



A1P: Ending *Chevron* Deference

“*Chevron* Deference’ Threatens Constitutional Rights”

- For decades, Congress has ducked its constitutional responsibilities, passing vague laws and leaving the real lawmaking up to unaccountable Executive Branch bureaucrats.
- In 1984, the Supreme Court compounded this problem in *Chevron U.S.A. v. Natural Resources Defense Council*. In *Chevron*, the Court ruled that when a congressional statute is ambiguous, Courts hearing challenges to executive actions must preemptively defer to *regulators’* interpretation of the law.
- In *Chevron*, the Court effectively rigged America’s regulatory and judicial system in favor of unelected federal bureaucrats and against the American citizens they target.

“*Chevron* Reform Will Restore Political Accountability”

- Under *Chevron*, Congress *and* the Supreme Court have conspired to give the Administrative State powers – unaccountable powers – no one branch of government should ever have.
- Ending *Chevron* deference will help curtail executive overreach, help put Congress back in charge of federal law, and thereby help put the American people back in charge of their government.

“Restoring Separation of Powers Will Also Help Restore Public Trust”

- “The Separation of Powers Restoration Act” – sponsored by all ten A1P members – would guarantee that when citizens challenge federal regulators in court, they will no longer face a system deliberately rigged against them. It will restore to all Americans their basic constitutional rights to separated powers and judicial review.
- By making all Americans once again equal before the law in court, this bill will begin to restore public confidence in our entire constitutional system of government.

“*Chevron* deference leaves Americans subject to their government, instead of the other way around. *Chevron* has to go.”

