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**U.S. District Court
Western District of Louisiana (Monroe)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 3:69-cv-14429-RGJ-KLH**

U S A v. Morehouse Parish
Assigned to: Judge Robert G James
Referred to: Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes
Cause: 28:1345 USA Plaintiff

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Jury Demand: None
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Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Plaintiff

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
08/01/1969	<u>60</u>	FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS AND DECREE signed by Judge Ben Dawkins Jr and entered in the record 08/01/69. Docketed in the record for purposes of availability on 04/13/10.(crt,Yocum, M) Modified text on 4/13/2010 (Yocum, M). (Entered: 04/13/2010)
11/04/1969	<u>61</u>	DECREE signed by Judge Ben Dawkins Jr and entered in the record 11/4/1969. Docketed in the record for purposes of availability on 04/13/10.(crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 04/13/2010)
08/17/1970	<u>62</u>	ORDER signed by Judge Ben Dawkins Jr and entered in the record 8/17/1970. Docketed in the record for purposes of availability on 04/13/10. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 04/13/2010)
08/06/1971	<u>63</u>	CONSENT DECREE signed by Judge Ben Dawkins Jr and entered in the record 8/6/1971. Docketed in the record for purposes of availability on 04/13/10.(crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 04/13/2010)
06/15/2006	<u>1</u>	PAPER DOCKET SHEET of filings through 6/15/06. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 06/15/2006)
08/14/2008	<u>2</u>	MEMORANDUM ORDER: Upon review of this matter, the Court finds that there has been some apparent confusion about the School Board's reporting requirements. Accordingly, the Court, upon its own motion, hereby AMENDS the standing Decree and amendments as stated in this memorandum order. Any party desiring a status conference to discuss the Court's amendment to the reporting requirements may file the appropriate motion. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 8/14/08. (crt,DickersonSealed, D) (Entered: 08/14/2008)
09/30/2008	<u>3</u>	NOTICE by School Board Morehouse Parish of Filing of Annual Report (aty,Katz, Stephen) (Entered: 09/30/2008)
11/04/2008	<u>4</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: re <u>2</u> Memorandum Order. The Court reviewed the annual report filed in compliance with the Court's August 14, 2008 Order. Any party desiring a conference to discuss the status of the case or the steps for achieving unitary status may file the appropriate motion. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 11/3/08. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 11/04/2008)
11/18/2008	<u>5</u>	MOTION to Substitute Attorney Janice E. Hebert and Iris Goldschmidt in place of Katherine W. Vincent and Emily H. McCarthy by USA. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of proposed order)(aty,Hebert, Janice) (Entered: 11/18/2008)
11/20/2008	<u>6</u>	ORDER granting <u>5</u> Motion to Substitute Attorney. Added attorney Iris Goldschmidt for USA as Lead Counsel in place of attorney Emily H McCarthy and Janice E. Hebert is substituted for Katherine W Vincent. Attorney Emily H McCarthy and Katherine W Vincent terminated. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 11/19/08. (crt,Dickerson, D) (Entered: 11/20/2008)

05/06/2009	<u>7</u>	MOTION to Approve School Zone Alignments And Consolidation Of Schools by School Board Morehouse Parish. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Text of proposed order, # <u>3</u> Exhibits to Order, # <u>4</u> Consent Certificate – Opposition)(aty,Katz, Stephen) Modified on 5/6/2009 to edit text (Keifer, K). (Entered: 05/06/2009)
05/06/2009	<u>8</u>	NOTICE of Motion Setting regarding <u>7</u> MOTION to Approve School Zone Alignments And Consolidation Of Schools. Motions referred to Robert G James. (crt,Keifer, K) (Entered: 05/06/2009)
05/06/2009	<u>9</u>	MOTION to Expedite consideration of <u>7</u> MOTION to Approve School Zone Alignments And Consolidation Of Schools by School Board Morehouse Parish. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of proposed order)(aty,Katz, Stephen) (Entered: 05/06/2009)
05/06/2009		Motions Transferred regarding <u>9</u> MOTION to Expedite consideration of <u>7</u> MOTION to Approve School Zone Alignments And Consolidation Of Schools. Motions referred to Robert G James. (crt,Keifer, K) (Entered: 05/06/2009)
05/06/2009	<u>10</u>	ORDER granting <u>9</u> Motion to Expedite. A hearing is set on Defendant's Motion to Approve School Zone Alignments and Consolidation of Schools <u>7</u> for May 19, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 5/6/09. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 05/06/2009)
05/06/2009		Set Deadlines/Hearings as to <u>7</u> MOTION to Approve School Zone Alignments And Consolidation Of Schools. Motion Hearing set for 5/19/2009 at 1:30 PM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Judge Robert G James. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 05/06/2009)
