



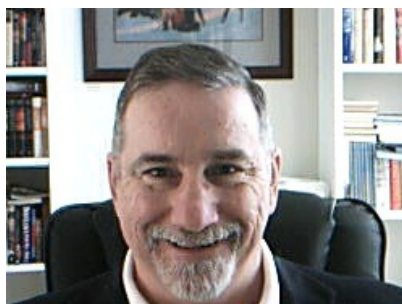
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“The king establishes the land by justice, but he who receives bribes overthrows it.” (Proverbs 29:4)

“Our President is not a king, even though some of the Founders fancied the thought. Thankfully, the majority wanted to limit the powers of the executive branch of government. Nevertheless, the actual execution of government is the responsibility of the President’s administration. This means the President can fire those who work in the executive branch.” –Dave



America needs a civics lesson, especially those on the Left and the mainstream media (but I repeat myself). President Trump is within his constitutionally-enumerated powers to hire and fire those who work within his administration. Granted, he nominates his constitutional officers, which requires the advise and consent of the Senate.

However, there are “inferior officers,” whom when given by law from Congress, the President alone may appoint. Such an officer is Special Counsel Robert Mueller.

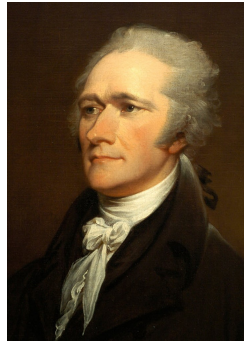
Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein appointed Mr. Mueller as special counsel to the Justice Department (DoJ). DoJ, including Attorney General Jeff Sessions and Rosenstein, and all inferior officers, work at the good pleasure of the President. Which means President Trump has the power to fire all DoJ employees.

My good friend Mark Levin shared on his CRTV [show](#) recently made the case, actually his former DoJ colleague made the case, that Robert Mueller’s appointment is unconstitutional. Reading from Northwestern University Law Professor Steven G. Calabresi’s [paper](#), “Opinion on the Constitutionality of Robert Mueller’s Appointment,” Mark points out the salient and systematic opinion that is simple to follow and understand, so much so even this old Army First Sergeant got it.

Robert Mueller cannot go on a witch hunt, as President Trump has rightly described Mueller’s actions. Mueller’s power is going unchecked by Deputy AG Rosenstein, who is supposed to be “supervising and directing” Mueller’s work. Mueller is acting at the minimum as a US Attorney and more realistically as the Attorney General himself.

Since Mueller’s investigation is unconstitutional, Calabresi declares “the indictment [Mueller] brought are null and void,” as well as his subpoenas and referrals. Therefore, Trump should immediately fire Mueller, Sessions, and Rosenstein.

FROM THE FOUNDERS



The Founders took careful consideration of the Executive Branch of government. Having been abused by the unlimited powers of King George and Parliament, they were brilliant in their approach to the separation of powers.

“I proceed to lay it down as a rule, that one man of discernment is better fitted to analyze and estimate the peculiar qualities adapted to particular offices, than a body of men of equal or perhaps even of superior discernment.” Alexander Hamilton, [Federalist #76](#)

It would be a worthy endeavor to read Federalist Papers 67-78 to have a full understanding of the intent of Founders who supported ratification of the proposed US Constitution. Meticulous attention was paid to the proposals of having more than magistrate, of which I wrote in the [pamphlet](#), “A King, A President, or Two?” The perils of such a proposal far outweighed any conceived benefits presented by the Anti-Federalists.

If executive officers were nominated by a council, how would such a bad actor as Robert Mueller ever be fired? This is why the Senate, and not both houses of Congress, were given only the power of consent to the President’s executive branch nominations. They have no say in whether or not the President later decides to terminate an executive officer.

I’ve also posited that Attorney Jeff Sessions and Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein should be fired. Why so drastic a move? President Trump could privately ask for their resignations in which they both state they are stepping down having lost the President’s confidence. Why the lost of confidence? Both men have violated their oaths of office. They failed to defend and protect the US Constitution from a domestic enemy. Harsh?

