# David Parker Jury Trial Set To Begin Thursday, October 20, 2005

Note from Pastor Kevin: I encourage God's people to pray for David Parker as he stands up for the truth. What is amazing to me is that he is the only one willing to do so even though nearly all schools in the country are forcing the same policy on Kindergartners. Was he the only one watching what they were teaching his son? If not, and other parents know what is happening in the classroom, why is Mr. Parker the only one willing to take this stand? May the Lord Jesus give His people more courage and conviction in these last days.

1Thes 5:4-8 But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief. You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but let us watch and be sober. For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation.

## Article 8 Alliance

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Lexington father handcuffed & jailed April 27 over school teaching homosexuality to his 6-year-old in kindergarten.

Parker appearing national "ABC World News Tonight" Wednesday evening! Outrage around the country. High emotions on both sides.

Plea-bargain attempted by District Attorney, but stalled as defiant Lexington School Superintendent refuses to lift ban on Parker from all school property in town. Sup't orders town's teachers NOT to notify parents when discussing homosexual relationships in class.

LEXINGTON, MA (OCT. 19) On Thursday, October 20, at Concord District Court, Lexington parent David Parker faces criminal prosecution by the Town of Lexington and Middlesex District Attorney Martha Coakley. At issue is Parker's insistence on being notified by school officials when adults discuss homosexuality or transgenderism with his 6-year-old son in kindergarten.

The Parker situation has caused outrage across the country, and even in Canada. Parker has appeared on a number of national TV and nationally syndicated radio shows. Recently the Los Angeles times flew a reporter to Lexington to interview him. Tonight (Wednesday) Parker is scheduled to appear on the national ABC-TV World News Tonight.

The Superintendent of Schools, Paul Ash, continues to ban Parker from setting foot on all school property in the town, despite pleas from Parker and his lawyers, although Parker has never been considered a dangerous person. A plea bargain had been sought by the DA's office on September 19, and Judge Robert McKenna postponed the trial for a month to give Ash more time to decide whether to lift the ban. However, this past week, Ash informed Parker's lawyers that he does not intend to relent on it. And on September 22, Ash announced that he was ordering all teachers not to notify parents when discussing homosexual relationships with schoolchildren.

At a scheduled meeting at Estabrook Elementary School on April 27 with the principal and the town's Director of Education, Parker was first told that an agreement could be reached, then, after the Superintendent intervened via phone, Parker was abruptly told that unless he left the meeting he would be arrested. Parker insisted that an agreement be reached before he left, and school officials called police, who handcuffed Parker and brought him to jail, where he spent the night.

### Gay Activists expected to show up

An organized group of angry homosexual activists have come to nearly every one of Parker's court hearings or public appearances to hold signs and attempt to intimidate Parker and his supporters. At an event on Sept. 6, Lexington police would not allow Parker to be interviewed by TV reporters because they feared violence would erupt.

It's expected that homosexual demonstrators will also be at the Parker hearing Thursday.

Date: Thursday, October 20 Time: 9:00 am Place: Concord District Courthouse, Concord, MA

# <u>District Attorney Decides Not To</u> <u>Prosecute David Parker, Drops</u> <u>Criminal Trespass Case.</u>

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No admission of guilt - still presumed innocent. "It's a great result," says Parker's lawyer. But Lexington Superintendent continues to ban Parker from all school property.

(See photos below from courthouse.)

CONCORD, MASSACHUSETTS (OCTOBER 20) Middlesex County District Attorney Martha Coakley informed the court this morning that her office has decided not to pursue the criminal trespasing charge against Lexington parent David Parker. The jury trial had been scheduled to begin this morning in Concord District Court.

Parker was arrested on April 27 during a scheduled meeting at his son's elementary school in Lexington over his insistance on being notified when adults discuss homosexuality or transgenderism with his 6-year-old son. The school officials

ordered him to leave, and ordered him charged with trespassing when he refused. The case has become a national outrage; last night it was featured on the ABC-TV World News Tonight.

Unusual procedure.

Judge Robert McKenna used a relatively unusual procedure to order the case delalyed into administrative limbo, and it will be dropped completely after one year. There is no admission of guilt by Parker, and the full presumption of his innocence officially continues.

According to Jeffrey Denner, Parker's lead attorney, this procedure is different from the much more commonly used "continued without a finding," where a defendant admits that sufficient facts exist to warrant a conviction, and the case is also eventually dropped.

"I would have loved to defend this case," said Denner. "But this resolution is far too good to pass up. It's a great result. The DA chose not to prosecute. There is no admission of guilt and no presumption of guilt."

Procedurally, Parker has been placed on "pre-trial probation" for one year, where he promises to "obey all lawful orders" and pays a \$50 fee. There are other possible restrictions, but Parker's lawyers will likely get involved if the state makes any unreasonable demands.

#### But ban continues.

However, the criminal trespass case has no legal connection to the ban that Lexington School Superintendent Paul Ash continues to impose against Parker, keeping him from all school property in the town. This has caused a great deal of contention among Parker's supporters, who see this as a punitive act of intimidation, since Parker has never demonstrated himself to be a danger to anyone.

Also at this morning's court hearing, in addition to Parker's supporters from around the state, a group of pro-homosexual activists gathered with signs to demonstrate against Parker and attempt to attract media attention. Several people have observed that the homosexual community in the Boston area apparently sees Parker as a threat to their activity in the public schools.

#### What's next?

All kinds of rumors are flying about where this goes next. There is still the situation of the outrageous, unnecessary no-trespass order by the Lexington Superintendent against Parker. One would think that the possibility of a civil case exists, especially given the stature of the law firm that's involved, but no word has come from David Parker or his legal team on that.

Stay tuned! We'll keep you informed if anything new happens.

## At the courthouse today . . .



Concord District Courthouse was busy today! You can't see it from here, but the parking lot was completely full!



ed the roadway



And of course, a gaggle of pro-homosexual activists took time from their work (?) to come and hold an anti-Parker demonstration. They obviously see parents who want to teach their own values to their own children as some kind of threat.