



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We urge you to contact the President and Vice President demanding they immediately direct publication of the Equal Rights Amendment to save *Roe v. Wade* and guarantee equality for all.

Activists:

As you are aware, the duly ratified Equal Rights Amendment (“ERA”) is the 28th Amendment to our Constitution. The ERA not only guarantees equality for all, it saves reproductive rights, bodily autonomy, contraception, same sex marriage, interracial marriage and so much more, all of which are at risk after the Supreme Court’s decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization*.

Unfortunately, the Trump Administration blocked publication of the ERA as part of a larger campaign against women, LGBTQIA+ persons, and, specifically, abortion. We just need the ERA published!

The Biden Administration has not yet published the ERA. In fact, on September 28th, the [Biden Administration was in court](#) arguing against the ERA and our reproductive rights. A copy of the brief the Biden Administration filed and argued in court in *Illinois v. Ferriero* may be found [HERE](#).

This [article](#) discusses why publication is so important and makes clear that the Biden Administration’s refusal to publish could end up killing the ERA.

On February 28th, the Senate Judiciary Committee held a hearing on the ERA, which we attended. Clearly, opponents of the ERA are concerned that the ERA will protect reproductive rights and guarantee equality for women, girls and LGBTQIA+ people! [See for yourselves](#). Fearmongering at its worst.

While the hearing was taking place, the Court issued its decision in *Illinois v. Ferriero*, ruling that the ratifying states did not establish the US Archivist’s duty to publish was “clear and indisputable” or that the US Archivist was “clearly wrong,” due to the existence of the arbitrary deadline in the proposing clause of the ERA.

While the Court’s decision was disappointing, it did not rule that the deadline is valid or that the ERA could not be published! Simply that the plaintiffs could not meet the nearly impossible standard applied to compel publication.

The Court's decision and the heightened, seemingly insurmountable burden of proof applied to proponents of equality, solely as a result of the unlawful interference by the Trump and Biden Administrations with the constitutional amendment process, make publication of the ERA critical to establishing the validity of the ERA and equality for more than half of Americans.

Given the overwhelming message sent by the voters on Election Day – that women's rights, equality and democracy are a top priority – we have a unique opportunity to make a final push. But we need your help.

TO HELP, PLEASE TAKE A FEW MINUTES RIGHT NOW AND:

- ✓ **EMAIL PRESIDENT BIDEN – sample email below**
- ✓ **EMAIL VICE PRESIDENT HARRIS – sample email below**
- ✓ **TEXT PRESIDENT BIDEN**
- ✓ **POST COPY SAMPLE EMAILS INTO COMMENTS ON THE FACEBOOK BIDEN/HARRIS ADMINISTRATION PAGES**
- ✓ **FOLLOW US ON TWITTER AND RETWEET**
- ✓ **SHARE EQUAL MEANS EQUAL VIDEO ON SOCIAL AND WITH FRIENDS**
- ✓ **SHARE THIS MEMO WITH FRIENDS**

TO EMAIL PRESIDENT BIDEN – please email President Biden [HERE](#).

Below is a sample letter to copy and paste or you can create your own. Please email twice per week until we get a response.

Sample Email Letter to President Biden

The attacks on the rights of women, girls and LGBTQ+ people are increasing exponentially every day. We need you to take action right now to stop these attacks, save women's reproductive rights, and guarantee equality for all Americans. It's time to direct the Archivist to publish the Equal Rights Amendment ("ERA").

Women put you in office in large part due to your commitments in the Biden Agenda For Women, which includes support for the ratified ERA and states:

For Biden, it's a simple proposition: his daughter is entitled to the same rights and opportunities as his sons. He believes every issue is a women's issue — health care, the economy, education, national security — but women are also uniquely and disproportionately impacted by many policies.

If that is true, we expect that you will immediately direct publication of the ERA and withdraw your Administration's continued fight against equality for women, girls, and LGBTQIA+ persons and their reproductive rights.

TO EMAIL VICE PRESIDENT HARRIS – please email Vice President Harris [HERE](#). Below is a sample letter to copy and paste or you can create your own. Please email every day until we get a response.

Sample Email Letter to Vice President Harris

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TEXT THE PRESIDENT DAILY

Please text the President at 302-404-0880 daily and demand that he publish the ERA.

Examples of our recent texts:

- What gives? Biden Agenda 4 Women: ‘For Biden, it’s a simple proposition: his daughter is entitled to the same rights & opportunities as his sons. . . Every issue is a women’s issue-health care, the economy, education, national security’ Really, Mr. President? Direct publication of the Equal Rights Amendment!’
- Women and Gen Z have again delivered and made clear that we value women's rights and equality for all. Publish the ERA Now as required by law.
- @potus @vp, no more pressers and photo ops. Actions speak louder. Publish the #EqualRightsAmendment and stop blocking/fighting against equality for women, girls, & LGBTQ+ people & our repro rights. #2024Election <https://www.cbsnews.com/boston/news/equal-rights-amendment-womens-rights-constitution-president-biden/>

SUGGESTED FACEBOOK POSTS DIRECTED TO THE BIDEN/HARRIS ADMINISTRATION

Copy the text of the letters to the President and Vice President and post in the comments under their and Jill Biden's Facebook posts. You may also post a link to [this article](#) and state "President Biden must publish the ERA now to guarantee equality for all and protect our reproductive rights." Or just post something short and sweet. Here are their pages:

President Biden: <https://www.facebook.com/POTUS>

Vice President Harris: <https://www.facebook.com/VicePresident>

First Lady Jill Biden: <https://www.facebook.com/FLOTUS>

SUGGESTED TWEETS

Follow us on Twitter - [@Shatterin Glass](#) – for sample tweets, including articles pinned at the top and relevant authorities. And please retweet!!!

SHARE RECENT ERA MEDIA

Please share:

- [Equal Means Equal's interview](#) of our Executive Director on social media and with friends. It explains why we need the ERA, where it stands and what needs to be done to guarantee equality for all and protect reproductive rights;
- Our Executive Director's [Appearance on the Lisa Wexler Show](#), discussing how the ERA is the 28th Amendment and why we need it published immediately;
- USA Today – 10/1/22 "[Remind me why the Biden administration is in court fighting publication of the ERA?](#)"
- Women's eNews – 11/6/22 "[President Biden: Why Won't You Publish the Equal Rights Amendment?](#)"
- Maura Casey, Author and NYT Editorial Board – 12/17/22 "[Publish ERA, let skirmishes begin.](#)"
- Don Wilson (former US Archivist) and Lisa Sales 12/20/22 "[Stop Making Women's Equality a Political Question Mark](#)"
- CBS News 3/31/23 "[The Equal Rights Amendment is Stalled, will it ever Become Law?](#)"