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## ACCESS TO OUR CIVIL COURTS IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVIVORS



Civil cases can help sexual assault survivors in ways the criminal justice system cannot.

Civil cases can assist survivors with the financial burdens of an assault as well as provide victims with a forum to hold perpetrators directly accountable.

"Tort reform" laws like caps on damages, as well as "forced arbitration," cause great harm to the rights of sexual assault survivors.

Center for Justice & Democracy, The Importance of Civil Justice to Sexual Assault Survivors and the Devastating Consequences of "Tort Reform," March 2019.

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