05/15/2009	<u>11</u>	MEMORANDUM in Opposition re <u>7</u> MOTION to Approve School Zone Alignments And Consolidation Of Schools filed by USA. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> US EXHIBIT 1, # <u>2</u> US EXHIBIT 2, # <u>3</u> US EXHIBIT 3, # <u>4</u> US EXHIBIT 4, # <u>5</u> Text of proposed)(aty,Goldschmidt, Iris) Modified on 5/18/2009 to edit text (Keifer, K). (Entered: 05/15/2009)
05/15/2009	<u>12</u>	MEMORANDUM in Support re <u>7</u> MOTION to Approve School Zone Alignments And Consolidation Of Schools <i>with Certificate of Service</i> filed by School Board Morehouse Parish. (aty,Katz, Stephen) (Entered: 05/15/2009)
05/19/2009	<u>13</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: IN CHAMBERS CONFERENCE with counsel held on 5/19/2009 to discuss the Motion Hearing for today. The Court continued the Motion <u>7</u> Hearing to Thursday, June 25, 2009 at 10:00 A.M. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 05/19/2009)
05/19/2009		Set/Reset Deadlines as to <u>7</u> MOTION to Approve School Zone Alignments And Consolidation Of Schools. Motion Hearing reset for Thursday, 6/25/2009 at 10:00 AM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Judge Robert G James. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 05/19/2009)
05/19/2009	14	ELECTRONIC MINUTE ENTRY: A Telephone Status Conference is set for 6/17/2009 at 1:00 PM in Monroe, before Judge Robert G James. Counsel for the Department of Justice shall initiate the call and contact Chambers at 318-322-6230 when all parties are present. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 05/19/09. (crt,Floyd, J) (Entered: 05/19/2009)
05/26/2009	15	ELECTRONIC MINUTE ENTRY: The motion hearing scheduled for June 25, 2009 is hereby continued without date. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 05/26/09. (crt,Floyd, J) (Entered: 05/26/2009)
06/18/2009	<u>16</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Chief Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 6/17/2009. Following lengthy discussion of the issues affecting the Court's review of the School board's motion, it was determined that the School Board will use its best efforts to provide the factual information requested by the DOJ to DOJ and the Court by August 31, 2009. with regard to the DOJ's request for impact studies, the School Board will provide all information it can reasonably obtain by August 31, 2009. Other issues were discussed as stated in these minutes. Another telephone status conference will be held on Tuesday, September 8, 2009, at 10:00 A.M. to discuss the date provided

		by the School Board and whether a hearing would be helpful to the Court. If a hearing is necessary, the Court has reserved the date of February 2, 2010. The parties are instructed to contact Ms. May if they had questions or concerns following their receipt of these Minutes. District Judge Telephone Conference set for 9/8/2009 at 10:00 AM before Chief Judge Robert G James. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 06/18/2009)
07/30/2009	<u>17</u>	Joint MOTION FOR EXTENSION of Providing of factual information & other data with consent by School Board Morehouse Parish, USA. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of proposed order)(aty,Katz, Stephen) Modified on 7/31/2009 to add filer (Reasor, M). (Entered: 07/30/2009)
07/30/2009		Motions Transferred regarding <u>17</u> Joint MOTION FOR EXTENSION of Providing of factual information & other data with consent. Motions referred to Robert G James. (crt,Reasor, M) (Entered: 07/31/2009)
08/03/2009	<u>18</u>	ORDER granting <u>17</u> Motion to Extend. The date for providing of factual material and other data is extended from August 31, 2009 to September 30, 2009. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 8/3/09. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 08/03/2009)
08/03/2009		Set Deadlines/Hearings: Compliance Deadline set for 9/30/2009 regarding the providing of factual information and other data. See Order <u>18</u> filed 8/3/09. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 08/03/2009)
08/03/2009	<u>19</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: By separate order <u>18</u> , the Court has extended the deadline for the Morehouse Parish School Board to provide factual information to the Department of Justice from August 31, 2009, to September 30, 2009. Accordingly, the telephone conference currently set for Tuesday, September 8, 2009, at 10:00 A.M., is RE-SET for Monday, October 19, 2009, at 1:00 P.M. At that time, the parties should be prepared to discuss the data provided by the School Board and whether a hearing would be helpful to the Court. (District Judge Telephone Conference reset for 10/19/2009 at 1:00 PM before Chief Judge Robert G James). Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 8/3/09. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 08/03/2009)
09/28/2009	<u>20</u>	RESPONSE (<i>Factual Information Filing</i>) by School Board Morehouse Parish re <u>16</u> Minutes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits)(aty,Katz, Stephen) Modified on 9/28/2009 to edit text (Keifer, K). (Entered: 09/28/2009)
10/13/2009	<u>21</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: re <u>19</u> Minute Entry setting telephone status conference. The telephone status conference currently set for October 19, 2009 is RESET for November 4, 2009 at 1:00 pm. Counsel should conference together and contact Chambers at 318-322-6230. (District Judge Telephone Status Conference re-set for 11/4/2009 at 1:00 PM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Chief Judge Robert G James). Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 10/13/09. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 10/13/2009)
