

## HB2 Trial Will Start In November

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The Raleigh News and Observer reports U.S. District Judge Thomas Schroeder scheduled the trial start for Nov. 14 in the HB2 challenge brought by six North Carolinians shortly after the law was adopted. Five lawsuits have been filed in federal court over HB2, the law that requires transgender people to use publicly owned restrooms and locker rooms in accordance with the gender on their birth certificates instead of the gender with which they identify.

, Schroeder will hear arguments on whether to put the law on hold while the lawsuit filed by the American Civil Liberties Union, ACLU of North Carolina, Lambda Legal and Jenner & Block law firm filed on behalf of three transgender residents, a lesbian N.C. Central University law professor and lesbian couple in Mecklenburg County.

During the full trial, the court will also consider challenges to sections of HB2 that prohibit local municipalities from extending nondiscrimination protections to LGBT people.