

# Praying for the next Justice Judge Brett Kavanaugh



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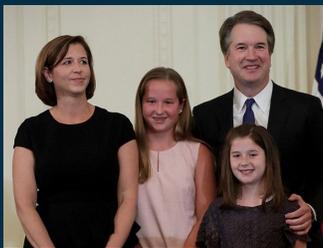
### Judge Brett Kavanaugh

**Born**  
February 12, 1965  
Washington, DC

**Education**  
Yale College  
Yale Law School

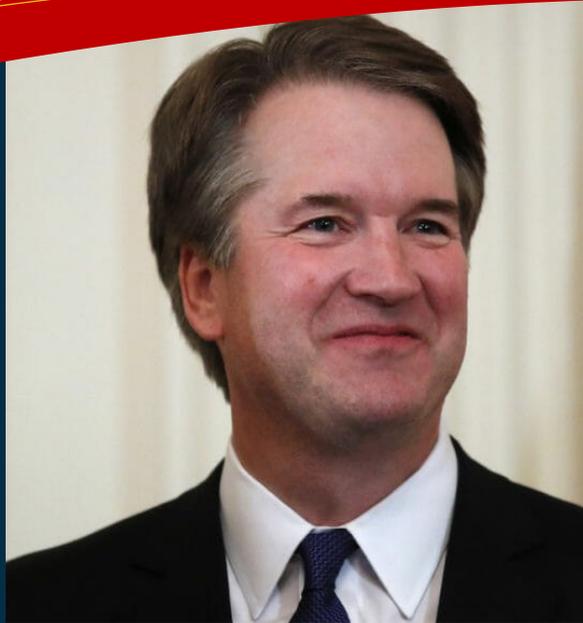
**Current Position**  
United States Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit (appointed 2006)

**Family**  
Wife Ashley Estes Kavanaugh, daughters Margaret and Elizabeth



*The judge's job is to interpret the law, not to make the law or make policy.*

—Judge Brett Kavanaugh



An Intercissors for America Prayer Guide for the nominee for the Supreme Court, Judge Brett Kavanaugh and those involved in the confirmation hearing process. Read Psalm 37:30-34 as you begin.

## The nominee

**Judge Brett Kavanaugh** is currently a judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, appointed by President George W. Bush in 2006. Judge Kavanaugh also teaches at Yale, Harvard, and Georgetown law schools. Prior to becoming an appellate judge, Kavanaugh served as White House Counsel and then staff secretary for President Bush. Before working in the Bush White House, he was in private law practice in Washington, DC. One of his notable positions over the years was as Associate Counsel to Special Counsel Ken Starr, who investigated President Bill Clinton. Kavanaugh clerked for Justice Anthony Kennedy at the same time as Justice Neil Gorsuch. Judge Kavanaugh believes in [“a neutral, impartial judiciary that decides cases based on settled principles without regard to policy preferences or political allegiances . . .”](#)

*The essential principle is crystal clear: When the Government forces someone to take an action contrary to his or her sincere religious belief ... or else suffer a financial penalty ..., the Government has substantially burdened the individual's exercise of religion. So it is in this case.*

—Judge Brett Kavanaugh in his dissent in [Priests for Life v. HHS, 2015](#)

*I would follow Roe v. Wade faithfully and fully ... It's been reaffirmed many times.*

—Judge Brett Kavanaugh during his [2006 confirmation hearing for the D.C. circuit court](#)

*...the court was wrong to conclude she had the right to 'an immediate abortion on demand.' ...*

—Judge Brett Kavanaugh in his dissent in [Garza v. Hargan](#).



