



Newsletter of the Republican Party of Palm Beach County—October 2018

Shameful Hearings, but Kavanaugh Confirmed

Who would've ever thought at the end of the frustrating Supreme Court nomination process that the heroes riding to the rescue of the broken Senate, rule of law, Republican Party, conservative cause, country, and last but not least, Judge Brett Kavanaugh and his family, would be moderate Republican Senators Susan Collins of Maine, Jeff Flake of Arizona, Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, and Lindsey Graham of South Carolina?! No one, that's who, especially among us movement conservatives who have spent much time criticizing our Party's fondness for moderates like them in the past, along with others such as John McCain and Mitt Romney.

But let's face it, where would the Party and our country be right now without these people, especially Sen. Collins, who on Friday, October 5, 2018, delivered one of the most effective political speeches I have ever heard. In so doing, she laid low the Socialist Democrat opposition, shaming them before a huge national audience, and in the process gave hope to tens of millions of "deplorable" Republican voters, angered like never before in memory over dishonest Democrat tactics that were threatening the very foundation of the American body politic.

And the dishonesty did not begin and end with the Democrats up on the Hill in DC. It extended to their heroine of the hour, Dr. Christine Blasey-Ford, whose so-called credibility was declared unassailable by most Democrats as well as Republicans in high places from the get-go. But I beg to differ, and I'm under no such constraints to be politically tactful like many of them are. Simply put, I believe the lady was not being truthful and there is plenty of reason to feel that way.

Remember when Ford was asked at the hearing by the so-called Republican appointed "prosecutor" if she was aware that Grassley had offered to go to California and take her sworn testimony in anonymity to spare her from testifying in public in Washington, and she answered that she wasn't aware of the offer? Now, does anyone seriously believe that?! Here's a highly intelligent and educated college professor with a doctorate degree in psychology, and she's not aware of this offer that has been communicated to her lawyers and is being widely reported on TV, the newspapers, the radio and internet everywhere? Ain't no way,

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Ray! She knew, but such an admission would reveal that her claim to be “terrified” of having to testify publicly in DC and not wanting to do it was not true. Make no mistake, her coming to Washington and giving highly emotional public testimony before the nation was what she and her Democrat handlers wanted more than anything else.

There were more lies too. Ford claimed she was afraid to fly, but then it was revealed that she flew often on both pleasure and business trips. At first she claimed she’d been in her late teens when the incident took place, but then she changed it to the more innocent, tender age of 15 years old. She offered as corroboration several people she said were present in the house when the alleged attempted rape took place, but none of them confirmed her account. During the hearing, Ford, threw one of them, her best friend, under the bus by intimating that she had “health” [mental problems] issues. Later we learned that people on the left tried to get her friend to change her testimony, which of course is tampering with a witness and a felony.

President Trump was condemned for mocking Ford at a campaign rally by referring to the numerous key details of the alleged assault that she herself testified she couldn’t remember, but her lack of memory over such things as who drove her to and from the house and its location tellingly did not afford Judge Kavanaugh the opportunity to defend himself against the charges and investigators to thoroughly vet the veracity of her story. In addition, Ford’s ex-boyfriend has said publicly that “that Ford had helped her close friend prepare for a polygraph test, despite her sworn testimony that she had never given polygraph “tips or advice.” Also highly suspicious was Ford’s certainty in her consumption of only “one beer” that night 36 years ago, which eliminates the possibility that she herself had too much to drink. How convenient.

And then there’s the case of the third accuser, Julie Swetnick, who insisted that Judge Kavanaugh was the ringleader of ten gang-rape parties which she attended, without seeming to realize that her revelations beg the question as to why, knowing what she knew after the first one, she proceeded to

attend the remaining nine “Kavanaugh & Friend drug-fueled gang rapes”!! She walked back much of what she said, but the damage to her credibility was already beyond repair. But that didn’t stop leading Democrats up on the Hill from demanding that her ludicrous claims be taken seriously.

So that’s where we were last Friday, October 5, 2018, with Dems demanding that we abandon the sacrosanct principle of “presumed innocence” for the accused and insisting that these baseless “I Am Woman allegation[s] [are] enough to boot Kavanaugh from the nomination process,” until Sen. Susan Collins of Maine silenced all these mob-rule voices with her poignant, principled address to a nation in dire need of such medicine. Now the good man is on the Court and for the first time in many decades it promises to be a truly constitutional Court whose majority is dedicated to originalist philosophy instead of legislating from the bench, which has been the case for far too long.

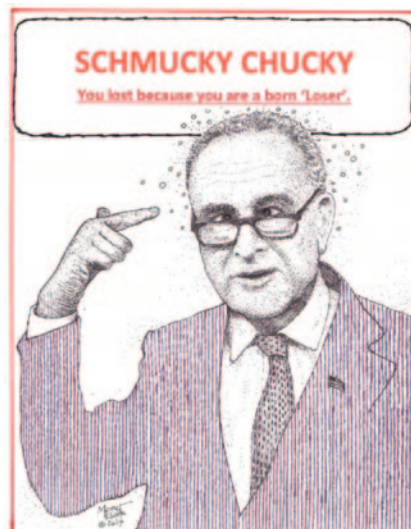
As Judge Kavanaugh said during the hearings, “I think this confirmation process has become a national disgrace. The Constitution gives the Senate the task of advice and consent but you have turned it into one of search and destroy.” He was right and so was President Trump recently when he tweeted that “The harsh and unfair treatment of Judge Kavanaugh is having an incredible upward impact on voters. The PEOPLE get it far better than the politicians. Most importantly, this great life cannot be ruined by mean and dispicable Democrats and totally uncorroborated allegations.”

In her historic speech last Friday afternoon, Sen. Collins said “Certain fundamental legal principles about due process, the presumption of innocence, and fairness do bear on my thinking, and I cannot abandon them.” Indeed, in the final roll call, the gentle lady from the great state of Maine did not abandon those principles and we all owe her a debt of gratitude.

However unintentionally, the principlly-challenged Dems’ reckless actions in the last 12 weeks may have inadvertently “awakened a sleeping [Republican] giant and filled him with a terrible resolve” just in time for the midterm elections. I feel a tsunami coming and it ain’t blue!

—Tom Mullings

Mort’s Meanderings . . .



RPOF Quarterly Meeting on September 28–29 Featured GOP Statewide Candidates

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It was a busy weekend as the Republican Party of Florida gathered in Orlando to get ready for the final push leading up to election day on November 6th.

We heard from Governor Rick Scott on his campaign for the U.S. Senate, where he intends to retire career politician Bill Nelson.

We heard from Ron DeSantis on his campaign for Governor, and when the voters in Florida realize how corrupt and out of touch with Floridian values his opponent is, Mr. Gillum will be totally rejected.

We heard from Ashley Moody and how she intends to continue the great work of Pam Bondi as Attorney General.

We heard from Jimmy Patronis and the great job he will do succeeding Jeff Atwater as our state CFO, continuing

Florida on its sound financial footing. Florida bonds are the highest rated in the country.

We heard from Matt Caldwell running to succeed Adam Putnam as Agriculture Commissioner, who totally understands Florida issues as a fifth-generation Floridian.

We will repeat our victory of 2016 as long as everyone gets out to vote. President Trump is not on the ballot but his policies are!

The president can't drain the swamp without other Republicans getting elected to help him.

Talk to your independent and moderate Democrat friends.

We can't go back to the failed policies of the past.

—Peter Feaman

Republican National Committeeman, Florida



Governor Rick Scott,
Candidate for U.S. Senate



Candidates for Lt. Governor Jeanette
Nuñez and Governor Ron DeSantis



Ashley Moody,
Candidate for Attorney General



Matt Caldwell,
Candidate for Agriculture Commissioner



Jimmy Patronis,
Florida's Chief Financial Officer



Florida's National Committeeman Peter
Feaman with Fran Hancock

Sexual Politics

By Sid Dinerstein

What happened? How did we become a nation at war with itself? How did sexual politics become the weapon of choice? Let's start with history. I'll name the villains and lament the lack of heroes. The chief villain? President Franklin Delano Roosevelt. FDR was a radical President whose redistributionist agenda was at great odds with our individual-protecting Constitution. FDR would get legislation passed only to see the United States Supreme Court declare his programs unconstitutional. Eventually FDR proposed programs to expand the Supreme Court from nine to fifteen justices, thereby giving himself six additional picks. The Congress (Democratic majorities) dissented. Indeed, the public created a rhyme to oppose the change: "A stitch in time saves nine." But the new paradigm was out of the box, never to be returned: "The United States Constitution is whatever five justices say it is." No longer will great minds come together to reach momentous legal decisions. No, the Supreme Court became a prize for whichever political party would have five seats for their agenda.

Thus the war was born. Whoever has the five seats has great power. The use of that power is not shared equally. In other words, Republican-appointed justices still worry about the law and thereby break ranks (think Roberts on Obamacare, Thomas on marijuana, and Scalia on flag burning). The other guys? Almost never. About two years ago Justice Alito spoke locally and I was in the audience. He told us there are no factions on the Supreme Court and everyone votes based on their extensive legal knowledge and the arguments they heard. I wanted to cry. He's on the front lines and he doesn't even know he's at war. Very recently Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg expressed sadness over the rancor of the Judge Cavanaugh hearings and longed for the days of "bipartisanship" that allowed her to be confirmed with ninety-six votes. What planet is she living on? Has she never heard of Robert Bork or looked sideways on the bench at Justice Clarence Thomas? (Uncle Thomas to the Democrats.) She actually thinks everyone wanted her on the court. Someone tell her this: "If you were as reliably Conservative (Originalist) as you are Liberal (living, breathing Constitution), the Democrats would have recruited another Anita Hill to spin tales of your background that most likely never happened but which sounded disqualifying." No, lady. You weren't a bipartisan pick. You were a Democratic pick in a country where Republicans still respect the Rule of Law and Checks and Balances.

And speaking of the Rule of Law, what does that entail? Try these: The Presumption of Innocence; the right of the

accused to face his accuser; cross examination; rules of evidence; legal precedents. And add to that the glorious history of the United States Senate: Chairmanships, committees, schedules and the search for truth. And then compare that to the actions of Senator Kennedy in the Bork hearings, Senator Biden in the Thomas hearings and Senator Feinstein in the Cavanaugh hearings. They would burn the house down to get their agenda in the Constitution. Thanks, FDR.

