

# **16 Corporations That Demanded Passage Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act Have Given Over \$536K To Mitch McConnell, Who Has Been A Central Voting Rights Opponent In 2021—And 7 Have Ties To “Fierce” Voting Rights Reform Opponent The U.S. Chamber**

**July 14, 2021: Over 150 Companies Signed A Letter Calling On Congress To Pass The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act, Noting “Deep Inequities” In Elections.**

**July 14, 2021: Over 150 Companies, Including Major Corporations, Signed A Letter Noting “Deep Inequities” In Election Systems And Calling On Congress To Pass The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act, Which Would Restore A “Key” Part Of The 1965 Voting Rights Act.**

**July 14, 2021: Over 150 Companies, Including Major Corporations Like Amazon And Target, Signed A Letter in Support Of Updating The Voting Rights Act.** “More than 150 companies, including PepsiCo, Amazon and Target, threw their support behind updating the Voting Rights Act in a letter released Wednesday.” [NBC News, [07/14/21](#)]

**The Companies Called On Congress To Pass The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act, Which Would Restore A “Key Provision” Of The 1965 Voting Rights Act That Was Rejected By The Supreme Court In 2013.** “The signatories, all U.S. employers, urged Congress to enact the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act, legislation that would restore a key provision of the 1965 law that was stripped out by the Supreme Court in 2013. The bill would again require jurisdictions with a history of discrimination to get permission from the Department of Justice to make changes to their elections, using an updated formula to determine those jurisdictions.” [NBC News, [07/14/21](#)]

**Although The Companies’ Letter Did Not Address Republican Voter Suppression Efforts, It Noted “Deep Inequities” In “How Our Elections Are Run.”** “The letter made no mention of Republican efforts to tighten voting rules across the country after former President Donald Trump's election loss, focusing instead on ‘deep inequities’ exposed by the 2020 contest in ‘how our elections are run.’” [NBC News, [07/14/21](#)]

**The John Lewis Voting Rights Act Has Drawn Comparisons To The For The People Act, A “More Sweeping” Voting Rights Measure That Passed The House.** “The legislation was named in honor of Rep. John Lewis, the longtime Democratic congressman from Georgia and leader of the civil rights movement who died last year. It was passed by the House last Congress, but that bill and the For the People Act, a more sweeping Democratic-led voting measure, face long odds in the Senate.” [NBC News, [07/14/21](#)]

**At Least Sixteen Of These Companies Have Given A Total Of \$536,750 To Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY), Who Has Been A Key Opponent Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act And Other Voting Rights Efforts In 2021.**

### **In June 2021, Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) Gave The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act A “Bleak Future” As He Opposed The Bill As “Unnecessary” ...**

**June 2021: The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act Faced A “Bleak Future” After Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) Opposed The Bill, Calling It “Unnecessary.”** “Like For the People Act, the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act has very little chance of passing in the Senate. It is highly unlikely that nine other Republicans will join all Democrats in supporting the bill. Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell came out Tuesday in opposition to the bill, indicating that it is incredibly unlikely that the bill will garner sufficient Republican support. ‘There’s no threat to the voting rights law,’ McConnell told reporters, arguing that the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act would give the Justice Department too much power over states. ‘I think it’s unnecessary.’” [CBS News, [06/11/21](#)]

- **HEADLINE: John Lewis voting rights bill faces bleak future in the Senate after McConnell deems it “unnecessary”** [CBS News, [06/11/21](#)]

### **...McConnell Also Vowed To “Put An End” To The More Expansive For The People Act Before Senate Republicans Blocked The Bill In June 2021...**

**June 2021: Before Senate Republicans Blocked Expansive Voting Rights Bill The *For The People Act*, McConnell Vowed To “Put An End” To The Legislation.** “Democrats’ massive election overhaul bill aimed at protecting and expanding voting rights and reforming campaign finance laws has stalled in the Senate. Tuesday evening’s procedural vote to bring up the legislation, called the For the People Act, needed 60 votes to open floor debate but received 50. In the evenly divided chamber, all Senate Democrats backed it, but all Senate Republicans voted no.” [NPR, [06/22/21](#)]

