

## **HADASSAH'S *AMICUS* BRIEF PROGRAM**

Since 1979, Hadassah has signed on to over 105 *amicus* briefs in cases before the U.S. Supreme Court, as well as federal and state appellate courts. The *Amicus* Brief Program, initiated in 1998, is a project of Hadassah's National Center for Attorneys Councils that allows Hadassah member attorneys to participate in this process. An *amicus curiae* ("friend of the court") brief is filed by a group or an individual, which is not a party to a lawsuit but has an interest in its outcome and expertise regarding the issues before the court. Often, several organizations that share common views join together and file one *amicus* brief. Hadassah joins coalition briefs prepared by organizations that share our domestic public policy agenda.

Hadassah is the largest women's Zionist membership organization in the United States, with 330,000 members, associates and supporters found in every congressional district. The participation of Hadassah in an *amicus* brief, in light of the size of its membership and its ability to provide the perspective of Jewish women nationwide, is meaningful. By filing *amicus* briefs Hadassah: (i) becomes a more visible voice for the views of American Jewish women; (ii) promotes its public policy goals; and (iii) makes an impact in cases involving significant issues.

Hadassah joins *amicus* briefs in cases involving women and the Jewish community based on its public policy positions, as adopted by Hadassah's National Board of Directors. Most of the *amicus* briefs that Hadassah signs on to involve Hadassah's domestic public policy priorities, such as women's health issues and First Amendment-related religious issues.

In the last three years, Hadassah has joined over 20 *amicus* briefs concentrated on the topics of contraceptive access; the Defense of Marriage Act and same-sex marriage; separation of church and state; and Title IX. Other briefs were also signed regarding the Affordable Care Act, public funding of stem cell research, and the State Department's designation of Jerusalem on U.S. passports.

All *Amicus* Brief Program volunteers are given the opportunity to give their opinion as to whether Hadassah should join a brief in a case. This kit includes descriptions of the program and provides the material necessary to participate in the program. All Hadassah Members and Associates who are attorneys are eligible to be a program volunteer, and new members are always welcome. Once becoming a program volunteer, all participants should be members of a local attorneys council or the National Center for Attorneys Councils of Hadassah. Through the *Amicus* Brief Program Hadassah Member attorneys can use their legal knowledge and skills to make a valuable contribution to Hadassah.

## **GUIDELINES FOR AMICUS BRIEF PROGRAM VOLUNTEERS**

*Amicus* Brief Program volunteers are notified when Hadassah has been asked to join an *amicus* brief. Volunteers receive the draft *amicus* brief, along with relevant Hadassah Policy Statements for their review and recommendations. Participating attorneys should be prepared to provide their opinion as to whether Hadassah should sign on to the brief in a timely fashion.

Hadassah only joins *amicus* briefs that support its official domestic public policy positions as adopted by Hadassah's National Board and does not sign on to briefs dealing with procedural issues. Hadassah has adopted domestic policy statements in the following areas:

- Civic participation; crime, weapons and war
- Energy and the environment
- Health care
- Immigration and refugee status
- Religious liberty and other religious concerns
- Reproductive choice
- Separation of church and state
- Social justice and civil rights
- Women and family

A compendium of Hadassah's Policy Statements can be found online at [www.hadassah.org/policystatements](http://www.hadassah.org/policystatements).

In reviewing the brief, volunteer attorneys should consult the relevant policy statement(s) to determine Hadassah's position on the issue before the court. There may be a specific policy statement on the matter, or a general policy statement encompassing the issue. Hadassah's position regarding the matter in the case must be clear from these policy statements. Hadassah may not fully agree with every point made in a brief that is prepared by another organization, and joined by numerous diverse groups. However, it is essential that Hadassah fully supports the general views that the brief advances, and that Hadassah can be completely comfortable having its name attached to the brief. Volunteer attorneys should also review the list and description of *amicus* briefs that Hadassah has joined to ascertain if Hadassah has joined *amicus* briefs in similar cases in the past. That list can be found on pages three through eight of this kit, arranged first by issue then by year.

When contacted, volunteers provide their comments and views as to whether Hadassah should sign on to *amicus* briefs. Volunteers are then notified when a final decision is made whether or not to join the brief.

## **AMICUS BRIEFS HADASSAH HAS JOINED (BY ISSUE)**

The amicus briefs Hadassah has joined to date are divided into the following categories:

- Separation of Church and State
- Reproductive Rights
- Women's Rights
- LGBT Rights
- Health Care and Medicine
- Free Exercise of Religion
- Hate Crimes
- Affirmative Action
- Immigration and Foreign Affairs
- Standard for Expert Scientific Technology

### **SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE**

Steve Trunk, Jewish War Veterans of America v. the United States of America, et al, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2015

La Rue v. Colorado Board of Education, Colorado State Supreme Court, 2014

Matthews v. Kountze ISD, Appellate Court, Ninth District, 2013

ACLU of Florida v. Dixie County, Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, 2011

Steve Trunk et al. vs. The City of San Diego et al., Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals 2011

John Doe v. Elmbrook School District, Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, 2010

Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America v. City of San Diego, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2009

