

ACLJ Launches Petition Opposing Hagel Nomination

The nomination of Sen. Chuck Hagel for Secretary of Defense puts Israel at an even greater risk by creating instability and weakening our military effectiveness in one of the most dangerous areas of the world, according to the American Center for Law and Justice (ACLJ).

"The fact is former Senator Hagel is the wrong person for this job," said Jay Sekulow, chief counsel of the ACLJ. "His record is deeply troubling. Instead of backing Israel, Hagel refused to sign a letter of support for Israel. He opposed labeling Hezbollah a 'terrorist organization.' And, he supported direct dialogue with the terrorist group Hamas. We need a Defense Secretary who understands the critical relationship and will work to strengthen it – not weaken it. The country deserves a sound and capable leader who directs our Armed Forces through strength, not appeasement. We urge the Senate to reject the nomination of Hagel."

To aid in its campaign against former Sen. Hagel's, the ACLJ is launching a national petition urging members of the Senate to defeat this nomination.

Led by Chief Counsel Jay Sekulow, the American Center for Law and Justice focuses on constitutional law and is based in Washington.