- **McConnell Vowed To “Put An End” To The *For The People Act* Ahead Of A Key Procedural Vote, Dismissing The Bill As “A Solution In Search Of A Problem.”** “Ahead of the vote, Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., had vowed to ‘put an end’ to the legislation. ‘Look, what this is really about is an effort for the federal government to take over the way we conduct elections in this country,’ he told reporters Tuesday afternoon, pushing back on the claims that GOP-led states are enacting new laws that suppress access to the ballot. ‘It is a solution in search of a problem.’” [NPR, [06/22/21](#)]

### **...And By Early April 2021, McConnell Repeatedly Told Corporations To Not Take A Stand On Georgia’s Voter Suppression Law, Telling Them To “Stay Out Of Politics,” It Was “Stupid” For Them To Weigh In, And Warned Of “Serious Consequences”—But He Said, “I’m Not Talking About Political Contributions.”**

**April 2021: McConnell Told Corporations To “Stay Out Of Politics” And “Don’t Pick Sides In These Big Fights” As They Spoke Out Against Georgia’s Voter Suppression Law.** “U.S. Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell lashed out at corporate America on Monday, warning CEOs to stay out of the debate over a new voting law in Georgia that has been criticized as restricting votes among minorities and the poor. In a sign of a growing rift in the decades-old alliance between the conservative party and U.S. corporations,

McConnell said: ‘My advice to the corporate CEOs of America is to stay out of politics. Don’t pick sides in these big fights.’ [Reuters, [04/05/21](#)]

- **McConnell Warned, “Corporations Will Invite Serious Consequences.”** “McConnell warned companies there could be risks for turning on the party, but he did not elaborate. ‘Corporations will invite serious consequences if they become a vehicle for far-left mobs to hijack our country from outside the constitutional order,’ McConnell told a news conference in his home state of Kentucky.” [Reuters, [04/05/21](#)]
- **McConnell Warned It Was “Stupid” For Corporations To Weigh In.** “Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., said Tuesday that it is ‘stupid’ for corporations to take stances on divisive political issues but noted that his criticism did not include their political donations.” [NBC News, [04/06/21](#)]
- **However, McConnell Said, “I’m Not Talking About Political Contributions.”** “‘I’m not talking about political contributions,’ he said of his criticism of corporate leaders speaking out against the Republican legislation. ‘Most of them contribute to both sides, they have political action committees, that’s fine. It’s legal, it’s appropriate, I support that. I’m talking about taking a position on a highly incendiary issue like this and punishing a community or a state, because you don’t like a particular law that passed, I just think it’s stupid.’” [NBC News, [04/06/21](#)]
- **McConnell Had Spoken Out Against Corporate Opposition To Georgia’s Voter Suppression Law Three Times, As Of April 6, 2021.** “McConnell’s comments were the third time he’s addressed the corporate backlash over Georgia’s recently passed voting law, which came about in the aftermath of former President Donald Trump’s campaign of falsehoods about the election result in the state last fall.” [NBC News, [04/06/21](#)]

**Amazon, Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$30,000 To Sen. Mitch McConnell’s Campaign Committees.**

**Amazon Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Amazon PAC Has Given \$30,000 To Mitch McConnell’s Campaign Committee And One Of His Leadership PACs Since 2004:**

Date	Recipient	Amount
06/27/19	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
05/18/18	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
06/30/17	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
09/11/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
09/11/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$4,000</a>
11/12/12	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
09/30/10	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$3,000</a>
03/31/09	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
10/15/08	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
02/04/08	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>

02/04/08	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
08/10/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
09/27/06	McConnell Senate Committee '08	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
08/05/05	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
05/12/04	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
<b>Total:</b>		<b><a href="#">\$30,000</a></b>

- **Bluegrass Committee Is One Of McConnell’s Sponsored Leadership PACs.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]