Finally we get to Sid's Law of Sexual Harrassment: "Nobody does it just once." That's how you know the truth. The women who didn't follow the lead of Anita Hill. The "witnesses" who didn't follow the lead of Chritine Ford and Deborah Ramirez. The women who formed caravans to pile on to Bill Clinton, Bill Cosby and Harvey Weinstein. The truth isn't that hard to find.

Which brings us to the here and now. As I write this piece the hearings have been concluded, the Flake compromise was agreed to and the FBI is at work. We don't know if Judge Cavanaugh will be confirmed. We just know that the whole world is watching and surprises are expected. We also know that the center is not holding and we have to find a better way. But as you read this essay you get to fill in the blanks. My unknowns as a writer are your knowns as a reader. And, yes, the midterms are right around the corner.

See you next month.



Sid Dinerstein served as Chairman of the Republican Party of Palm Beach County from 2002 to 2012. A leader with a passion for Republican politics, Sid leads by example, motivating teams and uniting diverse groups to achieve a common goal. With a passion for promoting charter schools, Sid was honored by Inlet Grove Community Charter High School earlier this year as "Charter School Advocate." He authored Adults Only: For Those Who Love Their Country More Than Their Party in 2007, a book that was a finalist for the 2009 Next Generation Indie Book Awards. Sid has been married to Esther since 1967, and they have two daughters, two sons-in-law and two granddaughters.

Socialist Gillum Is Not Ready for Prime Time

By George Blumel

As an ardent supporter of U.S. Representative Ron DeSantis since he got into politics after a distinguished military career, I looked forward to his election as governor of Florida. His record in Congress is exemplary from a conservatism view:

National Taxpayers' Union awarded Ron their "Taxpayers' Friend Award." Citizens Against Government Waste named Ron "Taxpayers' Super Hero." Heritage Action rates Ron at 87%, highest in Florida. He's the best!

So, who did the Democrats pick to run against Ron? His polar opposite!

Andrew D. Gillum, the Mayor of Tallahassee since 2014 after 11 years on the Tallahassee City Commission, was first elected at age 23. He has no market experience, only small-town politics. This man is not ready to be governor.

Gillum is a socialist like his enthusiastic supporters, Bernie Sanders and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez. A Soros group, The Collective PAC (an appropriate socialist implication) spent nearly \$2 million on Gillum, and enviro-radical Tom Steyer spent \$1.4 million on his campaign, so far. Another donor to the Gillum campaign is tax-supported Planned Parenthood.

A glance at Gillum's [website](#) gives his positions on the issues. *The following in quotes are from his site, my comments are not in quotes.*

Criminal Justice Reform: He wants convicted felons to vote. "Andrew supports the legalization of marijuana to generate new revenue to pay for teacher . . . and staff pay increases and to reduce the mass incarceration of people with low-level drug offenses . . . wants to reform our bail system so that we stop disenfranchising people of lower economic means, and work with the legislature . . . on minimum sentencing reforms."

"His first priority as Governor will be appointing three new Supreme Court justices. . . ." You can guess the sort of justices a socialist would appoint as opposed to the constitutionalists that a Governor DeSantis would propose.

Economy and Jobs: This is where a socialist has no clue. He wants to raise the corporate tax rate by 40%! Gillum proudly says, "that is more than 1% lower than California. . . ." He wants to raise taxes more than \$1 billion. Say goodbye to all the economic improvement we experienced under Governor Scott. Gillum may favor a Venezuela-type socialist program that has turned out so well. (*See Steve Leonard's series on his experiences in Venezuela.*)

Gun Safety: "Andrew is the only candidate who has beaten the . . . National Rifle Association, to protect a law that bans firing a weapon in a city park—where our kids play and our families picnic." So, the bad guys will see that and avoid shooting in parks? Good luck! He also stands

with the "Coward of Broward" Sheriff Israel over school safety.

Immigration Policy: He is not against ILLEGAL immigration which he equates with legal immigration. "President Trump's attack on cities friendly to immigrants must end." Gillum is referring to sanctuary cities which he approves, and maybe even Florida as a sanctuary, if elected. Of course, he wants to abolish ICE.

Education: "Andrew is strongly opposed to unaccountable, for-profit charter schools who want to use public dollars to enrich their executives." Socialists hate the profit motive; they don't understand incentives. "He has proposed a \$1 billion investment in our public schools . . . to boost early childhood education, raise teachers' starting salaries to \$50,000. . . ." One good idea is "We need to invest in "SHOP 2.0"—a revitalization of vocational training in our public schools."

Environment: "Andrew believes that climate change is a real and urgent threat." "**Andrew believes that the best way to address the impacts of climate change is to embrace a plan to transition Florida to clean energy as rapidly as possible, . . . creating thousands of new jobs in Florida, and cleaner air and healthier families.**" I assume he threw that in bold print to make Tom Steyer happy to keep the big bucks flowing in.

Healthcare: "Andrew believes that healthcare should be a fundamental right, not a privilege." Socialized medicine, of course.

Mayor Gillum's former chief of staff, Dustin Daniels running to replace Gillum, is campaigning on Tallahassee's increase in crime under Mayor Gillum saying, "Tallahassee had the highest number of murders in history last year." Since Gillum has been in city government murder rates are up 52% yet he rejected adding more police.

One more thing, Tallahassee has been under the cloud of an FBI investigation. The *Tallahassee Democrat* reported that the feds sought information about a city development deal connected to lobbyist, Adam Corey, who happens to be a buddy of Gillum.

No rational person would vote for Gillum over DeSantis, but we have a lot of irrational voters out there, so we can't rely on reason. We must get out the Republican and independent vote—and don't give up on all Democrats—there must be some who appreciate the benefits of a vibrant economy.



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Rule of Law Under the U.S. Constitution

By William J. Skinner

Now is the time for an uncomplicated lesson about the *Rule of Law* and *Fundamental Fairness* so we can all realize what these concepts are in 2018. This is probably not part of current high school government class or the citizenship requirements for becoming a naturalized U.S. citizen, but it is important that we all know something about these subjects. In the United States we have a constitutional government that our Founders knew when they designed it, we would require an education on why and how to keep our government so we would not lose it.

Before 1215 AD, Kings and Queens in the world were the only law makers when they spoke or issued edicts, writs, pronouncements and resolves. They had what was called “the divine right of Kings” given to them by God. The Pope had some say in who could be Bishops and Cardinals, but Kings and their Barons (war lords) began disputing what this power to appoint meant, leading to the Magna Carta being signed at Runnymede, near Windsor Castle, in 1215 as a peace treaty deciding who had the real power. If you have not been there, it is an open and flat field where several hundred tents and horses could camp to meet with the King.

English King John Lackland, the youngest son of King Henry II, signed the great document to settle grievances with his Barons and subjects to get the king to obey the “rule of law.” The Magna Carta was subsequently amended several times and eventually was credited with being a large part of the evolution of the constitution of the United Kingdom. Note there is no written U.K. Constitution, but they do have the House of Lords, House of Commons, the Queen or King, and an administrative bureaucracy.

So, 561 years later when the representatives of 13 colonies in America decided to write the Declaration of Independence, Articles of Confederation, and a Constitution, this “rule of law” idea had grown under the “common law” or the body of laws made by local justices and courts and the appellate processes adopted by the courts and governing bodies in the colonies and in the fatherlands of the U.K.

Today in 2018, religion seems to be giving Chinese officials a power control problem, as the newspapers tell us about the Chinese insistence on reviewing Catholic bishops picked by the Pope. (See, for example, *Wall Street Journal*, William McGurn, September 25, 2018.) McGurn points out that while China questions Christianity and the Pope’s right to pick bishops as an affront to its state prerogatives because it is a European import, he asks what do the Chinese really think about Communism that was thought up by Europeans Marx and Engels.

Man seems to develop a problem accepting religion in every age. Our Founders knew this, and our Constitution clearly states in Article VI, clause 3, “. . . but no religious Test shall ever be required as a Qualification to any Office

or public Trust under the United States.”

Article IV of the U.S. Constitution contains the Full Faith and Credit Clause and the Privileges and Immunities Clause that flesh out the “common law,” and the Constitution is also buttressed by the provisions of many state constitutions with come common provisions. Common law and traditional principles apparently have not been taught very well in our schools in recent decades, if you watch how officials resist enforcement of immigration and marijuana laws, to give two recent examples.

There are only 500-plus years in this brief description from 1215, but others have said the 1776 Founders did so well that their governmental plans helped us make a 5,000-year leap. (See *The 5,000 Year Leap* by W. Cleon Skousen for the 28 principles used by the Founders to design their documents in the 18th century. Available at bookstores. Or read my book review of February 16, 2011 at my blog at <http://bill-skinner.blogspot.com/2011/02/>.)

One of our problems with laws in 2018 is that our Congress has deferred too much to bureaus, agencies and departments that make regulations we cannot understand. The Congress has collectively forgotten “The supremacy of the law over the exercise of power is a hallmark of Western legal tradition. The rule of law is not satisfied by merely formal or ceremonial exercises, such as the publication of edicts in barely understandable form, whether in the archaic “Law French” of the king’s courts or the pages of the *Federal Register*. The laws must be understandable and actually capable of being followed.” (See 2017 *Cato Handbook for Policymakers*, chapter on Limited Government and the Rule of Law, p.16. <https://www.cato.org/cato-handbook-policymakers/cato-handbook-policy-makers-8th-edition-2017>. Download this free 780-page book if you want to read more.)

It must be obvious by now that President Donald Trump’s effort to reduce regulations has done wonders in growing the economy, and offers proof of how to improve government. But this is not the only thing we need to do. Learn more from the *Cato Handbook* and Skousen’s book as well.

Our law has developed some basic common law processes, or “due processes,” and traditional western legal concepts. Two of these are: *We are innocent until proven guilty*, and *We have a right to hear our accusers*. These are part of the “rule of law” and not part of the rule by man or King. Some people say these rights are limited to crimes subject to trials in court.



