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## Jan Kysela for Constitutional Court chief justice

Unless [Petr Fiala](#) decides at the last minute to throw his hat into the ring, the slate of leading presidential candidates is already decided. [Constitutional lawyer Jan Kysela](#) said in April that [Fiala shouldn't run for president](#). It's enough for the president not to do harm, he said, and it's not necessary for the post to be occupied by someone who is doing a good job in the more important role of PM. Kysela said this on a Czech Radio podcast, [Čekání na prezidenta](#), that was apparently developed mainly as a way to prevent Andrej Babiš from becoming president. As one of the main hosts of the podcast, Kysela has gradually transformed from a nonpartisan constitutional lawyer into a biased political commentator. The next president will nominate successors to [almost all of the justices of the Constitutional Court](#), including the chief justice, and Kysela would apparently like to become the Court's main voice after Chief Justice Pavel Rychetský retires. Under Babiš, Kysela would have no chance whatsoever.

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