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# Deep Stakes with the Deep State

By Steve Huston



The year was 1787; we had just ratified the Constitution of the United States of America and Benjamin Franklin stepped out of what is now known as Independence Hall. Mrs. Powell approached Franklin and asked, "Well doctor, what have we got? A republic or a monarchy?" Franklin who was always ready with an answer replied, "A republic, madam—if you can keep it!"

With disagreements from the beginning on how much power a government should have while avoiding chaos and guarding against man's natural inclination toward sin, the Federalist and Anti-Federalist papers contested each other in the open marketplace and were delivered for the good of the people. Those developing our government weren't looking for self-aggrandizement or self-promotion. If there were a "Deep State," it wasn't recognized and it bred and lived in civility. To the best of our knowledge, the swamp was no more than a mere puddle, if it existed at all. We've come a long way since those days, with some growing seditious swamp creatures now living in the deep while others boldly pop their heads out of the murky depths.

If we're going to talk about the Deep State, we should define what it is. It's much more than disagreeing with a current administration or even voicing those disagreements. The Deep State runs an inner resistance seek-

ing to thwart the consent of the governed. It most often works outside the boundaries of the Constitution, illegally undermining a duly elected president; and more nefariously, to destroy the existing form of government so that the governed might be used as pawns and chattel. The Deep State will say that it is saving America and looking out for the best interest of the governed; but they are actually subverting our Constitutional Republic and setting up a Constitutional crisis. Or as Rich Higgins succinctly put it, "Globalists and Islamists recognize that for their visions to succeed, America, both as an ideal and as a national and political identity, must be destroyed."

The Deep State has many tentacles all working in conjunction to the demise of this constitutionally elected president and to the upheaval and division of our society so that they can more easily manipulate the governed, thereby convincing them to relinquish their rights and exchange their liberty for tyranny. It brings division, sowing seeds of distrust, destroying our history and misrepresenting the future. Some of these tentacles are easily recognized, others remain unseen or unrecognized; but all are maneuvering as though they are above the law.

The Deep State runs deep and wide, so wide we won't be able to cover much of it. In

this article we will see some of the "faces," some of the "faceless," and also look at the propaganda arm of this swamp beast. What we won't have room to look at is the religious arm of the Deep State (the church), the funders of the Deep State (Soros and his crony billionaires), the various pawns of the Deep State (Antifa, etc.), the Deep State indoctrination of our children from the youngest through university, or the willfully blind masses who refuse to look to where the Deep State "Pied Piper" is leading them—down a road to destruction both nationally and personally.

In looking at the face of the Deep State we recognize that it has many faces, and some of the individuals within it have two. A few of the many faces would include former President Obama, John Kerry, John Brennan, Keith Ellison (D-MN) now running for that state's AG, and Andre Carson (D-IN). Again, this is not about disagreeing with administrative positions; it's about sabotaging and undermining the Constitution and wrongly doing likewise to a sitting president which has been duly elected by the governed—you and I. It's about being actively bent on destroying our Constitutional Republic while supporting and doing their best to bring about communism and/or Islamism. If one listens to Sandy Rios in the Morning,

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From the desk of Bill Johnson

What is at stake? Constitutional America and all that that entails. It isn't just how bad things have become, but where it will take us.

This mess, is also heightened by the great divide - "we the people" vs. "Hate Trump. He's destroying America."

Perhaps, though, what rends my heart the most is that some of the Trump haters/enemies are our loved ones and friends!

The following is a shortened list of those who loathe/contest President Trump. Even if you pay just a little attention to the daily news, there are no surprises here.

Black Lives Matter Planned Parenthood Antifa

ACLU (American Civil Liberties Union) CAIR (Council on Islamic/American Relations)

ISNA (Islamic State of North America)
Muslim Brotherhood, The SPLC
Hillary and Bill Clinton
George Soros
Abdul El Sayed
Linda Sarsour
Barack and Michelle O'Bama
Rep. Keith Ellison, Rep. Andre Carson,
Rep. Rep. Maxine Waters
Joe Biden

Sen. Dianne Feinstein, Sen. Corey Booker,
Sen. Kamala Harris
Rep. Nancy Pelosi
ABC, NBC, CBS, MSNBC, CNN,
Facebook, Twitter, Google, Amazon,
Washington Post, New York Times ....
John Kerry

Eric Holder and Loretta Lynch John Brennan and James Clapper Rep. Deborah Wasserman Schultz

And lest we forget: The NFL, NBA, NCAA

players who actively choose not to stand for the National Anthem. Colin Kaepernick comes to mind.