10/15/2009	<u>22</u>	NOTICE Of Filing Of Annual Report by School Board Morehouse Parish in response to <u>2</u> Memorandum Order. (aty,Katz, Stephen) Modified on 10/16/2009 to edit text (Keifer, K). (Entered: 10/15/2009)
11/03/2009	<u>23</u>	RESPONSE in Opposition <i>United States' Reply to the Morehouse Parish School Board's Factual Information Filing</i> by USA. (aty,Goldschmidt, Iris) (Entered: 11/03/2009)
11/04/2009	<u>24</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Chief Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 11/4/2009. Because this matter is currently set for hearing on February 2, 2010, Mr. Hefner's report should be provided to the Court and to the School Board no later than December 23, 2009, to allow the School board and administrators an opportunity to review the report. Ms. Goldschmidt will contact Mr. Hefner to attempt to reschedule his second visit to Morehouse Parish for November, instead of December. The Court set another telephone status conference for January 19, 2010 at 3:00 pm to discuss Mr. Hefner's report. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 11/05/2009)

11/04/2009		Set/Reset Hearings: District Judge Telephone Status Conference set for 1/19/2010 at 3:00 PM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Chief Judge Robert G James. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 11/05/2009)
11/17/2009	<u>25</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: In light of the change to Mr. Hefner's schedule, the DOJ's time for submitting Mr. Hefner's report to the Court and the School Board is extended to 1/15/2010. To allow the School Board and administrators an opportunity to review the report, the Status Conference currently set for January 19, 2010 is RE-SET for 2/5/2010 10:00 AM in by phone before Chief Judge Robert G James. Finally, the hearing currently set on February 2, 2010 is RE-SET for 3/9/2010 09:00 AM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Chief Judge Robert G James. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 11/17/09. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 11/17/2009)
12/01/2009	<u>26</u>	RESPONSE (<i>Factual Information Filing</i>) by School Board Morehouse Parish re <u>24</u> Minutes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits)(aty,Katz, Stephen) Modified on 12/1/2009 to edit text (Keifer, K). (Entered: 12/01/2009)
12/02/2009	27	ELECTRONIC MINUTE ENTRY: District Judge Status Conference set for 12/9/2009 at 3:00 PM in Chambers before Chief Judge Robert G James. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 12/02/09. (crt,Floyd, J) (Entered: 12/02/2009)
12/10/2009	<u>28</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Chief Judge Robert G James: STATUS CONFERENCE held on 12/10/2009 to discuss Morehouse Parish School Boards Motion to Approve School Zone Realignment and Consolidation of Schools <u>7</u> . (Compliance Deadline reset for 1/29/2010 for Mr. Hefner to submit his studies and report to parties. District Judge Miscellaneous Hearing reset for 3/22/2010 at 9:00 AM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Chief Judge Robert G James and a District Judge Telephone Conference reset for 2/19/2010 at 10:00 AM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Chief Judge Robert G James). (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 12/10/2009)
12/23/2009	<u>29</u>	MOTION to Take Deposition from Tom Thrower, Phillip Mcready and 2 other Board members by USA. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Memorandum / Brief, # <u>2</u> Text of proposed order, # <u>3</u> certificate of service)(aty,Goldschmidt, Iris) (Entered: 12/23/2009)
12/28/2009		Motions Transferred regarding <u>29</u> MOTION to Take Deposition from Tom Thrower, Phillip Mcready and 2 other Board members. Motions referred to Robert G James. (crt,Reasor, M) (Entered: 12/28/2009)
12/29/2009	<u>30</u>	MEMORANDUM in Opposition re <u>29</u> MOTION to Take Deposition from Tom Thrower, Phillip Mcready and 2 other Board members filed by School Board Morehouse Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits)(aty,Katz, Stephen) (Entered: 12/29/2009)
01/07/2010	<u>31</u>	ORDER denying as moot <u>29</u> Motion to Take Deposition. Counsel for the United States of America and the Morehouse Parish School Board jointly contacted Chambers to notify the Court that the parties have resolved their dispute. The USA does not intend to depose witnesses regarding the magnet school at this time, but reserves its right to see to depose witnesses on this issue as part of the unitary status review. Counsel are urged to contact Chambers if a dispute arises during the depositions as to the number or identity of persons to be deposed or as to the scope of the depositions. At that time, either the Court or the Magistrate Judge will address these issues with counsel. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 1/7/2010. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 01/07/2010)
