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The new administration has made it difficult, if not impossible, for transgender people, myself included, to renew their passports with their current legal name and sex. This poses two problems.

First is the problem of having mismatched, inconsistent legal documentation. For many trans people, they are registered with Social Security with a certain name and sex, but their passport has a different name or sex. Currently, even a person who changed their name and sex decades ago will receive a passport with inconsistent data compared to other legal documentation if their first passport had old data. For legal security purposes, this is a significant threat.

Second is the problem of international travel. Trans people who would normally not encounter scrutiny open entry to a more conservative foreign nation now face the danger of being "outed" or immediately publicly known as trans because their passport lists a different sex marker than is normally associated with how they look.

There are more issues than these two, but these are the ones I felt it most necessary to comment about.

Thank you for your time.