

IMPACTING THE RELIGIOUS LIBERTY COMMISSION

As the summer began, our work with the Presidential Commission on Religious Liberty continued. We previously made available to our contact person in the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice a trove of documents on anti-Christian bias stemming from the federal government. Bill Donohue subsequently met with Michael Gates, the Deputy Assistant Attorney General, in Washington.

Now that the Commission has met, we decided to make available to the senior members an outline of our work. We did not want to overload them, so we chose to provide them with a listing of all the pertinent documents; we included instructions on how to access them in more detail.

We sent a letter, along with the documents, to the following: Dan Patrick; Dr. Ben Carson; Ryan T. Anderson; Bishop Robert Barron; Carrie Prejean Boller; Cardinal Timothy Dolan; Pastor Franklin Graham; Allyson Ho; Dr. Phil McGraw; Eric Metaxas; Kelly Shackelford; Rabbi Meir Soloveichik; and Pastor Paula White.

Combating anti-Christian bigotry, with an emphasis on anti-Catholicism, is what we do. We are only too happy to work with the Commission in its quest to eradicate this menace.

Not surprisingly, the media are not paying much attention to this initiative. This is partly because of their animus against the Trump administration, and partly because they don't see anti-Christian words and deeds to be a problem. In fact, it is not going too far to say that many in the media actually contribute to Catholic bashing, so naturally they don't see it as a problem.

We are under no illusion that one panel can resolve this

issue. But we are glad to make our voice heard nonetheless.