

FOR NEW WEBSITE LAYOUT (Master) (7/3/22)

Homepage will have red tabs at top with these new titles in this order:
Home, Attorney Profile, School Prayer, Other Faith-Based Information

Front page will continue to have the same current squib to the far left, but as I have edited it and sent to you yesterday; and under that, the following list will replace what is there now: (David, when they click on one of the documents in this list, it should take the person to that document that will be under the tab “School Prayer”—in other words these documents will all be listed and found in 2 different places--on the Homepage and then also under the tab “School Prayer. As to #7, this one should take the person to the full list of all the documents that are under the red tab “School Prayer”. And as to #8, this one should take the person to the full list of all the documents that are under the red tab “Other faith-based information”:

1. *Those Dangerous Student Prayers* (law review article by Kelly Coghlan)
2. Copy of the *Religious Viewpoints Antidiscrimination / School Children’s Religious Liberties Act*, Texas Education Code, legal author Kelly Coghlan
3. *Summary of the Law Regarding Faith-Based Viewpoints Expressed by Student Speakers in Public Schools* (2022) by Kelly Coghlan
4. U.S. Dept. of Education’s *Guidance on Constitutionally Protected Prayer and Religious Expression in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools* (updated January 16, 2000, last modified April 5, 2021)
5. From a Judeo/Christian Perspective, What about prayer in school?
6. Opinion in *Kennedy v. Bremerton School District* (June 27, 2022), U.S. Supreme Court
7. Click here for additional information regarding School Prayer
8. For PROVE IT! and other faith-based information, click here.

RED TABS AT TOP OF HOMEPAGE

Under the red tab “**School Prayer,**” this is the list of documents that should appear, in this order and with these numbers in front of them:

1. Texas Act Just Passed!
2. Press Release, Governor Signs Bill
3. Photo at Governor signing Bill with Kelly Coghlan, children, and parents
4. Language of the Act--*Religious Viewpoints Antidiscrimination Act / School Children’s Religious Liberties Act*, Texas Education Code Title 2, Sub. E, Chap. 25, Subchapter E, Sec. 25.151, et seq.
5. U.S. Department of Education *Guidance on Constitutionally Protected Prayer and Religious Expression in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools* (1/17/2020; last modified 4/5/2021)
6. About New Act: Student’s Rights Clarified
7. Why a Model Policy is Part of the New Law and What it Means?
8. Message to Student Speakers in Texas Schools (You Can Still Pray in the USA)
9. *Stand Out Loud: Yes Students can Stand Up and Pray Out Loud Under New, Texas Law*

10. A recommended Model Student Speaker Policy that tracks the language of the new Law (Note: Although this is laid out in the form that TASB usually uses, this is not drafted by TASB but is drafted by the legal author of the Act to assure compliance with the law. In the author's opinion, this is what Texas School Districts should adopt to be in compliance with the Act.
11. Law Review Article, *Those Dangerous Student Prayers*, author, Kelly Coghlan
12. Letter to Texas School Boards from legislative authors of the Act to give guidance (sent out by the TEA to all school boards)
13. Message to Texas School Boards regarding compliance with the Act
14. Warning to Texas School Districts About Adopting TASB Alternative Policy that does not track language of Act
15. Message to Non-Texas School Boards regarding adopting a similar Model Policy in their school and adopting the entire Texas Act in their State
16. The Prayer that Stopped a Riot (at a high school football game)
17. An American Student's Prayer
18. Are Christians to Pray "In Jesus' Name" in Public?
19. Preambles to State Constitutions referring to God
20. *Summary of the Law Regarding Faith-Based Viewpoints Expressed by Student Speakers in Public Schools* (2022) by Kelly Coghlan
21. For Legislators Introducing the Bill—some general Q & A
22. For Legislators Introducing the Bill—More Detailed Explanation of Bill and Q & A
23. Stop Complicating RVAA
24. Steps Students and Parents Can Take
25. From a Judeo/Christian Perspective, What about prayer in school?
26. Op Ed, Dallas Morning News, May 1, 2008, *Schoolchildren's National Day of Prayer*
27. Op Ed, Houston Chronicle, Oct. 5, 2007, *HISD need not fear equal time for religious speech*
28. Op Ed, Dallas Morning News, Sept. 6, 2007, *Religion gets equal treatment*
29. Op Ed, Houston Chronicle, May 1, 2003, *Shock and awe of a resurgence in school prayer*
30. First U.S. Congress (1789) first actions re: religious liberties and prayer
31. Opinion in *Kennedy v. Bremerton School District* (June 27, 2022), U.S. Supreme Court--holding that Coach Kennedy's religious act of kneeling and praying at the 50 yard line, in the middle of the football field, in front of the audience and players, at the end of each football game, is constitutional and that the Bremerton School District violated the Constitution by violating Coach Kennedy's First Amendment rights by stopping him from praying. Kelly Shackelford, a close friend of Kelly Coghlan's, is the attorney for Coach Kennedy. One statement in the Opinion reads: "learning how to tolerate speech or prayer of all kinds is part of learning how to live in a pluralistic society, a trait or character essential to a tolerant citizenry."

INTERVIEWS regarding the Act (audio): [**Dave, where are these audios?**]

1. June 17, 2007 Sunday Show KLTY 94.5 FM
2. June 27, 2007 Faith 2 Action Radio Program
3. July 20, 2007 Houston KPFT 90.1 FM
4. August 19, 2007 KSBJ

WEB-LINKS TO NON-PROFIT LEGAL ORGANIZATIONS FOCUSING ON RELIGIOUS LIBERTIES:

Anyone having a legal issue regarding religious freedoms may contact these organizations directly for assistance. Click on any of these links to be taken to the organization's website:

First Liberty

www.firstliberty.org

Alliance Defending Freedom

www.alliancedefendingfreedom.org

American Center for Law & Justice

www.aclj.org

The Rutherford Institute

www.rutherford.org

Liberty Counsel

www.lc.org

The Justice Foundation

www.txjf.org

Pacific Justice Institute

www.pacificjustice.org

Thomas More Law Center

www.thomasmore.org

Under the red tab **“Other Faith-Based Information,”** this is the list of documents that should appear, in this order and with these numbers:

1. PROVE IT! [a trial lawyer's analysis of the evidence: Is there a God? If so, which one? You be the Jury]. Teacher's copy.
2. PROVE IT! Student's copy.
3. B.I.B.L.E.--Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth
4. The Spiritual Journey
5. Spiritual Journey Chart
6. The Roman Road (with illustrations)
7. The Command to Forgive
8. When I became a Christian
9. Thanksgiving Proclamation by Abraham Lincoln (1863) (excerpts)
10. “Christmas” is the name of the federal holiday under 5 U.S.C. Sec. 6103
11. It's a “Christmas Tree”
12. From a Judeo/Christian Perspective, What about prayer in school?