

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

September 29, 2017

The Honorable John G. Roberts, Jr.
Chief Justice of the United States
Supreme Court of the United States
One First Street NE
Washington, D.C., 20543

Dear Chief Justice Roberts:

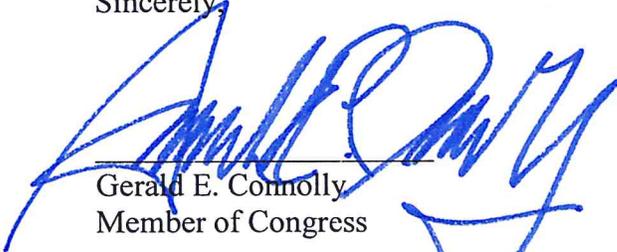
We write to urge the Supreme Court of the United States to provide a live audio recording of the case 16-1161, *Gill v. Whitford* on the Court's website on October 3.

In the past 17 years, the Court has released same-day audio for 26 cases with heightened public interest. This case undoubtedly meets that bar. The Court also has the technical capability to livestream audio from its courtroom, as was done for the November 2016 special session of the Supreme Court Bar honoring Justice Scalia.

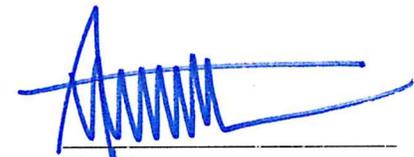
Broadcasting live video of open proceedings before the Court, as called for in the Cameras in the Courtroom Act (H.R. 464), would also ensure transparency and accountability in the judicial branch. We urge the Court to consider televising all oral arguments to increase public transparency and improve understanding of its proceedings.

Livestreaming audio of the *Gill v. Whitford* proceedings would be a laudable step forward in the path toward full transparency. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

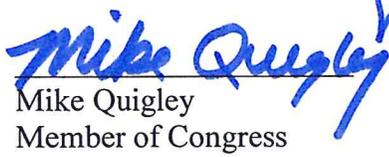
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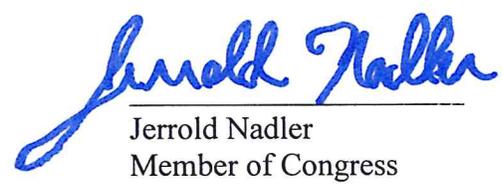
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