01/28/2010	<u>32</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: re <u>28</u> Status Conference. The deadline for submission of a report by the Department of Justice's expert, Mike Hefner is extended from January 29, 2010, to February 12, 2010. Once Mr. Hefner's report is submitted, the parties should contact Chambers if they anticipate any issues that will need to be addressed in the February 19, 2010 telephone status conference. Once the Court reviews Mr. Hefner's report, it will contact counsel if additional information is needed.(Compliance Deadline reset for 2/12/2010). Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 1/28/10. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 01/28/2010)
02/09/2010	<u>33</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: re <u>32</u> Minute Entry setting deadlines. Compliance Deadline reset for 2/17/2010 for submission of a report by the Department of Justice's expert. Once report is submitted, the Court will contact counsel if additional information is needed. The parties should contact Chambers if they anticipate any

		issues that will need to be addressed in the February 19, 2010 telephone status conference. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 2/9/2010. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 02/09/2010)
02/17/2010	<u>34</u>	RESPONSE <i>Submission of Expert Report of Michael C. Hefner</i> by USA re <u>32</u> Minute Entry. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits)(aty,Goldschmidt, Iris) Modified on 2/17/2010 to create link (Keifer, K). (Entered: 02/17/2010)
02/19/2010	<u>35</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Chief Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE CONFERENCE held on 2/19/2010. After reviewing the report and considering the issues before it, the Court has determined that mediation would be appropriate in this case. Therefore, the matter is REFERRED to Magistrate Judge Hayes to conduct a mediation on a date and at a time convenient to her, but prior to the March 22nd hearing. The mediate will address the pending Motion and all related matters, including the discovery issues raised by the DOJ. The parties agreed that the March 22, 2010, hearing date remain in place. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 02/19/2010)
02/22/2010	<u>36</u>	ORDER FOR SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE: Settlement Conference set for 3/8/2010 at 9:00 AM in Monroe, 3rd floor before Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes. Confidential Conference Statements due 3/4/2010. Signed by Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes on 2/22/10. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 02/22/2010)
02/23/2010	<u>37</u>	RESPONSE <i>Submission of Amendment of United States' Expert Report</i> by USA. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits)(aty,Goldschmidt, Iris) Modified on 2/24/2010 to edit text (Keifer, K). (Entered: 02/23/2010)
03/01/2010	<u>38</u>	RESPONSE <i>SUMBISSION OF UNITED STATES' REVISED EXPERT REPORT</i> by USA. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibits)(aty,Goldschmidt, Iris) (Entered: 03/01/2010)
03/08/2010	<u>39</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes: SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE held on 3/8/2010, No settlement was reached. Hearing remains set for March 22, 2010, and is expected to last 2 to 3 days. Prehearing briefs remain due on March 15, 2010. Parties' final exhibit lists and witness lists due with the courtroom clerk and law clerk on or before March 18, 2010. Counsel are to provide the court and each other with copies of all exhibits no later than March 18th as well. The government has not yet served any requests for admission. If same are served, counsel will file a motion to shorten the response time, with a request for expedited consideration. Given the number of pages of exhibits, counsel were strongly encouraged to have the exhibits burned on to cd, compatible with the court's Indata Trial Director program, and to furnish the cd's to the courtroom clerk, Debbie Dickerson, on or before March 18, 2010. (Exhibit List due by 3/18/2010., Prehearing Briefs due by 3/15/2010., Witness List due by 3/18/2010.). (jud,Hayes, Karen) (Entered: 03/08/2010)
03/15/2010	<u>40</u>	SUPPLEMENTAL MEMORANDUM in Opposition re <u>7</u> MOTION to Approve School Zone Alignments And Consolidation Of Schools <i>AND IN SUPPORT OF ITS MAY 15, 2009 OPPOSITION</i> filed by USA. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B, # <u>3</u> Exhibit C, # <u>4</u> Exhibit D, # <u>5</u> Exhibit E, # <u>6</u> Exhibit F, # <u>7</u> Exhibit G, # <u>8</u> Exhibit H, # <u>9</u> Exhibit I, # <u>10</u> Exhibit J, # <u>11</u> Exhibit K)(aty,Goldschmidt, Iris) Modified on 3/16/2010 to edit text (Keifer, K). (Entered: 03/15/2010)
03/15/2010	<u>41</u>	TRIAL BRIEF (<i>Prehearing Brief Of Morehouse Parish School Board</i>) by School Board Morehouse Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits)(aty,Katz, Stephen) Modified on 3/16/2010 to reflect deficient status (Keifer, K). Modified on 3/17/2010 to remove deficient status. See <u>44</u> Corrective Document for Table of Contents / Authorities. (Yocum, M) (Entered: 03/15/2010)
03/15/2010	<u>42</u>	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE by USA re <u>40</u> Supplemental Memorandum in Opposition to Motion,, (aty,Goldschmidt, Iris) (Entered: 03/15/2010)
03/16/2010	<u>43</u>	NOTICE of Deficiency to Stephen J Katz on behalf of School Board Morehouse Parish regarding <u>41</u> Prehearing Brief. Reason: A table of contents and table of cases, statutes and other authorities is required for a brief which exceeds ten pages. (crt,Keifer, K) (Entered: 03/16/2010)

03/16/2010	<u>44</u>	CORRECTIVE DOCUMENT entitled Morehouse Parish School Board's Supplement To Prehearing Brief Setting Forth Table Of Authorities And Table Of Contents filed by School Board Morehouse Parish regarding <u>41</u> Trial Brief. (aty,Katz, Stephen) (Entered: 03/16/2010)
03/18/2010	<u>45</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: Telephone Status Conference set for 3/19/2010 at 02:00 PM before Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes to discuss the procedures for the hearing. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 03/18/10. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 03/18/2010)
03/19/2010	<u>46</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Janice E Hebert on behalf of USA (aty,Hebert, Janice) Modified on 3/22/2010 to reflect deficient status (Keifer, K). Modified on 3/23/2010 to remove deficient status; see <u>55</u> Corrective Document (Keifer, K). (Entered: 03/19/2010)
03/21/2010	<u>47</u>	MOTION to Expedite <i>Leave to Call Billy James Ravon and Alvin Williams as Witnesses for the United States</i> by USA. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Memorandum / Brief, # <u>2</u> Certificate re efforts to resolve-LR 37.1, # <u>3</u> certificate of service, # <u>4</u> Text of proposed order)(aty,Goldschmidt, Iris) (Entered: 03/21/2010)
03/21/2010		Motions Transferred regarding <u>47</u> MOTION to Expedite <i>Leave to Call Billy James Ravon and Alvin Williams as Witnesses for the United States</i> . Motions referred to Robert G James. (crt,Keifer, K) (Entered: 03/22/2010)
03/22/2010	<u>48</u>	NOTICE of Deficiency to Janice E Hebert on behalf of USA regarding <u>46</u> Notice of Appearance. Reason: This document is not accompanied by a certificate of service. (crt,Keifer, K) (Entered: 03/22/2010)
03/22/2010	<u>49</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes: STATUS CONFERENCE held on 3/19/2010. Procedures for hearing set for 3/22/10 were discussed. No special or unusual procedures needed. Counsel noted that there will be an issue regarding the government's addition of three newly identified witnesses to its witness list late Thursday afternoon (3/18/10). The defendant objects. Counsel instructed to take the matter up with Judge James prior to the hearing. (jud,Hayes, Karen) (Entered: 03/22/2010)
03/22/2010	<u>50</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Chief Judge Robert G James: IN CHAMBERS CONFERENCE held to discuss pretrial matters regarding the Miscellaneous Hearing on 3/22/2010;denying <u>47</u> Motion to Expedite. MISCELLANEOUS HEARING held on 3/22/2010 regarding Defendant's Motion Z . After testimony and evidence this matter is continued without date. Telephone status conference set for Tuesday, March 23, 2010 at 3:00 P.M. Mr. Katz is to initiate the call to Chambers at 318-322-6230. (Court Reporter: Debbie Lowery) (crt,Dickerson, D) (Entered: 03/22/2010)
03/22/2010	<u>51</u>	WITNESS LIST filed (restricted access) by School Board Morehouse Parish. (crt,Dickerson, D) (Entered: 03/22/2010)
03/22/2010	<u>52</u>	EXHIBIT LIST by USA. (crt,Dickerson, D) (Entered: 03/22/2010)
03/22/2010	<u>53</u>	EXHIBIT LIST by School Board Morehouse Parish. (crt,Dickerson, D) (Entered: 03/22/2010)
03/22/2010	<u>54</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: Today's hearing was continued without date. A telephone status conference is set for Tuesday, March 23, 2010 at 3:00 P.M. to discuss the meeting between Department of Justice's Expert, Mike Hefner, and the employees of the Morehouse Parish School Board. At the conclusion of the conference, the Court will determine if it is necessary to re-set the hearing. (District Judge Telephone Status Conference set for 3/23/2010 at 3:00 PM before Chief Judge Robert G James). Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 3/22/10. (crt,Dickerson, D) (Entered: 03/22/2010)
03/23/2010	<u>55</u>	CORRECTIVE DOCUMENT entitled Certificate of Service filed by USA regarding <u>46</u> Notice of Appearance. (aty,Hebert, Janice) (Entered: 03/23/2010)
03/23/2010	<u>56</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Chief Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 3/23/2010. At the request of the

		Court, DOJ's expert, Mr. Hefner, has been meeting today with School Board employees. Parties believe that progress toward achieving an acceptable plan is being made. Mr. Hefner is going to continue to meet with the School Board tomorrow and will prepare a report for DOJ. Given the status of the parties' efforts to reach a resolution, the Court will not re-set the hearing on the School Board's Motion to Approve at this time. Instead, a telephone status conference is set on Thursday, April 1, 2010, at 10:30 A.M. Ms. Goldschmidt will not be available on that date, but Mr. Dann will represent DOJ. Mr. Dann and and Mr. Katz should contact Chambers at (318)322-6230 at the appointed time.(District Judge Status Conference set for 4/1/2010 at 10:30 AM before Chief Judge Robert G James). (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 03/24/2010)
