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Despite the [misinformation](#) spewed forth by Justice Sotomayor, The US Supreme Court has **blocked** the Biden administration's **vaccine-or-test** rule for US businesses, but allows vaccine mandate for most health care workers.



The National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) argue against the Department of Labor, in the Court's first hearing, that:

“OSHA’s sweeping regulatory dictate,” will “irreparably injure the very businesses that Americans have counted on to widely distribute COVID-19 vaccines and protective equipment to save lives—and to keep them fed, clothed, and sustained during this now two-year-long pandemic.”

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) rule would have required **80 million workers** to get shots or periodic tests.

The OSHA ruling vote was 6-3 with Breyer, Sotomayor, and Kagan in dissent.

“Permitting OSHA to regulate the hazards of daily life – simply because most Americans have jobs and face those same risks while on the clock – would significantly expand OSHA’s regulatory authority without clear congressional authorization.”

A lot of legal experts on here gave assurances that Biden's vaccine mandate was clearly allowed by law and precedent. If you haven't yet figured out that this Supreme Court doesn't care about those things, you are not a legal expert

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Chief Justice John Roberts, who was appointed by President George W. Bush, said during arguments that he thinks **it’s hard to argue that the 1970 law governing OSHA “gives free reign to the agencies to enact such broad regulation.”**



The court allowed a separate rule to take effect requiring shots for workers in nursing homes, hospitals and other facilities that receive Medicare and Medicaid payments from the federal government (which will be interesting given that [California just allowed COVID positive healthcare workers to go back to work](#)).

The vaccine mandate for healthcare workers vote was 5-4 with Thomas, Alito, Gorsuch, and Barrett in dissent, which means **Roberts and Kavanaugh joined liberal justices in allowing the HHS mandate** on healthcare workers to stand.

So with over 1 million COVID cases per day and now his vaxx mandate in tatters, this seems to sum things up rather well...

This must be Biden's worst day in office.

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How long before the cries of “Pack The Court” echo around The Capitol once more?

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