American Atheists v. City of Detroit Downtown Development Authority, Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2008

Marcus A. Borden v. East Brunswick School District, Third Circuit Court of Appeals, 2006

Jackson v. Birmingham Board of Education, U.S. Supreme Court, 2004

Van Orden v. Perry, U.S. Supreme Court, 2004

Locke v. Davey, U.S. Supreme Court, 2003

Zelman v. Simmons-Harris, U.S. Supreme Court, 2002

Good News Club v. Milford Central School, U.S. Supreme Court, 2000

Santa Fe Independent School District V. Doe, U.S. Supreme Court, 2000

Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System v. Southworth, U.S. Supreme Court, 1999

Mitchell v. Helms, U.S. Supreme Court, 1999

Rachel Bauchman v. West High School, U.S. Supreme Court, 1998

Simons-Harris v. Goff, Ohio Supreme Court, 1997

Chaudhuri v. State of Tennessee, Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, 1996

Agostini v. Felton, U.S. Supreme Court, 1996

Hsu v. Roslyn Union Free School District, Second Circuit Court of Appeals, 1995

Ronald W. Rosenberger v. Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia, U.S. Supreme Court, 1995

Board of Education of Kiryas Joel Village School District v. Grumet, U.S. Supreme Court, 1994

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Board of Education of Kiryas Joel Village School District v. Grumet, U.S. Supreme Court 1994  
Lee. v. Weisman, U.S. Supreme Court, 1990  
Board of Education of Westside Community Schools v. Mergens, U.S. Supreme Court, 1989  
County of Allegheny v. ACLU, U.S. Supreme Court, 1988  
Hernandez v. Commissioner of IRS, U.S. Supreme Court, 1986  
Karcher v. May, U.S. Supreme Court, 1986  
Bender v. Williamsport Area School District, U.S. Supreme Court, 1985  
Board of Trustees of Scarsdale v. McCreary, U.S. Supreme Court, 1985  
Wallace v. Jaffree, U.S. Supreme Court, 1985  
Valley Forge Christian College v. Americans United for Separation of Church and State, U.S. Supreme Court, 1980

### **REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS**

#### **Abortion**

Whole Woman's Health v. Hellerstedt, U.S. Supreme Court, 2016  
McCullen v. Coakley U.S. Supreme Court, 2013  
Gonzales v. Planned Parenthood, U.S. Supreme Court, 2006  
Ayotte v. Planned Parenthood of Northern New England, U.S. Supreme Court, 2005  
Scheidler v. NOW, U.S. Supreme Court, 2005  
Catholic Charities of Sacramento, Inc. v. the Superior Court of Sacramento County, California Supreme Court, 2002  
Stenberg v. Carhart, U.S. Supreme Court, 2000  
Bost v. Low-Income Women of Texas, Texas Supreme Court, 2001  
Planned Parenthood of Columbia/Williamette, Inc. v. American Coalition of Life Activists, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2001  
Renee B. v. State of Florida, Florida Supreme Court, 1999  
American Academy of Pediatrics v. Lungren, California Supreme Court, 1995  
Planned Parenthood v. Casey, U.S. Supreme Court, 1992  
Rust v. Sullivan, U.S. Supreme Court, 1990  
Turnock v. Ragsdale, U.S. Supreme Court, 1989  
Webster v. Reproductive Health Services, U.S. Supreme Court, 1989

#### **Contraception**

Zubik v. Burwell, U.S. Supreme Court, 2016  
Burwell, et al v. Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc. et al, U.S. Supreme Court, 2014  
Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc. v. Sebelius, Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2013  
Beckwith Electric Company v. HHS. Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, 2013  
Annex Medical Inc. v. Sebelius, Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2013  
Autocam Corporation v. Sebelius, Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2013  
Conestaga Wood Specialties v. Sebelius, Third Circuit Court of Appeals, 2013  
Domino Farms Corporation v. Sebelius, Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2013  
Eden Foods Inc. v. Sebelius, Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2013  
Gilardi v. U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, DC Circuit Court of Appeals, 2013  
Korte v. Sebelius, Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, 2013  
Newland v. Sebelius, Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2013  
ACLU of Massachusetts v. Sebelius, First Circuit Court of Appeals, 2012  
O'Brien v. Sebelius, Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2012  
Stormans v. Selecky, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2012

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### **WOMEN'S RIGHTS**

#### **Sexual Discrimination and Harassment**

Crawford v. Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, U.S. Supreme Court, 2008

Fitzgerald v. Barnstable School Committee, U.S. Supreme Court, 2008

Lilly Ledbetter v. Goodyear Tire & Rubber, U.S. Supreme Court, 2006

#### **Title IX**

Ollier v. Sweetwater Union High School, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2013

Parker v. Indiana High School Athletic Association, Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, 2011

#### **Gender-Motivated Violence**

United States v. Morrison, Brzonkala v. Morrison, U.S. Supreme Court, 2000

#### **Pregnancy Discrimination Act**

AT&T Corporation v. Noreen Hulteen, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2008

