

Donald Trump Executive Order Banning Diversity Training Suspended by Labor Department

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The Labor Department has suspended enforcement of Donald Trump's executive order restricting diversity training by government agencies and contractors that the president labeled "divisive" and "un-American" after a federal court judge blocked it.

"This is welcome news for federal contractors and grantees, many of whom had embarked upon the difficult task of attempting to comply with the order's vague requirements in order to avoid potentially crippling penalties for violations," Franklin Turner, a partner with law firm McCarter & English, told USA TODAY.

"In all likelihood, the issue will be moot when President-elect Biden takes power in less than two weeks and promptly rescinds the order. At that point, I fully expect that collective sighs of relief will be heard in corporate Zoom meetings across America," said Turner, who represents multinational contractors and small and medium-sized companies.