

Ted Cruz Will Oppose Trump's Judicial Nominee

Politico is **reporting** that Sen. Ted Cruz will oppose President Donald Trump's nominee for the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals, Halil Suleyman "Sul" Ozerden, a major setback for the embattled nomination.

The report says conservative opposition places in doubt the future of Ozerden, who is a close friend of acting White House chief of staff Mick Mulvaney, and whose nomination Mulvaney pushed over the objections of the White House Counsel's office.

"Unlike most other Trump judicial nominees, Ozerden lacks explicit backing from conservative judicial groups like the Judicial Crisis Network," Politico reports. "Carrie Severino, the group's chief counsel, wrote last year that 'we could do better than Judge Ozerden' in Mississippi."

Read the Politico article.