2 Order Granting Motion for Preliminary Injunction pronounced by the district court on September  
3 11, 2025. (Dkt. 120).

4 DATED this 6th day of November, 2025.

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