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**ATTORNEY GENERAL MADIGAN FILES NEW AMICUS BRIEF OPPOSING THIRD TRAVEL BAN**

***Brief Asks Fourth Circuit to Affirm Nationwide Preliminary Injunction Against Third Ban***

**Chicago** — Attorney General Lisa Madigan, along with 15 other attorneys general, filed a new amicus brief opposing the administration's third travel ban.

The amicus brief, filed in support of the plaintiffs in IRAP v. Trump, urges the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit to affirm the nationwide preliminary injunction against the third travel ban issued by a Maryland district court. The district court's injunction prevents the administration from implementing the third ban against individuals from six predominantly Muslim countries who have a bona fide relationship with a person or entity in the United States.

The brief, like previous ones filed by the same coalition, details the numerous serious and irreparable harms the states have faced as a result of the administration's travel bans, which could now be permanent due to the indefinite nature of this third ban.

In part, the brief states:

*"Like its predecessors, the Proclamation's entry ban gravely and irreparably harms our universities, hospitals, businesses, communities and residents. Keeping the preliminary injunction in place will continue to provide critical protection to the state interests the ban endangers."*

The brief also argues that the national scope of the preliminary injunction is proper in light of these systemic, nationwide harms and the broader public interest.

The Fourth Circuit is scheduled to hear oral arguments Friday, December 8.

Joining Madigan in filing the brief are the attorneys general of California, Connecticut, Delaware, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Mexico, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and the District of Columbia.

A copy of the brief can be found [here](#).

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