

10 Reasons People with Disabilities Should Oppose Judge Kavanaugh's Nomination

- 1. **He is a threat to your health care**. Judge Kavanaugh has made clear that he thinks the Affordable Care Act is a bad law, and that the Supreme Court got it wrong when it upheld the law.
- 2. **He would allow the President to wield dangerous power**. He said that the President could decline to enforce key elements of the Affordable Care Act, even after the courts have found the law constitutional.
- 3. **He is dismissive of the fundamental rights of people with disabilities**. He ruled that people with disabilities who lacked legal capacity had no right to have their wishes regarding elective surgeries, including abortions, even sought or considered.
- 4. **He won't protect the rights of workers with disabilities**. In employment discrimination cases, he consistently discounts or ignores the experiences and evidence put forward by workers with disabilities and defers to the explanations of employers.
- 5. **He would narrow the protections of civil rights laws**. He interpreted a vague sentence in a law to exempt a large group of workers from, in the words of the other judges, "the protections of the entire edifice" of federal antidiscrimination laws, including the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- 6. **He promotes school voucher programs that leave students with disabilities without key protections**. In order to participate in these programs, students with disabilities typically are forced to waive their rights under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, including the right to receive a free and appropriate education.
- 7. **He discounts the role of the administrative agencies that enforce your rights**. He has called for limiting the role of administrative agencies, which play a key role in enforcing civil rights protections and managing federal healthcare, employment, and benefits programs that are crucial to many people with disabilities.
- 8. **He would allow states to impose restrictive voter ID laws**. These laws impose particular financial and practical burdens on many people with disabilities seeking to vote.
- 9. **He imposes barriers for people seeking justice in courts**. He has urged limits on the use of class actions, which allow people with limited means to pursue their claims as a group.
- 10. He will not fairly protect the rights of all people, including people with disabilities. As Reasons 1-9 show, confirming Judge Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court would threaten hard-won rights and protections for people with disabilities and provide a fifth vote in support of regressive views harmful to people with disabilities. We can't let that happen.