

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
FORT WORTH DIVISION

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VS.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 4:10-CV-700-Y

THE RT. REV. JACK LEO IKER

ORDER GRANTING EMERGENCY MOTION TO STAY

Before the Court is Defendant's Emergency Motion to Stay (doc. 31). By the motion, Defendant seeks a stay of all proceedings in this cause, except for the motions to intervene (docs. 10, 12), pending the Court's ruling on the motions to intervene. Defendant explains that the Court's resolution of the intervention motions will have dispositive implications on the remaining proceedings.

After review, the Court agrees. Therefore, in the interests of judicial economy and fairness to all parties involved, the Court GRANTS the motion. See *In re Ramu*, 903 F.2d 312, 318 (5th Cir. 1990) ("The stay of a pending matter is ordinarily within the trial court's wide discretion to control the course of litigation."); see also *Landis v. N. Am. Co.*, 299 U.S. 248, 254 (1936) (noting that a court has "inherent" power to stay proceedings). Accordingly, all proceedings in the above-styled and -numbered cause, except for the motions to intervene, are STAYED pending the Court's ruling on those motions.

SIGNED December 20, 2010.



TERRY R. MEANS
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE