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United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
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Dear Chairman Graham, Ranking Member Feinstein, and Committee Members:

The National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) writes to express its strong opposition to the nomination of Cory Wilson to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi. Wilson has proven himself to be a biased ideologue who is wholly unfit to serve a lifetime appointment as a federal judge.

Wilson's lack of judicial temperament is astounding. He frequently takes to Twitter to repeat partisan rhetoric; he has called a US Congresswoman a "[claptrap](#)," complained about "[Crooked Hillary](#)," and repeatedly disparaged President Obama, referring to him as "[King Barack](#)," "[the Anointed One](#)," and "[a radical leftist with no experience in governing](#)."

Likewise, Wilson's many published writings are proof positive that he would use a seat on the federal bench to further his own political agenda. In one [editorial](#), he bemoaned the "federal court [that] ridiculously ruled that 'One Nation Under G-d' violated the Constitution" and said that "[h]opefully the [Supreme] Court will overturn Obama" with regard to the Affordable Care Act. In [another](#) lengthy political musing, he called *Roe v. Wade* the "result of a liberal activist court." In yet [another](#), Wilson lauded Mississippi's Voter ID law and expressed hope that the "Obama Justice Department will stop suing long enough for us to implement it." A federal judicial nominee flippantly revealing that he is annoyed by important civil rights cases does not bode well for the future of our court system. Wilson clearly lacks a judicial temperament, as well as respect for the necessary independence of the judiciary.

As if Wilson's disrespectful and insensitive public statements were not sufficiently disqualifying, his legislative record reveals an extreme partisan agenda. As a state legislator, he [voted](#) for a severely restrictive "heartbeat bill" that would ban abortion as early as six weeks into pregnancy. He voted to [defund](#) Planned Parenthood and supports a [myriad](#) of other offensive, unconstitutional anti-abortion policies. Wilson has demonstrated complete disdain for LGBTQ people; he [voted](#) for a bill that would allow public and private businesses to legally refuse service to LGBTQ people based on the owner's religious belief. Wilson voted to authorize concealed carry of firearms on any [public property](#) as well as carry of firearms in [places of worship](#). Like his writings and Tweets, Wilson's legislative record is dangerous and out of the mainstream.

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Lifetime seats on our nation's judiciary must be reserved for open-minded, independent jurists free from bias and without an agenda. For the sake of the judiciary's independence, as well as this institution's integrity, **we strongly urge the Senate Judiciary Committee to oppose Wilson's confirmation** to the District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi.

Sincerely,



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