

## Southeastern Legal Foundation Files Brief Urging Supreme Court To Hear Littlejohn's Gender Transition Case Against School District

[Oct. 6, 2025] Southeastern Legal Foundation (SLF), an organization of top attorneys that regularly defend constitutional rights, recently filed a <u>Supreme Court amicus brief</u> with other organizations in support of January Littlejohn. Littlejohn is currently fighting Leon County Public School District in Florida after it unlawfully and secretly transitioned her daughter's gender at school without her knowledge or consent. Now, she and her husband are asking the Supreme Court to hear their case.

The Littlejohns sued the school district in federal court for violating their parental rights, but the lower courts claim that the actions of the school district did not violate their rights because they did not "shock the conscience." All of this was done in accordance with the school district's LGBTQ+ support guide, which actively encourages the keeping of sensitive information from parents or guardians. The district argues that giving parents information regarding their children's gender identity could be dangerous to the child's mental, physical and emotional wellbeing.

SLF argues in their amicus brief that not only does the district have zero evidence to support this, but their policy is an absolute affront to parental rights, the Constitution, and common sense. The question arises, 'if this does not shock the conscience, then what will?' The policy of the school district is an assault on the fundamental rights of parents to raise their children how they see fit. It is vital that the Supreme Court hear this case to ensure that this sort of sinister behavior does not continue in schools.

SLF argues, "These actions of the school, an arm of the state, violate parents' fundamental, constitutionally recognized right to direct the upbringing of their children. The district court's dismissal of the appellants' claims and the panel's decision upholding that ruling have denied the Littlejohns the opportunity to have their fundamental rights vindicated."

SLF President Kimberly Hermann states, "Gender transitions among minors are all too common, and when schools take it a step further and hide those transitions from the minors' own parents, it is catastrophic for families. Parents are in the driver's seat of their children's education, and they have every right to know what is happening when they send their children to school. We are pleased to see the Littlejohns' case, and many others, being brought to the Supreme Court. We are hopeful that the Court will grant their petition so that we can put an end to the madness."



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