Any person(s) who would assume powers and rights not given them by station, and abusing said powers to the point of destroying lives and trying to remove a duly-elected president is [clearly](#) a domestic enemy.

The Obama’s Administration abuses of power are well catalogued; the spying on the Trump Campaign by Obama’s minions is just the latest to come to light.

FROM THE PULPIT

“We did not elect Jesus to be President. We did not elect Jesus to be the second person of the Trinity. We did not elect him messiah or saviour. We did not vote on whether there should or should not be a people gathered to worship Jesus. We thought our leadership could even be determined by lot. We did not vote to legitimate what we now call ‘the Bible.’” Dr. Stanley Hauerwas, “Elected: A Sermon for the Day of the U.S. Presidential Election” [sermon](#), Duke Divinity School, November 8, 2016.

Only Jesus can be Jesus. Too often Christians believe they are electing some form of Jesus. It is true that Exodus 18:21 should be our guiding principle in electing our leaders. It is also true that at times we are given choices that may seem binary but there are always other choices. I’ve written in this newsletter in the past what may seem to some a contradiction of beliefs. I stood firmly against Donald Trump in the 2016 primary season, and then after his nomination [wrote](#) why I would support him in the general election.

My decision to support President Trump caused some angst among my closest friends and with some of my church family. It even caused some to “unfriend” me on social media. However, I voted my conscience and was accused of situational ethics, and there is some truth to that. Nevertheless, I tried to be as transparent as I could.

I write all this to echo Dr. Hauerwas’ words: “We did not elect Jesus to be President.” In our federalist electoral system (not democratic), a majority of states elected Donald Trump. He is the President, and with that office comes constitutional powers. Among those powers are the ability to nominate or select officers to the executive branch. Along with that ability to nominate or select officers is the power to terminate their service.

One point of clarification to Dr. Hauerwas’ article is he seems to equate the United States of America’s electoral system to a pure democracy. We are not a democracy. Our Founders were meticulously intent on avoiding a pure democracy. History has numerous times proved them wise beyond the centuries. As Dr. Hauerwas wrote: “It is often overlooked but there is a coercive aspect to all elections. After an election 50.1% get to tell 49.9% what to do.” This is not so in America and it is why we have three separate branches of government with distinct and limited powers.

Our form of government is the result of wise and educated men working to develop a system that considered the depravity of man. Two hundred thirty years later their prescience proves to have been remarkably astute. We truly do “get the people we deserve running for office.”

TO THE STREETS

How did we get to the point that not only the supposed watchmen of our republic, the media, and most elected representatives do not understand presidential powers? Some do know, but for political reasons are being intellectually dishonest. They are in a small majority. Ask your friends what are the constitutional powers of the president, and you will get a plethora of political confusion. How is it the further we get away from our founding, the less we understand its brilliance?

Part of this historical illiteracy was institutionally intentional. This was exhaustively exposed in 1999 by Charlotte Thomson Isberyt's modern classic [*The Deliberate Dumbing Down of America*](#). This calculated conversion from critical thinking to "outcome-based education" has been in existence since it was first implemented in England over 150 years ago. So how does America "smarten up" and bring our understanding of our republic that the average 19th Century farmer grasped? Here are some suggestions:

1. We could all pretend that we are not naturally-born citizens and attempt to be naturalized using the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) [*Quick Civics Lessons for the Naturalization Test*](#). While I might argue that "law of the land" is actually God's laws, nevertheless the lessons provided in the link far exceed the civics knowledge of a majority of Americans.
2. Sign up to receive my friend Bill Federer's excellent daily email newsletter [*American Minute*](#). Bill's insights into America's history will regale you with amazing details of God's influence over America's founders, leaders, and influencers. Bill also has other resources available at his [website](#).
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