#### **Freedom of Association**

Roberts v. United States Jaycees, U.S. Supreme Court, 1983

### **LGBT RIGHTS**

#### **Defense of Marriage Act**

Windsor v. United States, US Supreme Court, 2013

Golinski v. US Office of Personnel Management, 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals, 2012

Gill v. Office of Personnel Management Commonwealth of MA v. Health and Human Services, First Circuit Court of Appeals, 2011

#### **Same-Sex Marriage**

Ingersoll v. Arlene's Flowers, Washington State Supreme Court, 2016

Craig and Mullins v. Masterpiece Cakeshop and Phillips, Colorado State Supreme Court, 2015

Obergefell, v. Hodges, U.S. Supreme Court, 2015

Ada Mercedes Conde-Vidal v. Secretary of the Health Department of Puerto Rico, First Circuit Court of Appeals, 2015

De Leon v. Perry, Texas Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2014

Wolf v. Walker, Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, 2014

Baskin v. Bogan, Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, 2014

Bostic v. Schaefer, Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2014

Tanco, v. Haslam, Tennessee Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2014

Henry v. Himes, Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2014

Deboer v. Snyder, Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2014

Bishop v. Smith, Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals 2014

Kitchen v. Herbert, Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2014

Jackson v. Abercrombie, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2013

Sevick v. Sandoval, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2013

Perry v. Hollingsworth, US Supreme Court, 2013

#### **Privacy Rights**

Lawrence and Garner v. Texas, U.S. Supreme Court, 2003

#### **Freedom of Association**

Boy Scouts of America v. Dale, U.S. Supreme Court, 2000

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### **HEALTH CARE AND MEDICINE**

#### **Affordable Care Act**

King v. Burwell , U.S. Supreme Court, 2015  
King v. Burwell, Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals 2014

### **FREE EXERCISE OF RELIGION**

Alberto R. Gonzales v. O Centro Espirita Beneficiente, US Supreme Court, 2006  
Jon B. Cutter v. Wilkinson, U.S. Supreme Court, 2004  
Tenafly Eruv Association v. Borough of Tenafly, Third Circuit Court of Appeals, 2001  
City of Boerne v. Flores, U.S. Supreme Court, 1996  
Church of the Lukumi Babalu Aye, Inc. v. City of Hialeah, U.S. Supreme Court, 1993

### **HATE CRIMES**

Virginia v. Black, U.S. Supreme Court, 2002  
Wisconsin v. Mitchell, U.S. Supreme Court, 1992

### **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION**

Parents Involved in County Schools v. Seattle School District #1, U.S. Supreme Court, 2007  
Grutter v. Bollinger, U.S. Supreme Court, 2003

### **IMMIGRATION AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS**

#### **Designation of Jerusalem on U.S. Passports**

Zivotofsky v. Kerry, U.S. Supreme Court, 2014  
Zivotofsky v. Clinton, U.S. Supreme Court, 2011

#### **Immigration and Nationality Act**

Fedorenko v. United States, U.S. Supreme Court, 1979

### **STANDARD FOR EXPERT SCIENTIFIC TESTIMONY**

Daubert v. Merrell Dow Pharmaceuticals. Inc., U.S. Supreme Court, 1992



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I would like to volunteer for the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ Identify cases of potential interest to Hadassah.

\_\_\_\_\_ Monitor litigation to identify opportunities for filing briefs.

\_\_\_\_\_ Review *amicus* briefs to determine if Hadassah can join them.

\_\_\_\_\_ Serve on the Program's Steering Committee.

\_\_\_\_\_ Join or start a local attorneys council.

My area of expertise, knowledge, and/or interest is:

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## **HADASSAH ATTORNEYS COUNCILS**

Hadassah members who are attorneys are invited to connect locally and nationally. Local Attorneys Councils enable lawyers to meet, network and discuss legal and social issues that relate to their careers and the Jewish community while promoting the mission of Hadassah. Local programs will vary and may include continuing legal education, social events and community service projects. On the national level, the National Center for Attorneys Councils organizes the annual U.S. Supreme Court Swearing In events, The *Amicus Brief Program*, trips to Israel especially for attorneys and continuing legal education pilot programs that can be replicated nationwide.

## **HADASSAH ADVOCACY**

Hadassah advocacy was founded on two principles – that as American citizens we must work to strengthen the United States and that as Zionists we must work to strengthen the State of Israel.

In keeping with these imperatives, Hadassah's PRAZE Division, including the American and Zionist Affairs teams, advocates for fair and equitable domestic and foreign policies and promotes active participation in the political process by our Members and Associates.

The Division works with Hadassah's National Board and senior staff to develop public policy positions for the organization, educate the membership, and mobilize grassroots lobbying at the local, state, and federal levels. These positions in turn form the basis for the nature and scope of all the advocacy work conducted by the Division.

As a women's organization committed to Jewish values, Hadassah advocates on issues of importance to women and the American Jewish community. On the domestic side, Hadassah is active in the areas of civic participation, women's health and reproductive rights, women's rights in the workplace, civil rights, religious liberty, gun control, and domestic violence prevention. Internationally, Hadassah is focused on Zionism, pro-Israel advocacy, countering the Iranian threat, as well as other international human rights concerns.