

'He gets to make the decisions!' Jim Jordan argues Trump can ignore judges



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Jim Jordan, Manu Raju (CNN screenshot)

Rep. Jim Jordan (R-OH) argued on [CNN](#) Sunday that the Constitution gives President [Trump](#) the power to make the decisions he feels are best for the country, checks and balances from Congress and the courts be damned.

Inside Politics host Manu Raju asked Jordan about a Reagan-appointed federal judge who argued "the president is going too far" on policy changes like rescinding birthright citizenship.

"I'm talking about, there's a pattern where judges are saying they're going too far on these issues," Raju pressed after Jordan argued it was "just one judge" who blocked Trump's order to end birthright citizenship.

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"All I know is, again, Article Two, Section One, the very first sentence, 'The executive power shall be vested in a president,'" Jordan said, citing the Constitution. "I think it's important, 'a president of the United States of America,' not in bureaucrats, not in career people — *in the president*. The guy who put his name on the ballot."

Jordan continued, "This is a fundamental difference we have with the left. The left thinks, 'Oh, it's the career experts who make the decisions.' That's not how our country works. It's the guy who puts his name on the ballot, gets elected by 'We the people.' He gets to make the decisions, or she gets to make the decisions. That's how — we don't want the Faucis of the world and all the people in the bureaucracy making the decisions. We want the guy who puts their name on the ballot and gets elected by the American people."

"But, you guys are elected, too, you know, co-equal branch of the government," Raju said, stopping short of discussing the system of checks and balances that prevents any one branch of government from wielding all the power.

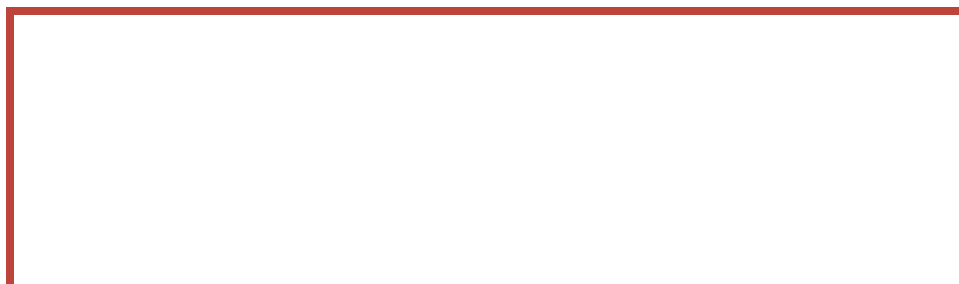
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