**Pray for honesty and integrity in the confirmation process and media coverage of it.**  
***Pray Proverbs 16:23.***

**NARAL**  
 President Ilyse Hogue



**Demand Justice**  
 President Brian Fallon



**Planned Parenthood**  
 Exec. Vice President Dawn Laguens



**Judicial Crisis Network**  
 Chief Counsel Carrie Severino



## Outside influences on the nomination. *(left sidebar)*

There are many organizations and special interest groups involved in lobbying for or against Supreme Court nominees, especially when there is potential to affect the voting blocs on the Court. Even before the announcement of Judge Kavanaugh, ads had been developed and airtime paid for, perhaps to create fear and drama surrounding his nomination and how it will affect America. All advertising and lobbying efforts are intended to sway the senators who will be voting on the nomination. As you pray, ask God to thwart smears and lies, and spread truth. Pray that unfounded attacks on Judge Kavanaugh would be unsuccessful. **Pray specifically for these groups with advertising campaigns on the nomination—highlighted on the left sidebar, three of whom are committed to blocking President Trump’s judicial nominees (in blue), and one featured who is supporting his nominations (in red). Additionally, pray about the other left-ist groups vigorously protesting the nomination, spending big money on ads and influence campaigns, such as Emily’s List, Alliance for Justice, and the ACLU.** There have already been violent protests outside the Supreme Court—pray for calm and civility in this process. Pray that the media would be truthful in their coverage, and that any agenda contrary to the will of God would be nullified.

## The Confirmation Process

1. **Presidential Nomination:** With input from many groups, sources who have pre-vetted candidates, and reviewed profiles, the [President makes his selection](#).
2. **Preparation for Senate Judiciary Committee Hearing:** At the point of nomination, the judge has already completed hundreds of pages of inquiries about past clients, childhood associates, family, social relationships, income, and more. The FBI concurrently runs a background check. While these documents are reviewed by Senate Judiciary Committee members, the nominee prepares for the hearing, which takes place approximately 30 days from point of nomination. Preparation includes anticipating and practicing potential questions and concerns,
3. **The Hearing:** This is where the public begins to see the process. Televised, and often theatrical, members of the Judiciary Committee who are questioning the nominee try to expose weaknesses or strengths, depending on the political party of the questioner. The sound bites for the evening news come from the hearing. A committee vote determines if the candidate will be voted on by the full Senate for confirmation.
4. **Senate Vote:** The nomination appears before the full Senate, and debate occurs until a vote is called for by a simple majority of Senators. Because of the nuclear option enacted by the past Senate Majority Leader, now only 51 votes are needed to end debate and confirm the candidate.

**Pray for the decisionmakers in the confirmation process of federal judges. Pray Matthew 6:9-10.**



## Pray for the Senate Judiciary Committee

Please pray for these members of the [Senate Judiciary Committee](#), who will conduct the confirmation hearing of Judge Brett Kavanaugh in advance of a vote by the full Senate. Pray that these members would treat Judge Kavanaugh fairly and use only criteria pertaining to his record and rulings for evaluation of his confirmation.



**Chairman**  
Senator Chuck Grassley (R - IA)



**Ranking Member**  
Senator Dianne Feinstein (D - CA)

### Other Members—Majority

Senator Orrin G. Hatch (R - UT)  
Senator Lindsey Graham (R - SC)  
Senator John Cornyn (R - TX)  
Senator Michael S. Lee (R - UT)  
Senator Ted Cruz (R - TX)  
Senator Ben Sasse (R - NE)  
Senator Jeff Flake (R - AZ)  
Senator Mike Crapo (R - ID)  
Senator Thom Tillis (R - NC)  
Senator John Kennedy (R - LA)

### Other Members—Minority

Senator Patrick Leahy (D - VT)  
Senator Dick Durbin (D - IL)  
Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (D - RI)  
Senator Amy Klobuchar (D - MN)  
Senator Christopher A. Coons (D - DE)  
Senator Richard Blumenthal (D - CT)  
Senator Mazie Hirono (D - HI)  
Senator Cory Booker (D - NJ)  
Senator Kamala Harris (D-CA)

## Pray for these potential swing voters in the Senate

Pray for those who voted across party lines to confirm Justice Neil Gorsuch, **Joe Donnelly (D-IN)**, **Heidi Heitkamp (D-ND)**, and **Joe Manchin (D-WV)** pictured right. Pray they would vote according to qualifications and not party. Also pray for **Senator Doug Jones (D-AL)** who has announced that he is open to voting for President Trump's nominee and **Senator Rand Paul (R-KY)** who says he may not. Pray that Judiciary Committee members above would not bow to special interest group pressure but would vote according to the qualifications of Judge Kavanaugh. Pray for fairness from all senators who may vote on this nomination, that they would set midterm elections politics aside and vote on qualifications alone.

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## Potential Senate Swing Voters

Pray for the democratic senators below who may support Judge Kavanaugh, as they supported Justice Gorsuch. Pray that they would not be influenced by partisan pressures.



