



RELIGIOUS FREEDOM COMPARISON

Romney

Obama

Conscience Rights

As Governor, sought to protect Catholic Charities from being forced to place adoptive children with same-sex couples.

Destroyed longstanding bi-partisan consensus on rights of conscience with HHS mandate.

Abortion and Conscience Rights

Vetoed legislation in Massachusetts that required Catholic hospitals to pay for abortion-causing drugs.

Currently using the government to force religious employers to pay for abortion-causing drugs against their consciences.

On God in the Public Square

Stated in a 2012 speech that, "From the beginning, this nation trusted in God, not man."

Omitted the words, "by their Creator," from the Declaration of Independence multiple times.

Religious Liberty Awards

Won most prestigious religious liberty Award in 2008: The Becket Fund's Canterbury Medal.

None

Houses of Worship

Released a powerful TV ad defending the rights of houses of worship against this administration's religious freedom attacks.

Argued before the Supreme Court that a Lutheran Church could not make employment decisions based on core religious doctrine. Was rejected 9-0.

International Religious Freedom

Has promised that he "will stand up and protect religious freedom wherever it is threatened."

Failed to fill the important role of Ambassador at Large for International Religious Freedom for almost a year and half.

Religious Freedom Rhetoric

Stated in a 2007 speech, "Freedom requires religion just as religion requires freedom."

Has repeatedly replaced the words "freedom of religion" with much more narrow, "freedom of worship."



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