



2011 YEAR-END REPORT

A YEAR FILLED WITH VICTORIES AND EXPANSION CONCLUDES WITH OBAMACARE AT THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT

The past year has been an incredible journey for Liberty Counsel, capped off by the Supreme Court agreeing to review the constitutionality of the so-called Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, better known as ObamaCare. You can read much more in this Report's highly refined list of 2011's many legal actions, campaigns, achievements, and honors.

ObamaCare has finally reached the United States Supreme Court! Liberty Counsel filed the first private lawsuit against this outrageous federal power grab on March 23, 2010, the same day President Obama signed ObamaCare into law, and exactly 235 years after Patrick Henry delivered his famous "Liberty or Death" speech. The ultimate fate of ObamaCare will now be decided by June of 2012. Liberty Counsel has been at the forefront of the historic battle to stop this government takeover of the nation's healthcare system from its inception, and while our case is being held by the Court, we will now file an influential *amicus* brief and continue our powerful, focused prayer campaign to stop ObamaCare once and for all.

Beyond the historic ObamaCare litigation, we have won many other significant victories over the past year. After two years, we

stopped the ACLU from criminalizing Christianity in the Santa Rosa School District in Florida. Prior to Liberty Counsel's intervention, the Principal and the Athletic Director at Pace High School faced *criminal contempt* charges for merely blessing a meal! But our aggressive litigation pushed the ACLU back and restored religious freedom to Northwest Florida.

This year has been one of strategic expansion. Liberty Counsel now has a sister organization, Liberty Counsel Action, a 501(c)(4) grassroots and lobbying group. Through Liberty Counsel Action, we can now be more directly involved in grassroots activism and are better situated to have a major impact on America's public policy.

We also launched New Revolution Publishers to produce books, pamphlets, and other publications addressing issues pertinent to the Founders, the first principles of American government, Christian worldview issues, and citizen activism. Additionally, New Revolution Institute was launched as an outreach that will produce education and training videos, audio programs, and certificated online instruction.

The Liberty Ambassador Council (LAC) is our new touring and educational program designed to strengthen each participant's Christian faith and equip them to be true ambassadors

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Advancing Religious Liberty, the Sanctity of Human Life, and the Family

LIBERTY COUNSEL EXTENDS ITS REACH WITH NEW PROGRAMS IN AMERICA AND ISRAEL

Religious Freedom

- Won a major school choice case at the U.S. Supreme Court in which our team filed an *amicus* brief.
- Obtained a temporary restraining order against the Santa Rosa County School District in Florida where school officials banned teachers and staff from attending baccalaureate services because of the ACLU.
- Stopped the ACLU's intimidation by settling a law suit against the Santa Rosa County School District and restored religious freedom to teachers, staff, students, and members of the community.
- Reversed a decision by Floyd County, Virginia, high school officials who removed stickers displaying the Ten Commandments from students' lockers.
- Filed an *amicus* brief and obtained a victory at the U.S. Supreme Court in a major free speech case that could have restricted religious and political speech if the case had gone the wrong way.
- Reversed the Larose Lower Elementary School's ban on a pastor speaking on Career Day about volunteer work for an orphanage in Kenya. The school originally banned the presentation solely because it was to be given by a pastor.
- Sent letters offering *pro bono* representation to school districts in Louisiana, New Jersey and Texas after the ACLU threatened the district with lawsuits if they permitted students to pray at graduation.
- Successfully defended a student threatened with arrest by school administrators if she included prayer in her graduation speech. The student was allowed to pray and received a standing ovation.
- Obtained court-awarded sanctions against a Florida attorney who repeatedly filed multiple frivolous and hostile lawsuits against *Jews for Jesus*.
- Continued to defend Dixie County, Florida's Open Forum policy at the courthouse which allows private displays of law and history, including the Ten Commandments.
- Took on the defense of the Giles County, Virginia, School Board when the ACLU filed a lawsuit against a high school that posted a donated Foundations of American Law and Government display that includes the Ten Commandments.
- Successfully defended a high school freshman who was exonerated after being given a wrongful in-school suspension for sharing his Christian beliefs about homosexuality. The district issued a letter fully vindicating the student's First Amendment right to freedom of religious expression.
- Successfully defended Child Evangelism Fellowship when the Pajaro Valley Unified School District in California abruptly reversed its prohibition of the word "Bible" on the Christian program's flyers.

