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August 20, 2026

SENT VIA EMAIL: ridleym@rcschools.net

Monika Ridley
Public Records Request Coordinator
Rutherford County Schools
2240 Southpark Drive
Murfreesboro, TN 37128

Re: Public Records Request Concerning Ten Commandments Displays

Dear Ms. Ridley:

I am a Tennessee resident and the Legal Director for the ACLU of Tennessee. I am writing in connection with the above-listed organizations to request public records pursuant to the Tennessee Public Records Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 10-7-503 (2025). I am requesting records regarding the Rutherford County Board of Education's consideration and approval of Ten Commandments displays in district schools. Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 10-7-503, I am requesting the following records:

- 1) Copies of all communications, including emails and text messages, to, from, or between school board members or employees of Rutherford County Schools, that are in any way related to the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools, whether based on Tennessee House Bill 47, Senate Bill 303, Public Chapter No. 924, Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2010 (West), or not.
- 2) Copies of all communications, including emails and text messages, to, from, or between any school board member(s) or employee(s) of Rutherford County Schools and any person(s), group(s), and/or organization(s), that are in any way related to the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools, whether based on Tennessee House Bill 47, Senate Bill 303, Public Chapter No. 924, Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2010 (West), or not.
- 3) Copies of all notes, minutes, and recordings of any school board or other meeting where school board members or employees of Rutherford County Schools discussed the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools, whether based on Tennessee House Bill 47, Senate Bill 303, Public Chapter No. 924, Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2010 (West), or not.
- 4) Copies of any proposed or approved displays for the Rutherford County Schools, which include the Ten Commandments.

Because disclosure of this information is in the public interest, I am requesting a waiver of all fees and charges. The Tennessee Public Records Act requires a response within seven business days. If access to the records we are requesting will take longer than seven days, please contact us with information about when we might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records.

If any of these records are available through electronic media, they may be e-mailed to **lucas@aclu-tn.org**.

Sincerely,

Lucas Cameron-Vaughn
Legal Director
ACLU of Tennessee



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SENT VIA EMAIL: mayfieldt@wcschools.com

Travis Mayfield
Director of Schools
Wilson County Schools
415 Harding Drive
Lebanon, TN 37087

Re: Public Records Request Concerning Ten Commandments Displays

Dear Mr. Mayfield:

I am a Tennessee resident and the Legal Director for the ACLU of Tennessee. I am writing in connection with the above-listed organizations to request public records pursuant to the Tennessee Public Records Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 10-7-503 (2025). I am requesting records regarding the Wilson County Board of Education's consideration and approval of Ten Commandments displays in district schools. Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 10-7-503, I am requesting the following records:

- 1) Copies of all communications, including emails and text messages, to, from, or between school board members or employees of Wilson County Schools, that are in any way related to the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools, whether based on Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2010 (West), or not.
- 2) Copies of all communications, including emails and text messages, to, from, or between any school board member(s) or employee(s) of Wilson County Schools and any person(s), group(s), and/or organization(s), that are in any way related to the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools, whether based on Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2010 (West), or not.
- 3) Copies of all notes, minutes, and recordings of any school board or other meeting where school board members or employees of Wilson County Schools discussed the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools, whether based on Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2010 (West), or not.
- 4) Copies of any proposed or approved displays for the Wilson County Schools, which include the Ten Commandments.

Because disclosure of this information is in the public interest, I am requesting a waiver of all fees and charges. The Tennessee Public Records Act requires a response within seven business days.

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SENT VIA EMAIL: boydj@wcde.org

Jerry S. Boyd
Superintendent
Washington County Schools
405 West College Street
Jonesborough, TN 37659

Re: Public Records Request Concerning Ten Commandments Displays

Dear Mr. Boyd:

I am a Tennessee resident and the Legal Director for the ACLU of Tennessee. I am writing in connection with the above-listed organizations to request public records pursuant to the Tennessee Public Records Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 10-7-503 (2025). I am requesting records regarding the Washington County Board of Education's consideration and approval of Ten Commandments displays in district schools. Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 10-7-503, I am requesting the following records:

- 1) Copies of all communications, including emails and text messages, to, from, or between school board members or employees of Washington County Schools, that are in any way related to the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools, whether based on Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2010 (West), or not.
- 2) Copies of all communications, including emails and text messages, to, from, or between any school board member(s) or employee(s) of Washington County Schools and any person(s), group(s), and/or organization(s), that are in any way related to the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools, whether based on Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2010 (West), or not.
- 3) Copies of all notes, minutes, and recordings of any school board or other meeting where school board members or employees of Washington County Schools discussed the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools, whether based on Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2010 (West), or not.
- 4) Copies of any proposed or approved displays for the Washington County Schools, which include the Ten Commandments.

Because disclosure of this information is in the public interest, I am requesting a waiver of all fees and charges. The Tennessee Public Records Act requires a response within seven business days.

If access to the records we are requesting will take longer than seven days, please contact us with information about when we might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records.

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SENT VIA EMAIL AND FACSIMILE: tara.ruehling@blountk12.org

Tara Ruehling

Administrative Assistant to Justin Ridge, Director of Schools

Blount County School District

831 Grandview Drive

Maryville, TN 37803

Re: Public Records Request Concerning Ten Commandments Displays

Dear Ms. Ruehling:

I am a Tennessee resident and the Legal Director for the ACLU of Tennessee. I am writing in connection with the above-listed organizations to request public records pursuant to the Tennessee Public Records Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 10-7-503 (2025). I am requesting records regarding the Blount County Board of Education's consideration and approval of Ten Commandments displays in district schools. Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 10-7-503, I am requesting the following records:

- 1) Copies of all communications, including emails and text messages, to, from, or between school board members or employees of the Blount County School District, that are in any way related to the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools, whether based on Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2010 (West), or not.
- 2) Copies of all communications, including emails and text messages, to, from, or between any school board member(s) or employee(s) of the Blount County School District and any person(s), group(s), and/or organization(s), that are in any way related to the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools, whether based on Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2010 (West), or not.
- 3) Copies of all notes, minutes, and recordings of any school board or other meeting where school board members or employees of the Blount County School District discussed the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools, whether based on Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2010 (West), or not.
- 4) Copies of any proposed or approved displays for any schools in the Blount County School District, which include the Ten Commandments.

Because disclosure of this information is in the public interest, I am requesting a waiver of all fees and charges. The Tennessee Public Records Act requires a response within seven business days.

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SENT VIA FACSIMILE: (931) 836-8128

Jeanie White
Executive Assistant/Board Secretary
White County Schools
576 Hale Street
Sparta, TN 38583

Re: Public Records Request Concerning Ten Commandments Displays

Dear Ms. White:

I am a Tennessee resident and the Legal Director for the ACLU of Tennessee. I am writing in connection with the above-listed organizations to request public records pursuant to the Tennessee Public Records Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 10-7-503 (2025). I am requesting records regarding the White County Board of Education's consideration and approval of Ten Commandments displays in district schools. Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 10-7-503, I am requesting the following records:

- 1) Copies of all communications, including emails and text messages, to, from, or between school board members or employees of White County Schools, that are in any way related to the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools, whether based on Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2010 (West), or not.
- 2) Copies of all communications, including emails and text messages, to, from, or between any school board member(s) or employee(s) of White County Schools and any person(s), group(s), and/or organization(s), that are in any way related to the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools, whether based on Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2010 (West), or not.
- 3) Copies of all notes, minutes, and recordings of any school board or other meeting where school board members or employees of White County Schools discussed the display of the Ten Commandments in public schools, whether based on Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2010 (West), or not.
- 4) Copies of any proposed or approved displays for the White County Schools, which include the Ten Commandments.

Because disclosure of this information is in the public interest, I am requesting a waiver of all fees and charges. The Tennessee Public Records Act requires a response within seven business days.

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