

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND**

COALITION FOR EQUITY AND
EXCELLENCE IN MARYLAND
HIGHER EDUCATION, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs

v.

MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION
COMMISSION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.: 1:06-cv-02773-CCB

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Notice is hereby given that Defendants appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit from the final judgment entered in this action on November 8, 2017 (ECF 642), and from all earlier, interlocutory orders merged into that judgment, including without limitation the Court's Memorandum and Order entered on October 7, 2013 (ECF 382).

This is a precautionary filing. Defendants have timely filed a motion to alter or amend the final judgment pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 59. Such a motion extends the time to appeal until the disposition of that motion. Fed. R. App. P. 4(a)(4)(A)(iv).

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