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## **TAHIRIH STATEMENT ON ASYLUM BAN DECISION BY THE NINTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS**

The Tahirih Justice Center is disappointed by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeal's latest decision on the asylum ban, which lifts a nationwide injunction that the San Francisco District Court issued on Monday.

"Last week, the administration's latest asylum ban applied in Texas and New Mexico, but not in California or Arizona," said Tahirih Senior Litigation Counsel, Julie M. Carpenter. "Judge Tigar from the San Francisco District Court took new evidence about how that ban applies elsewhere and then issued a nationwide injunction because immigration laws should be uniform and fairly applied. Today, the Ninth Circuit temporarily lifted his injunction, at least while the parties make their arguments. So now, different asylum standards apply, all depending on where one crosses the border. This whipsaw effect disserves everyone— border agents and immigration courts to be sure— but most especially, the individuals fleeing persecution and violence who are seeking safe haven at our border."

*Julie M. Carpenter is available for comment on this topic. Please contact [dhajjar@mrss.com](mailto:dhajjar@mrss.com) to arrange an interview.*

### **About the Tahirih Justice Center**

The Tahirih Justice Center is the largest national direct service and policy advocacy organization focused on assisting immigrant women and girls fleeing violence. Tahirih will continue to monitor policy shifts that impact women and girls fleeing violence and advocate for the United States to honor its legal obligations to protect those fleeing human rights abuses.

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