**Best Buy, Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$18,500 To McConnell.**

**Best Buy Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Best Buy Co. Inc, Employee Political Forum Has Given \$18,500 To Mitch McConnell Since 2007:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Amount</b>
08/24/20	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
12/06/19	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
03/31/19	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
05/15/18	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
06/30/17	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
06/29/17	McConnell For Majority Leader Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
04/23/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
06/30/11	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
03/17/08	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
05/03/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
<b>Total:</b>		<b><a href="#">\$18,500</a></b>

- **McConnell Senate Committee Is Affiliated With The McConnell For Majority Leader Committee.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]

**Best Buy Co., Inc. Employee Political Forum’s Address Is The Same As That Of Best Buy Co. Inc.’s Principal Executive Offices:**

- **Best Buy Co., Inc. Employee Political Forum’s Address Is 7601 Penn Avenue South Richfield, MN 55423.** [Federal Election Commission, [08/06/21](#)]
- **Best Buy Co., Inc.’s Principal Executive Offices Are Located At 7601 Penn Avenue South, Richfield Minnesota.** [Best Buy Form 10-K, [03/19/21](#)]

## **Cisco, Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$53,000 To McConnell.**

Cisco Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act. [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Cisco Systems Inc. Federal PAC Have Given \$53,000 To McConnell Since 2004:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Amount</b>
03/31/20	McConnell For Majority Leader Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
03/31/20	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
03/29/19	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
03/31/18	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
02/23/18	McConnell For Majority Leader Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
10/02/14	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$4,000</a>
06/30/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
06/30/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$4,000</a>
07/17/12	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
04/27/12	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
03/11/11	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
02/22/10	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
02/13/09	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
03/31/08	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
09/28/07	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$3,500</a>
09/28/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,500</a>
03/30/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$3,000</a>
09/13/06	McConnell Senate Committee '08	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
09/13/06	McConnell Senate Committee '08	<a href="#">\$500</a>
07/12/06	McConnell Senate Committee '08	<a href="#">\$3,000</a>
07/18/05	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
06/17/04	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
<b>Total:</b>		<b><a href="#">\$53,000</a></b>

- **Bluegrass Committee Is One Of McConnell's Sponsored Leadership PACs.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]
- **McConnell Senate Committee Is Affiliated With The McConnell For Majority Leader Committee.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]

## **Facebook, Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$40,000 To McConnell.**

**Facebook Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Facebook Has Given \$40,000 To McConnell Since 2012:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Amount</b>
12/21/20	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
09/25/19	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$1,500</a>
03/31/19	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
05/30/18	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$4,000</a>
03/29/18	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
12/31/17	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
03/31/16	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
12/31/15	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
07/18/14	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
12/31/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
04/18/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">-\$2,500</a>
04/18/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
04/18/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
03/31/12	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
03/29/12	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
<b>Total:</b>		<a href="#">\$40,000</a>

- **Bluegrass Committee Is One Of McConnell's Sponsored Leadership PACs.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]

**Google, Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$79,000 To McConnell.**

**Google Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Google LLC NetPAC And Google Inc. NetPAC Have Given \$79,000 To McConnell Since 2006:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Amount</b>
03/11/21	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
09/30/20	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
12/31/19	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$1,500</a>
10/28/19	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$3,500</a>
10/28/19	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$1,500</a>
03/31/19	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>

03/31/19	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
04/30/18	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
04/30/18	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
09/30/17	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
05/09/17	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
05/12/16	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
12/31/15	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
06/27/14	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
03/21/13	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
11/12/12	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
08/24/11	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
09/30/10	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$3,000</a>
01/21/10	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
10/06/08	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
08/23/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
03/07/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
11/08/06	McConnell Senate Committee '08	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
<b>Total:</b>		<b><a href="#">\$79,000</a></b>

- **Bluegrass Committee Is One Of McConnell's Sponsored Leadership PACs.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]

