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Attorney General Moody Demands Chase Bank Stop Discriminating Against Customers Based on Religion and Political Affiliation



TALLAHASSEE, Fla.–Attorney General Ashley Moody today is demanding JPMorgan Chase & Co. stop discriminating against religious beliefs or political affiliations. The company publicly promotes inclusion yet arbitrarily denies service to customers with different beliefs.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, “For a company to promote its inclusiveness, then arbitrarily act against those sharing a different point of view, it is blatant hypocrisy. I’m standing up for Floridians’ freedoms and demanding that JPMorgan Chase stop discriminating against certain customers based on religious beliefs.”

In its public-facing statements, Chase professes openness and inclusivity. Attorney General Moody, with 18 other state attorneys general argue that Chase “has not extended its openness and inclusivity to everyone,” and points out the company’s pattern of targeting and denying service to religious and conservative-leaning customers, like the National Committee for Religious Freedom. In a letter sent to Chase, Attorney General Moody and the multistate

coalition of other attorneys general also call for greater transparency in how the bank treats viewpoint diversity.

The attorneys general aren't alone in voicing their concerns. After a report revealed Chase has "unclear or imprecise policies" that allow it to "deny service for arbitrary or politically biased reasons," the bank faced backlash from shareholders and outside groups for refusing to disclose and investigate such policies.

The attorneys general call on Chase to stop its religious and politically biased discrimination.

In addition to Attorney General Moody, the attorneys general of the following states signed the letter: Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, South Carolina, Texas, Utah, Virginia and West Virginia.

To view a copy of the letter, click here.

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