I list many in order to give you a sense of the broad swath of organizations, government officials, individuals and media groups that so aggressively oppose the leader of the Free World.

But what about our loved ones? What about us? Will we seek truth and follow it no matter where it leads?

Is it possible?

It takes putting aside your own presuppositions and looking at the landscape with fresh eyes. It is a rare thing, I know.

Once I was a leftist. Back in the late '60s and '70s, I marched on Washington, DC opposing the Vietnam War. I was also prochoice. That IS a leftist.

My father was hurting over me back in those days. Dad said to me: "Bill, there are a lot more points of view than the editorial page of the Detroit Free Press."

Guess what? I changed! People can change.

Follow the truth no matter where it leads.

Look at those who oppose us.

Will they accept the fact that the list is largely made up of socialists, communists and Shariah proponents. And, it isn't coincidental.

These people are not merely trying to take down the presidency for the purposes of destroying Donald Trump. Why then? With Hillary Clinton "a shoe in" to be our next president, the left believed they were going to complete Barack Obama's plan of remaking America into the socialist state that he has helped foment: allowing illegal immigrants to vote, open borders, no ID needed to vote, Obama Care, free higher education for all, cutting our defense budget to help fund the entitlements, etc. You know the story. You hear about it in California, You see it incrementally becoming a reality in the "waters in which you swim."

Yet somehow we have loved ones who think that "we" are the wacked out ones?

While we criticize the past behavior of Donald Trump, we also recognize that as president he has worked to built a reputation for putting America and his responsibility to her first. Yet that has not been the case with many of his predecessors.

What about Clinton, or what about George W. Bush as he referred to Islam as "a religion of peace," this only days after 9/11 - as Sharia adherents (Islamists) flew passenger planes into the Twin Towers and the Pentagon leading to the death of the "infidel". What about Barack Obama continuing with what Bush did - loading up the FBI, CIA and the military with socialists and Shariah adherents - enabling and corrupting the FBI, CIA, DOJ, NSA.

And, what about John Kennedy? His womanizing while in the White House drew little to no attention at the time. Let the record show that people see what they want to see and don't see what they don't want to see.

The issue isn't really about Donald Trump, is it? Trump is hated because, against all odds, he defeated the Left in 2016. And, perhaps even more significantly, Trump IS the first and only president in years to stand strongly in opposition to socialism and globalism - both propagated by establishment Republicans and the Democrats.

My father fought in Germany during World War II. Many of you have fathers and grandfathers who fought against Stalinists, Maoists, and Communists. Our loved one fought at Iwo Jima, Pearl Harbor, Germany, Korea, Saigon, Danang, Afghanistan, Fallujah. They fought on the seas, in the air, and on the ground. Many paid the ultimate price. Can any of us discount their sacrifice for Freedom? I can't. Can our loved ones? Are we willing to pick up the torch to also defend freedom?

What's at stake? I think you know.

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#### Which Ship Will Sail? October Conference

By Steve Huston



Join us for our fall conference which we've entitled, Which Ship Will Sail? It will be held on Friday evening, October 26, 2018, at 7:00 pm at the American Decency Headquarters located at 203 E. Main St. in Fremont, Michigan.

Which Ship Will Sail? This title comes from the front page of last month's newsletter. Neither you nor I can decide for this great nation which ship will sail—which worldview will prevail. However, each of us can personally decide which worldview we will choose to follow. In which worldview will we lead and influence our family? Can you imagine the implications of what that will mean for you and your family in the months and years to come? That's exciting! and admittedly a little scary.

Unlike other conferences, we will be featuring three of our own staff as speakers because God has given us a message for such a time as this.

Founder and president of the American Decency Association, <u>Bill Johnson</u>, will be telling us *What American Decency Is*. Bill has such a heart and mind for God, and is deeply burdened over the state of our society. When other nations looked upon America in her youth, they well understood what American decency was. Sadly, the same cannot be said for today.

