## ALETHEIA GROUP



AND YOU SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH, AND THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE YOU FREE. JOHN 8:32



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"A false witness will not go unpunished, and he who speaks lies will not escape." (Proverbs 19:5)

"To not fulfill your oath of office by obscuring the truth or outright lying to the public of whom have given you their trust is a high crime and misdemeanor and should result in impeachment and conviction." –Dave

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T h e O b a m a Administration's obvious deceit and willful lying about

the events in Libya which ended up in the murder of Ambassador Chris Stevens and others is an impeachable offense. The high crime committed falls directly at the feet of the Office of the Presidency.

What high crime is that? I'm glad you asked. In a word; perjury. You say no one lied under oath? Perhaps not in a court of law or a congressional hearing, but they lied under their oath of office. Jon Roland of The Constitutional Society in his <u>essay</u> explains clearly what perjury is under Article II, Section 4:

When a person takes an oath (or affirmation) before giving testimony, he is assuming the role of an official, that of "witness under oath", for the duration of his testimony. That official position entails a special obligation to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, and in that capacity, one is punishable in a way he would not *be as an ordinary person not under oath. Therefore, perjury is a high crime.* 

No matter the spin, the Obama Administration knew going in that this was a coordinated attack by Al Qaeda and that some obscure video had nothing to do with the attacks in Libya. They purposefully lied to cover their foreign policy failure after having "spiked the football" the week prior at the Democratic National Convention in Charlotte.

As bad as Barack Obama is, he is a symptom of our national illness. We have self-inflicted ourselves with a gunshot wound and this time it is not a flesh would; we've severed an artery and we are bleeding out as a nation. Mitt Romney is at best a tourniquet and more likely a transfusion. Will it take for our nation to bleed out to finally get on its knees before Almighty God, or will the life-saving measure of Mitt Romney be enough to bring us there? I doubt the latter and do not look forward to the former. But I am ready for God to move in our nation.

## FROM T<u>HE FO</u>UNDERS



When will Congress finally execute its constitutional powers and impeach the lawlessness that is the Obama Administration? From Attorney General Eric Holder's duplicitous behavior in Fast and Furious to Barack Obama on down in the Benghazi attacks, high crimes and misdemeanors have occurred.

A well-constituted court for the trial of impeachments is an object not more to be desired than difficult to be obtained in a government wholly elective. The subjects of its jurisdiction are those offenses which proceed from the misconduct of public men, or, in other words, from the abuse or violation of some public trust. They are of a nature which may with peculiar propriety be denominated POLITICAL, as they relate chiefly to injuries done immediately to the society itself. The prosecution of them, for this reason, will seldom fail to agitate the passions of the whole community, and to divide it into parties more or less friendly or inimical to the accused. In many cases it will connect itself with the pre-existing factions, and will enlist all their animosities, partialities, influence, and interest on one side or on the other; and in such cases there will always be the greatest danger that the decision will be regulated more by the comparative strength of parties, than by the real demonstrations of innocence or guilt. Alexander Hamilton, Federalist #65

I am not one to call for the impeachment of a president cavalierly. I understand the turmoil it can cause. It becomes very partisan at best and usually a bitter battle in the public arena and mainstream media at worse. That being said, we must prosecute those who violate their oaths of office. The public trust in government has so long ago evaporated because most voters do not believe one party would ever really punish the other party, much less a branch of government doing so to another. The "bad press" is enough to make the most principled politician go squishy.

Our Founders would have never allowed for the outright corruption and tyrannical actions of the three branches of government. We had a revolution because of such actions and one could make the case for less than what is being perpetrated on Americans every day. WE the People are not doing a very good job of keeping our republic as admonished by Benjamin Franklin. It is not only shameful, but it is also sinful.

## FROM THE PULPIT

"By definition, integrity means 'soundness of moral principle and character, complete honesty and uprightness with no masking of intent.' Its opposite is hypocrisy. Integrity demands that a person put on no false front, that he wear no artificial mask, and that he play no deceptive role. It means that a person must be openly honest, making certain that he conveys no false claims either in word or in life. Integrity excludes lying, stealing, cheating, and every form of deception. It is a broad, inclusive term referring to one of the deepest and most important qualities of a worthy life. It describes the man who is worthy of complete trust." Reverend Batsell Barrett Baxter, from the <u>sermon</u> "Integrity, The Forgotten Virtue," delivered on April 27, 1970 at the Hillsboro Church of Christ, Nashville, TN.

Is it too much to expect this type of behavior from our elected officials? One would think so based on the almost universal lack of integrity of the majority of elected officials. Using Rev. Baxter's definition above, whom of the 535 members of Congress, nine Supreme Court Justices, and the President and his administration could stand up to such a complete expectation of integrity?

And yet even if these be the norm of our elected officials, we have the pulpits and the people to blame. We not only get the government we deserve, but we also get the government for which we settle. It is as though Americans have come to expect nothing less than deception and duplicity from those in government. These continue to serve in such a manner because we expect nothing more from them.

The Obama Administration has a long train of abuses, with some aid of both houses in Congress, of such that would have caused our Founders to begin heating up the tar and building multiple gallows.

Thanks be to them that we no longer have to resort to such actions. We have the vote and it is with our vote that we expect integrity and reject anything less.

## TO THE STREETS

WE the People, Clint Eastwood so rightfully reminded us at the Republican National Convention, are in charge. Congress and the Executive Branch, and the Judicial Branch for that matter, work for us. We do not bow at the steps of any building in Washington D.C.

If we are to regain control of our franchise, our Republic, then we must be ever vigilant as citizens of those whom represent us. Here are some actions to take:

- 1. Be familiar with how your elected officials vote and govern. If they violate our Constitution, call them on it. Make sure they understand your standard for measuring their performance is the Constitution, be it at the federal or state level.
- 2. Learn all you can about our US Constitution and the enumerated powers given to Congress and the mandate for all three branches of government. I highly recommend you take the free online <u>courses</u> offered by Hillsdale College. WE the People for the most part are woefully ignorant on the constitutional powers given to our government. We have our public education system to thank for that.
- 3. Be involved in the electoral process not only before the general election, but also before the primaries. When prospects are considering running for office, get to know these people and if they are not worthy of your vote in November, then they are not worthy of your support in the beginning. The more citizens become involved in the primary process and the earlier, the sooner we will see better candidates running for office.

The road ahead to clean up our US and state governments is a long and arduous one, and yet it can only be accomplished by us. No political action committee, no lobby group, no political organization can do what is required of the voter. And as we are vigilant of how our elected officials are governing, if and when the time comes to remove someone from office, we will not only have the knowledge to do so, but also and more importantly, the resolve.

It is up to us Patriots. We can count on no else but ourselves.

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