



✓ why in the news?

Top court in Colorado orders removal of Donald Trump from the state's presidential ballot

for the upcoming elections

disqualification Citing Section 3 of the 14th Amendment to the United States Constitution

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✓ Impact on Trump's 2024 Candidacy

Civil War Background

Fought between Northern and Southern states over slavery

Economic differences and disagreement on slavery led to secession

End of Civil War and Amendments

Unionists' victory led to the abolishment of slavery

13th, 14th, and 15th Amendments passed (1866-1868) to extend rights to formerly enslaved people

Section 3 of 14th Amendment

If elected officials participated in insurrection or rebellion, they cannot hold office again

Rationale behind Section 3

Democracy requires adherence to constitutional rules

Elected officials rebelling against the constitution seen as a threat to constitutional politics

✓ News Summary: Trump's Disqualification

Trump disqualified from Colorado's presidential primary ballot.

Related to alleged role in the January 6, 2021, Capitol attacks by his supporters

Background of Capitol Attacks

Supporters protested Joe Biden's election victory, claiming rigged polls

Riot resulted in deaths, injuries, and entry into government offices

Trump plans to contest the ruling; the case may reach the US Supreme Court

Section 3 rarely tested; first time mentioned concerning a former President

Even if upheld, affects only Trump's eligibility in Colorado, historically a Democratic-leaning state