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U.S. Supreme Court Denies Review of SB54

LEHI, UT - March 4, 2019 - The Supreme Court of the United States denied certiorari to Utah Republican Party v. Cox, ending all legal challenges related to the controversial election law, more commonly known as “SB54.”

“We sincerely thank the Utah Republican Party for seeing this case to the end, the various legal counselors throughout the judicial process, and to everyone who donated to make this effort a reality. Lastly, we recognize the countless unpaid volunteer delegates who make Utah’s caucus-convention system a success,” said Phill Wright, Executive Director of Keep My Voice. “Despite the current legal setback, Keep My Voice will continue to advocate for giving every individual and neighborhood a representative voice, removing money as the dominant factor in elections and holding elected officials accountable. This has been a long fight for liberty, and we will continue because freedom is always worth fighting for.”

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SB54, passed in 2014, allows candidates to gather signatures to qualify for Primary ballot access instead of using Utah’s traditional Caucus-and-convention System, regardless of whether a political party allows signature gathering in its governing documents. The law has been a source of contention among Utah’s political parties and has been challenged on multiple First Amendment grounds. The case was most recently decided by a 2-1 split at the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver, CO.