Judy Krause has shared her heart in both the verbal and written word, describing A Painful Journey, But Christ. Regardless the vulnerability, she shares her devastating story and describes the healing she found through a deeper and more focused commitment to Christ. She feels a genuine concern for others and the principles she shares are helpful for anyone who desires a closer walk with Jesus.

Steve Huston will share his concerns regarding *Islam vs. Christianity*. Why has the church kowtowed to Islamic influence and why is it losing influence within the culture and even within our own families? Knowledge isn't enough; we need a revival of experiential knowledge of the Word of God within our own lives.

Invite family and friends to join you at this conference of worldviews as we encourage one another in the faith.

# A Flagging Nation

By Lisa Van Houten



"Believe in something, even if it means sacrificing everything." That's the new Nike ad slogan featuring former NFL quarterback Colin Kaepernick, known mainly for his protests against the American flag and police officers. Kaepernick drew national attention and imitators in 2016 when, playing for the San Francisco 49ers, he refused to stand for the National Anthem, kneeling in protest. Kaepernick stated: "I am not going to stand up to show pride in a flag for a country that oppresses black people and people of color." As exemplified by the socks he's been shown wearing depicting police officers as pigs, Kaepernick is also an outspoken critic of the police, accusing them of brutality against Black Americans.

Believing in something and being willing to sacrifice everything for it is exactly what our police and military do every day. Yet Kaepernick, even while benefiting from their protection and sacrifice, disparages those who serve and the symbol of the freedom he enjoys.

It shouldn't be a surprise that this is who a leftist company such as Nike chooses to

represent their brand. Yet in doing so, they have alienated millions of American consumers.

In our divided nation, we are fast becoming one where patriotism is a dirty word.

A stunning statistic from a recent Gallup poll revealed that only 32 percent of Democrats are proud to be Americans while another poll shows that a majority of millennials would rather live in a socialist, communist, or fascist nation rather than a capitalistic one.

While our military pledges to "defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; and bear true faith and allegiance to the same," we have New York Governor Andrew Cuomo who recently stated, "America was never that great."

And as the left praised Kaepernick for his disrespectful kneeling, they mocked another football kneeler – Tim Tebow, who made it his practice of kneeling in prayer after scoring a touchdown.

Where once Hollywood produced movies that reinforced pride in our country, both on and off the battlefield, now we have Hollywood producing a movie such as the soonto-be-released "First Man," about the first lunar landing by U.S. astronauts, which is purposefully leaving out the iconic scene of the American flag being planted on the moon by astronaut Neil Armstrong. It's an image anyone old enough to remember that feat of American exceptionalism will never forget. After news broke about the omission of the Stars and Stripes from the "First Man" movie, fellow astronaut Buzz Aldrin tweeted a picture of the flag planted in the first lunar landing in 1969 with the hashtag: "Proud to be an American."

It's a pride that Nike, Kaepernick, and millions of other Americans do not have. The Left believes in something, as the Nike ad states, but it's not the American ideals our nation was founded upon. There's a civil war taking place in America. To the victor goes our nation.

# **Deep Stakes with the Deep State**

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Secure Freedom Radio with Frank Gaffney, or any number of shows that look beyond CNN type headlines, you understand what I am writing about.

One common tactic of the Deep State "faces" is deflection and acquisition. They deflect the truth of a matter and attempt to acquire the credit which belongs to their opposition. For example, former President Obama continues to make speeches in which he deflects (denies) the truth of his past administration's actions and attempts to acquire the credit which President Trump's policies have brought about. Who remembers Obama's "new normal" regarding decreased jobs and increased unemployment? It can't get better than that, right? Recently this Deep State face attempted to take credit for the increased jobs and decreased unemployment that the Trump administration is responsible for. Obama continues to sow seeds of distrust and division to any who will listen.

Another tactic of the Deep State face is to use their power and influence to incite the masses to division and destruction for the furtherance of their agenda. Maxine Waters (D-CA), California's Gov. Brown, and other prominent political figures threaten and demean the President and other conservatives while inciting division and violence among the masses.

