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*** Last updated: Mon. November 23, 2025, 07:15am(EST) UPDATE: Our Open Investigation finds 91.86% of all GOP lawmakers refuse to obey the GOP platform prohibition on tax dollars originating (making) student loans. Unless this 91.86% are ok being called RINOs, then the only other explanation for RINO behaviour is lack of student loan bankruptcy self-defense as a Conservative Free Market force to compel the Dept of Ed & lobbyists to back off & allow lawmakers to make cuts called for in the GOP platform. Thus, Republican readers must demand lawmakers refile & pass GOP-led bills, S.2598 & H.R.5899, below. Democrat readers must do so, as their platform calls for restoration of student loan bankruptcy: Contact your Member of Congress & U.S. Senator. The Register isn't Liberal; we don't seek forgiveness: Bankruptcy isn't a free handout, but rather required by the Constitution's BANKRUPTCY UNIFORMITY clause; not an amendment, rather the Constitution, Art.I Sec.8, cl.4. Thus, readers of both parties must demand Lawmakers refile & pass the GOP-led, bipartisan S.2598 - 117th Congress (2021-2022) FRESH START Through Bankruptcy Act (Sens. Cornyn, Hawley) and related bill, H.R.5899 - 116th Congress (2019-2020) (Reps. Grothman, Norman) to make Student Loans fair/Constitutional again. Current 119th Congress (2025-2026) bills, H.R.423 & H.R.4444, work too. As proof more extreme solutions exist: Rob Applebaum's petition, with OVER 1 million signatures: you can't fake 1,000,000+. See also Alan Collinge's recent petition, which also has over 1M signatures. *** Read this first: "Why College Prices Keep Rising". Then, Contact Lawmakers. *

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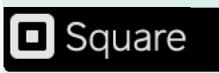
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*** BREAKING (Mon.24 Nov. 2025) Shutdown 2.0: A Bipartisan, Taxpayer-Saving Solution Lawmakers Are Still Ignoring | By Gordon Wayne Watts, Editor-in-Chief, The Register, Posted Monday, Nov. 24, 2025 at 07:15 AM (EST)
This editor warned lawmakers in multiple letters to The Ledger (Archived: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4-) and The Tampa Bay Times (Archived: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4-) that the "Big Beautiful Bill" would add \$3.3-6.9 TRILLION to U.S. debt and risk a dollar crash. Lawmakers passed it anyway. Result: shutdown, sleepy air-traffic controllers, SNAP chaos, and trillions in economic damage. The solution was delivered 5 Nov. — published as the featured Ledger letter 9 Nov. (Archived: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4-), republished by Yahoo! News (Archived: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4-), and debated on C-SPAN 14 Nov.:
Image: 38 Days Until Subsidy Cliff, Solution TRILLIONS SAVED

- * (#1) Eliminate health-insurance & student-loan middlemen entirely. (Trump's 8 Nov. plan keeps most middlemen via HSAs — mine finishes the job.)
* (#2) Direct-fund providers (deep-red, very conservative Polk County's proven PolkCare model) and colleges (grandparents' era model of free or nearly-free college).
* (#3) Restore standard bankruptcy protection on student loans (GOP-led Grothman/Norman HR.5899, 116th & GOP-led Hawley/Cornyn S.2598, 117th — current-session HR.4444 & HR.423, 119th, work too) — the only force that makes lobbyists back off and lets #1 and #2 pass.

- * Article I §8 cl.4, U.S. CONSTITUTION, demands "uniform" bankruptcy laws — student loans are unconstitutionally singled out.
* The Golden Rule (Christianity, Judaism, Islam) demands "equal" treatment in bankruptcy laws — students are singled out. (Leviticus 19:18b, 19:34, Matt. 7:12, 22:39b, Mark 12:31b, Luke 6:31, TOBIT 4:15a, SIRACH 31:15-18, Surah 24:22 An-Nur, The Light, on treatment; Surah 2:275 Al-Baqarah, The Cow, on prohibitions of usurious interest Surahs 3:130, 4:161, 30:39, etc.)
* Dr. John Lott's 'more guns = less crime' logic: more bankruptcy defense = less predatory lending on taxpayers, because lenders loan less when the Conservative Free-Market threat of bankruptcy protection is present — a fundamental principle of credit markets and finance.

- * (#4) Savings are so large — including ending expensive ER-as-primary-care visits — that "free-at-point-of-service" healthcare and college cost taxpayers LESS — while buying Democrat votes to prevent Shutdown 2.0.

