



**NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. (LDF)**

**Nineteen U.S. Supreme Court Amicus Briefs Filed in Support  
of Shelby County in *Shelby County, Alabama v. Holder***

The U.S. Supreme Court received nineteen amici or “friend of the court” briefs in support of Shelby County, Alabama, which has challenged several key provisions of the 1965 Voting Rights Act. The briefs were filed by seven states whose counties must submit voting changes for preclearance under the Voting Rights Act ([Alabama](#), [Alaska](#), [Texas](#), [Arizona](#), [Georgia](#), [South Carolina](#), and [South Dakota](#)), the [National Black Chamber of Commerce](#), nine former [government officials](#), two think tanks (the [Cato Institute](#) and [Reason Foundation](#)), and a number of advocacy organizations (e.g., the [Mountain States Legal Foundation](#), [Project 21](#), [Southeastern Legal Foundation](#), [Center for Constitutional Jurisprudence](#), [Judicial Education Project](#), [Landmark Legal Foundation](#), [Justice and Freedom Fund](#), and the [American Unity Legal Defense Fund](#)).

In addition, [Merced County, California](#) submitted an amicus brief in support of neither party.

**Full List of Amici Briefs Filed in Support of Shelby County**

1. [State of Alabama](#)
2. [State of Alaska](#)
3. [State of Texas](#)
4. [States of Arizona, Georgia, South Carolina, and South Dakota](#)
5. [National Black Chamber of Commerce](#)
6. [Former government officials](#)  
(U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division—Hans von Spakovsky, J. Christian Adams, Clint Bolick, Roger Clegg, Charles J. Cooper, Robert N. Driscoll, William Bradford Reynolds, and Bradley Schlozman; U.S. Commission on Civil Rights—Joel Mandelman)
7. [Cato Institute](#)
8. [Reason Foundation](#)
9. [Mountain States Legal Foundation](#)
10. [Project 21](#)
11. [Southeastern Legal Foundation](#)
12. [Center for Constitutional Jurisprudence](#)
13. [Judicial Education Project](#)

14. [Landmark Legal Foundation](#)
15. [Justice and Freedom Fund](#)
16. [American Unity Legal Defense Fund](#)
17. [Abraham Lincoln Foundation](#), [Foundation for Public Policy Research, Inc.](#), [American's Prayer Network](#), [Christians Reviving America's Values](#), [U.S. Justice Foundation](#), and [Conservative Legal Defense and Education Fund](#)
18. [John Nix](#), [Anthony Cuomo](#), and [Dr. Abigail Thernstrom](#)
19. [Pacific Legal Foundation](#), [Center for Equal Opportunity](#), and [American Civil Rights Foundation](#)

### **Amicus Brief Filed in Support of Neither Party**

1. [Merced County, California](#)

Read [amicus briefs](#) filed in support of the Voting Rights Act