## **Hewlett Packard, Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$47,000 To McConnell.**

**HP Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Hewlett Packard Enterprise Company PAC And Hewlett-Packard Company PAC Have Given \$47,000 To McConnell Since 2006:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Amount</b>
06/14/16	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
12/22/15	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
09/25/14	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
09/25/14	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
09/30/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
11/12/12	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
11/09/11	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
10/13/10	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>

04/15/09	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
05/21/08	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
09/26/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$3,000</a>
09/26/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
07/12/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
07/12/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
03/28/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$3,000</a>
05/26/06	McConnell Senate Committee '08	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
<b>Total:</b>		<b><a href="#">\$47,000</a></b>

- **Bluegrass Committee Is One Of McConnell's Sponsored Leadership PACs.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]

### **Intel, Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$39,500 To McConnell.**

**Intel Corporation Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.**  
[Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Intel Corporation Employee Government Action Fund And Intel Corporation Political Action Committee Has Given \$39,500 To McConnell Since 2005:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Amount</b>
10/14/20	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
03/13/19	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
06/30/17	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
06/29/17	McConnell For Majority Leader Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
05/18/16	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
05/18/16	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$4,000</a>
03/03/15	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
11/04/14	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
03/12/14	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
06/26/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
03/31/12	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
03/10/09	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
03/10/09	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
03/17/08	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$500</a>
10/10/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
05/25/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
03/20/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>



11/30/05	McConnell Senate Committee '08	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
<b>Total:</b>		<b><a href="#">\$39,500</a></b>

- **Bluegrass Committee Is One Of McConnell's Sponsored Leadership PACs.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]

### **Macy's, Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$6,000 To McConnell.**

**Macy's Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Macy's Inc. Retail Issues Fund Has Given \$6,000 To McConnell Since 2008:**

Date	Recipient	Amount
04/30/14	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
09/04/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
10/06/08	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
07/17/08	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
<b>Total</b>		<b><a href="#">\$6,000</a></b>

### **Microsoft, Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$126,000 To McConnell.**

**Microsoft Corporation Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Microsoft Corporation Political Action Committee Gave \$126,000 To McConnell Since 1999:**

Date	Recipient	Amount
06/30/99	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
10/12/99	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
09/29/00	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
05/18/00	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
12/31/01	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
06/29/01	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
06/24/02	McConnell Senate Committee '02	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
09/04/02	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
06/01/04	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
07/11/03	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
06/15/06	McConnell Senate Committee '08	<a href="#">\$1,500</a>
08/14/06	McConnell Senate Committee '08	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
06/30/05	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$3,000</a>

09/05/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
05/29/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
09/05/07	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
07/19/10	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
03/31/10	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
10/21/10	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$4,000</a>
10/03/12	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$4,000</a>
07/17/12	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
04/23/12	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
12/31/11	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$4,000</a>
04/28/11	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
06/26/13	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$3,000</a>
06/26/13	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
03/27/14	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
12/31/15	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
03/31/16	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
12/31/18	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
04/30/18	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
03/31/17	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
03/31/19	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
03/31/19	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
12/31/19	McConnell For Majority Leader Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
06/23/20	McConnell For Majority Leader Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
09/17/20	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
<b>Total:</b>		<b><a href="#">\$126,000</a></b>

- **Bluegrass Committee Is One Of McConnell's Sponsored Leadership PACs.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]

**Mondelez International, Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$14,000 To McConnell.**

**Mondelez International Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Mondelez International, Inc. PAC Has Given \$14,000 To McConnell Since 2014:**

Date	Recipient	Amount
09/30/20	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>

09/24/20	McConnell For Majority Leader Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
12/06/19	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
12/31/15	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
12/31/15	McConnell For Majority Leader Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
11/04/14	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
12/11/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
<b>Total:</b>		<b><a href="#">\$14,000</a></b>

- **Bluegrass Committee Is One Of McConnell's Sponsored Leadership PACs.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]
- **McConnell Senate Committee Is Affiliated With The McConnell For Majority Leader Committee.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]

