

Statement of ACLU client Alex Young, November 21, 2005

Today's lawsuit is important to protecting the First Amendment rights of all Americans. I applaud the ACLU for helping us take action to protect these rights.

In our lawsuit, we will "follow the earpiece" and reveal which higher-ups were giving orders to the White House event staffers that removed us.

We must continue to investigate the White House pattern of removing citizens across the country from presidential town hall meetings because of viewpoint alone. The White House has put the First Amendment rights of every American in jeopardy, and it's time for someone to fight back. Today, we do that.