



Progressives have taken over the boardrooms of major lending institutions, forcing banks to capitulate to the extreme demands of left-wing activists. As a result, banks have now become powerful corporate cultural warriors whose practices are hostile to conservative values. Large banks are weaponizing financial services – choking off access to capital, closing checking accounts, and terminating lines of credit – against lawful private-sector businesses, in a strategic effort to frustrate domestic energy production, cripple gun manufacturers, and undermine border enforcement. Even religious organizations are being de-banked.

IT'S TIME TO STOP WOKE BANKS.



INFRINGING ON SECOND AMENDMENT RIGHTS. Banks are depriving gun manufacturers of banking services. Enterprises engaged in the legal, heavily regulated business of manufacturing and selling firearms and ammunition products are increasingly being refused services by big banks, simply because they exist in a sector disfavored by progressives. Discrimination against these businesses has accelerated and intensified in recent years; it is now systemic in the sector.

ENABLING OPEN BORDERS. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) relies on a network of federal contractors to protect Americans from the cross-border crime (e.g. human trafficking, fentanyl, money laundering) and illegal immigration that threatens national security and public safety. Contractors provide a host of capital-intensive services, including building and operating detention facilities for non-U.S. citizens. Virtually every major bank in America now refuses to provide services – including critical capital – to these contractors. Progressive banks are working to abolish ICE by crippling the contractors the agency relies on to help enforce U.S. immigration laws.

DERAILING ENERGY INDEPENDENCE. Progressive activists, for many years, have sought to coerce banks to refuse banking services to oil and gas manufacturers, even though the federal government explicitly allows for the exploration and production of domestic energy. The banks have largely acquiesced to these demands, not because of operational risks, but rather for ideological and politically expedient reasons.

ATTACKING RELIGIOUS LIBERTY. In May 2022, JPMorgan Chase reportedly de-banked the National Committee for Religious Freedom (NCRF), a non-partisan, multi-faith nonprofit headed by former governor and senator Sam Brownback. “Chase eventually reached out to our executive director and informed him that it would be willing to reconsider doing business with NCRF,” said Brownback about the harassment. “[But only] if we would provide our donor list, a list of political candidates we intended to support, and a full explanation of the criteria by which we would endorse and support those candidates.”

Big banks have become the progressive Left’s most powerful vehicle for advancing radical, fringe policies that lack political and legislative support. **Stop Woke Banks** is an advocacy coalition that promotes state-based solutions to combat systemic discrimination against lawful businesses carried out by the retail banking sector. To learn more, visit StopWokeBanks.com.