Sanctity of Human Life

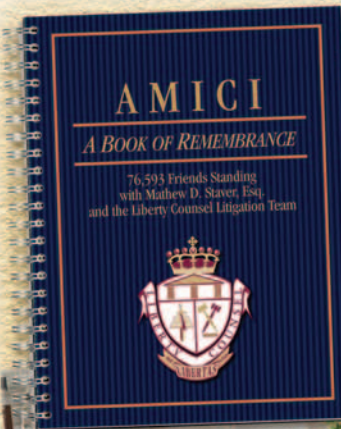
- Filed the nation's first private lawsuit against ObamaCare challenging the individual and employer mandates, and became the first to argue the case at a federal court of appeals. The Supreme Court will now hear the case and render a decision by the end of June 2012.
- Successfully defended Mississippi's Personhood Amendment 26 at the state Supreme Court against the ACLU, Planned Parenthood,

- and the Center for Reproductive Rights, thus allowing the citizens the right to vote to amend the state constitution to protect human life from the moment of conception.
- Filed suit in federal court to stop censorship of New Mexico public school students who handed out plastic models of unborn children.
- Sent several million emails to mobilize voters to prevent taxpayer money from going directly or indirectly to Planned Parenthood and affiliates.
- Supported legislators and the Governor of South Dakota to enact a law that requires women to wait seventy-two hours and receive counseling before having an abortion.

- Continued to defend a pro-life sidewalk counselor against a bogus lawsuit filed by the U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder designed to simply intimidate pro-lifers from providing information to women entering abortion clinics.

The Family

- Filed an *amicus* brief in federal court supporting the federal Defense of Marriage Act that defines marriage as the union of one man and one woman. President Obama and Attorney General Eric Holder refused to defend the law and tried to undermine it to advance their pro-homosexual agenda.



At top left, Liberty Counsel's Amici Book, containing the names of 76,595 friends committed to prayer for our litigation team, supported our lawsuit against the so-called "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act," better known as ObamaCare, during our appearance at the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals in June of this year. This expression of "prayer and action" is having an incredible impact on the entire battle against ObamaCare, and on November 14, 2011, the U.S. Supreme Court made the historic announcement it will hear arguments on ObamaCare's constitutionality! Liberty Counsel remains among the most involved legal organizations in this battle against the federal takeover of our nation's medical system. At center left, Mat and Anita Staver arrive at the Court of Appeals in Richmond, Virginia, and at bottom right, respond to intense media interest after the hearing concluded. At center, Senior Litigation Counsel Harry Mihet (middle of picture) attends a rally in support of Mount Dora, Florida, teacher Jerry Buell (right) who was suspended from his classroom based on pro-family comments at home on his personal Facebook account. Liberty Counsel quickly got that misguided action reversed! Pace High School (Florida) Principal Frank Lay (left), was honored at the rally for his courageous stand against ACLU persecution. Liberty Counsel secured the dismissal of ACLU-instigated criminal charges against Principal Lay this summer in our landmark, two-year Santa Rosa County litigation. At center right, Mat and Anita Staver are shown concluding their meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in his Cabinet Office in late June. The remarkable meeting inspired the founding of Liberty Ambassador Counsel, a powerful new ministry, educational, and touring initiative. At center right, the "Florida Awake!" rally in Naples, Florida, this spring was typical of seven such events sponsored by Liberty Counsel in 2011 to support local citizen activism. At bottom left, Mat addresses the American Association of Christian Counselors' (AACC) Annual Convention in Nashville, Tennessee. Finally, at center bottom, the signage for a rally in support of Liberty Counsel's case in Dixie County, Florida, is erected near the Cross City courthouse.



- Filed an *amicus* brief on and won a ruling at the Ohio Supreme Court that protected a biological mother from losing custody to a previous same-sex partner.
- Won an important case at the U.S. Supreme Court where our team filed an *amicus* brief to protect parental rights from being threatened by social workers and law enforcement officers conducting investigations without the knowledge or consent of parents.
- Filed an *amicus* brief and celebrated a precedent-setting victory when a majority panel of 16 judges ruled that two same-sex partners from New York, who adopted a Louisiana-born infant, could not force Louisiana to change the birth certificate to state that the baby had two "dads." The U.S. Supreme Court allowed the decision to stand.
- Filed suit at the New York Supreme Court against a new same-sex marriage law in response to the legislature's flagrant violations of the State's constitutional and legal procedures that dramatically infringed upon the rights of the citizens of New York.
- Successfully represented Jerry Buell, 2010 "Teacher of the Year" in Mount Dora, Florida, who, after 22 years of teaching, was suspended from his classroom for expressing disapproval of New York's same-sex marriage law on his personal Facebook page. Buell was reinstated and returned back to his classroom.
- Filed an *amicus* brief with the U.S. Supreme Court defending the broadcast decency laws against a lawsuit filed by broadcast networks which are seeking the right to broadcast indecent and offensive programming.