04/01/2010	<u>57</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Chief Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 4/1/2010 to discuss Morehouse Parish School Board's Motion to Approve School Zone Realignments and Consolidation of Schools <u>7</u> . The parties indicated that they have agreed to a proposed plan and are in the process of filing the proposed plan with the Court. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 04/01/2010)
04/01/2010	<u>58</u>	PROPOSED AGREED ORDER by USA and School Board Morehouse Parish re <u>7</u> Motion to Approve School Zone Realignments and Consolidation of Schools. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice of manual attachment)(aty,Katz, Stephen) Modified on 4/5/2010 to edit text (Keifer, K). (Entered: 04/01/2010)
04/05/2010		MANUAL ATTACHMENT Received from Stephen J Katz on behalf of School Board Morehouse Parish regarding <u>58</u> Proposed Order/Judgment. Attachments sent to Monroe division. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 04/05/2010)
04/12/2010	<u>59</u>	AGREED ORDER by USA and School Board Morehouse Parish re <u>7</u> MOTION to Approve School Zone Alignments And Consolidation Of Schools. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 4/12/10. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice of Manuel Attachment (B))(crt,Dickerson, D) (Entered: 04/12/2010)
04/13/2010		REMARK: Document Nos. <u>60</u> 8/1/1969 FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS AND DECREE, <u>61</u> 11/4/1969 DECREE, <u>62</u> 8/17/1970 ORDER, & <u>63</u> 8/6/1971 CONSENT DECREE pleadings have been entered into the record for purposes of availability. Documents are the entered as the first pleadings available on the docket sheet due to file date. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 04/13/2010)
05/24/2010	<u>64</u>	Joint MOTION to Amend/Correct <u>59</u> Order with consent by School Board Morehouse Parish and USA. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Agreed Order)(aty,Katz, Stephen) Modified filers and text on 5/25/2010 (Yocum, M). (Entered: 05/24/2010)
05/25/2010		Motions Transferred regarding <u>64</u> Joint MOTION to Amend/Correct <u>59</u> Agreed Order with consent. Motions referred to Robert G James. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 05/25/2010)
05/25/2010	<u>65</u>	AGREED ORDER granting <u>64</u> Motion to Amend/Correct <u>59</u> AGREED ORDER by USA and School Board Morehouse Parish re <u>7</u> MOTION to Approve School Zone Alignments And Consolidation Of Schools. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 5/25/10. (crt,Smith, C) (Entered: 05/25/2010)
10/15/2010	<u>66</u>	NOTICE of Filing of Annual Report <i>with Exhibits</i> by School Board Morehouse Parish. (aty,Katz, Stephen) Modified on 10/15/2010 to edit text (Keifer, K). (Entered: 10/15/2010)
02/28/2011	<u>67</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: In prior status conferences with the Court, the Department of Justice ("DOJ") and the Morehouse Parish School Board ("School Board") agreed to focus on the issues of school closures, student assignments, and the finances of the School Board. However, in the long term, the Court asked that counsel consider the steps necessary for this parish to achieve unitary status. Both DOJ and the School board expressed a willingness to work towards that goal once the student assignment issues were resolved. Thus, the Court finds it appropriate to ORDER, on its own motion, that the DOJ begin a unitary status review in this case. The DOJ must file a status report with the Court no later than May 31, 2011, indicating its initial findings, any proposed actions, whether the parties have reached agreement

		on any or all proposed actions, and whether the School Board opposes any of DOJ's findings or recommended actions. If the School Board wishes to file a memorandum in response to the DOJ's status report, it should do so no later than fourteen (14) days from the date the DOJ status report is filed. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 2/25/11. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 02/28/2011)
02/28/2011		Set/Reset Deadlines: DOJ's Status Report due by 5/31/2011. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 02/28/2011)
05/12/2011	<u>68</u>	MOTION FOR EXTENSION of Timelines for Status Report and Memorandum in Response with consent by USA, School Board Morehouse Parish. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of proposed order)(aty,Goldschmidt, Iris) Modified to add filer on 5/13/2011. (Putch, A) (Entered: 05/12/2011)
05/12/2011		Motions Transferred regarding <u>68</u> MOTION FOR EXTENSION of Timelines for Status Report and Memorandum in Response with consent. Motions referred to Robert G James. (crt,Putch, A) (Entered: 05/13/2011)
05/13/2011	<u>69</u>	MOTION to Approve School Choice Plan with included Memorandum in Support, Certificate Of Objection & Certificate of Service by School Board Morehouse Parish. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Text of proposed order)(aty,Katz, Stephen) Modified to edit text on 5/16/2011. (Putch, A) (Entered: 05/13/2011)
05/13/2011	<u>70</u>	ORDER granting <u>68</u> Motion for Extension of Timelines for Status Report and Memorandum in Response. Status Report due by 8/29/2011. Memorandum in Response to Status Report due 14 days from the date the DOJ's status report is filed. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 05/13/11. (crt,Yocum, M) (Entered: 05/13/2011)
05/13/2011		Motions Transferred regarding <u>69</u> MOTION Approve School Choice Plan. Motions referred to Robert G James. (crt,Putch, A) (Entered: 05/16/2011)
