

## HR 4501

Office for Access to Justice Establishment Act of 2021

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Law

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-10]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NY • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Jul 19, 2021
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Jul 19, 2021
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Jul 19, 2021
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Jul 19, 2021
Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6]	R · MI		Jul 19, 2021

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 1, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Law

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 2701	Identical bill	<b>Aug 10, 2021:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## **Office for Access to Justice Establishment Act of 2021**

This bill establishes the Office for Access to Justice within the Department of Justice (DOJ) to advise on matters relating to justice for low-income and other underrepresented people in the criminal and civil justice systems. Additionally, DOJ must establish a Legal Aid Interagency Roundtable to raise the awareness of executive branch agencies of the ways in which civil legal aid and indigent defense can help advance federal objectives, including those related to employment, family stability, housing, consumer protection, health services, and public safety.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Jul 19, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 19, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.