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Others, like Alan M. Dershowitz, retired professor at Harvard Law School, say Judge Brett Kavanaugh has a right “based on fundamental fairness—to have the charges against him put to the test of clear and convincing evidence or some standard close to that.” The best way to assure we do not go into a darker place than McCarthyism in this Senate confirmation process, Dershowitz says, “is to accord every person regardless of his status, the kind of fundamental fairness we would expect ourselves if we were accused” (*Wall Street Journal*, Oct. 1, 2018, A-17 Op-Ed, “This Is No Mere Job Interview”).

Recent Supreme Court confirmation proceedings in the U.S. Senate indicate we have elected some U.S. Senators who do not support these “rule of law” or “fundamental fairness” concepts as they reassign new meaning to their responsibilities to “advise and consent” to presidential appointments. Some of them now advocate that we believe that some men guilty as charged until proven innocent. This is not the “American Way.”

There is no good reason for “Search and Destroy” or similar actions to replace “advise and consent” in our common law, legal traditions, or fundamental fairness. We should not elect people who do not know this. We cannot last as a country if we continue to elect people who seek to fit us into the globalists’ multicultural legal concepts. We must teach the young and ignorant about the American Way of governing. Remember what Ben Franklin said to the lady in Philadelphia: “We have Republic, if we can keep it.”

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Palm Beach County GOP Honors Its Volunteers

On Thursday, September 27, the Palm Beach County Republican Party honored its volunteers with a reception at Party headquarters in West Palm Beach. Also billed as a show of unity following the primaries, a number of candidates were present, headlined by Ashley Moody, our Republican candidate for Florida Attorney General. Other candidates included Rep. Rick Roth, running for re-election for Florida State House District 85, and Laurel Bennett, candidate for State House District 86. Florida Senate President Joe Negron spoke on behalf of Jeanette Nuñez, can-

didate for Lt. Governor, and emphasized the importance of Party unity.

The volunteers were presented with certificates of thanks for their efforts during the 2018 primaries, and were treated to a delicious spread catered by Tuxedo Gourmet Catering Co. of the Palm Beaches. A good time was had by all, and everybody left ready to get to work on the November 6 election. Thanks go to GOP Vice Chair Tami Donnally, Ruth Field Beck, Claire Anderson Jones, and Executive Director Scott Maxwell for organizing the event.



GOP Chair Michael Barnett with Ashley Moody, as enthusiastic fans show their support.



Left to right: Joe Budd, Larry Snowden, Armand Grossman, Dick Farrel



Left to right: Bill Diamond, Sue Snowden



Left to right: Martha Webster, Laurel Bennett, Tami Donnally



State Senate President Joe Negron



State Representative Rick Roth

Out and About on the Campaign Trail



Governor Rick Scott stopped by The Griddle in Boca Raton on Saturday, September 15, as part of his bus tour. Pictured above left: Gov. Scott with Boca Raton Mayor Scott Singer, as Boca City Councilman Jeremy Rodgers looks on. Above right: Gov. Scott greeted everyone who was there. Thanks to The Griddle owner (in red shirt, shown above) for hosting the event.



Florida's Chief Financial Officer Jimmy Patronis stopped by The Shiner Law Group in Boca Raton on September 27. Pictured here (above left) with County Commissioner Steven Abrams and Boca Raton Mayor Scott Singer; and above right with David Shiner.



Mike Caruso, candidate for Florida's State House District 89, was honored on October 2 at a reception at the office of National Committeeman Peter Feaman. Pictured above left (left to right): Palm Beach County GOP Chair Michael Barnett, Mike Caruso, and Peter Feaman. Above right (left to right): Larry Snowden, Mike Caruso, Helen and Lou Nicozisis.



Nicolas Kimaz, candidate for Congressional District 22, was honored at a reception at Waterstone in Boca Raton on October 3. Nicolas was introduced by Peter Feaman, Florida's National Committeeman (pictured above right).

Talking Points: **Kavanaugh Hearing Produces Heat, but No Light**

By Larry P. Horist

He said / She Said.

I had not had high hopes that the post-game hearing in the confirmation process of Judge Brett Kavanaugh would produce any valuable information. It was a she says/he says situation from the time the accusation of sexual assault was first leveled at the jurist.

In such situations, it is always a matter of credibility for objective observers and preconceived judgments by those with a political agenda. The opinions of the objective observers can be changed by new evidence or the appearance of credibility by one or the other. Those with preconceived positions will play out their biases.

By the end of the hearing, we learned nothing new about the case—nothing that had not appeared in the new media since Christine Blasey Ford slipped out of the shadows. We already knew that she had told both her husband and her therapist of the event, but never revealed the name of the perpetrator.

Though her memory of the very specific action was crystal clear, she could not recall even the approximate date, the location, how she got there, how she got home and who was all in attendance. All these are critical details in checking out her story.

She referred to a witness who could not and would not confirm even the occasion, much less what she described as an attempted rape—and her fear of being murdered. Her principal eyewitness gave a sworn statement that he never recalled any such incident and never saw Kavanaugh behave in that way. Even Ford's closest friend and alleged attendee at the house party—and who said she believes Ford—said that she has no recollection of the event.

It was claimed that Ford could not arrive sooner for a hearing because she has a fear of flying, so she would have to travel by car. It was shown that she was a frequent flyer for business and pleasure—and she ultimately flew to Washington.

She said that she would have preferred to give private testimony in California and said that she was unaware that Judiciary Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley had made such an offer. It was suggested that her lawyers had not informed her. That seems preposterous on the surface of it, and even more questionable when one considers that the offer was made publicly and appeared on innumerable news reports.

There was also something else that bothered me about Ford's testimony. It had the appearance of an act. Yeah! Yeah! I know that as an old white male my opinion will get a lot of feminist panties in a bunch. So, let me explain.

Ford's demeanor was of a frightened young girl, not even a scared mature woman. She said she retained counsel because some friends advised it—although the firm she retained was recommended by Senator Diane Feinstein. Very quickly, Ford was being advised by very sophisticated attorneys and advisors associated with the left-wing resistance movement.

Ford was vague on who was funding her efforts – even whether her lawyers were being paid. They said they were not, which means they were doing it for “the cause.” But, what cause? She said there was a GoFundMe page, but she was not aware of how it all worked.

When a senator used the word “exculpatory,” Ford said she did not know the meaning of that word—even though she is a very intelligent academic active in Democrat politics. But, it is not a common word, so I gave her the benefit of my doubt. BUT, when she was asked why she did not



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communicate to the Judiciary Committee directly, Ford said that she did not know how to do that. THAT is totally incredible to me.

According to her introduction, Ford is an accomplished college professor, who has appeared on platforms around the world. Has an impressive string of academic degrees—a couple MBAs and a doctorate. She is a political activist who has marched in rallies. Somehow, all that resume stuff did not comport with the pathetic individual behind the witness table.

Kavanaugh's defense offered no surprises of any substance. After all, how many times can a person say, "Not me?" "Wasn't there." "I categorically reject the accusations." "I am innocent." The answer is . . . as many times as the Democrats on the panel asked the same questions.

Kavanaugh did, however, provide a bit of a surprise in the ferocity of his anger and the passion of his pushback. There were times that you would have thought that the Democrat senators were in the witness chair. He repeatedly pointed an accusatory finger at whose political Brahmins who had attacked him for days with the condemnatory language. He even raised questions about their drinking habits.

There was a time when sexual assault surrendered the top topic when Democrats on the Committee spent an inordinate amount of time defining and analyzing teenage drinking habits. It was suggested that Kavanaugh—and the alleged witness—were so drunk that they had no recollection of their actions, or even being on the scene.

In an attempt to cast the sober judge as a lush, he was asked if he had ever blacked out from drinking. His negative answer was not sufficient, and Democrats quoted from a college associate who irresponsibly said she was sure he had memory losses because he drank so much.

Kavanaugh was being victimized by a tactic once memorialized by Booth Tarkington, I believe. He said that a person who drinks has no defense against being accused of being a drunkard.

Kavanaugh was no more credible or incredible than Ford. How could he be? This was a hearing with serious accusations accompanied by a paucity of evidence. She says, he did it. He says, he didn't. In fact, she said she was

100 percent sure he did it. He responded that it was 100 percent certain that he did not. All the Democrats said he did it. All the Republicans said he did not.

The two-part hearing took approximately nine hours. Had the various inquisitors refrained from asking the same questions and making the same points for the benefit of their soon-to-be-released YouTube productions, the hearings could have been concluded in a couple of hours, at most.

A review of the post-hearing news reports proved beyond a shadow of a doubt that the all-day circus had little impact on the world or reality—or at least as close to reality as one can get in Washington. It produced reports and analyses that were totally predictable and consistent with the pre-hearing narratives of the various outlets.

On one issue, there appeared to be a modicum of agreement. Both Republicans and Democrats apologized for the hardship the hearings caused both individuals and their respective families. Both sides condemned a process that neither side would prevent from being played out in a disgusting display of political malfeasance.

The most important questions relate to the most important issue—and it was not sexual assault or high school drinking. It was the outcome of the Kavanaugh confirmation process and the impact on the midterm elections. The first answer will come soon. The second in a few not-short-enough weeks.

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What Is Wrong with the Democratic Party? . . . Everything!!!

By Colonel Arthur DeRuve

To begin with, its name! It is no more democratic than any other party. In fact, if anything, it is far less so as Bernie Sanders pointed out in 2016. It is the Democrat, not Democratic, Party. By calling itself the Democratic Party, it hopes to deceive the ignorant to vote its line; implying it is more virtuous than others. It is its hope that the ill informed (young, poor, illiterate, new citizens, fraudulent, et al.) voters will be unable to see the evil that lurks behind its positive pretenses.

And, the lying continues as the Democrat Party hides behind other aliases when its fake democratic party “nick-names” become increasingly unconvincing. It calls itself “libera.” Will somebody please tell these bozos that a true Liberal believes in limited government, fiscal responsibility and a free market economy. The D Party believes in extensive government controls, fiscal irresponsibility and political direction of all markets. (Sounds like Cuba, Venezuela, North Korea.)

In place of liberal, the Ds will use labels such as progressive, socialist, democratic-socialist, national-socialist (known as NAZIs not too long ago), even communist-socialist—all of which adds up to the same thing, a dictatorial control of a nation and its people. Why? Because it gives the left-wing politicians the power they desire but cannot gain in any other way.

