

Congress of the United States

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The Honorable Amber F. McReynolds
Chairman
The Honorable Derek Kan
Vice Chairman
United States Postal Service Board of Governors
475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW
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The Honorable Robert M. Duncan
The Honorable Roman Martinez IV
The Honorable Ronald A. Stroman
The Honorable Daniel Tangherlini
Members, United States Postal Service Board of
Governors
475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW
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Dear Chairman McReynolds, Vice Chairman Kan, and Members of the Board:

I write to urge the United States Postal Service Board of Governors to remove Postmaster General David Steiner for pursuing implementation of President Trump's mail-ballot executive order, despite federal courts' rulings that key provisions violate the Constitution. Steiner's failure to provide Congress with a clear accounting of USPS's implementation efforts, or whether they ceased after the courts intervened, undermines the transparency, neutrality, and public trust his office requires.

On March 31, 2026, President Trump signed Executive Order 14399, directing USPS to withhold delivery of mail ballots to voters whose eligibility could not be confirmed against SAVE, a federally compiled voter list. Twenty-three states and the District of Columbia challenged the order. A federal district court in Massachusetts blocked key portions of it, and on July 25, the First Circuit upheld that injunction. On July 27, the Administration asked the Supreme Court to allow the order to take effect before the November midterm elections.

Despite these rulings, Postmaster General Steiner has indicated that USPS intends to carry out key aspects of the executive order. Before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, on June 24, 2026, he confirmed that USPS would withhold mail ballots from states that declined to provide requested voter data. Rather than unequivocally rejecting this improper role for USPS, he has treated the courts as the only limit on the agency's participation. Congress and the public still deserve a full accounting of what USPS did to prepare for the policy, whether those activities stopped once litigation began, and why Steiner supported implementation in the first place.

The Department of Justice has characterized the executive order to the Supreme Court as merely "general policy guidance" and acknowledged that USPS has not finalized implementing regulations. That is difficult to reconcile with USPS's apparent implementation efforts over the past four months. Congress and the Board deserve a full accounting of what USPS has done and whether it has complied with the federal court orders.

Postmaster General Steiner has not responded to requests for that accounting. He has failed to respond to multiple congressional requests for information and my request to appear voluntarily before the full House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. A Postmaster General who will not tell Congress whether his agency is complying with a federal court order, and who will not appear to answer for that silence, has forfeited the trust required to hold the office.

Millions of eligible Americans rely on mail voting, including military personnel serving overseas, seniors, rural voters, individuals with disabilities, and working families. The Administration has not produced evidence

of mail-voting fraud on a scale capable of affecting an election outcome. USPS should deliver ballots, not decide who gets to vote.

The Board has both the authority and the responsibility to act. I urge you to remove David Steiner as Postmaster General and ensure that USPS follows the law, complies with federal court orders, and stays out of deciding who is eligible to vote. I request a response to this request by no later than August 24, 2026.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Raja Krishnamoorthi", is written over a horizontal line.

Raja Krishnamoorthi
Member of Congress