

Lead: 1. The Sumpreme Court announced today their judgment in favor of Westboro Baptist Church.

Lead 2. Military father loses case against Westboro Baptist Church after filing a lawsuit for emotional distress.

Lead 3. The first ammendment protects rights of Westboro Baptist Church after protesting military funerals.

The Sumpreme Court announced today their judgment in favor of Westboro Baptist Church. The verdict came after a lawsuit was filed from a father of a fallen soldier who's funeral was protested.

The decision was 8-1. The Supreme Court said that the church is is entitled to special protection under the first ammendment and that protection cannot be overcome by a jury finding that their picketing was outrageous.

The Westboro Church members protest outside military funerals with anti-gay messages, believing that deaths in Afghanistan and Iraq are punishment by God for tolerance of gays in the United States.

The Westboro Church members were sued
for emotional distress by Snyder.