The magnificent, noble, brilliant ideas and ideals of independence upon which our country was erected by the likes of Washington, Adams, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, Hamilton, and Franklin are what the Democrat Party opposes. It wants everyone in our society dependent on its handouts. It wants the

public to grovel at its altar. This, despite the decades of failure of such a way of life. Look at its failures in Chicago, Detroit, Baltimore, New Orleans, St. Louis, Ferguson, on and on. Compare that to the accomplishments realized by the Republican Party in less than two years. Why would any sane person vote its political line?



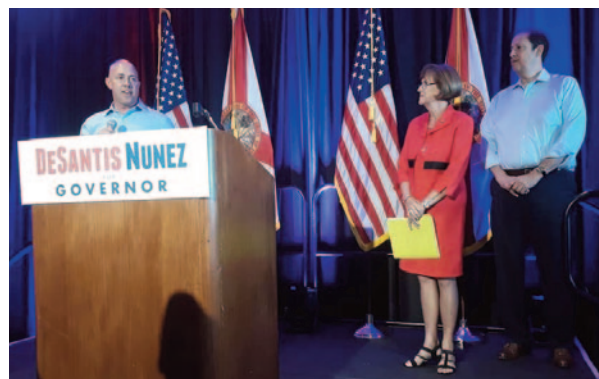
I was told by one of these scattered-minded people recently that he voted “Democratic” because he “had a heart.” I reminded him of what Winston Churchill said in this regard: “If you are not a ‘Liberal’ by age 20, you have no heart; but, if you are not a ‘Conservative’ by age 40, you have no brain.”

Yes, Democrats are stupid people. They are bad people. They may not think they are nor desire to be, but they are. They do everything to hurt this greatest society in human history. These leftists who hide behind different cover names; use violence, thuggery and other crimes in their demonstrations; and cover their faces like the KKK when destroying our freedoms, say America Was Never Great! How sad, how sick, how deplorable. The left of the political spectrum in this country is a disgrace to our Founding Fathers, our national history and our accomplishments in preserving western civilization.

The Democrat Party (under whatever façade it presents itself) is what it is The Fascist Left of American politics.

Cong. DeSantis Comes to Town

On Saturday, October 6, Cong. Ron DeSantis, candidate for Florida Governor, his running mate Jeanette Nuñez, his wife Casey, and his two children came to the Convention Center in West Palm Beach. They were joined by Cong. Brian Mast, Florida Senate President Joe Negron, and State Representative Gayle Harrell, who is running for Florida Senate District 25. They were greeted by an enthusiastic crowd.



Our Gratitude to President Trump!

*By Alan Bergstein
September 18, 2018*

Ever since the Roman conquest of ancient Israel back in 72CE, until the establishment of the current Jewish state in 1948, we prayed for our return to Jerusalem and our sacred land. Now our prayers have been answered and yet a substantial number of American Jews, perhaps out of innocent ignorance, are working and voting for its downfall. Go figure. There is no one standing who can claim that the promises of pre-president Trump, relating to his support and love for Israel, have not been fulfilled. And throw in his concern and positive actions for the dire situation of Jewish college kids that Jewish Progressives whose families are victims seem to be in the dark about, and we must come to the conclusion that this man, our president, is truly a friend to Israel. We'll even use up some editorial space to educate all of us, both political Liberals and Conservatives about Trump's pro-Israel/Jewish scorecard to date. What follows is a bullet-point, not necessarily chronological, discussion of Trump's efforts and deeds in support of Israel.

- His appointment of Nikki Haley as our Ambassador to the U.N. She comes as a welcome replacement for the previous Obama appointees, Samantha Power and Susan Rice, who both were overtly anti-Israel in their denunciations of Israel's settlement policies and its "harsh responses" to Palestinian terror attacks. At an AIPAC conference Nikki stated: "The days of Israel-bashing are over . . . they need to know there is a new sheriff in town."

- His appointment of David Friedman to be our Ambassador to Israel. David replaces Daniel Shapiro, an Obama flunky, who despised Netanyahu and showed it. The *NYT*'s description of Friedman indicates he's a super choice for the position. "He writes a column for a right-wing Israeli news site in which he has accused Obama of 'blatant anti-Semitism,' dismissed the two-state solution, likened a liberal American-Jewish group to 'Kapos,' who cooperated with the Nazis, and said American Jewish leaders 'failed' Israel on the Iran nuclear deal." And that's why **WE** love the guy!

- He has closed down the Palestine Liberation Organization's mission in Washington because the PLO is not directly negotiating any peace agreement with Israel. In addition, the PLO is threatening to bring charges of war crimes against Israel at the International Criminal Court which violates the agreement we had with them when opening up their offices. In addition, our State Department under the leadership of Mike Pompeo is finally, after 70 years, no longer anti-Israel.

- He has ordered our de-funding the UN Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) which has for nearly 70 years aided and abetted the Palestinian terror against Israel. They provide textbooks which teach their kids to hate and how to kill Israelis. Our yearly \$300 million to this organization goes to maintaining the pipe dream of the "Right of Return" of millions of Arabs to Israel. No more!

- He has ordered the cancellation of our annual payment of \$200 million directly to the PLO, that supports the families of martyrs who have died committing terror against Israel or for their family members locked up for such acts. How many of us were aware that we supported terror with our tax dollars? We no longer contribute to Israeli deaths.

- He has ordered our embassy to be relocated in Jerusalem proper. A congressional order to do so back in 1995 had been ignored by every president before Trump, although each and every one swore to their pro-Israel voters that they would do so as soon as they took office. They all lied . . . each and every one of them . . . until Trump.

- He is treating Iran as the enemy it is to our own country, Israel and the world. As a result, he has withdrawn us from the disastrous Obama nuclear deal and we will impose additional sanctions on that country to encourage them to finally join a peaceful family of nations. This is in response to Iran's continued missile development, its support of terrorism, and the fact that they may be hiding their nuclear program from the inept, incompetent UN observers who are intentionally oblivious to Iran's hidden laboratories and testing sites. As a result of Trump's moves, many nations are dropping out of their Iranian trade deals, Iran is going through monumental inflation, and riots are spreading around the country. It's great that Trump truly has Israel's back because one of Iran's military leaders is quoted as saying, "Iran has the capability to destroy Israel and given the excuse, Tel Aviv and Haifa will be razed to the ground." Trump realized that kissing Iran's tuchis wouldn't pay off.

As a result of the above unassailable evidence of Trump's support for Israel, we really don't understand our Progressive, Democrat, Liberal, Yiddish brothers and sisters, who still come up with descriptions of his support for Israel as toadying up to Jews merely for their votes. What votes?? In 2016 Hillary got 71% of the Jewish vote in spite of the fact that she surely would have, as president, continued Obama's hostility against the Jewish State. In 2008, Obama received 78% of their support although they all were aware he was a member of a Jew/Israel hating church for over 20 years!! After 8 years of Obama blasting Israel, supporting Iran and Palestine, and finally his thumb-in-the-eye to Jews by abstaining from the anti-Israel Security Council Resolution 2334 in 2016 and permitting it to pass unanimously, they still continue to embrace the Democrat flagpole like a nightclub dancer. Are they that stupid? Unfortunately, yes. We see them as lemmings, supporting a new wave of Israel hating Progressive Democrats who will take their orders from Congressman Keith Ellison, Vice Chair of the Democrat National Committee, whose background was holding leadership roles in the Council of American Islamic Relations and Louis Farrakhan's Nation of Islam. Which brings to mind the old saying, sadly still true today: "Jewish political intelligence is an oxymoron."

Yes, Our History Matters

By CS Bennett

I am but one man, speaking with one voice, and sharing one message with you today. There have been some who have wanted to silence me, others wanting to shut me out. Oddly, some of this effort has come from within Republican circles. No, I do not consider myself a controversial figure, unless standing up and defending the United States Constitution, and our true history, is controversial. More humbly, I am but an instrument in the hands of the Almighty who sent me the following message.

Know your history and know it well. Far too many people, most of them under 45 years of age, believe that history is somehow antiquated. It is not relevant in today's America, they say. A history lesson is not what Americans want, or need, they proclaim. Their disdain for history could not be more obvious. Why this is, I do not know. But I am here to say that they could not be more wrong in their belief.

A history lesson is exactly what we need. History is replete with lessons of failures and successes, good triumphing over evil, and courageous people daring to stand up for what they believed in, even if it placed their own lives in great danger. People gave their lives so that we, as a nation, could survive, and prosper. To ignore one's history, and those who made the ultimate sacrifice, is to ignore one's humanity, and all of humanity. Ignore certain aspects of history and we run the risk of repeating it, they say.

Thankfully, history serves as a record of events throughout time. It allows one to address misinterpretations, shoot down misrepresentations, and correct outright lies, when we are faced with them. Should anyone berate the United States, I can say that it was the United States who fought two World Wars in defense of liberty and freedom across the globe. I can point out instances where the American people gave generously, even to our enemies, in times of hardship and natural disasters. I can stress, and counter, these things because I happen to know our history.

If someone declares that America is a racist society, a nation that never cared about Blacks and other minorities, and should they swear that the political party I am a member of is the party of racism and bigotry, I can show them otherwise. I can reach back in time, or pull up events from recent times, to counter what I am being told. I can show them who actually was the party of segregation and what party actually liberated Blacks from the bondage of slavery, whose party members happened to be all White back then. In essence, I can set the record straight on so many things, on so many levels, because of history, and thanks to history.



Frankly, if it were not for history, we would not know, or care, about our founding as a nation, we would not know about the heroic people who helped shaped this country; I am talking about people from all races and cultures. We would not take an interest in Egyptology, geology, anthropology, or the Bible, if we did not care about history. My point? History is more than a classroom subject. It is about real people, it is about real events in time, and it is about learning from our past, and making improvements in our present, in order to move forward into the future.

In our efforts to defeat those on the Left, and their anti-American agenda, we, as Republicans, conservatives (those who truly are), and constitutionalists, must come together and come at the Left on many fronts. History is one of those fronts. One of our greatest warriors, and most famous military leaders, General George S. Patton, was known to use the lessons of history to defeat his adversaries in battle. In my estimate, history remains the most powerful weapon we have in our arsenal. Some reading this may disagree, but to shelve it when we need it the most is to blind ourselves by our own hands.