**Joe Donnelly (D-IN)**



**Heidi Heitkamp (D-ND)**



**Joe Manchin (D-WV)**



# Pray God's Word for the nominee, the Supreme Court, and the entire nomination and confirmation process.

## Hebrews 4:10

*Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.*

## Psalms 11:7

*For the Lord is righteous, he loves justice; the upright will see his face.*

## 2 Corinthians 3:17

*Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.*

## Luke 8:17

*For there is nothing hidden that will not be disclosed, and nothing concealed that will not be known or brought out into the open.*

## Scriptural Prayer Points for the Supreme Court nomination

**May God's choice for Supreme Court Justice prevail.**

*Evildoers do not understand what is right, but those who seek the Lord understand it fully.*

—[Proverbs 28:5](#)

**May the new justice understand and accept our Creator's laws, known as natural law, including the value for life.**

*All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations will bow down before him, for dominion belongs to the Lord and he rules over the nations.*

—[Psalm 22:27-28 \(NASB\)](#)

**May the next justice be a constitutionalist and originalist, and not treat the Constitution as a living, breathing document.**

*Do not move an ancient boundary stone set up by your ancestors.*

—[Proverbs 22:28](#)

**May a majority of the Supreme Court firmly believe that the Constitution derives its authority from the Declaration of Independence, and the Declaration of Independence derives its authority from the Laws of Nature and Nature's God.**

*For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.*

—[1 Corinthians 1:25](#)

**May God draw Judge Kavanaugh, his wife Ashley, and daughters Margaret and Liza, closer to Him throughout this process and protect them from attacks of the Enemy.**

*In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.*

—[Ephesians 6:16](#)

**May righteousness exalt our nation once again!**

*Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin condemns any people.*

—[Proverbs 14:34](#)

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Dear Praying Friends,

Intercessors for America seeks God's will for the nation through prayer and fasting. We pray for God's choice to fill the vacancy on the Supreme Court of the United States. Based on Ephesians 2:10, we believe that before time existed, God determined who He wanted to serve our nation at this time in this way. We believe this person has been prepared in the natural and anointed in the supernatural to see God's "kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven." Through the Church, the manifold wisdom of God is made known to the rulers and authorities at work today. (Ephesians 3:10). This is the role of intercessors. This is why and how we pray for the nation.

Many organizations and Christian leaders that I respect have endorsed Judge Kavanaugh for very sound reasons: He is a textualist and originalist; he is strong on the Second Amendment, administrative law, and religious liberty; he is an intellectual leader as a jurist. A few Christian leaders that I respect have expressed concern for his appointment: he is part of the establishment; he may be unwilling to reverse *Roe v. Wade*; prophecies have indicated that he may have a spirit of Absalom, a spirit that would usurp the ways of God. We desire to hear from the Lord in this manner, as we always do. As we listen to the Spirit in our own hearts and consider prophetic words, we need to test and verify every "word" we receive.

**Bottom line: We NEED to pray! Here are some immediate prayer needs:**

1. Declare God's sovereignty over this process, that He is more powerful than any committee, any hearing, any conglomerated media effort, etc.
2. Pray for the revealing of Judge Kavanaugh's views about critical issues. We need to pray that Judge Kavanaugh's past decisions would be clearly understood in order to anticipate accurately how future decisions could be made. In particular, God's heart is for the protection of the unborn, so we must pray that the new Supreme Court Justice will be a person open to the reversal of *Roe v. Wade*.
3. Protection for Judge Kavanaugh and his family from ungodly outside influences and spiritual forces. May the Spirit of God guide, direct, and protect this man, his wife, and two daughters.
4. Protection of senators from outside influences. Targeted millions of dollars will be spent in the next few months in attempts to sway specific senators in this process by getting constituents to pressure their senators. In addition to this public pressure, there will be personal pressure on these same senators.
5. We must pray that our senators have a strong sense of the fear of God instead of the fear of man.
6. Pray that the anti-life/anti-God mainstream and social media would be stifled.

I am so grateful that we are joining together in praying strategically and effectively for our nation. As the confirmation process continues, continue to pray these prayer points, seeking God's will for the Supreme Court and the nation.

Prayerfully,

David Kubal

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