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Speech First Files Petition for A Writ of Certiorari To The U.S. Supreme Court Over Bias Response Teams

[Washington, D.C. \(August 14, 2023\)](#) – Today, Speech First, a nonprofit membership association working to combat restrictions on free speech and other civil rights at colleges and universities across America, filed a [petition for writ of certiorari](#) to the U.S. Supreme Court over the issue of Bias Response Teams (BRTs). BRTs are procedures or committees at colleges and universities that encourage students to anonymously report their peers for alleged utterances or actions that might fall under an overly broad or vague definition of “bias”. [BRTs actively chill student speech](#) through fear and intimidation of being reported anytime and anywhere. They normalize the weaponization of administrative policies to go after peers who express opposing ideas and create a campus climate of self-censorship. Speech First has undertaken a number of [legal actions](#) against colleges and universities precisely regarding this issue.

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