Some will ask if these various faces of the Deep State are complicit with or ignorant of the Deep State. The answer is simple; most of them are part of the Deep State.

Due to space we must move on to the "faceless" tentacle of the Deep State. Here we find low level resistors, an unelected cabal. They are found in the undercurrent of the

government slowing down administrational progress and tying things up. They illegally use government resources and subvert government policies. These unnamed minions abuse their positions, believing they cannot be fired (and mostly they aren't). They falsify ethics reports, pass information illegally and unethically to others for the detriment of the administration, and many of them promote communism and/ or Islamism outside of work. You and I - the taxpayers—pay their salaries; yet they work against "we the people" who elected this president. To watch several special reports on the "faceless" Deep State and their activities go to www.projectveritas.com.

Every Deep State needs a propaganda arm, that medium which molds the minds of its listeners by a constant barrage of anticonstitutional and pro-Deep State agenda thought delivered as truth regardless the veracity of it. This tentacle even has the ability to take factual events and/or statements and spin them into fiction, helping the Deep State to control the masses and move them into a specific direction.

We can name this tentacle the media, recognizing that it includes the news centers, Hollywood, and social media giants with their anchors, actors, and algorithms all working in conjunction with one another to the detriment of the State and its citizenry. Each portion works to the denigration of those who uphold the Constitution and the rights it guarantees; each breeds distrust and moves us to disunity. We have only to look to The View, watch the News, or listen to various actors threaten the life of President Trump.

Yes, that's a broad brush and there are a small handful in each of these fields who strive to be objective and who love this country; but again, they are few.

White House Press Secretary Sarah Sanders said, "At some point Democrats have to decide whether they love this country more than they hate this president, and they have to decide that they want to put the safety and security and the diplomacy of our country ahead of their own political games." If they weren't a Deep State - a counter state

they could. But because they are what they are, they cannot!

Why is it important that we recognize that there really is a Deep State? Why must we understand its nefarious plans? If we don't, we won't truly understand what is at stake. If we don't, we won't realize the necessity of fighting to keep America, America. If we don't, we might allow the midterms to come and go without our doing our best to vote and get others to vote rightly. There are none so blind as those who will not see.

James Woods tweeted as only he can, "#Republicans must vote in droves to have a fighting chance. Remember: you're not only facing #Democrats. You're fighting dead voters, illegal alien voters, and repeat voters." If we do not get out and vote, the Deep State will quickly become the ruling State and our Constitutional Republic which was entrusted to us will not be "kept," as Franklin warned.

However, the most important reason we recognize the Deep State for what it is, is for us to realize that our hope does not lie in a president, leaders, or even a brilliant document called the Constitution of the United States of America. Our hope must rest only in the God who raised this country up, against all odds, and set us as a city shining on a hill. In ALL that we do, let us glorify Him!

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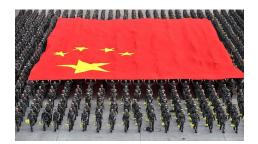
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# A China Pattern

by Lisa Van Houten



For over 15 years the threat from Islamic terror groups has held our national attention. During that time our military defenses have been stretched thin, exacerbated by President Obama's \$100 billion in defense cuts. Yet while our focus was drawn toward one threat, another has been quietly and strategically expanding.

Just recently China and Russia drew international attention as they held the largest military war games since the Cold War. The nations first joint military drill included 300,000 troops and 1,000 aircraft. However, while Russia is flexing its military muscle, China is proving to be an even more powerful force. As China's financial power has increased, so has its military power and presence around the world.

Recently, China has been asserting control in the South China Sea by building artificial islands on reefs which then can be used to launch its air and naval power, reaching American bases in the Philippines.

In 2017, China opened a military base in the small African country Djibouti, strategically located at the entrance to the Red Sea with access to the Suez Canal. The Chinese base is located near a U.S. military base, making it easy to monitor U.S. military activities. Since it opened, U.S. pilots reportedly have been harassed by lasers from the Chinese military base.

China's military is also building a training camp in Afghanistan strategically placed on an ancient route that extends from China into Europe. This is part of Chinese President Xi's "One Belt, One Road" initiative to build Chinese infrastructure along this pathway. China is also seeking to build a naval base in Pakistan near the Gwadar port which would provide China better access to the Indian Ocean.

