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Attorney General Marshall Announces Defeat of Biden Administration's EV Mandate

(**Montgomery**, **Ala**) – Attorney General Steve Marshall announced the long-awaited defeat of the Biden Administration's burdensome emissions regulations from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

In 2023, Alabama joined a 21-state coalition, led by Kentucky, to challenge the Biden Administration's attempt to drive gas-powered cars off the road. The FHWA rule would have forced states to set declining emissions targets for vehicles that travel on federal interstates and highways. It was just one of the previous administration's attempts to force a partisan green agenda on American families. Estimates show that the cost to establish initial emissions targets required hundreds of hours of manpower, costing each state over \$600,000.

In April 2024, a federal judge in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Kentucky <u>declared the FHWA rule was unlawful</u>. The Biden Administration appealed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. Since taking office, President Trump withdrew the former president's position and FHWA moved to voluntarily dismiss the appeal, delivering a victory for the attorneys general and allowing the district court's ruling to stand.

"The people of Alabama—and Americans across the country—have the right to choose the vehicles that best suit their needs, free from the heavy hand of Washington bureaucrats," said Attorney General Steve Marshall. "The Biden Administration's attempt to force an extreme environmental agenda on hardworking Americans was not just unlawful—it was an affront to our freedoms. Thanks to our fight in court and President Trump's leadership, this misguided EV mandate is now dead. This victory ensures that states, not the federal government, remain in the driver's seat when it comes to transportation policy."

Attorney General Marshall was joined in the FHWA suit by attorneys general from Alaska, Arkansas, Florida, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia and Wyoming.

Read the Trump Administration's motion to dismiss the appeal.



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