IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA NEWPORT NEWS DIVISION

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G.G., by his next friend and mother, DEIRDRE GRIMM,

Plaintiffs,

CIVIL NO. 4:15ev54

v.

GLOUCESTER COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD,

Defendant.

<u>ORDER</u>

This matter comes before the Court upon the Plaintiff's Unopposed Motion to Amend Case Caption. ECF No. 103. On June 11, 2015, Plaintiff filed a Complaint in this action; as Plaintiff was a minor at the time of the filing, the Complaint was brought, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 17(c)(1), by his next friend and mother, Deirdre Grimm. ECF No. 2. The original Complaint identified Plaintiff by his full name, <u>id.</u>, but because Plaintiff was a minor, this Court ordered that the original documents be placed under seal and that the Plaintiff substitute his full name with that of his initials, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 5.2 and E.D. Va. Loc. Civ. R. 7(C)(1). ECF No. 1.

Plaintiff now advises that Plaintiff has reached the age of 18 years, the legal age of majority in Virginia. Va. Code. § 1.204. <u>See</u> ECF No. 104, at 2. As a result, Plaintiff moves this Court to amend the case caption to reflect Plaintiff's full name and to remove Deirdre Grimm, as next friend and mother, from the case caption. <u>See M.P.T.C. v. Nelson Cty. Sch. Dist.</u>, 192 F. Supp. 3d 798, 811 (W.D. Ky. 2016) ("To the extent that Plaintiff seeks to amend the case caption to substitute his initials with his full name because he has reached the age of majority, the Court

grants the relief."). Plaintiff advises that counsel for Defendant presents no objection. ECF No. 104, at 2.

The Court finds that Plaintiff has reached the legal age of majority in Virginia. Accordingly, the Court hereby **GRANTS** Plaintiff's Motion. ECF No. 103. The Court **ORDERS** the Clerk of the Court to amend the docket by substituting "Gavin Grimm" as Plaintiff for "G.G., by his next friend and mother, Deirdre Grimm" in the case caption, and further **ORDERS** that all future filings in this matter employ this case styling.

The Clerk is **DIRECTED** to forward a copy of this Order to all Counsel of Record.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Norfolk, VA May <u>16</u>, 2017