In each of these countries, China's military expansion follows a similar pattern. <u>Target countries</u> based on their strategic location and poor economy; provide the country with needed financial and infrastructure assistance; then, as these nations become dependent upon Chinese money and loans, China asks to build military bases or purchase ports in place of loan repayment.

But China's expansion doesn't stop there. As tensions rise between the U.S. and the Islamic nation of Turkey, China is obtaining ports in Turkey. Turkey, a member of NATO and supposedly our ally, is home to a strategic U.S. military base, key to our Mideast operations. China is also rapidly acquiring ports throughout Europe, Asia, and even in South America and the United States. All along the Indian Ocean, the Mediterranean Sea, and the Atlantic rim, China is snapping up control of ports in countries such as Belgium, Spain, Italy, Greece, Sri Lanka, Brazil.

However, even more troubling is China's takeover of a major U.S. port in Long Beach, California. The Committee on Foreign Investment in the US (CFIUS) – a federal panel which reviews purchases of American businesses by foreign entities - has expressed strong national security concerns about this acquisition by China.

As the Obama administration opened the door to Chinese control of American properties and businesses, there have been not only severe economic consequences, but grave national security risks as well. Under Obama's watch Chinese investment in the U.S. increased a whopping 900% between 2010 and 2016.

Rep. Robert Pittenger, (R-NC) stated: "Much of this investment was part of a strategic, coordinated, Chinese government effort to target critical American infrastructure... China is buying American companies at a breathtaking pace. While some are legitimate business investments, many others are part of a backdoor effort to compromise U.S. national security. For example, China recently attempted to purchase a U.S. missile defense supplier using a shell company to evade detection..."

Thankfully, President Trump is pushing back against China's efforts to overpower the U.S. economically and militarily. Yet many DC elites, both Democrats and Republicans, are in China's pocket.

Peter Schweizer, investigative reporter and author of the book "Clinton Cash," released a new book this year, "Secret Empires: How the American Political Class Hides Corruption and Enriches Family and Friends." This book exposes how power couple Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and his wife Elaine Chao, who is the current U.S. Secretary of Transportation, have used their positions and their ties with Communist China, amassing millions of dollars in personal wealth in deals with China ... some at the expense of U.S. security. As the Wall Street Journal reported: "Schweizer argues that China has worked to gain leverage over powerful American politicians by targeting their families with investment opportunities and business deals, providing hundreds of millions of dollars in business to companies run by the families of ... [Joe] Biden and McConnell."

And recently it was revealed that Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.) had a Chinese spy on her staff for 20 years, listed as "office director" on her payroll records, and at times serving as her personal driverall the while reporting who knows what classified information to China's Ministry of State Security. During some of those years Feinstein was head of the Senate Intelligence Committee.

Yet have you heard about any of this duplicity and security threats from the media? As most in our nation turn a blind eye to the threat an expanding China is to our wellbeing, Chinese leaders are methodically and relentless taking steps to accomplish their strategic goals.

This is our world today. The threats to our embattled nation - both within and without - are real and troubling. Yet our response shouldn't be fear, but trust in the only One who holds the future. Such trust should embolden us to do all we can to defend our legacy of freedom, come what may.

# Victory WARNING

by Steve Huston



I need to start this article quoting from Memphis pediatrician Dr. Elizabeth Holland. Admittedly, this account was relayed 32 years ago in Donald Wildmon's book entitled The Case Against Pornography; but it is neither outdated nor obsolete. As you will see, if anything, the depth and scope of what our young people are facing today has only increased.

"Recently, there came into my office a distraught mother with a 14-year old son, a 12-year old daughter, an 11-year old daughter, and an 8-vear old son. As her story unfolded, it appeared that her 14vear old son had been purchasing pornographic magazines and reading them in his bedroom; after reading them and arousing himself sexually to the point that he could no longer contain himself, he would go into the bedrooms of his 12-year old sister, of his 11-year old sister, and of his 8-year old brother and rape them—several times weekly. It further unfolded that this had continued for five years. If you can subtract with me, the 14-year old boy was nine when he began his activities. His 12-year old sister was seven. His 11-year old sister was six and his 8-year old brother was three years old when he began to be raped by his 9-year old brother who fed on pornography and graduated to live children!"

