



FACT SHEET
Women's Health Link v.
Fort Wayne Public Transportation Corp.

ABOUT THE CASE

ADF attorneys filed a federal lawsuit in April 2014 against the city of Fort Wayne's public transportation company when it refused to accept an ad from a life-affirming health care referral service for women in need. [The ad](#) is virtually indistinguishable from a [United Way ad](#) and health-related government ads that Citilink approved. ADF attorneys argue that the bus system unconstitutionally prohibited Women's Health Link's ad because of its life-affirming ideology and association with a pro-life group. Citilink denied Women's Health Link's request because its website contains information on "controversial issues," the city-run company says. In September 2014, a district court denied a motion to stop Citilink from prohibiting the ad while the case moves forward in court but ruled against the city's motion to dismiss the lawsuit. The court later ruled in favor of Citilink. ADF attorneys appealed that decision to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 7th Circuit in February 2016.

STATUS AS OF 2016-06-01

ADF Senior Counsel Kevin Theriot will argue on behalf of Women's Health Link at a hearing before the 7th Circuit on June 2, 2016.

WHAT IS AT STAKE?

The constitutionally protected freedom of Americans to express their point of view without censorship by government officials.

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ABOUT Alliance Defending Freedom

Alliance Defending Freedom is an alliance-building, non-profit legal organization that advocates for the right of people to freely live out their faith.

ABOUT Kevin Theriot

Kevin Theriot serves as senior counsel with Alliance Defending Freedom, where he is vice president of the Center for Life. He is admitted to the bar in eight states, the U.S. Supreme Court, and numerous other federal courts of appeal and district courts. Theriot received his law degree from Vanderbilt University and has been litigating First Amendment issues since 1993.