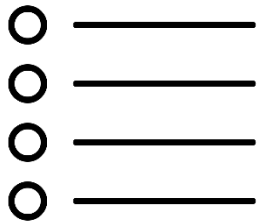


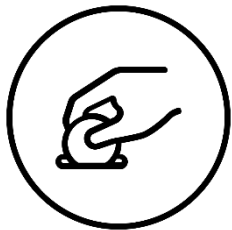
# 127 companies file an amicus brief denouncing President’s Trump’s travel ban

## Details of the brief and other actions tech companies have taken in response



### Main arguments in the amicus brief

- The parties of the brief, presenting themselves as the leading technology companies and other businesses from other sectors, argued that Trump’s executive order, “Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States,” would impose “significant harm on American business, innovation and growth as a result”
- Citing the ban as an obstruction of the recruiting and hiring process and as a disruption of ongoing business operations, the brief gives three arguments why the order is unconstitutional
  1. American innovation and economic growth is tied to immigration
  2. The order harms the competitiveness of US companies
  3. Because it is arbitrary and discriminatory based on nationality, the order is unlawful



### Other actions tech companies have taken against the ban

- Airbnb offered free housing to refugees that were not allowed into the country
- Lyft announced that it would be donating \$1 million to the ACLU over the next four years
- Google created a \$2 million crisis fund that can be matched by employees up to \$4 million, to be used for the ACLU, the Immigrant Legal Resource Center, International Rescue Committee and the UNHCR
- Instacart donated \$100,000 to the ACLU
- Uber, after facing controversy for turning off surge pricing at JFK Airport during a taxi strike, pledged to compensate drivers that were stuck overseas due to the ban and also donated \$3 million for a legal defense fund for drivers affected by it

Sources: State of Washington v. Donald J. Trump; Amicus Curiae, February 5, 2017; Casey Newton, “Silicon Valley’s responses to Trump’s immigration executive orders, from strongest to weakest,” The Verge, January 29, 2017; Noun Project, 2017.

# Major tech industry players sign amicus brief against Trump’s travel ban

## Companies who have signed the *Washington v. Trump* amicus brief

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Adobe Systems Inc.                  | Chobani, LLC          | Handy Technologies, Inc.    | Mozilla Corporation      | Stripe, Inc.                    |
| AdRoll, Inc                         | Citrix Systems, Inc.  | Harmonic Inc.               | Netflix, Inc.            | SurveyMonkey Inc.               |
| Aeris Communications, Inc.          | ClassPass Inc.        | Hipmunk, Inc.               | NETGEAR, Inc.            | TaskRabbit, Inc.                |
| Affirm, Inc.                        | Cloudera, Inc.        | HP Inc.                     | New Relic, Inc.          | Tech:NYC                        |
| Airbnb, Inc.*                       | Cloudflare, Inc.      | IAC/InterActiveCorp.        | NewsCred, Inc.           | <b>Tesla, Inc.</b>              |
| AltSchool, PBC                      | Copia Institute       | Indiegogo, Inc.             | Pandora Media, Inc.      | Thumbtack, Inc.                 |
| Ampush LLC                          | Coursera              | Intel Corporation           | Patreon, Inc.            | TripAdvisor, Inc.               |
| Ancestry.com, LLC                   | DocuSign, Inc.        | JAND, Inc./Warby Parker     | PayPal Holdings, Inc.    | Turn Inc.                       |
| Appboy, Inc.                        | DoorDash, Inc.        | Kargo Global, Inc.          | Pinterest, Inc.          | Twilio Inc.                     |
| Apple Inc.                          | Dropbox, Inc.         | Kickstarter, PBC            | Planet Labs Inc.         | Twitter Inc.                    |
| AppNexus Inc.                       | Dynatrace LLC         | KIND, LLC                   | Quora, Inc.              | <b>Uber Technologies, Inc.*</b> |
| Asana, Inc.                         | eBay Inc.             | Knotel                      | Reddit, Inc.             | Udacity, Inc.                   |
| Atlassian Corp Plc                  | Engine Advocacy       | Levi Strauss & Co.          | RPX Corporation          | Via                             |
| Autodesk, Inc.                      | EquityZen Inc.        | Linden Lab                  | Rocket Fuel Inc.         | Wikimedia Foundation, Inc.      |
| Automattic Inc.                     | Etsy Inc.             | LinkedIn Corporation        | Saastr Inc.              | Workday                         |
| Box, Inc.                           | evernote              | Lithium Technologies, Inc.  | Salesforce.com, Inc.     | Y Combinator Management, LLC    |
| Brightcove Inc.                     | Facebook, Inc.        | Lyft, Inc.*                 | Scopely, Inc.            | Yelp Inc.                       |
| Brit + Co                           | Fastly, Inc.          | Managed by Q Inc.           | Shift Technologies, Inc. | Zendesk, Inc.                   |
| Brocade Communications Systems Inc. | Flipboard, Inc.       | Mapbox, Inc.                | Shutterstock, Inc.       | Zenefits                        |
| Bungie, Inc.                        | Foursquare Labs, Inc. | Maplebear Inc./Instacart*   | Slack Technologies, Inc. | Zynga Inc.                      |
| CareZone Inc.                       | Fuze, Inc.            | Marin Software Incorporated | Snap Inc.                |                                 |
| Casper Sleep Inc.                   | General Assembly      | Medallia, Inc.              | <b>SpaceX</b>            |                                 |
| Castlight Health                    | GitHub                | A Medium Corporation        | Spokeo, Inc.             |                                 |
| Cavium, Inc.                        | Glassdoor, Inc.       | Meetup, Inc.                | Spotify USA Inc.         |                                 |
| Checkr, Inc.                        | Google Inc.*          | Mircosoft Corporation       | Square, Inc.             |                                 |
| Chegg, Inc.                         | GoPro, Inc.           | MobileIron                  | Squarespace, Inc.        |                                 |
|                                     | Gusto                 | Motivate International Inc, | Strava, Inc.             |                                 |

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 \*Company has taken concrete actions against ban besides a statement and signing brief

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