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“Same-Sex Marriage”

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Despite the U.S. Supreme Court’s definitive ruling in *Obergefell v. Hodges*, 576 U.S. ____ (2015) that all states must recognize same-sex marriages, pockets of resistance endure.

Most notably, on January 2 2016, Alabama Supreme Court Justice Roy Moore (who apparently forgot that U.S. Supreme Court decisions are binding on *all* U.S. courts) directed Alabama probate judges not to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples.

As a result of Judge Moore’s directive, the Alabama Judicial Inquiry Commission charged him with violating the state’s judicial ethics law and suspended him from office. He now faces the possibility of removal from office altogether. Which was not exactly what was needed in Alabama where the governor is facing possible impeachment and the Speaker of the House is awaiting trial on 23 felony corruption charges.