After citing other examples and in response to those who would tell Dr. Holland that she doesn't have a right to prevent others from watching porn, she writes, greatly burdened: "...yet I look at the children who have been abused and who have been beaten and who have been battered by those who feed on this pornography. I say that I not only have the right to prevent this pornography from spreading in this community, I have a moral obligation."

Jump forward 32 years. It's now 2018 and almost every youth owns or has access to

digital devices. With easy accessibility to internet pornography, children are at higher risk than they've ever been—from both adults and other children/teens alike. The National Center on Sexual Exploitation (NCOSE) has been warning about and documenting the increasing reports of children or young teens acting out damaging sexual behavior on other children.

Add to this the growing availability of hard and LGBT pornography through many school districts and local libraries and it's like tossing a match into a tinderbox with an explosion hurting children, both as abusers and victims alike.

Case in point would be the Cherry Creek School District in Colorado. According to Mass Resistance:

"The EBSCO database is contracted by schools ostensibly to help middle school and high school students with homework and research. The school district gave every student personal access to its EBSCO portal.

"But in 2016, Cherry Creek parents Robin and Drew Paterson (who head Colorado MassResistance) discovered that the EBSCO database also gives access to large amounts of sickening hardcore pornography (much of it homosexual) which students could easily find. Much of it is through embedded advertisements or other links luring kids."

EBSCO is open about their pro-LGBT stance and has a wide range of pornography that coincides with their beliefs. There are websites encouraging and showing bondage and sado-masochism...an introduction to beastiality and zoophilia...teachings on how to have various kinds of sex...how to join sex-related activist organizations... graphic homosexual short stories...and the list goes on. All of this easily available to school children.

Drew and Robin immediately brought this inappropriate content to the School Board's attention only to be ignored at first, later to be treated rudely, threatened, and lied to. After fighting for two-years, the threat of a

lawsuit, and State legislator support, the school system finally surrendered.

Although this is a victory, the battle is far from over. Parents and grandparents, **BE-WARE!** 

Colorado is not the only embattled state where parents must fight for the safety and virtue of their children. Public schools throughout the United States have similar EBSCO databases with easy links to pornography. In fact, it's easy for anyone to log in to most schools' sites and access the porn. Mass Resistance reports that "according to one source, EBSCO provides online research databases to over 55,000 elementary, middle schools and high schools across the country."

And not just the schools: "During this time Robin Paterson (who is a PhD researcher) began to find that the local libraries also had EBSCO database portals available to any child who wanted to use them! When she confronted the librarians and library Boards, they were either indifferent or hostile, and refused to deal with the problem."

I urge you to investigate the content accessible to your children through the public schools and local libraries. You ARE their first line of defense! It isn't easy because most don't seem to care; perhaps they don't realize what is really at stake—or maybe they do. It won't be an easy battle; students and parents were given different passwords which gave different accessibility.

We must realize and care that the souls of our children and our nation are at stake. Teach them to navigate cautiously through the web, taking care not to be deceived and lured by Satan. Show them how to respond when they come across pornographic content. Allign yourself with Dr. Holland's thinking. "I not only have the right to prevent this pornography from spreading in this community, I have a moral obligation."

Spend time in prayer over the battle, over our students, and that Christ would be the Keeper of their soul.

#### **Democrat Duplicity**

#### By Lisa Van Houten



In spite of the hyperbolic "outrage" dominating the news coverage regarding Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh, don't be fooled. The Left's opposition to Kavanaugh really isn't about a dubious accusation from 35 years ago. For all their indignation, Democrats have long proven that their claim to care about women isn't based on altruism, but on political expediency - just ask Juanita Broaddrick or Kathleen Willey, some of Bill Clinton's victims.

The central issue isn't Kavanaugh's character, which from all accounts (except from one questionable accuser) is above reproach. Rather, what's fueling the Left's outrage is a potential swing vote on the Supreme Court, one who actually rules according to the text of the Constitution. Democrats understand all too well that the only thing standing in the way of forcing their agenda upon the American people is the authority of the Supreme Court. They want a court that will create law out of thin air, rather than adhere to the rule of law. The strident opposition to Kavanaugh isn't because of what he's accused of doing, but because of how he thinks. It's not really Kavanaugh, but the Constitution which they see as the ultimate threat.