New Ministry Outreaches

Liberty Counsel Action

Affiliated with a 501(c)(4) sister organization founded in 1986 and renamed it Liberty Counsel Action to increase our ability to engage in issue advocacy and lobbying legislators and other elected officials. www.LCAction.org



Liberty Action Super PAC

Launched Liberty Action Super PAC (Political Action Committee) to engage in direct independent expenditures for or against political candidates.

Publishing and Educational Arms

Launched *New Revolution Publishers* to publish books and educational material on American history, the Founding Fathers, first principles, and Christian citizen activism. Launched *New Revolution Institute* to provide training to educate and mobilize citizen activists in order to advance our nation's core values and celebrate its first principles.



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Social Networking, Events, and Blogging Website

Launched *Freedom Federation Social 2.0* for events, blogging, and social networking, and the FF Mobile smart phone application with GPS capability to locate events.

www.FreedomFederation.org



Liberty Ambassador Counsel



Met privately with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and other high-ranking government officials that inspired the launch of *Liberty Ambassador Counsel* and other study programs in Israel.

The first LAC trip to Israel took place in September 2011 at the same time the Palestinian Authority petitioned the U.N. to become a nation-state. This program has already provided many life-changing experiences and will continue with more trips and programs in 2012.

Watch Your Congress!

Launched WatchYourCongress.com to provide up-to-date information about important legislation in the nation's capital that affects our families, faith, and freedom.



Women Impacting the Nation



Women Impacting the Nation became a project of Liberty Counsel and Liberty Counsel Action in order to educate women about first principles of citizen activism and mobilize them to advance our shared values.

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for Israel. LAC's inaugural events have proven to be life-changing experiences and we have seen great blessings on this new program.

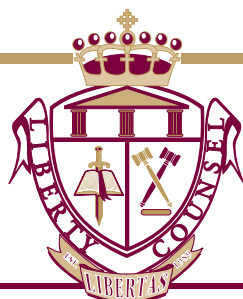
We thank you for your prayers and support! The success we have achieved in advancing liberty, life, and family is simply not possible without a sizable group of faithful partners who share our perspective and realize that the price of liberty is eternal vigilance. We assure you that your role in this ministry is absolutely essential!

We look forward to your continuing participation in our impactful efforts throughout the momentous election year that lies just ahead. Together, we will continue making a positive difference in American culture!

Other Significant Events

- Cosponsored *The Awakening 2011* with over 70 prominent speakers celebrating the theme, "Raising Our Voices: Equipping and Empowering a New Revolution."
- Sent over 75 million emails educating and mobilizing activists to advance our core values. Liberty Counsel now has one of the nation's largest activist email programs.
- Expanded the eighth annual *Day of Purity* from 8 to 37 nations and nearly 1,000 schools, and successfully obtained the first city proclamation of the *Day of Purity*, which educates and encourages youth to commit to sexual purity.
- Launched the ninth annual *Friend or Foe Graduation Prayer Campaign* to educate and, if necessary, litigate to ensure that prayer and religious viewpoints are not censored from graduation.
- Launched the ninth annual *Friend or Foe Christmas Campaign* to educate, and, if necessary, litigate to keep Christmas from being censored, and expanded the *Naughty & Nice* list that catalogs retailers which recognize or censor Christmas.
- Hosted law student interns at the U.S. Supreme Court as part of our 10-week program to train a new generation of Christian legal advocates through Liberty University School of Law's internship, externship, and constitutional litigation clinic program.
- Hosted law students and other interns in our Washington, D.C., office through the Liberty Center for Law and Policy, where they worked on important national and state legislative and policy matters.
- Participated in the fourth annual *TeenPact Judicial Program* at Liberty University School of Law, a week-long program that instructs motivated teenagers in the rule of law and the importance of a Christian worldview.
- Co-sponsored the *Values Voter Summit* in Washington, D.C. with a record crowd of over 3,000 in attendance.
- Co-sponsored the American Association of Christian Counselors *World Conference* with 6,500 attendees.
- Conducted several conferences to educate teachers and public school administrators on how to integrate Christian values and history into their curricula.
- Hosted thousands of activists in several states at *Awake!* events to integrate faith and social change.
- Participated in "Restoring Courage" in Jerusalem, Israel, hosted by Glenn Beck outside the Southern Wall of the Old City by introducing honorees for their faith, hope, and charity.
- Agreed to serve on a national panel of legal experts on The Commission on Accountability and Policy for Religious Organizations. The panel will address key legal issues affecting nonprofit organizations such as the current prohibition against political campaign intervention by churches and other nonprofits.

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