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UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT HEARS TRAVEL BAN CASE

The United States Supreme Court heard oral arguments today in the State's challenge to the third iteration of President Trump's travel ban, *Hawaii v. Trump*. This case was originally filed in the federal District Court for the District of Hawaii in February 2017, and at first concerned the litigation about the second travel ban. In October 2017, Judge Derrick K. Watson halted implementation of the third travel ban, and this ruling was upheld on appeal by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in December 2017.

Dozens of amicus (friend of the court) briefs were filed in support of the State's case, representing a wide swath of American life, including civil rights organizations, religious organizations, universities, cities, other States, former national security officials, and numerous law professors, among others.

"We are gratified by the Court's careful attention to the case," said **Hawaii Attorney General Russell A. Suzuki**. "This is an important day for the rule of law. We are so grateful for Hogan Lovells' extraordinary year-long pro bono commitment to this case."

More information about the case can be found on the Supreme Court's docket, which is free and available to the public on-line. It is found at:
<https://www.supremecourt.gov/search.aspx?filename=/docket/docketfiles/html/public/17-965.html>

A decision is expected by late June.

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