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Why We Filed a Lawsuit Against the Administration

This is the first time in NCN's history that we have filed a lawsuit against any entity, and our first was filed against the White House. I've been asked many times since how we did it so quickly, and why. My response has been: If not us, who? Together, we have an obligation to step up and push back against actions that could cause catastrophic harm to the nonprofit sector and the people and communities they serve, and especially so when we can reasonably expect that our actions can prevent such harm. This was just such a moment.

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