



Idaho

## ***Media Advisory:***

# **Court hearing on Monday 5/3 at 3:00 pm MT in lawsuit to block Idaho law targeting transgender student athletes**

### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

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BOISE – On Monday, May 3, 2021, the Ninth Circuit federal court of appeals will hear arguments in ***Hecox v. Little***, a lawsuit to challenge the Idaho law—2020’s House Bill 500—which bans women and girls who are transgender and many women and girls who are intersex from participating in school sports. The law also subjects all women and girl athletes to the possibility of invasive genital and genetic screenings. The lawsuit was filed in federal district court by the ACLU of Idaho, Legal Voice, National ACLU and Cooley LLP. Chase Strangio, deputy director for transgender justice at the ACLU LGBT & HIV Project, will argue.

Last August, Judge David Nye, chief judge of Idaho’s federal district court, temporarily blocked enforcement of the new law. At Monday’s hearing, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals will hear arguments about whether the law should remain blocked.

The hearing will be held online only. The press and public can watch the argument live on YouTube. The case is one of four cases to be heard by the same three judges on Monday. Proceedings will begin at 2:00 pm MT, with argument in this case expected to begin a little after 3:00 pm MT.

**What:** Hearing in *Hecox v. Little*

**Where:** Federal Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals  
Live online:  
[https://www.ca9.uscourts.gov/media/view\\_video.php?pk\\_vid=0000019189](https://www.ca9.uscourts.gov/media/view_video.php?pk_vid=0000019189)

**When:** Monday, May 3, 2021, about 3:00 pm MT

**Judges:** Andrew Kleinfeld, Kim McLane Wardlaw, Ronald Gould

**More information:** <https://www.acluidaho.org/en/cases/hecox-v-little>

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