

# AL NAACP NEWS

## Alabama State Conference National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

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### **ALABAMIANS AGAINST SESSIONS FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL NAACP President Cornell William Brooks and Alabama NAACP President Benard Simelton to Join Press Conference at Sessions Mobile, AL Office Statewide Press Conferences at Several Sessions Offices Scheduled for January 3, 2017**

Mobile, AL—NAACP President/CEO Cornell William Brooks will join local Alabama branches of the NAACP for statewide press conferences against the nomination of Senator Jefferson Beauregard Sessions III for U.S. Attorney General.

Alabamians Against Sessions for Attorney General will include five press conferences at the Alabama offices of Sessions, located in Mobile, Huntsville, Dothan, Birmingham and Montgomery.

“As a matter of conscience and conviction, we can neither be mute nor mumble our opposition to Senator Jefferson Beauregard Sessions becoming Attorney General of the United States. Senator Sessions has callously ignored the reality of voter suppression but zealously prosecuted innocent civil rights leaders on trumped up charges of voter fraud. As an opponent of the vote, he can't be trusted to be the chief law-enforcement officer for voting rights,” said NAACP President/CEO Cornell William Brooks.

President Brooks will be joined at a press conference at Sessions office in Mobile by Alabama State Conference President Benard Simelton and Mobile, AL Branch President Lizzetta McConnell.

“Despite 30 years of our nation moving forward on inclusion and against hate, Jeff Sessions has failed to change his ways,” said Alabama State Conference President Benard Simelton. “He’s been a threat to desegregation and the Voting Rights Act and remains a threat to all of our civil rights, including the right to live without the fear of police brutality,” added Simelton.”

The press conference featuring President Cornell William Brooks, by Alabama State Conference President Benard Simelton and Mobile (AL) Branch President Lizzetta McConnell, will take place in Mobile:

**January 3, 2017**

10 A.M.

Office of Senator Jefferson Sessions  
41 West Interstate 65 Service North,  
Mobile, Al 36608

**Post Office Box 866**

**Athens, Alabama 35612**

“Some of us in Alabama recall, Senator Sessions saying he liked the Klan,” said Mobile (AL) Branch President Lizzetta McConnell. “He said it was a joke, but I’m saying something like that while discussing a case where the Klan murdered a young black man says a lot about a person. We need someone who realizes that attorney general has got to actually care about the people’s rights he’s protecting and not just doing it because it’s his job,” she added.

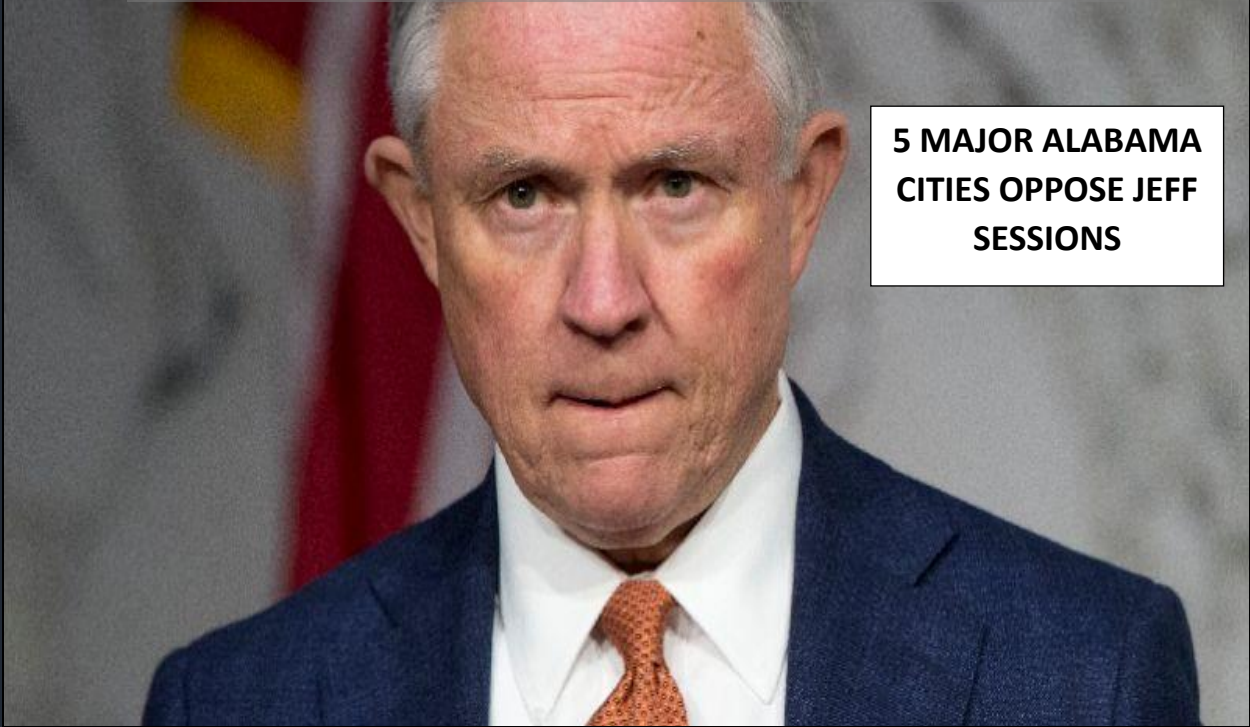
**Simultaneous Press Conferences around the state organized by local NAACP branches and to include activists and advocates will also take place the same day January 3, 2017 at:**

- Jeff Sessions Office  
200 Clinton Avenue North West  
Regions Center  
Huntsville, Al 35801
- Jeff Sessions Office  
1800 5th Avenue North  
341 Vance Federal Building  
Birmingham, Al 35203
- Jeff Sessions Office  
100 West Troy Street  
Dothan, Al 36303
- Jeff Sessions Office  
1 Church Street  
Montgomery, Al 36104

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**NATIONAL NAACP PRESIDENT CORNELL BROOKS JOINS  
ALABAMA NAACP IN AN "ALABAMIANS AGAINST SESSIONS  
FOR U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL" PRESS CONFERENCE**



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SESSIONS**

**JOIN US!**

**Date: January 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017**

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**Time: 10:00 AM**

**NAACP Press Conference Locations: SENATOR SESSIONS' OFFICES**

**• BIRMINGHAM OPPOSES SESSIONS**

**1800 5<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE NORTH**

**341 VANCE FEDERAL BUILDING**

**BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203**

**Hezekiah Jackson 205-714-5860**

**• MONTGOMERY OPPOSES SESSIONS**

**1 CHURCH STREET**

**MONTGOMERY, AL 36104**

**Ravford Mack 334-318-9589**

**• HUNTSVILLE OPPOSES SESSIONS**

**200 CLINTON AVENUE WEST**

**REGIONS CENTER**

**HUNTSVILLE, AL 35801**

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**• DOTHAN OPPOSES SESSIONS**

**100 WEST TROY STREET**

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**Keith Gray 334-796-0134**

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