### **Nestlé USA, Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$3,000 To McConnell.**

**Nestlé USA Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Nestlé USA Inc. PAC Has Given \$3,000 To McConnell Since 2003:**

Date	Recipient	Amount
07/11/03	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
09/27/06	McConnell Senate Committee '08	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
02/25/08	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
<b>Total:</b>		<b><a href="#">\$3,000</a></b>

- **Bluegrass Committee Is One Of McConnell's Sponsored Leadership PACs.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]

### **PayPal, Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$3,500 To McConnell**

**Paypal Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Paypal PAC Has Given \$3,500 To McConnell Since 2017:**

Date	Recipient	Amount
12/19/17	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$1,500</a>
09/30/17	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
09/08/17	McConnell For Majority Leader Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
<b>Total</b>		<b><a href="#">\$3,500</a></b>

- **Bluegrass Committee Is One Of McConnell's Sponsored Leadership PACs.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]

**PepsiCo, Inc., Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$39,750 To McConnell.**

**PepsiCo, Inc. Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.**  
[Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**PepsiCo, Inc. Concerned Citizens Fund Has Given \$39,750 To McConnell Since 1990:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Amount</b>
09/30/20	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500.00</a>
11/07/18	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500.00</a>
12/14/17	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500.00</a>
06/01/17	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500.00</a>
12/01/15	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500.00</a>
10/07/14	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$500.00</a>
06/30/14	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,500.00</a>
03/28/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,000.00</a>
03/28/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">-\$2,000.00</a>
03/27/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,500.00</a>
11/12/12	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000.00</a>
06/07/12	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000.00</a>
07/19/10	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,500.00</a>
03/31/09	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000.00</a>
09/30/08	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,500.00</a>
11/30/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,500.00</a>
04/11/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$3,000.00</a>
04/11/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,000.00</a>
10/12/06	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000.00</a>
03/31/06	McConnell Senate Committee '08	<a href="#">\$1,000.00</a>
08/31/05	McConnell Senate Committee '08	<a href="#">\$1,000.00</a>
07/12/93	McConnell Senate Committee '96	<a href="#">\$250.00</a>
06/27/90	McConnell Senate Committee '96	<a href="#">\$1,000.00</a>
<b>Total</b>		<b><a href="#">\$39,750.00</a></b>

- **Bluegrass Committee Is One Of McConnell's Sponsored Leadership PACs.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]

## **Salesforce, Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$3,500 To McConnell.**

**Salesforce Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Salesforce.Com Inc. Political Action Committee Has Given \$3,500 To McConnell Since 2014:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Amount</b>
12/31/16	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
09/30/14	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
<b>Total:</b>		<b><a href="#">\$3,500</a></b>

## **Target Corporation, Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$30,000 To McConnell.**

**Target Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Target Corporation Citizens Political Forum Has Given \$30,000 To McConnell Since 2007:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Amount</b>
06/23/20	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
06/23/20	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
12/31/19	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
10/28/19	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
10/28/14	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
04/30/14	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$500</a>
04/30/14	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$500</a>
11/06/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
05/09/13	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
11/12/12	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,500</a>
07/20/10	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
05/14/09	Bluegrass Committee	<a href="#">\$2,000</a>
05/14/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$5,000</a>
<b>Total:</b>		<b><a href="#">\$30,000</a></b>

- **Bluegrass Committee Is One Of McConnell's Sponsored Leadership PACs.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]

**Target Corporation Citizens Political Forum Is Registered At The Same Address As Target's Principal Executive Offices:**

- **Target Corporation Citizens Political Forum's Address Is 1000 Nicollet Mall TPN-8370 Minneapolis, Mn 55403.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]

- **Target Corporation’s Principal Executive Offices Are At 1000 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, Minnesota** [Target Corporation Form 10-K, [03/10/21](#)]

**Universal Music Group, Which Signed The Letter, Has Given \$4,000 To McConnell.**

**Universal Music Group Signed The Letter In Support Of The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Universal Music Group Political Action Committee Has Given \$4,000 To McConnell Since 2007:**

