UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS WESTERN DIVISION

LITTLE ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT, et al.

PLAINTIFFS

v. CASE NO. 4:82cv00866 BSM

PULASKI COUNTY SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, et al.

DEFENDANTS

ORDER

The motion and amended motion for stay pending appeal filed by the Little Rock School District [Doc. Nos. 4512, 4517] and the motion for stay pending appeal filed by the North Little Rock School District [Doc. No. 4523], which were joined by the Knight Intervenors [Doc. No. 4519], the Pulaski County Special School District [Doc. No. 4526], and the Joshua Intervenors [Doc. No. 4530]¹, are denied because the parties were heard on all issues to be raised on appeal and the positions of the parties were fully weighed prior to the entry of the May 19, 2011, findings of fact and conclusions of law. Additionally, it is unlikely the school districts will succeed on the merits and no party will suffer irreparable harm if the motions are denied.

¹It seems that, with the exception of the State of Arkansas, the parties are in total agreement that the money should keep coming, which supports the finding that the state funding is proving to be an impediment to true desegregation. The parties' harmony regarding the appeal of the funding issue is in stark contrast to their heated disagreements over everything else regarding the school districts.

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IT IS SO ORDERED this 9th day of June, 2011.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE