

JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Memorandum 1236

IN RE: Review of a Bishop's Decision of Law in the Desert Southwest Annual Conference Regarding the Resolution Entitled "Inclusiveness Resolution"

Because the submission of the question fails to meet the requirement of submission of ¶2609.6 of the *2008 Discipline*, there is no valid decision of law made by the Bishop of the Desert Southwest Annual Conference presented before the Judicial Council; as a result, the Judicial Council lacks jurisdiction in this matter. See Memorandum 1219.

Beth Capen and Ruben Reyes were absent. Sandra Lutz, first lay alternate, and Warren Plowden, fifth lay alternate, participated in this decision.

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