As surely as there are those who would silence me, as a proponent of America's proud history, they would also silence history itself. Do we want to prevail over the Left, or do we what to submit this republic to them? That is the question. If we choose to fight back, we need to use everything we've got to save this republic, including our magnificent, and rich, history. Believe me, they are coming after us with everything they've got, and more. Just know that the Left is playing for keeps.

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This Election: Race and Florida's Black Vote

By Gene Robinson

PEOPLE: Some of you are not going to like what I will have to say in this message, but I do not really care how you feel, because . . . IT WILL ALL BE TRUE, AND IT WILL SHOW YOU EXACTLY WHAT WE, AS REPUBLICANS, ARE UP AGAINST IN THIS MID-TERM ELECTION!!

There is much, much more to the 2018 gubernatorial election in the State of Florida than “just politics,” in having a Republican in Ron DeSantis running against a Democrat in Andrew Gillum. There is an enormous amount of history, some of it “raw and ugly,” that is stoking this campaign, and there are also “outside influences” that are trying to take advantage of the situation for their own ulterior motives. How do I feel that I know so much about this?? Because, as a History major, and a man who knows this state “inside and out,” which I will discuss in detail, I know how much history will play in the outcome of this race for Governor. How do I know Florida's history, especially as it pertains to blacks, as they see a person of their own race in Andrew Gillum trying to Govern the state? Let me explain. . . .

I have lived here for many years, have been all over the state for many reasons and in many endeavors, and learned everything that I could in the process. I have children who graduated from several of the state's universities; have a cousin, with a Doctorate, who established the Chemistry department at Florida A&M; have helped recruit Florida athletes, all over the state, for my alma mater, THE Ohio State University; have traveled throughout the state's larger cities, like Jacksonville, Orlando, Bradenton, Tallahassee, Pensacola, Fort Myers, and others, as an ambassador for my fraternity and as an advocate in my political circles; and have spent a lot of time in many smaller towns in the state, including Belle Glade, Pahokee, Clewiston, Lakeland, Brooksville, Madison, Cottondale, Gainesville, and a lot more. In addition, I have family in the Tampa/St. Pete area of the state, and as an actor, I have been involved in several movies that were filmed throughout the state. I say all that to let you know that . . . I Know Florida Very Well. But now let me tell you the history of the state that is going to make this race to be the next Governor . . . UNLIKE ANYTHING THAT HAS EVER OCCURRED BEFORE IN FLORIDA'S HISTORY.

The old Segregationist South had a history of lynchings of blacks in the 1930's, 40's, and 50's, and most people feel that the majority of those deaths occurred in the states of Mississippi, Alabama, and Georgia, because of the recorded “tragic” and infamous stories that have clung to modern mythology through the years. But, Truth Be Told, the most Southern hangings of black citizens happened, and were recorded here in Florida, as it became known at the time as . . . THE FLORIDA TERROR!! That “dark history” has been passed down for generations in black Florida native families, and in 2018, blacks as a whole in this state, as they remember the history, see this as an opportunity to be involved in their own History in the Making, as they try to erase the memory of the stories that have stung every time one of them is told and re-told.

Andrew Gillum is a Socialist, plain and simple, who is not good for Florida, but black voters who will come out in droves to circle his name on the ballot, will not see it that way. For them, it means a chance to “strike a blow” for themselves, and their ancestors, through the Voting Process. As I said in the opening paragraph of this piece, I have tried to show you, through just a limited glimpse, WHAT WE ARE TRULY UP AGAINST IN THIS ELECTION. As loyal members of the GOP, the only way that we will win this gubernatorial election and others is: (1) If we can “pour” vast amounts of “money” into our efforts throughout the state; (2) If President Trump comes into Florida many times between now and the election to “rev up the troops” for Ron DeSantis, and the other Republican candidates; and (3) If each and every one of us works harder than we have ever worked before in a political campaign.

As for me, I have lost many, many friends for my political views over the years, and especially now, I will be in the view of many . . . on the Wrong Side of History, the Wrong Side of Politics, and the Wrong Side of My People. BUT, I WILL BE ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF GOD.

Now, Let's Win This Election, In Spite of the Odds, and GOD Bless.

Gene Robinson is the President of the Tamarac/Margate/Coconut Creek Republican Club.

A Letter From Your Neighbor

By Xiaoqi Wang

I am your neighbor, Xiaoqi Wang. I grew up in Beijing, China, the Capital City of the “ideal” socialist society. We had free education and free medical care, and in exchange for loyalty and hard work, the government promised to provide from cradle to grave. The only problem was that we were all poor (except, of course, the politicians). Many things were rationed, including basics such as food. While medical care was free, it was not readily available. It was a luxury to get new clothes, hand-made by my mother, at New Years.

We were indoctrinated young and required to do as the government told us to do from birth. Personal freedom was non-existent; the government controlled everything—your education, career path, the way you acted and behaved, even the number of children you could have.

After China joined the World Trade Organization, life in China changed dramatically; the government allowed capitalism into the markets and the economy flourished. Despite economic reforms, the government still controls things we in the U.S. take for granted. Simple things such as how much money you can spend and invest at home or abroad; the right to own real estate; who can own a car and when and where it may be given; the list goes on and on. No matter what your business, the government may control it and, if it desires, take it from you.

In China, personal choices regarding one’s lifestyle are still strictly controlled. Things Americans take for granted such as freedom of religion, speech, due process and equality are lacking, and you have no recourse. LGBT’s have no rights. The #MeToo movement does not exist. Resist activism is not allowed.

Despite the fact that they can make more money in China currently, many Chinese want to emigrate to the U.S. The chief reason is personal freedom and security; they know that the U.S. government will not take away their freedom or hard-earned wealth without due process.

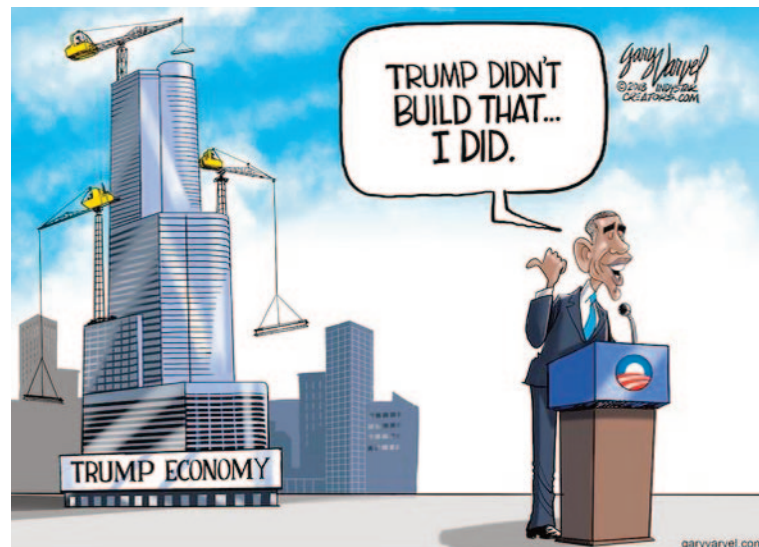
I am appalled that some Americans think socialism is a good idea. I know first-hand that “ideal” socialism does not exist. I also know that life is a balance, the more “free stuff” the government gives, the more hard-earned wealth it must confiscate to pay for it. The more social engineering the government engages in, the more freedom it must curtail to achieve its goal. History really is the best teacher! Unfortunately, present-day socialists have not learned history’s lessons.

As is often true, Florida is doing much better than public perception would lead us to believe. *U.S. News & World Reports* ranks Florida Number 7 overall in education, and Number 1 in higher education: www.usnews.com/news/best-states/rankings/education; Number 3 in fiscal stability: www.usnews.com/news/best-states/rankings/fiscal-stability; Number 10 in elderly services: www.usnews.com/news/best-states/rankings/aging; and Number 1 in natural environment: www.usnews.com/news/best-states/rankings/quality-of-life/natural-environment.

Contrary to what you may have heard in the press, it is my belief that Florida doesn’t need a drastic overhaul, much less a turn towards socialism. Please consider your choices carefully when voting for our next Governor and U.S. Senator on Tuesday, November 6th, 2018. Our future depends on it.



Xiaoqi Wang is a member of the National Committee of Asian American Republicans, which is headquartered in Washington, DC (website: www.asian.gop). Xiaoqi wrote and delivered this letter to all her neighbors.



The Bad Boy Brett Baloney

*By Joan Swirsky
September 17, 2018*

Judge Brett Kavanaugh has always been in the crosshairs of the left, ever since he played a major role in urging the impeachment of their icon of moral rectitude, President Bill Clinton, and also led the investigation into the alleged suicide (or fishy murder) of Vince Foster, Clinton's Deputy White House Counsel and close friend of Ms. Hillary. No doubt red flags were raised by the powers-that-be in the Democratic Party when Kavanaugh was confirmed for the Court of Appeals in 2006 as a potential candidate for the Supreme Court—especially because an analysis covering the period 2003–2018 found that in every area of policy he had the most or second-most conservative voting record on the D.C. Court.

Kavanaugh has been vetted 6 times

It didn't help that Kavanaugh was given thorough and extensive and exhaustive colonoscopies—I mean vetting—by the FBI, not once or twice or three times, but six times! Yet somehow, this microscopically intrusive process failed to uncover the mortal sin—or was it simply typical teenage rambunctiousness?—that the archeologists of the left just uncovered. Specifically, that a drunken 17-year-old Brett Kavanaugh, and his equally drunken friend, got a hold of the cold-sober and very proper teenager Christine Blasey, who went where with the boys? To the porch? the den? the kitchen? The backyard? Noooooo—to the bedroom! Clearly to talk about college applications! Then, according to Ms. Recovered Memory, Mr. Drunk misinterpreted her none-too-subtle behavior and lay down alongside her or on top of her on the bed and—gasp—touched her! Now how on earth could a smart kid like Brett Kavanaugh have been so amazingly clueless that he thought a girl who went into a bedroom could have anything in mind except taking a rest? Kinda like saying that the person who opens the refrigerator isn't hungry or thirsty! As they say in the Bronx—gimme a break!