05/18/2011	<u>71</u>	ORDER granting <u>69</u> Motion to Approve School Choice Plan. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Morehouse Parish School Board's School Choice Plan is allowed within the desegregation decree of this Court and the Order of may 25, 2010. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 5/18/11. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 05/18/2011)
08/29/2011	<u>72</u>	MOTION FOR EXTENSION of Time to File Status Report with consent by USA. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B, # <u>3</u> Text of proposed order, # <u>4</u> Certificate of Conferral)(aty,Goldschmidt, Iris) Modified to edit text on 8/29/2011. (Putch, A) (Entered: 08/29/2011)
08/29/2011		Motions Transferred regarding <u>72</u> MOTION FOR EXTENSION of Time to File Status Report with consent. Motions referred to Robert G James. (crt,Putch, A) (Entered: 08/30/2011)
08/30/2011	<u>73</u>	ORDER granting <u>72</u> Motion to Extend. The Plaintiff, United States of America, through the Department of Justice, is directed to file its status report no later than November 11, 2011, and Defendant, Morehouse Parish School Board, shall file a memorandum in response no later than fourteen (14) days after the Department of Justice 's status report filing if the Board elects to file a response. (Status Report due by 11/11/2011). Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 8/30/11. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 08/30/2011)
10/13/2011	<u>74</u>	STATUS REPORT (<i>Annual Report</i>) by School Board Morehouse Parish. (aty,Katz, Stephen) (Entered: 10/13/2011)
11/14/2011	<u>75</u>	STATUS REPORT <i>United States' Status Report</i> by USA. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Attach A, # <u>2</u> Exhibit Attach B, # <u>3</u> Exhibit Attach C, # <u>4</u> Exhibit Attach D, # <u>5</u> Exhibit Attach E, # <u>6</u> Exhibit Attach F, # <u>7</u> Exhibit Attach G, # <u>8</u> Exhibit Attach H, # <u>9</u> Exhibit Attach I, # <u>10</u> Exhibit Attach J, # <u>11</u> Exhibit Attach K, # <u>12</u> Exhibit Attach L, # <u>13</u> Exhibit Attach M, # <u>14</u> Exhibit Attach N, # <u>15</u> Exhibit Attach O, # <u>16</u> Exhibit Attach P, # <u>17</u> Exhibit Attach Q, # <u>18</u> Exhibit Attach R, # <u>19</u> Exhibit Attach S, # <u>20</u> Exhibit Attach T, # <u>21</u> Exhibit Attach U, # <u>22</u> Exhibit Attach V, # <u>23</u> Exhibit Attach W, # <u>24</u> Exhibit Attach X, # <u>25</u> Exhibit Attach Y, # <u>26</u> Exhibit Attach Z, # <u>27</u> Exhibit Attach AA, # <u>28</u> Exhibit Attach BB, # <u>29</u> Exhibit

		Attach CC, # <u>30</u> Exhibit Attach DD, # <u>31</u> Exhibit Attach EE, # <u>32</u> Exhibit Attach FF)(aty,Goldschmidt, Iris) (Entered: 11/14/2011)
11/28/2011	<u>76</u>	RESPONSE of Morehouse Parish School Board To United States' Status Report with Certificate of Service by School Board Morehouse Parish re <u>75</u> Status Report. (aty,Katz, Stephen) Modified to edit text on 11/29/2011. (Putch, A) (Entered: 11/28/2011)
02/10/2012	<u>77</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: Since 2009, the DOJ, its expert, and the School board have been working together to address school closures, student assignments, and the finances of the District. For the past year, the parties have continued to correspond in an attempt to resolve all unitary status issues. However, as summarized, it appears that they agree only that the District is unitary in the area of extracurricular activities. Given the hours expended in discussions, the number of documents produced by the School board, the completion of an on-site visit,the report of the expert, and the number of interviews and depositions the DOJ has conducted, the Court believes that this case should be in a posture to reach resolution. Therefore, no later than March 30, 2012, the parties shall file (1) a joint proposed consent order on any unitary status issues which can be resolved and/or (2) a joint status report, identifying any remaining unitary status issues and requesting a hearing on those issues which cannot be resolved amicably.(Compliance Deadline set for 3/30/2012). Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 2/10/12. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 02/10/2012)
03/27/2012	<u>78</u>	MOTION for Settlement styled as Joint Motion for Approval of Agreed Order by USA. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Agreed Order)(aty,Goldschmidt, Iris) Modified to edit text on 3/27/2012. (Putch, A) (Entered: 03/27/2012)
03/27/2012		Motions Transferred regarding <u>78</u> MOTION for Settlement styled as Joint Motion for Approval of Agreed Order. Motions referred to Robert G James. (crt,Putch, A) (Entered: 03/27/2012)
03/29/2012	<u>79</u>	AGREED ORDER granting <u>78</u> Motion for Settlement as stated in this Order. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 3/29/12. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 03/29/2012)
04/30/2012	<u>80</u>	MOTION to Substitute Attorney Katherine W. Vincent in place of Janice E. Hebert by USA. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of proposed order)(aty,Hebert, Janice) (Entered: 04/30/2012)
05/02/2012	<u>81</u>	ORDER granting <u>80</u> Motion to Substitute Attorney. Attorney Janice E Hebert terminated. Attorney Katherine W Vincent added as counsel for United States of America. Signed by Magistrate Judge Karen L Hayes on 5/2/12. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 05/02/2012)
