

Dear Mr. President,

I was involved in a local borough meeting last year where the subject of "conscience" came up during the drafting of an ordinance that gave the LGBTQ community the right to force people of faith who own businesses to go against their consciences. For instance: if a sign shop owner who is a person of faith refused to provide posters for a gay pride parade he would be forced to comply since the order contains in it a "police power" phrase. Even if he did suggest another sign shop that would honor their request he would still be subject to legal action if the aggrieved party wished to pursue it.

The final meeting on the proposal was purposely stacked with local college students in order to try to intimidate the few of us present who were against it into compliance. The ordinance was a done deal even before the "conscience clause" was discussed, with the local residents in a prior meeting completely in favor of it (the conscience clause). The majority of the board members (5-3) were obviously and blatantly insensitive to the request since it did not fit their agenda.

I appreciate the zeal and the speed in which you are fulfilling your campaign promises. That I find refreshing. My request is that of the one made concerning religious freedom and conscience. I pray the executive order to restore religious freedom will be signed so that such mandates, as I have shared above, will have no strength where incidents that involve this type of egregious and tyrannical legislation have been forced on all who oppose them.

Thank you for your commitment to make America great again.
Sincerely, Charli Yana