



Center for Public Representation

We Are Stronger Together!

We are writing in response to the alarming actions taken by President Trump that threaten the rights and well-being of individuals with disabilities among other marginalized groups. This administration is consistently targeting those who are already vulnerable, using a relentless series of executive orders and other actions to undermine crucial progress, freezing funding for essential services, and reacting impulsively to tragedies, such as the recent loss of life in the American Airlines and Army helicopter collision. Their default response has been to scapegoat civil rights advancements and programs, including diversity, equity, inclusion and accessibility programs.

In response to this crisis, we are actively collaborating with key partners, including the National Health Law Program, the Bazelon Center, and the Disability Rights Education Defense Fund, the Arc and the ACLU to safeguard vital services like Medicare, Medicaid, and other essential benefits for individuals with disabilities. We are united with these national advocacy organizations and litigators to vigorously combat current legal challenges that threaten to dismantle crucial reforms in disability civil rights. We know that many of these challenges threaten people with disabilities most at the margins because of other identities, including gender, race, and sexual orientation. Together, we are committed to ensuring that the rights and well-being of *all* people with disabilities remain protected and prioritized.

At CPR, we have increased our staffing and are realigning our systemic priorities to better respond to these challenges. But we cannot do it alone. We urgently need your support to continue this vital work. Please consider donating—every contribution makes a difference. You can find the donation link at the bottom of this message. Together, we can stand up against these threats and advocate for the rights and dignity of all individuals. We intend to dedicate any donated resources to fund our litigation and policy advocacy to safeguard basic rights and protect essential services.

Opportunity to hear more: Please join us - CPR and its partners are hosting an informational session for the greater disability community, ([February 12 community briefing](#)), to familiarize people with *Texas v. Becerra*, a case brought by Texas and 16 other states that challenges the original disability civil rights law -- Section 504 -- and the recently issued 504 regulations. If this case is successful, it could not only result in the regulations being overturned, but could undermine the landmark disability discrimination law.

With Gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cathy E. Costanzo".

Cathy Costanzo



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