



RECENT TRAVEL BAN

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Some headlines I've seen as of late:

Although such orders are often viewed as carrying more legal weight than other kinds of presidential directives, experts say there is no substantive difference between them. As long as the directives conform to the Constitution and statutes, they carry the force of the law, but can be revoked by a future president with the stroke of a pen. [Continue reading this story.](#)

Of course, given all the grave potential flaws in Trump's executive order, contravening Executive Order 11030 is the least of it. Kenneth Mayer, a professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and an academic expert on executive orders, says, "What's the remedy for a violation? There probably isn't one," although he does believe "This could go into a claim that the government didn't follow its own rules, and that makes it capricious."

Its main significance is just as another sign that the Trump administration has no interest in being minimally competent. According to Matthew Miller, Eric Holder's spokesperson when he

≡ as attorney general, "It wouldn't surprise me if they didn't know [Executive Order 11030] existed." Mayer views the administration's overall approach to executive orders as "shocking" and "just breathtaking, the degree of informality and casualness and disorganization." [Continue reading this story.](#)

Not so much on the Executive Order landscape, but important to women's rights nonetheless:

Courts have struck down D&E bans in every legal challenge so far because judges find that they violate Roe v. Wade, the 1973 Supreme Court case that legalized abortion. It's not permissible under Roe to ban abortion before a fetus is viable, and most second-trimester abortions don't involve a viable fetus. [Continue reading this story.](#)

As I sit back and read more into what constitutes as news, is more shock and awe from our new president elect. I *am* giving him a chance (as all good citizens should) at the presidency. However, in light of these travel bans, I find myself just as confused, and I'm not even a person in question.

I am an American citizen and I remember grade school history. I remember what we were taught about our founding fathers, and what the spirit of the Constitution meant to us. It is the law of the land and to not be interpreted as anything else.

*"We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, **establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our***

≡ *usterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.” – Preamble to the United States Constitution*

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I love the part about promoting the general welfare. I am wondering if the Trump administration does as well.

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