

Russ Feingold: 'Making Our Votes Meaningless?'

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As Republicans in Washington move to substitute their own Supreme Court pick under Trump for President Obama's, the very legitimacy of our democratic system is at stake. Stand up for the legitimacy of our Supreme Court.

MIDDLETON, WI - Barack Obama won the 2012 presidential election by approximately 5 million votes. Donald Trump *lost* the 2016 election by approximately 3 million.



So when Republicans block President Obama's nominee to the Supreme Court for nearly a year in order to install their own pick under Trump, they completely undermine the meaning and weight of the votes all those Americans cast.

And undermining the meaning of our votes undermines not just the legitimacy of President Trump's nominee to the Supreme Court -- but the very legitimacy of our democratic system itself.

[Stand for the legitimacy of our Supreme Court and our democracy. Sign the LegitAction petition opposing President Trump's Supreme Court nominee today.](#)

Real signs are emerging that Republicans won't be able to move past a filibuster (or eliminate the filibuster itself) if Democrats and Independents draw a line in the sand here. We need to show Democratic and Independent senators that we'll have their backs if they stand for us.

Thank you for standing up for our democratic legitimacy,

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