

CATHOLIC REBELLION IN FULL SWING

In late May dozens of lawsuits were filed against the Obama administration by a number of Catholic organizations. At the heart of these lawsuits is the constitutionality of the Health and Human Services edict seeking to force Catholic non-profits to pay for abortion-inducing drugs, contraceptive services and sterilization in their insurance plans.

It was a great day for those who believe in religious liberty. Suing the Obama administration for seeking to trash First Amendment rights of Catholics were 43 Catholic dioceses and institutions from all over the nation.

Among those who filed suit were: the Archdiocese of New York; the Archdiocese of St. Louis; the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C.; the Diocese of Rockville Centre; the Diocese of Dallas; the Diocese of Fort Worth; the Diocese of Pittsburgh; the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend; the Michigan Catholic Conference (which represents all seven dioceses in the state); Catholic University of America; Franciscan University of Steubenville; and the University of Notre Dame. Entities ranging from retirement homes to publishing houses also joined the lawsuits.

With the filing of these lawsuits, Catholics were sending an unmistakable sign to President Obama, Kathleen Sebelius, et al. that we will not be obedient. We will not do as we are told. Instead, we will do what is just. Indeed, the Catholic rebellion is in full swing.