Democrats would have attacked President Trump's Supreme Court nomination no matter who it was. Immediately following the announcement of Kavanaugh's nomination, Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer announced he would oppose him "with everything I have" and all ten Democrats on the Judiciary Committee pledged to vote no before ever hearing a word of testimony.

Kavanaugh is a highly qualified judge with a sterling reputation and record, one who is lauded and respected by legal minds on both sides of the political spectrum. Even Hillary Clinton supporter Lisa Blatt, who has argued 35 cases before the Supreme Court, called Kavanaugh a "superstar" and wrote that, "The Senate should confirm him. Because I am a liberal Democrat and feminist, I expect my friends on the left will criticize me for speaking up for Kavanaugh. But we all benefit from having smart, qualified and engaged judges on our highest court, regardless of the administration that nominates them. ..."

In spite of Kavanaugh's qualifications, the Dems dug deep in their bag of tricks to find a way to undermine him. Knowing there were no credible grounds to oppose his nomination, the Democrats' strategy was to delay, delay, delay. Their goal – to stall his nomination until after the midterm elections in November, when they hope to regain control of the Senate.

When Kavanaugh's nomination hearing began, Democrats orchestrated their preplanned strategy to disrupt the process. As Senator Charles Grassley opened the hearing, Democrats immediately began interrupting him, demanding the hearing be suspended. This opening act was followed by another seemingly coordinated attack, as numerous left-wing protestors in the audience began shouting, attempting to shut down the hearing. The mob-like setting was so disturbing that Mrs. Kavanaugh rushed their two young daughters out of the Senate hearing room as protestors screamed vile comments about their father.

When such tactics didn't delay the hearings, Senate Democrats demanded they wanted more documents on Kavanaugh released from the National Archives. This was in spite of the fact that Grassley had expanded access to confidential material beyond that for any other Supreme Court nominee. In fact, Senate Democrats were given access to over 440,000 documents related to Kavanaugh's record.

Failing to derail this well-qualified nominee, Democrats attempted to throw dirt on the seemingly squeaky-clean Kavanaugh. Thus the now infamous letter from accuser Christine Ford. Just days before the Judiciary Committee was scheduled to vote on Kavanaugh, leftist Senator Dianne Feinstein revealed an anonymous letter from Ford, accusing Kavanaugh of attempted sexual assault when the two were in high school 35 years ago. Ford can't remember exactly where the alleged incident occurred or even when it happened (she thinks it was sometime in 1982). In response, Brett Kavanaugh issued the following statement: "I categorically and unequivocally deny this allegation. I did not do this back in high school or at any time." In addition, 65 women who have known Kavanaugh since high school released a letter stating: "Through the more than 35 years we have known him, Brett has stood out for his friendship, character, and integrity. ... he has always treated women with decency and respect. ... "

It was ultimately revealed that Feinstein has had Ford's letter since July, vet she sat at this serious accusation. As a Republican statement from the Senate Judiciary Committee read, "If Ranking Member Feinstein and other Committee Democrats took this claim seriously, they should have brought it to the full Committee's attention much earlier." As the Republican statement spells out, Feinstein and the Democrats "said nothing during two joint phone calls with the nominee in August, four days of lengthy public hearings, a closed session for all committee members with the nominee where sensitive topics can be discussed and in more than 1,300 written questions." Feinstein even met individually with Kavanaugh, yet never brought up the allegation.

Obviously the Democrats were waiting to use the accusation at the 11th hour as a political cudgel to try to derail the nomination. And, as throughout this entire nomination process, they continue to move the goalposts. First they demanded that the nomination vote be postponed so that Kavanaugh's accuser, Christine Ford, could be heard. When Republicans agreed and set a hearing date for September 24, Ford said she wouldn't testify and demanded an FBI investigation into the incident. As Republicans pointed out, not only would

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an FBI investigation be outside the FBI's authority, Kavanaugh has already passed six extensive FBI background checks. Yet the Democrats are still demanding a lengthy, drawn-out investigation of this unfounded accusation. **Delay, delay, delay.** 

The Left will seemingly stop at nothing to advance their agenda, including ruining the reputation and career of Brett Kavanaugh. When their ultimate goal is to undermine the authority of the Constitution, a founding principle of our legal system, "innocent until proven guilty," certainly won't stand in their way.