Consider the Source

Of course, the foregoing scenario depends on how credible you consider the now-51-year-old professor of psychology, Christine Blasey Ford, or the woman who brought this sordid story to light, Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA). Yes, that Dianne Feinstein, the woman whose husband, real estate mogul Richard Blum, obtained an exclusive contract with the U.S. government in 2015—while she was a U.S. Senator—and earned as much as \$1 billion selling 56 U.S. Postal Service buildings across the country. According to journalist Steven Rosenfeld, “Feinstein dismissed the conflict-of-interest allegations at the time, which were followed by numerous investigative reports criticizing the deal, [but] even if Feinstein's word is true—that she never lobbied or intervened with the USPS on behalf of her husband—the political world in Washington is like a village where longtime players know

everyone else, and favors are implicitly given and taken without explicit approval. “Swamp,” anyone? And last month, according to Breitbart.com, there are numerous reports that an alleged Chinese spy reportedly infiltrated Sen. Feinstein's office by posing as her driver for 20 years. “Five years ago,” *Politico* reported, “the FBI told Feinstein—who served as chairwoman of the Senate Intelligence Committee—that her staffer was a spy. But the FBI could not charge the man with espionage because none of what he leaked was considered to be classified information, making it difficult for the agency to prosecute him.” Uh huh.

And why did Sen. Feinstein wait until the 11th hour to produce this tabloid accusation? Because the best efforts of the Democrats to stop Judge Kavanaugh from ascending to the Supreme Court had failed thunderously and she thought she could delay the hearings until after the midterms when Democrats dream of reclaiming a majority in the U.S. Congress, thereby increasing their power to obstruct the president's agenda.

Pants on Fire?

Prof. Blasey Ford reported the incident to her therapist (who took notes) in 2012, about 36 years after she said it happened. As reported by WorldNetDaily.com, she wasn't quite sure of the location, or for that matter the year, but she was quite sure that she tried to scream and he put his hand over her mouth, which led her to believe that “he might inadvertently kill me.” She said that his friend Mark Judge intervened and saved the day . . . or night. But Mark Judge, an author and journalist, has thoroughly refuted this description: “It's just absolutely nuts,” he said, and, according to *The New York Times*, he said the incident never happened. In fact, the therapist's notes never mention the name Kavanaugh at all! Duh.

But what about the polygraph test she passed last month—the one administered by an FBI agent? Was that agent, perchance, connected to any of the FBI agents who are now being accused of plotting to overthrow the Trump presidency—the likes of Rod Rosenstein, Peter Strzok, Lisa Page, Andrew McCabe, on and on and on? If there is such a connection, why would anyone trust the results of such a test? Besides, it is well known that sociopaths and pathological liars have an easy time passing lie detector tests. Does Professor Blasey Ford—a Democrat partisan and Hillary fan—fit into either category? We don't know because, unlike Judge Kavanaugh, she has never been vetted.

Recovered-memory poseurs

Or is Professor Blasey Ford more like the women who lawyer Gloria Allred rounds up for her victims-on-parade

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We Must Argue as Simply as Liberals (Part III)

*By Alan J. Huber, CFP
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Last month we discussed arguing with Democratic Socialists “SIMPLY.” We covered: FREE health care and income tax rates. (*email if you would like a copy*)

THE best way to win an argument or discussion is: “ASK QUESTIONS” and MAKE IT PERSONAL (about them).

Today we’ll discuss SANCTUARY CITIES

THEM: Sanctuary cities are safer because illegals are not afraid to report to the police

YOU: So if U.S. citizens in Detroit, LA, New York and other high crime areas do not cooperate with the police, tell me why the illegals will?

THEM: We should not arrest people whose only crime is breaking immigration law?

YOU: I can understand that. So an undocumented immigrant commits rape and sentenced to four years, after which they are deported. They illegally re-enter the United States and live next door to you.

Since the only crime they are wanted for is “illegal entry” you are okay with them living next to your children?

THEM: It’s wrong that parents of U.S. citizens should fear deportation.

YOU: I agree with you. However since ONLY the Federal Government has access to the immigrant’s immigration file,



and is the ONLY agency that can give them permission to stay in the United States, which will remove the fear of separation. . . . Don’t we need to cooperate with the federal government to help these children?

Email YOUR questions and I will send you an answer. I promise.

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showcases? The kind of women who brag of longtime marriages, raising children, coping with adversity (including breast cancer), pursuing successful careers, but then produce tears on cue, speak with oh-so-poignant catches in their voices, and claim that 10 or 20 or 30 years ago they couldn’t quite muster a voice of resistance or a flat refusal or a slap in the face to an overly-aggressive amorous pursuer.

We don’t know, but we certainly can’t rule out that possibility.

And then there are the recovered-memory poseurs who journalist Dorothy Rabinowitz brilliantly exposed in *Harper’s Magazine* and *The Wall St. Journal*. Her exposés of the dubious—indeed, malevolent—sexual-abuse charges filed against the operators of daycare centers and other individuals, notably the Amirault family in Massachusetts and those in Washington State, not only freed the wrongly accused from lengthy prison sentences, but earned her a

1996 Pulitzer nomination, formed half of the articles cited for her 2001 Pulitzer Prize win, and were the basis of her book, *No Crueler Tyrannies: Accusation, False Witness, and Other Terrors of Our Times*.

Elizabeth Loftus and Katherine Ketcham have also written about the subject in *The Myth of Repressed Memory: False Memories and Allegations of Sexual Abuse*.

Of course, Judge Kavanaugh has “categorically and unequivocally” denied that the event ever occurred. And Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Charles E. Grassley (R-IA) released a letter signed by 65 women who knew him in high school and praised him highly. Yes, there are women who have legitimate grievances about abuses that occurred in their pasts. Today, however, partisan plaintiff Christine Blasey Ford is telling us how she remembers a surge of teenage testosterone—if the incident happened at all. I’m not buying what she is selling and I hope the legislators who vote on the matter agree!

Venezuela—The Lost Paradise—Chapter 1/3

By Steve Leonard

Following the overthrow of the military dictator Perez Jimenez in 1958, two parties emerged that would govern Venezuela for the next 40 years. The AD party believed in free enterprise and private property. The Copei party generally believed that an authoritarian government was needed to direct the economy, education, banking, etc.

From the 1960s through the '70s the Adecos and Copeyanos swapped positions every five years with the Adecos helping industry advance while when the Copeyanos were in office, they attempted to control everything and catered to that portion of the population which had the most unmet needs. World events such as the oil crises, the debt crisis and the Latin American financial crisis from 1972–1983 altered the expectations of the general population and caused severe problems for the country.

In 1983, with the Latin debt crises coming to a head along with their own debt crisis, the Copeyanos (then in power) decided to impose exchange and price controls which have continued in existence in Venezuela in one form or another since that time. Due to a reduction in investments in industry, the country became more and more dependent on the income derived from its oil (they have the largest reserves in the world). Given this dependence, the country then became even more susceptible to every increase and decrease in the price of oil and therefore their economic wellbeing began a descent into reduced opportunities, reduced expectations and reduced faith in the two major governing parties.

During the '80s and '90s more and more economic and political crises erupted with serious riots in '88 when an attempt was made to raise gasoline prices (which had been subsidized by every government since the '60s); two failed coup attempts (February 4 and November 24, 1992), the ouster of a duly elected president when certain groups from both major parties conspired to remove him through a corrupt legal process; the election of a third-party candidate who had been president previously and who knew and actively supported the coup attempts of 1992; the full pardon of the 1992 coup participants leading the way to the presidential candidacy of Hugo Chavez in 1998 and his subsequent victory; falling oil prices which hampered the governments' ability to

provide resources to the general population; a deteriorating economic situation and an even worsening relations between the major political parties and the general population.

During this same time period, the state oil company PDVSA, which was nationalized in 1976 but was granted full operational autonomy, was moving forward with increasing production, developing a very highly trained and educated workforce and high technical capabilities. Since the politicians were, by law, restricted from interfering in the operation of the company and its subsidiaries, the company flourished and provided a solid basis from which to develop the rest of the country.

A growing distrust of the entrenched elites resulted in the 1993 election of a president who maintained price and other economic controls, applied more rules and regulations to the industrial sector, and generally failed to provide any valid answers or solutions to the myriad economic and social problems facing Venezuela at the time. The traditional parties had no viable answers for an ever increasingly desperate population looking for someone to provide the path out of the stagnation they felt.

The elections in 1998 resulting in Hugo Chavez winning by a large margin on the promise of government munificence left the traditional parties sidelined and losing their influence in national matters. There were warnings at all levels about the real socialist intent of this new leader who proclaimed at every turn that he was not a socialist. His campaign motto was "Change and Hope" and he managed to cruise to victory without ever defining how he would achieve this "Change and Hope."

A very good friend of mine told me that he would vote for Chavez because the Adecos and Copeyanos had done nothing for the country and that he deserved a chance to show what he could do. He also informed me that after Chavez' five year term, if he did not do anything to improve the conditions in the country "we would vote him out." Once Chavez was in power, and less than a year after being inaugurated, he managed to change the constitution of the country, thereby solidifying his position, and thus began the era of increased socialism, the reduction of individual rights, reduced economic opportunities, and increased civil strife.



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Letters

We Need To Be Vigilant Against The Left's Strategies

Dear Friends,

Did you hear the part of Ford's testimony where she claims that she saw Judge at a supermarket and greeted him some weeks after having been allegedly a victim of an attempted rape where Judge was described as an accessory? I wondered, why would she have said hi to Judge instead of immediately leaving the grocery after seeing him. She stated how Judge felt; his face visibly looked white and he was upset. The prosecutor hired to ask Ford questions proved to be incompetent. This career prosecutor never asked Ford why she would greet Judge, supposedly an accessory to an attempted rape, who terrified her several weeks earlier. She forgot to follow up Ford's testimony with questions asking how she knew Judge felt. There were so many other questions she failed to ask. She was a disgrace, and when Kavanaugh was on the stand, she was, thankfully, pushed aside by Lindsey Graham, who took over, and she was never heard from again. The Democrat Party is anything but democratic, and anything but progressive. Its members no longer believe in the presumption of innocence, and have embraced pre-Enlightenment models of justice. They are blatantly reactionary, and would feel at home in 1692 Salem.

Now, Flake falls for the thuggery and bullying of the left. In my opinion, our country is on its way to devolving. To say Ford was innocent BEFORE hearing her testimony was biased. To not give the accused the presumption of innocence is biased. We should all work together, but that is no longer evident. The winner will go to those who are: (1) the most ideologically motivated, (2) the best funded, and (3) most organized—which has little to do with who is right. Trump is but a speed bump to the inevitable Trump liberalism that is overtaking Europe.

If you so much as criticize Islam and give evidence to a grooming Islamist rape like Tommy Robinson did, it is he who goes to jail. This scenario is far from being the only case, and the liberal media is complicit by not warning us of Islamist terror that is occurring not only globally, but right here in America. There's a media blackout when it comes to this subject. Seems like it's "hate speech" if it's against Islam and "free speech" if it's against Jews and Christians. Islam is sold as PC-Teflon while Kavanaugh fries for another week . . . and then when more accusers surface . . . another week . . . and then another after that? Or the same Alinsky-strategy will apply to whomever else Trump picks for Supreme Court. No neutrality and moderation . . . JUST dogma and ideology dictating over common sense and the rules of law.

Those who welcome "the outsider" are hypocrites because the right (RINOS and spineless Rep's), the left, and Islamists hate Trump so much, they are willing to destroy the democracy we have. He stands in their way to their agenda of Globalism, Socialism, Progressivism, Communism . . . and eventually—Islamism, which is the group that will win because they will have the three requirements I've mentioned above. No one and no group can take America down unless Americans let it happen. We are letting it happen! The Kavanaugh hearings demonstrate this well. Linda Sarsour is the same person who created the Women's March against Trump, just one day after he became the president. Have you seen her front and center of the fray? The Muslim Brotherhood et al. watch all of this and smack their lips.

Best,
Caren Besner

Okeechobee Plan Will Increase Traffic

I respectfully disagree with the conclusions West Palm Beach Mayor Muoio reaches in her recent column in support of her contention that adoption of the Okeechobee Business District (OBD) reduces potential traffic within the OBD and along the entire Okeechobee corridor, the major east-west highway for local residents of West Palm Beach and Palm Beach. Let me explain why.

West Palm Beach city officials relied upon a lengthy study of the city's traffic and mobility network in approving the OBD. My concern is with their conclusion that adoption of the study's recommendations will minimize "future vehicle trips" within the already congested OBD and Okeechobee corridor.

Those solutions, which Muoio listed, consist of "an expanded trolley service, more bike facilities and improved walkability." To my mind, they fail to appreciate the adverse health consequences for our seniors and others at risk from excessive exposure to our tropical heat while waiting for a trolley or by having to walk or ride a bicycle around the OBD.

In addition, these "solutions" will contribute to increased gridlock while failing to address the likelihood that the increased traffic within the OBD and along the entire Okeechobee corridor will come from the entering and exiting of the OBD by vehicles driven by the new occupants of the contemplated waterfront office tower.

Warren Belmar
Palm Beach

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Book Review

***The Most Dangerous Branch: Inside the Supreme Court's Assault on the Constitution*, by David A. Kaplan. New York: Crown, 2018. Hardcover, 446 pp.**

The author, David A. Kaplan, is qualified to write this book. He's a former legal affairs editor of *Newsweek*, where he covered the Supreme Court for over a decade. He is also a graduate of Cornell and the New York University School of Law. Having said that, be forewarned, with regard to judicial philosophy, he's not an originalist and sides with the Democrat Party's preference for judges who legislate from the bench. Still, his book is worth reading and has much to offer.

The book starts out with the announced retirement of Supreme Court Justice Kennedy, who he says "joined with liberals more than 50 times to make a narrow majority. As the swing justice, Kennedy effectively was the court," but his power had nothing to do with his brilliance as a judge, "only that he lucked out being the fulcrum."

For decades, judges appointed by Republican presidents—Sandra Day O'Connor, David Souter and Anthony Kennedy—had frustrated those presidents, and Republican voters who supported them, by their unwillingness to overturn *Roe v. Wade*. Now with Kennedy's retirement, doing away with *Roe* seems "within reach," while for Democrats it's "the end of the world as they knew it at the Supreme Court."

Kaplan's views on the Supreme Court can be summed up with the following sentence he wrote at the end of his introduction: "The ABASEMENT [emphasis mine] of the current Court will likely culminate with confirmation of Brett M. Kavanaugh, a 53-year-old devoted conservative, to replace Kennedy, giving the right flank of the Court resolute control."

Nothing more need be said about which side the author favors on the Supreme Court, so that becomes crystal clear early on while reading the book. For me, an interesting aspect of the book is its most ironic title, *The Most Dangerous Branch: Inside The Supreme Court's Assault on the Constitution*, which seemingly suggests that its author harbors originalist views on the court. What this is in my view,

is a clever device to attract unsuspecting conservatives to buy the book, not to mention an old tactic of the left, recently dusted off to confuse voters, by accusing conservatives of being the ones in favor of activist judges.

The one thing Kaplan is quite right about in my view is his contention that the Court has become much more powerful than the Founders intended. But he does not seem to believe, as conservatives most assuredly do, that this imbalanced situation has been exclusively due to elevation to the Court of activist judges like Ginsberg and Kagan who consistently seek in their opinions to legislate from the bench, taking power from the legislative branch of the American government they are not constitutionally authorized to take. Once again, Mr. Kaplan tries to side with conservatives, at one point claiming that "we all favor judicial restraint and oppose judicial activism," which is simply not true given the opinions of justices like Ginsberg, Kagan and Sotomayor.

Kaplan's views of the individual jurists on the Supreme Court tell everything one needs to know about who he favors on the court. For example he refers to conservative Antonin Scalia as "a master at manipulating originalist-textualist trope," while praising activist liberal Breyer as "advocating pragmatism."

In the final analysis, Kaplan is right at the end of his book when he tries to identify what's wrong with the Supreme Court these days by stating, "It is a sign of weakness that we countenance an almighty Court to resolve so many of our hardest choices. We do not need, nor should we want, the court to save us from ourselves." But he's mistaken as to who he believes is responsible for this imbalance. Still, his book is well worth reading, given the fact that it affords one a chance to delve into the minds of liberal jurists and their liberal supporters.



—Tom Mullings

Book Review

***Licensed to Lie: Exposing Corruption in the Department of Justice*, by Sidney Powell.** 2nd Edition, 2018 ISBN: 978-1-61254-149-5. 444 pages, including chapter on sources, endorsements and index; this book has 22 chapters. Get it at www.licensedtolie.com from where it will be sent for \$25. When I looked for it Amazon was asking more than \$140.00 per copy.

The first edition was published in 2014. Too bad I did not know about it then because it explains a lot going on in the Mueller Special Prosecutor Investigation today. My first glimpse of Sidney Powell was on Lou Dobbs TV show on Fox Business News channel. She is 6 ft tall, blue eyed, long hair, and has a lawyer's mouth. You will not miss her if you are in the same room. (This kind of how Powell introduces each new personality in the book.)

Sidney Powell was born in Durham, North Carolina and grew up in Raleigh. She is a graduate of Needham Broughton High School and the University of North Carolina with a B.A. and a J.D. She obtained her undergraduate and law degrees at a young age, and she began her legal career as the youngest United States Attorney in the country. Sidney Powell has been lead counsel in more than 500 appeals.

At some points, the book is a heart pounding thriller as Powell describes the tension between her thoughts about the arguments, the other attorneys and judges in the appellate hearings you will attend. She knows how to make the story memorable. This book could become a mystery movie script.

Powell discloses one of the first times DOJ attorneys have used indictments that do not charge actual crimes to go after political enemies. If you are concerned about the Rule of Law under our Constitution (see *Rule of Law Under Our Constitution* elsewhere in this newsletter), this book will give you another view into the Deep State characters who are ruining the Department of Justice, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and other agencies concerned with the law. This book illustrates many of the problems that result in our not getting justice from our lawyers and courts today.

Appellate attorneys either try to challenge or uphold trial court decisions. They must know the law backward and forward and all around the issues. Appellate law is not a place to make a few quick contingency fees settling cases after filing complaints. Federal appeals take months, sometimes years. Appellate lawyers have to get it right and not lie to judges and opponents.

Every chapter has previously unknown information that is worth reading carefully, but this review is limited in the space it can cover. Here is a partial synopsis of several chapters to whet your appetite for reading this book:

1. The Ultimate Toll—Nicholas Marsh, a former DOJ prosecutor of Senator Ted Stevens for failing to report alleged gifts in U.S. Senate forms, committed suicide. After the DOJ was exposed, Judge Emmett Sullivan ordered a special prosecutor, Henry Schuelke, III, to investigate.

Matthew Frederick and Rita Glavin take over for Nick.

2. The Dangerous Fuel of Public Outrage—The downfall of Enron Corporation in Houston is reviewed. Jeffrey Skilling, Andrew Fastow, Ken Lay, Jeff McMahon, and others “monetized” assets and created a large amount of company wealth. Arthur Anderson, LLP, an 85,000-employee firm, was Enron’s auditor. Enron’s former vice chairman, John “Cliff” Baxter committed suicide after being badgered by a Senate Committee at the end of this tale.

3. The Task Force Annihilates Arthur Andersen—Some thought Baxter was a “hit.” The DOJ appointed a Task Force to investigate the potential crimes and who was responsible for the Enron crash. In March 2002, Leslie Caldwell was the Task Force Chairman. Andrew Weissman was a prosecutor who had developed special tactics in prosecuting Mafia figures. He became the driving force to indict Arthur Anderson, LLP, according to Powell. Sam Buell was another prosecutor; Matthew Friedrich was another. Andersens’ lawyers asked Powell to help them with the appellate case that Andersen lost at trial. The Task Force indicted the whole Andersen company, not just some responsible department heads. “The Enron Task Force destroyed Enron in a big power play.” The chapter goes on to describe how the Task Force linked Merrill Lynch, then the Browns in the Nigerian Barge case that Powell worked on at the appeal level.

