

# SENATOR JOHN MCCAIN

## A RECORD OF OPPOSING THE INTERESTS OF GLBT AMERICANS



**OPPOSED** Ending Discrimination against Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Americans in the Workplace. Senator John McCain cast a deciding vote against the federal Employment Non-Discrimination Act.

**OPPOSED** Protecting GLBT Americans from Hate Crimes. Senator McCain voted three times against expanding the federal hate crimes law to include sexual orientation.

**PROPONENT** of a Discriminatory Military Policy. Senator McCain supports “Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell” and does not believe that gays should serve in the U.S. military.

**OPPONENT** of Equal Benefits for Same-Sex Couples. Senator McCain voted for the Defense of Marriage Act, which prohibits same-sex couples from receiving over 1,100 federal rights and benefits even if they are married in their state.

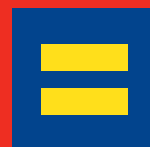
**ACTIVELY SUPPORTED** a State Ban on Domestic Partnerships. Senator McCain campaigned for a ban on same-sex relationship recognition in his home state of Arizona and appeared in a campaign television ad on the issue.

**SUPPORTED** the Confirmation of Anti-GLBT Equality Judges. Senator McCain voted to confirm President Bush’s judicial nominees who had taken anti-GLBT positions. He has pointed to Justice Samuel Alito as a role model for future Supreme Court appointments.

**SUPPORTED** a Discriminatory HIV/AIDS Policy. Senator John McCain supported a Jesse Helms strategy to cut off funding for prevention efforts aimed at the gay community and voted to bar foreign nationals with HIV from immigrating to the United States.

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