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Firefighters Win Case Over Forced Participation in Homosexual Parade

Four San Diego firefighters forced by their supervisor to take part in a “gay pride” parade in 2007 have won their case against the city after the California Supreme Court refused to overturn a lower court’s decision in their favor.

The four firemen filed a sexual harassment suit against the city of San Diego after the departments battalion chief ordered them to ride a fire engine in a homosexual parade, where they were subjected to lewd behavior, verbal abuse, and overtly sexual gestures from an out-of-control homosexual mob.



One of the firemen, Captain John Ghiotto, noted in the original complaint that he and the three other Christian firefighters could not even look at the crowd without getting some type of sexual gesture. Had they refused, the public servants risked suspension from their jobs and loss of potential promotion within the department. As a supervisor I felt disgusted and embarrassed, that I had to subject my crew to this type of behavior, said Ghiotto.

Joseph Infranco of the Alliance Defense Fund, which helped to represent the firefighters, told [OneNewsNow.com](#) that the four men were subjected to hours of just graphic, lewd exhibits and gestures and catcalls and all that sort of thing. Its shocking to think that the city would tell firefighters that they have to participate in a parade and be subjected to all this sort of lewd, sexual behavior.

Tracy Jarman, an open lesbian who was San Diegos fire chief at the time of the incident, called the parade a fun event in which all employees are encouraged to participate. But Infranco said the sexually graphic behavior the firemen were subjected to is part of the overall strategy of homosexual activists to undermine societys long-held values. They continue to seek this, whether by demanding participation in gay pride parades or by trampling the democratic process to redefine marriage.

Charles LiMandri of the National Organization for Marriage, the group that represented the firefighters, told [Lifesitenews.com](#) the case shows that if Christian or people of faith generally are willing to stand up for their religious beliefs, and refuse to be bullied by secular agendas they do have rights that can and should be enforced in court. He said the case also sends a strong message to people about what these gay pride parades are really like.

Added the ADFs Infranco, This tells the city and other cities in California as well that they have to respect both the moral and religious beliefs of city employees that you cannot compel people to take part in these events in a way that violates their conscience, and that there are limits on what a city can do.



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