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Attorney General Steve Marshall Testifies on Capitol Hill in Opposition to Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson's Confirmation for U.S. Supreme Court

(MONTGOMERY) – Alabama Attorney General Steve Marshall testified in opposition to the confirmation of U.S. Supreme Court nominee Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson during a committee hearing Thursday on Capitol Hill in Washington, DC.

Attorney General Marshall, who was invited to give testimony on behalf of America's prosecutors, spoke about the significance of the United States Supreme Court with regard to public safety, law and order, and the criminal-justice system. He expressed particular concern about the left's efforts to downplay violent crime while also claiming that the justice system is "broken" and "biased."

"Upon the President's announcement of Judge Jackson's nomination, one supporter – the executive director of an influential progressive group that supports 'defund[ing] the police' – pronounced:

'We're in a moment where there has been an active movement to reform our broken criminal-justice system. . . . This appointment signals the administration's commitment to pursuing criminal-justice reform at the highest level.'

"Though I strongly disagree with his assessment that our criminal-justice system is 'broken,' I share his observation that this appointment may well be intended by this Administration to initiate a transformation of our criminal-justice system – or, as Judge Jackson has described it, a 'fundamental redesign' of the system. As we know from history, the United States Supreme Court can absolutely transform criminal justice – for better or for worse.

"The Senate must now do its due diligence to ensure that the ideology of the anti-incarceration and anti-police movement – views that the Biden Administration has increasingly embraced – is never permitted to make its way onto the Supreme Court."

"I have heard nothing this week to alleviate my fear that Judge Jackson believes that a 'fundamental redesign' is indeed needed in our criminal-justice system and that she would be inclined to use her position on the Court to this end. For this reason, I respectfully oppose her nomination."

You may read Attorney General Marshall's full statement to the Senate Judiciary Committee [*here*](#).

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