Date	Recipient	Amount
09/25/18	McConnell Senate Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
08/23/18	McConnell For Majority Leader Committee	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
09/11/08	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
09/28/07	McConnell Senate Committee '14	<a href="#">\$1,000</a>
<b>Total:</b>		<b><a href="#">\$4,000</a></b>

- **McConnell Senate Committee Is Affiliated With The McConnell For Majority Leader Committee.** [Federal Election Commission, accessed [08/05/21](#)]

**Seven Major Signatories—Target, Microsoft, Salesforce, Amazon, Facebook, Google, And Cisco—Have Disclosed Ties With The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce, Which Has Shown “Fierce” Opposition To “Sweeping” Voting Rights Bill The For The People Act Of 2021.**

**Target, Which Disclosed An Affiliation With The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce In 2020, Signed The Letter.**

**Target Signed The Letter.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Target Disclosed That It Supported The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce In 2020.** [Target, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Microsoft, Which Disclosed Membership With The U.S. Chamber In FY 2020, Signed The Letter.**

**Microsoft Corporation Signed The Letter.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

**Microsoft Disclosed That It Was A Member Of The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce In Fiscal Year 2020, Paying The Organization \$220,500.** [Microsoft, [accessed 08/03/21 \(PDF\)](#)]

**Salesforce, Which Disclosed An Affiliation With The U.S. Chamber In 2020, Signed The Letter.**

**Salesforce Signed The Letter.** [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

Salesforce Disclosed An Affiliation With The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce In 2020 In Its U.S. Political Engagement Report. [Salesforce, [April 2021](#)]

### **Amazon, Which Was A U.S. Chamber Member According To A 2020 SEC Filing, Signed The Letter.**

Amazon Signed The Letter. [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

Amazon Was A Member Of The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce, According To A 2020 Shareholder Proposal In One Of The Company's SEC Filings. "Amazon cofounded *The Climate Pledge*, announcing a commitment to meet the Paris Agreement 10 years early, yet is a member of the *U.S. Chamber of Commerce*, which has spent over \$1.5 billion lobbying since 1998, working actively to undermine the Paris climate accord. Such contradictions between Amazon's policy and its lobbying efforts can create reputational damage, negatively impact our ability to attract and retain talent, and harm long-term value." [Amazon.com Inc. Schedule 14A, [03/27/20](#)]

### **Facebook, Which Lists Itself As A U.S. Chamber Member, Signed The Letter.**

Facebook Signed The Letter. [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

Facebook Listed The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce Among Its "Associations, Coalitions, And Membership Organizations," As Of August 3, 2021. [Facebook, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

### **Google, Which Currently Discloses Its Membership With The U.S. Chamber, Signed The Letter.**

Google Signed The Letter. [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

Google Listed The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce Among Its "Trade Associations And Membership Organizations," As Of August 3, 2021. [Google, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

- This Document Was Listed On Google's "Transparency" Page, As Of August 3, 2021. "Membership Organizations and Third-Party Organizations" [Google, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

### **Cisco, Which Was A U.S. Chamber Member According To A 2017 SEC Filing, Signed The Letter.**

Cisco Signed The Letter. [Business for Voting Rights, accessed [08/03/21](#)]

Cisco Was A Member Of The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce, According To A 2017 Shareholder Proposal In One Of The Company's SEC Filings. "Cisco lists its membership in the Chamber of Commerce, which has spent over \$1.3 billion on lobbying since 1998. But Cisco fails to comprehensively disclose all of its major trade association memberships, such as its membership in the Business Roundtable, which spent \$34.95 million on lobbying in 2015 and 2016. Nor does Cisco disclose its payments to trade associations or the amounts used for lobbying." [Cisco Systems, Inc. Schedule 14A, [10/25/17](#)]

## **The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce, The “World’s Largest Business Organization,” Expressed “Fierce” Opposition To The For The People Act Of 2021, A “Sweeping” Anti-Voting Suppression Bill That The Group Claimed Would Silence Corporations And Trade Associations.**

