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MEDIA ADVISORY: NY Federal Court Hearing Tomorrow in Priests for Life’s Legal Challenge to HHS “Contraception” Mandate

New York, New York (December 19, 2012) — Tomorrow, Robert J. Muise, Co-Founder and Senior Counsel of the American Freedom Law Center (AFLC), a national nonprofit Judeo-Christian law firm, is presenting oral argument in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York in support of AFLC’s request that the court immediately halt the enforcement of the Obama administration’s “contraception” mandate. The request for an injunction is part of AFLC’s federal lawsuit challenging the mandate, which was filed jointly with California civil rights attorney Charles S. LiMandri on behalf of Priests for Life, a national, Catholic, anti-abortion organization based in New York.

The hearing will be held before Judge Frederic Block at 11:00 a.m. ET in Courtroom 10C S at the federal courthouse located at 225 Cadman Plaza East in Brooklyn, New York. The media and public are welcome to attend.

MEDIA NOTICE: Robert Muise will be taking interview requests following the hearing; he may be reached by mobile phone at (734) 635-3756 or by email at rmuise@americanfreedomlawcenter.org.

The mandate, which was spearheaded by Kathleen Sebelius, the Director of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and championed by President Obama, forces religious-based employers to provide insurance plans that include coverage for contraception, sterilization, abortifacients, and related education and counseling. The Obama administration has refused to provide a broad religious exemption that would protect the rights of people of faith who oppose such practices on religious grounds.

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