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The **Flying Spaghetti Monster** (FSM) is the deity of the **Church of the Flying Spaghetti Monster** or **Pastafarianism**, a **social movement** promoting a **light-hearted view of religion** and opposing the teaching of intelligent design and creationism in public schools. According to adherents, Pastafarianism is a "**real, legitimate religion, as much as any other.**" Pastafarianism is **legally recognized** as a religion in **Poland**, in **The Netherlands**, and in **New Zealand** – where Pastafarian representatives have been **authorized to celebrate weddings** and where the first legally recognized Pastafarian wedding was performed in **April 2016**. In the same month in the United States, a Federal Judge ruled that the "Church of the Flying Spaghetti Monster" is not a real religion.