**April 2021: The U.S. Chamber of Commerce Expressed “Fierce Opposition” To The For The People Act, An Anti-Voting Suppression Bill Passed In The U.S. House Of Representatives That The Chamber Called “Extremely Problematic.”** “At issue is the Chamber of Commerce's fierce opposition to the Democrats' sweeping voting bill known as the For the People Act, which advocates say would counter efforts by Georgia and other states to impose new voting restrictions. The Chamber of Commerce has slammed the legislation, which last month was approved by the US House of Representatives, as 'extremely problematic' in part because of new curbs on political advocacy by companies and associations.” [CNN, [04/21/21](#)]

- **H.R. 1, The For The People Act of 2021, Was Introduced By Rep. John Sarbanes (D-MD) In The 117th Congress On January 4, 2021 And Passed The House On March 3, 2021 By A Vote Of 220-210.** [Congress.gov, [01/04/21](#)]

**The U.S. Chamber Issued A Key Vote Alert Against The For The People Act’s Senate Companion, S.1.** [U.S. Chamber of Commerce, [04/13/21](#)]

**The U.S. Chamber Claimed H.R. 1 Would “Silence” Those Who “Participate In The Political Process Through The Collective Action Of An Association Or Corporation.”** “The U.S. Chamber of Commerce said it wants more people brought into the political process but that the bill would have “precisely the opposite effect – pushing certain voices, representing large segments of the electorate and U.S. economy, out of the political process altogether.’ The Chamber, in a letter to senators, said the legislation would ‘regulate and ultimately silence Americans who choose to petition their government or participate in the political process through the collective action of an association or corporation.’” [Reuters, [04/13/21](#)]

**The U.S. Chamber Said It Would Factor Lawmakers’ Votes On H.R. 1 In Its Annual Scorecard.** “Last week, the Chamber of Commerce sent a ‘key vote alert’ to senators to detailing why it ‘strongly opposes’ the For the People Act and warning that it could include votes related to the bill in its annual scorecard.” [CNN, [04/21/21](#)]

**The U.S. Chamber Is “One Of The Most Powerful Trade Groups In The Nation,” Spending \$81.9 Million To Influence Government In 2020 Alone, Second Only To The National Association Of Realtors.** “The Chamber is one of the most powerful trade groups in the nation. In 2020 alone, the organization spent \$81.9 million trying to influence government policy, according to the Center for Responsive Politics. The only organization that spent more was the National Association of Realtors.” [CNN, [04/21/21](#)]

**The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce “Is The World’s Largest Business Organization,” With Membership That Includes “Leading Industry Associations And Large Corporations.”** “The U.S. Chamber of Commerce is the world’s largest business organization representing companies of all sizes across every sector of the economy. Our members range from the small businesses and local chambers of commerce that line the Main Streets of America to leading industry associations and large corporations.” [U.S. Chamber of Commerce, accessed [04/23/21](#)]

**Major Companies Including Ford, Target, Google, And Others Faced Calls To Cut Their Ties With The U.S. Chamber Amid “Enormous Pressure” On Corporate America To Follow Through With Its Stated Support For Voting Rights.**



**HEADLINE: Target, Google and others are under pressure to dump the Chamber of Commerce over voting rights** [CNN, [04/21/21](#)]

**Progressive Activists Called On Major Corporations—including Ford, Target, Google, Bank Of America And Others—to End Their Affiliations With The U.S. Chamber.** “Progressive activists are calling on Ford, Target, Google, Bank of America and other major companies that have pledged to support voting rights to cut ties with the US Chamber of Commerce, CNN Business has learned.” [CNN, [04/21/21](#)]

**Corporations Faced “Enormous Pressure” To Follow Through On Their Stated Support Of Voting Rights.** “The campaign from activists underscores the enormous pressure companies are under to follow up their verbal support for voting rights with concrete action.” [CNN, [04/21/21](#)]