

Jaime Harrison
Chair
Democratic National Committee

Dear Jaime & DNC Leadership,

I am writing to you today to urge that the Democratic National Committee end super PAC spending in primaries.

Let's be clear: the disastrous Citizens United Supreme Court decision is undermining American democracy. In the last election cycle, right-wing billionaires funded millions of dollars in spending against progressive candidates in competitive primaries. Those funds were often used by super PACs to run outrageous and dishonest attack ads.

Right-wing billionaires spend unlimited amounts of money to undermine our democracy, mislead voters, and maintain the status quo. When we talk about billionaires buying elections, this is exactly what we are talking about.

Here is the simple truth. The Democratic Party must not allow Oligarchs and their super PACs, often aligned with Republicans, to buy Democratic Party primaries. If Democrats really believe in campaign finance reform, we must ban super PACs in primaries.

As you know, this week the DNC is holding meetings where there will be a resolution introduced to ban dark money in primaries. Unfortunately, during the last DNC meeting the resolution wasn't allowed to come to a vote. Now, it will be introduced again. I believe strongly that there should be public debate and a vote on this important measure.

Virtually all Democrats talk about the need for campaign finance reform. Talk is easy. Now it's time to walk the walk. Let's stand up for democracy.

Sincerely,

Bernie Sanders

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