Supreme Court Rejects Request to Hear Case Seeking to Overturn 2020 Election



The U.S. Supreme Court in Washington, D.C. on Mar. 10, 2020. (Jan Jekielek/The Epoch Times)



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The Supreme Court on Feb. 21 rejected a case that was seeking to overturn the 2020 election.

Justices turned down a request for rehearing by Raland Brunson, a Utah man who brought the case.

Justices did not explain their decision and a vote tally was not made available.

The court periodically releases lists of orders, and the Feb. 21 list included the decision on Brunson v. Alma Adams.

Brunson and his brothers filed the case in Utah in 2021, arguing that members of Congress violated their oath of office by failing to investigate evidence of 2020 election fraud and certifying the electoral votes for President Joe Biden.

That amounted to a rigged election, which achieves the same result as war, the Brunsons argued.

The case was moved to federal court, where the brothers asked the judiciary to remove Biden from office. If carried out, that would mean swearing in former President **Donald Trump** as president, according to court filings.

The Supreme Court turned down the case in January after considering whether to take it during a Jan. 6 conference. The reasoning for initially rejecting the case was also not made public.

Brunson filed a petition for rehearing, or a request for the court to reconsider their initial decision.

In a 10-page petition, Brunson said that the court should take up the case because, in part, no courts have ruled that failure to comply with the Oath of Office results in being penalized. The filing also said that the allegedly rigged election resulted in a national security breach that needs repairing.

"When a case like this one comes forward under a petition for writ of certiorari claiming that there exists a serious national security breach, and that this breach is an act of war, and that it requires an act on an emergency level to repair this breach immediately—to stop this war, and that those perpetrators of this breach are the respondents, doesn't this Court have the power to adjudicate these serious claims and to immediately end the conflict and fix the national security breach?" the petition asked.

Deron Brunson, Raland Brunson's brother, had told The Epoch Times he was confident the petition would work.

Steve Vladeck, the Charles Alan Wright Chair In Federal Courts at the University of Texas at Austin School of Law, had predicted justices would reject the petition.

"To the surprise of exactly no one who understands what they're talking about, the frivolous rehearing petition from SCOTUS's denial of the frivolous cert. petition trying to 'reinstate' President Trump was denied this morning without comment," Vladeck wrote on Twitter.

The Brunson brothers have not yet reacted to the news of a second rejection.

In a statement on Monday, they said: "As we observe Presidents' Day this year, there is much turmoil in our great country. However, we are inspired and hopeful as we await future decisions on our case efforts. As we continue our fight for the good of America, we are reminded of all of the incredible men who have served as President, and are anxiously looking forward to the day greatness returns to the Office of the President."