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Fabrizio v. City of Providence

Supreme Court of Rhode Island - December 19, 2014 - A.3d - 2014 WL 7229270

Firefighters brought action against mayor, fire chief, and city alleging a variety of state and federal claims stemming from requirement that firefighters serve as part of crew of fire engine in parade to celebrate pride and diversity of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender community. The Superior Court denied mayor's and chief's motion for summary judgment. Mayor and chief petitioned for writ of certiorari, which was granted.

The Supreme Court of Rhode Island held that requirement that firefighters participate in LGBT parade did not violate firefighters' right to freedom of religion, speech, or association.