

HEARING DENIED

In the July-August issue of *Catalyst*, we informed our members that we had filed a friend-of-the-court brief with the Pacific Justice Institute appealing a decision by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals that denied standing to the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) in an important free speech and association case.

It was our hope that the U.S. Supreme Court would hear the case and overturn the decision that the University of California has the right to reject high school courses in its admission process that have a religious viewpoint. For example, a course taken at a Catholic high school was rejected because a course on Christian history was expected to include more than one Christian viewpoint.

Unfortunately, on October 12, the U.S. Supreme Court rejected the case, which means the ruling made by Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals—which did not honor Christian rights—stands.