



## Take Action Now: Florida's Role in the Threat to Section 504

Floridians should be aware: our state is part of the *Texas v. Kennedy* lawsuit—an effort that could weaken or dismantle Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

For over 50 years, Section 504 has protected people with disabilities from discrimination in any program receiving federal funding. That includes schools, workplaces, healthcare, and public services across Florida.

This lawsuit challenges the federal government's authority to enforce those protections. If successful, it could limit access to education, employment, and essential services for blind and disabled Floridians—rolling back decades of civil rights progress.

Florida is one of nine states involved. That means our elected leaders have the power to step away from this case.

### What You Can Do (Florida Residents)

Contact Governor Ron DeSantis and Attorney General James Uthmeier and urge them to withdraw Florida from the lawsuit. [Lawmakers contact list](#)

**Email:** james.uthmeier@eog.myflorida.com

### Sample Message:

Hello, my name is [Your Name], and I am a Florida resident. I am urging you to withdraw Florida from the *Texas v. Kennedy* lawsuit.

Section 504 is a critical civil rights protection that ensures people with disabilities have equal access to education, employment, and public services. Weakening it would harm vulnerable Floridians and undermine decades of progress.

Please take immediate action to remove Florida from this case.

Thank you.

### Why This Matters in Florida

From public schools to state universities, from job training programs to healthcare access, Section 504 protections are woven into daily life. Weakening them would not be abstract—it would affect real people, families, and communities across our state.

### Act Now

This is a moment where constituent voices matter. A quick email or call can help signal that Floridians support protecting—not dismantling—disability rights.