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Illinois Judge Removes Trump From Republican Primary Ballot

Cook County Circuit Court Judge [Tracie Porter](#) ordered the [Illinois State Board of Elections to remove](#) former President Donald Trump from the Illinois Republican Primary Ballot.

The ruling comes less than three weeks before the Illinois primary on March 19, and after the Illinois State Board of Elections [voted 8-0 to allow Trump to remain](#) on the ballot. In her ruling, Porter wrote the board's decision was "clearly erroneous." The U.S. Supreme Court is hearing a similar case on Trump's removal from the Colorado ballot.



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Porter stated she was staying her decision until Friday due to the pending Supreme Court decision and Trump appealing the decision in Illinois appellate courts.

After the ruling, Trump campaign [spokesman Steven Cheung stated](#), "Today, an activist Democrat judge in Illinois summarily overruled the state's board of elections and contradicted earlier decisions from dozens of other state and federal jurisdictions. This is an unconstitutional ruling that we will quickly appeal."



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