05/22/2012	<u>82</u>	MOTION FOR EXTENSION of Deadlines re <u>79</u> Agreed Order with consent by School Board Morehouse Parish. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of proposed order, # <u>2</u> with Certificate of Mailing, # <u>3</u> Consent Certificate – No Opposition w/Cert. of Mailing)(aty,Katz, Stephen) Modified on 5/23/2012 to edit text and to create link. (Putch, A) (Entered: 05/22/2012)
05/22/2012		Motions Transferred regarding <u>82</u> MOTION FOR EXTENSION of Deadlines re <u>79</u> Agreed Order. Motions referred to Robert G James. (crt,Putch, A) (Entered: 05/23/2012)
05/24/2012	<u>83</u>	ORDER granting <u>82</u> Motion for Extension. Compliance Deadline set for 9/5/2012. Second Compliance Deadline set for 10/5/2012. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 5/24/12. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 05/24/2012)
10/12/2012	<u>84</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: A telephone status conference is set for 11/6/2012 at10:30 AM before Chief Judge Robert G James, to discuss the pending unitary status review. Signed by Chief Judge Robert G James on 10/12/12. (crt,Crawford, A) (Entered: 10/12/2012)
10/17/2012	<u>85</u>	STATUS REPORT by School Board Morehouse Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 2012–2013 School Year)(aty,Katz, Stephen) (Entered: 10/17/2012)

11/06/2012	<u>86</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 11/6/2012. Given the status of the case, the parties agreed that it was appropriate to set a briefing schedule and hearing date, so that the School Board is on track for implementation of any final changes for the 2013–2014 school year. The parties will continue to meet and confer in an effort to resolve any remaining issues regarding the unresolved Green factors. No later than February 15, 2013, the parties shall file appropriate motions or memoranda notifying the Court of the resolution of the remaining Green factors and/or moving the Court for a final determination on any factors which cannot be resolved. Memoranda in opposition to any motions must be filed not later than March 8, 2013. A hearing, if necessary, will be held on April 9, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. (Compliance Deadline set for 2/15/2013; Second Compliance Deadline set for 3/8/2013. District Judge Miscellaneous Hearing set for 4/9/2013 at 9:00 AM in Monroe, 2nd floor before Judge Robert G James if necessary). (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 11/07/2012)
01/10/2013	<u>87</u>	STATUS REPORT styled as <i>Report of Compliance With Agreed Order <u>79</u></i>) by School Board Morehouse Parish. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Supporting Documents)(aty,Katz, Stephen) Modified on 1/14/2013 to edit text. (Putch, A) (Entered: 01/10/2013)
02/08/2013	<u>88</u>	MINUTE ENTRY: A Telephone Status Conference is set for 2/11/2013 at 11:30 AM before Judge Robert G James. Counsel should conference together and contact Chambers at 318–322–6230. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 2/8/13. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 02/08/2013)
02/11/2013	<u>89</u>	MINUTES for proceedings held before Judge Robert G James: TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE held on 2/11/2013. The Court previously set a deadline of February 15, 2013, for the parties to file appropriate motions or memoranda notifying the Court of the resolution of the remaining Green Factors and/or moving the Court for a final determination on any factors which cannot be resolved. During Today's conference, at the request of the Government, the Court extended the February 15,deadline to February 28, 2013. A hearing, if necessary, remains set for April 9, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. (Compliance Deadline set for 2/28/2013). (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 02/12/2013)
02/28/2013	<u>90</u>	MOTION for Declaration of Unitary Status with consent by School Board Morehouse Parish. Motions referred to Karen L Hayes. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Memorandum / Brief, # <u>2</u> Exhibit, # <u>3</u> Consent Certificate–No Opposition, # <u>4</u> Proposed order, # <u>5</u> Certificate of Service)(aty,Katz, Stephen) Modified on 2/28/2013 to edit text. (Putch, A) (Entered: 02/28/2013)
02/28/2013		Motions Transferred regarding <u>90</u> MOTION for Declaration of Unitary Status . Motions referred to Robert G James. (crt,Putch, A) (Entered: 02/28/2013)
03/04/2013	<u>91</u>	RULING re <u>90</u> MOTION for Declaration of Unitary Status filed by School Board Morehouse Parish. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 3/4/13. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 03/04/2013)
03/04/2013	<u>92</u>	JUDGMENT: For the reasons set forth in the Court's Ruling <u>91</u> , IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Motion for Declaration of UnitaryStatus [Doc. No. 90] filed by the Morehouse Parish School Board is GRANTED. The Court finds that the School Board has achieved complete unitary status as to all areas of operation, and the permanent injunction previously entered is DISSOLVED. This matter is DISMISSED WITHPREJUDICE. Signed by Judge Robert G James on 3/4/13. (crt,DickersonSld, D) (Entered: 03/04/2013)