If such duplicity is allowed to prevail, a precedent will be set that any unsubstantiated accusation, no matter how old or how dubious, can be used to disqualify one from service – at least if that person is a conservative.

As I write this article, the news seems to change by the hour. By the time you read this, who knows what will have occurred. However, even if Kavanaugh's nomination is approved, this fight highlights what is at stake both in November and in 2020.

As President Obama liked to remind Republicans when he was in office, elections have consequences. When President Trump was elected, one of the most important concerns for conservative voters was the balance of the Supreme Court. If Democrats regain control of the Senate and/ or the House, the obstruction we've seen from the left will be child's play compared to what a Democrat majority in Congress will unleash to stall President Trump's agenda. We're asking in this newsletter, "What's at stake?" It's not hyperbole to say that what's at stake in the midterm election could very well be the determination of whether we will be a nation ruled by laws or by partisan thuggery.

# Dear Loyal

by Chris Johnson



Credited with negotiating the end of the Cold War, reviving the U.S. economy by cutting taxes, and inspiring a generation of conservative thinkers, Ronald Reagan is inarguably one of the most influential presidents in American history.

Yet his greatest act of influence may not have been seen in the headlines or reported on by newscasters, at least not until recently. However, it certainly was felt in the soul of President Reagan's father-in-law, Dr. Loyal Davis, as he lay on his deathbed in August of 1982 reading these words from his son-in-law, the President of the United States:

"Some seven hundred years before the birth of Christ the ancient Jewish prophets predicted the coming of a Messiah. They said he would be born in a lowly place, would proclaim himself the Son of God and would be put to death for saying that.

"All in all there were a total of one hundred and twenty three specific prophesys [sic] about his life all of which came true. Crucifixion was unknown in those times, yet it was foretold that he would be nailed to a cross of wood. And one of the predictions was that he would be born of a Virgin.

"Now I know that is probably the hardest for you as a Dr. to accept. The only answer that can be given is — a miracle. But Loyal I don't find that as great a miracle as the actual history of his life. Either he was who he said he was or he was the greatest faker & charlatan who ever lived. But would a liar & faker suffer the death he did when all he had to do to save himself was admit he'd been lying?

"The apostle John said, 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that who so ever believed in him would not perish but have everlasting life.'

"The miracle is that a young man of 30 yrs. without credentials as a scholar or priest

began preaching on street corners. He owned nothing but the clothes on his back & he didn't travel beyond a circle less than one hundred miles across. He did this for only 3 years and then was executed as a common criminal. But for two thousand years he has ... had more impact on the world than all the teachers, scientists, emperors, generals and admirals who ever lived, all put together.

"We have been promised that all we have to do is ask God in Jesus name to help when we have done all we can — when we've come to the end of our strength and abilities and we'll have that help. We only have to trust and have faith in his infinite goodness and mercy."

Dr. Davis, an avowed atheist for whose soul Reagan had great concern, prayed with a hospital chaplain only ten days after this letter was written, and passed into eternity two days after that.

Every president signs laws, makes decisions, and sets policies that change the lives of millions of people in the nation they lead, but how many take on the responsibility and privilege of showing someone the Door to an eternal life of joy with the Lord?

Given the influence that Christianity had on the founders of our nation, I suppose we can say with certainty that the number is somewhere between what we would hope for and what the ACLU would like, but rarely do we see recorded evidence of it.

What a blessing that God in His providence would allow such a reminder of a great president's active faith to come to light.

As goes for any president, Ronald Reagan was not perfect. He was, of course, a sinner, but a letter like this, which has taken thirty-seven years to come to public attention, evidences that Reagan walked out his Christian faith even in his private life.

Let us pray that Reagan's legacy, particularly in this instance, would continue to influence, not only the lives of America's citizenry, but her leadership.