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Sidney Powell speaking during a press conference at the Republican National Committee headquarters in Washington on Nov. 19, 2020. (Mandel Ngan/AFP via Getty Images)

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Powell Asks Supreme Court to Immediately Order States Decertify Election Results

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Attorney [Sidney Powell](#) is asking the U.S. [Supreme Court](#) to immediately intervene in her lawsuits challenging the integrity and outcome of the 2020 elections in four states.

In an announcement on Friday, Powell said she had filed emergency requests to the nation's top court, asking the justices to order officials in [Georgia](#), [Michigan](#), and [Arizona](#) to immediately de-certify their [2020 election](#) results and to prevent the states' presidential

electors from casting votes in the electoral college.

An emergency filing is also anticipated for her Wisconsin case. The filings aim to maintain the status quo in the states in order to give the Supreme Court time to consider the allegations presented in her lawsuits.

“These cases raise constitutional issues and prove massive fraud. Our plaintiffs have standing ‘WeThePeople’ will not allow rigged elections,” she said in a Twitter [statement on Friday](#).

The briefs have indicated that Powell’s legal teams are preparing to file a petition for a writ of certiorari—or a request—asking the high court to review lower courts’ rulings that dismissed her lawsuits in the four states that were dubbed “the kraken.” The lawyers have filed appeals to each states’ respective circuit courts but due to looming deadlines, the teams will file a simultaneous appeal to the top court.

Each state’s presidential electors are expected to meet on Dec. 14 and cast their electoral college vote.



Provisional ballots are seen in a postal service tray at the Gwinnett County Board of Voter Registrations and Elections offices in Lawrenceville, Ga., on Nov. 7, 2020. (Elijah Nouvelage/Getty Images)

Her announcement came on the same day the Supreme Court rejected Texas’s request to sue four battleground states—Pennsylvania, Georgia, Michigan, and Wisconsin—over allegations that they violated the constitution and treated voters unfairly in their handling of the 2020 general election.

The top court opined that Texas did not have the legal standing—or right—to sue under the Constitution because it had not shown a valid interest to intervene in how other states handle their elections. Although two of the nine justices said they would have granted the request, they said they would have also denied other injunctive relief.

The briefs filed in Georgia, Michigan, and Arizona [present similar arguments](#) and all ask the justices to immediately act in blocking the finalization of the certification process or to alternatively reverse the district courts’ orders against Powell’s clients.

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Powell’s team argues that the lawsuits are part of an effort to “expose and reverse an unprecedented multi-state conspiracy to steal the 2020 General Election.” Plaintiffs have been characterized as “conspiracy theorists” by Democrat politicians and activists who are ignoring the many eyewitnesses, whistleblowers, and expert witnesses who are coming forward with accounts of potential fraud and other evidence, the lawyers argue.

“The 2020 General Election was tainted by unconstitutional election fraud on a scale that has never been seen before—at least not in America,” the lawyers allege.

“Hundreds of thousands if not millions of illegal, fraudulent, ineligible, or purely fictitious ballots were cast for Biden (along with hundreds of thousands of Trump votes that were intentionally destroyed, lost or switched to Biden), changing the outcome from a Biden loss to a Biden ‘win,’” the filing alleges.

The lawyers alleged in many of the cases that election officials changed election rules without going through the state legislature; with loopholes enabling intentionally or unintentionally fraudulent processes to be introduced by poll workers, the voting software Dominion, and potentially third parties.

“While no decision of this Court can repair the fractures in our society, only a fair and open inquiry that allows the truth to be discovered can do so, for it is the truth that will set us free,” the lawyers wrote [in the Georgia brief](#).

“Conversely, closing down any inquiry into the merits of the unconstitutional and illegal conduct in this election would be a slap in the face to many millions of Americans who believe it was a stolen election. Our common bonds require answers on the merits, not procedural evasion.”

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