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CONSUMER & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS BUREAU ACTION

REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM COMMISSION'S CLOSED CAPTIONING RULES
CGB-CC-0149

First United Methodist Church of Shreveport, Louisiana, has filed a petition for exemption from the closed captioning requirements, pursuant to Section 79.1 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 79.1, for its programming. Petitioner claims that compliance would impose an undue burden, as defined in Section 79.1(f) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 79.1(f).

Comments and oppositions are due within 30 days from the date of this public notice. The case identifier, **CGB-CC-0149**, must be placed on all filings. Comments and oppositions sent via e-mail to the Commission will be considered informal and are not part of the official record.

Filing Instructions -

An original and two (2) copies of all comments, oppositions, and replies must be filed with the Commission.

Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, commercial overnight courier, or by first class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Attn: CGB Room 3-B431.

* The Commission's contractor will receive hand-delivered or messenger- delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110, Washington, DC 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building.

* Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service, Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743.

* U.S. Postal Service first-class, Express, and Priority mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554.

In addition, comments and oppositions filed must indicate that they have been served on the petitioner. All comments and oppositions must be served on petitioner at:

First United Methodist Church
Head of Texas Street
P.O. Drawer 1567
Shreveport, LA 71165-1567

An original and two (2) copies of petitioner's reply to the comments in the record is due 20 days after the comment deadline. Electronic filing is not available at this time. In addition, replies to comments or oppositions shall be served on the commenting or opposing party and shall include a certification that the commenter was served with a copy.

All comments, oppositions, and replies must contain a detailed, full showing, supported by affidavit, of any facts or considerations relied on.

The petition, comments, oppositions and replies will be available for public inspection in the Commission's Reference Information Center:

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202-418-7094

The petition, public notice, and decision (when issued) can also be found at http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/dro/caption_exemptions.html.

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