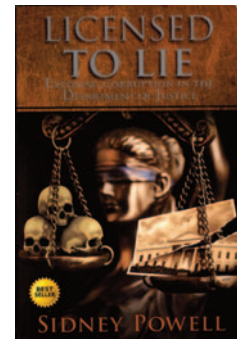
4. Wanna Buy a Barge?—Powell lived near Ashville, North Carolina in December 2004, and had a two-person office in the mountains. She received a FedEx shipment of law files consisting of 800 boxes to review and organize for the appeal. She read the indictment and the files and could not find a crime that would result in a conviction. At trial, questions about “best efforts” had not been allowed. The Task Force succeeded because the defense was not allowed to raise questions.

5. Nailing the Coffin—This is about closing arguments and the all guilty jury verdict at trial. Many errors of law were found for the appeal. The Task Force even stopped Merrill Lynch from paying their lawyers’ bills.

6. Facing the Firing Squad—Sentencing for the \$45 million loss is covered here. But Judge Werlein, the Houston trial judge, seemed unsure he understood the case. After Brown was found guilty, he was let go to appear voluntarily for sentencing.

7. Supreme Reversals—Justice Rehnquist wrote a unanimous reversal of the 5th Circuit and Powell filed a motion for rehearing on bail pending court review for Jim Brown.

8. The Longest Year—Jim Brown was imprisoned at Ft. Dix. Appeals got him released for time served since the only



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crimes he was convicted for had been already served. The Task Force got awards from DOJ for its service. Then prosecutors announced they would retry Jim Brown and two others again.

9. BOHICA—A new Assistant U.S. Attorney wants Brown put back in prison. Judge Werlein got an education, but delays his decision.

10. More Surprises—Matthew Friedrich promoted to Acting Assistant Attorney General. Friedrich had orchestrated the conviction of Senator Ted Stevens in an October trial just before the 2008 election.

11. Department of Injustice: Polar Pen Melts—Judge Emmett Sullivan dismisses the federal case against Senator Stevens for failure to give Brady material (exculpatory evidence) and because Federal Agent Chad Joy reported on the DOJ coverup to the court.

12. The Mother of all Hearings—Judge Sullivan had to forcefully lead the new government counsel to admit that several exculpatory items had been covered up. The indictment was quashed and the charges at trial dismissed. Attorney General Michael Mukasey, third AG under Bush, had never responded to defense counsel Brendan Sullivan’s 16-page letter about dismissing the Stevens case, so Judge Emmet Sullivan announced criminal contempt against the DOJ legal team members William Welch, Brenda Morris, Joseph Bottini, Nicholas Marsh, James Goeke, and Edward Sullivan “. . . based on the failures of those prosecutors to comply with the court’s numerous orders and potential obstruction of justice.”

13. Move Over, DOJ: There’s A New Sheriff in Town—Judge Sullivan appointed Hank Schuelke as special prosecutor. The defendants were allowed to hire defense counsel on the taxpayers’ dimes. Attorney General Holder

and other top DOJ officials got an “ethics waiver” that allowed them to review matters related to the Stevens prosecution even though their former firms were representing subjects of those investigations. The chapter ends with the Supreme Court arguments in the honest services law cases concerning issues in the *Andersen, Black* and *Weyhrauch*.

14. Another Try—The *Skilling* case came before the Supreme Court.

15. The Big Oops

16. Truth Be Told

17. The Beginning of the End

18. The Last Chance

19. Inside the Department of Injustice—On March 15, 2012, Hank Schuelke issued his 500-page report. A bipartisan Senate Bill 2197 was introduced to write into law clarifications concerning how prosecutors must comply with the *Brady* Supreme court case. See <https://www.congress.gov/bill/112th-congress/senate-bill/2197/text>. The DOJ opposed the bill. The DOJ doubles down on researching the facts of the *Brown* case to try to save their conviction. The bill never became law.

21. BOHICA—Or Just Over?

22. The Bar at its Lowest. Epilogue.

You will see more similarities in the current behavior of certain DOJ and FBI officials and these actions described by Sidney Powell that occurred during the Bush (43) and Obama Administrations. This book is highly recommended to anyone dedicated to helping restore the “Rule of Law” to the American constitutional form of government. The book is a road map to Federal corruption. Brendon Sullivan, a partner at Williams & Connolly, wrote, “It is malpractice to litigate against the Department of Justice without reading this book.” By the way—BOHICA means “bend over, here it comes again.”

—Reviewed by William J. Skinner



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Editor's Postscript

Why Voters Should Vote Republican in the Midterm Elections

By Tom Mullings

Never in my life have I seen a more solid case of real accomplishment in the first two years of a president's time in office than those of the Trump Administration, and the local, county, state and national legislators across the country that have supported his agenda. This article will highlight those accomplishments, giving voters reasons why they should vote Republican across the board in November. But first, Democrat behavior in the just concluded Kavanaugh hearings in Washington has given additional reason for rejecting Democrat candidates in this midterm contest.

In the hearings, Democrats launched a dishonest smear campaign against distinguished Judge Brett M. Kavanaugh, to falsely brand him a serial sexual offender without any corroboration whatsoever. Indeed, the liberal media aided and abetted in this despicable effort to destroy a good and honest man and walk over the bodies of him and his family for political gain and nothing else. They printed salacious stories about Judge Kavanaugh without seeking to corroborate those stories, granting legitimacy to what was at best, unsubstantiated hearsay. Democrats at the hearings acted irresponsibly and dishonorably by demanding that the Judge's accuser be believed without substantiation, and that the time-honored western presumption of innocence be suspended for the accused.

Happily, they were defeated in this shameful effort that brought dishonor to the United States Senate, and Judge Kavanaugh was confirmed as an associate justice for the Supreme Court. But this is clearly not the kind of country the vast majority of Americans are in favor of, and they should reject Democrat candidates who sided with these views up on the Hill in Washington, DC.

Now for a list of some of his major accomplishments of President Trump, those in office around the country who support his agenda, and those candidates seeking to do so in November.

1. The American economy is growing at a stronger rate than at any time in many years.
2. Unemployment is at the lowest level it has ever been (3.8%) and nearly 3 million jobs have been created since Trump took office. 304,000 manufacturing jobs have been created, the most since 2008.
3. Unemployment for Blacks, Hispanics and women are the lowest they've ever been.
4. Business is booming and both business and consumer confidence is soaring.
5. The biggest across-the-board tax cut in history has been passed, putting significant additional cash in citizens

pockets and stimulating economic growth.

6. The corporate tax rate has been slashed from to one of the highest rates among major industrialized countries to one of the lowest, and trillions of dollars in overseas cash is coming back home and helping to spur growth.

7. President Trump has rolled back many job-killing regulations, "issuing 22 deregulatory actions for every new regulatory action."

8. President Trump has championed fair, free trade deals ending decades of one-sided deals that short-change Americans. He has especially zeroed in on ending unfair Chinese trade practices with our country that have robbed blind our intellectual property and technology while denying access to China's economy for our own companies.

9. "The president has secured historic increases (\$700 billion for FY-2018, \$716 billion for FY-2019) in defense spending to rebuild our nation's military after years of harmful sequester."

10. He's worked with allies to crush ISIS around the world.

11. He's moved our embassy from to the capital of Israel, Jerusalem like all previous presidents have promised and none have delivered.

12. The President has strengthened our southern border and reduced illegal immigration into the U.S.

13. The president has provided two conservative justices for the Supreme Court, ensuring dominance of originalist judicial philosophy on the Court for many years to come.

So when you go into the voting booth on November 6, do yourself and the country a favor and vote to continue the Trump agenda, which has already accomplished so much, and vote Republican across the board.



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Republican Executive Committee Membership Application

The Republican Executive Committee (also known as the REC) is the governing body of the Republican Party of Palm Beach County. The REC elects the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Party. Members of the REC also approve the Party's constitution; Rules, Policies & Procedures; and budget.

Members of the Republican Executive Committee represent registered Republicans who live in their precinct and serve as the Party's liaison to the Republicans within that precinct. REC members are expected to maintain contact with Republicans living in their precinct and to keep them informed as to what is going on in the Republican Party. This can be done through E-mail or other means like regular mail, phone calls and/or walking your precinct. The REC is the basis for our grassroots efforts and we rely on REC Members to organize and develop their precincts, recruit new volunteers, recruit candidates to fill vacancies on the REC, find sign locations for Republican candidates, register new Republican voters and work to get out the Republican vote in their precincts during elections. The role of committeeman or committeewoman is essential to Republican Party's and our candidates' success in Palm Beach County.

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1. Expected to donate financially to the Republican Party of Palm Beach County
2. Attend REC Meetings
3. Organize your precinct and carry out the policies and programs of the Party within your precinct. Active participation in the various programs of the Party is expected.
4. Serve on a Party Committee.
5. Develop a presence in the broader community by joining a Republican Club; serving on a local board or committee; or monitoring local media for relevant material.

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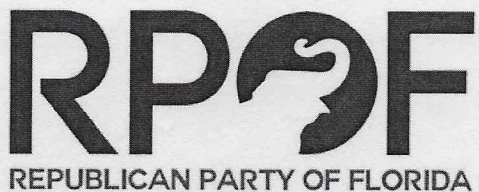
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I, _____, swear and/or affirm that during my term of
(Name of Member – Please write clearly)

office I will not actively, publicly, or financially support the election of any candidate seeking election against:

- (1) The Republican Party's nominee in a partisan unitary, general, or special election that includes a Republican nominee; or
- (2) A registered Republican in a non-partisan election except that this provision does not apply to judicial races under Chapter 105, Florida Statutes.

I further swear or affirm that, in a contested Republican primary election, I will not support the nomination of one Republican candidate over another in my capacity as a Republican County Executive Committee member unless the Party has voted to endorse under RPOF Rule 8. This provision does not preclude me from supporting in any manner my personal Republican candidate of choice in a contested Republican primary election, provided I do not express such support with public reference to my title or office within the Republican Party of Florida.

Signature of Member

Signature of Witness

County/Precinct #

Date

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Alt. Precinct Committeeman, Alt. Precinct Committeewoman)

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Signature of Candidate

Telephone Number

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State

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STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF _____

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

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