Three days after The Register's 5 Nov. press inquiry (archived: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4-), President Trump pivoted to middleman elimination in his 8 Nov. Truth Social post (Google Search; archived: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4-) Parallel thinking or coincidence — the direction is now identical. The plan was debated by three central-Florida callers on C-SPAN Washington Journal, 14 Nov 2025:

- * "Gordon Watts Explains Middleman-Elimination Fix to End Shutdowns (C-SPAN 11/14/25)" (Archived: YouTube * Facebook (weigh in) * MP4 download)
* "Jim from Winter Park, FL Calls ACA a Failure, Debates Plan (C-SPAN 11/14/25)" (Archived: YouTube * Facebook (weigh in) * MP4 download)
* "Wayne from Florida Defends Direct-Funding Healthcare & College Plan (C-SPAN 11/14/25)" (Archived: YouTube * Facebook (weigh in) * MP4 download)

Follow-up inquiries were sent 21 Nov. (Links: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5-) and 22 Nov. (Links: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5-) to every key central-Florida lawmaker and leadership office (Bilirakis, Castor, Lee, Franklin, Soto, Scott, Moody, Thune, Schumer, Jeffries, Johnson, etc.). With the current C.R. expiring 30 Jan. 2026 and ACA subsidies cliff 1 Jan. 2026 — 38 days — the clock is ticking. All responses (or lack thereof) will be posted and updated here.

PERMA-LINK: #Shutdown_2.0_Bipartisan_Taxpayer-Saving_Solution ** Click * here * to jump back to the top of the page.

*** BREAKING (Sun.31 Aug. 2025) Letter to The President: PART II ("The most important letter ever") By Gordon Wayne Watts, Editor-in-Chief, The Register, Posted Sunday, Aug. 31, 2025 at 02:31 PM (EDT) ** [Download links for The Letter and its Enclosures]

As previously reported by The Register, after one of Pres. Trump's friends suggested I send him a postal letter, about the Higher Ed crisis, I took her up on her offer and promptly sent him a concise, 1-page postal letter on Wednesday, 24 April 2019, which was signed for and received by The Whitehouse. Neither The President nor lawmakers addressed the higher ed crisis' impact upon both students (who see unaffordable college), nor taxpayers (who are on the hook for massive and unnecessary college loans made on taxpayer dollars), threatening a crash of the dollar, as the \$1.7 Trillion college debt -- the largest discretionary debt in the budget -- is unsustainable, thus portending economic collapse. Many liberals have suggested America return to a "direct fund" model, as our grandparents had (and which use for 5th Grade), and I -- as a Conservative -- agree with these Liberals because elimination of the "student loan" middleman would save taxpayers billions -- possibly trillions -- thus averting economic disaster from excess Liberal spending. For the record, my prediction stands: These spending cuts (or elimination) in taxpayer-funded student loan originations spending (and, by extension, elimination of the U.S. Dept. of Ed., which Trump promised but didn't do) can only be had by 1 of 2 methods: either an exceptionally unlikely divine miracle -- or, rather reinstatement of bankruptcy availability to college debt -- both to drive down irresponsible lending excesses and (more=importantly) force higher ed "swamp" lobbyists (for colleges & lenders) to back off lawmakers and let them make needed spending cuts. Or face a dollar crash -- it's your choice.

The inaction by Trump and Lawmakers also egregiously harms patients, too, as unaffordable college is a chief driver for the

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ISSN 1062-7421, Vol. 12 No. 2 (February 2002) pp. 79-83; THE FOUNDING OF AMERICAN DEMOCRATIC PRESS LIBERTY, 1640-1800 by Robert W. T. Martin. New York: New York University Press, 2001. ISBN: 0-8147-5655-7

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*** Wisdom**

Prov 4:7; Matt 10:16; Jas 1:5

"Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding." Proverbs 4:7 (KJV) Holy Bible

"Behold, I [JESUS] am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves." Matthew 10:16 (ESV) Holy Bible

"If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him." James 1:5 (NKJV) Holy Bible

*** Truth**

Ex 18:21; Ps 51:6; Prov 3:3; John 8:32; 14:6

"Furthermore, you shall select out of all the people able men who fear God, men of truth, those who hate dishonest gain; and you shall place these over them as leaders of thousands, of hundreds, of fifties and of tens." Exodus 18:21 (NASB) Holy Bible

"Behold, You desire truth in the innermost being, And in the hidden part You will make me know wisdom." Psalm 51:6 (NASB) Holy Bible

"Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart:" Proverbs 3:3 (KJV) Holy Bible

"and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." John 8:32 (NASB) Holy Bible

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." John 14:6 (KJV) Holy Bible

well-documented shortages of doctors and nurses nationwide -- which doctor/nurse shortages threaten lives as hospitals and Emergency Rooms are understaffed. Consequently, Trump lost the election to Biden in 2020, but has a second chance to fix this if he wishes to avoid mid-term election backlash and a potential impeachment by Democrats who would then hold majorities on House & Senate. Consequently, this past Friday, August 22, 2025, I sent a [second letter](#) (with [enclosures](#)) to President Trump addressing this matter.

***** "The most important letter ever" *****

** LINKS: [L-page letter \(8½x11\)](#) (2 pages counting a screenshot on the back page showing I also emailed him through his website) and [the related enclosures](#)

My [second letter to Trump](#), however, was focused primarily on a different -- and more important -- matter: It was widely reported that Trump joked that he could get into heaven by good works. As I shared in "[My Testimony: How I got saved](#)," I couldn't get saved by my own works: I needed Jesus to show me by example whether or not life was hopeless by showing me a sinless life.

Billy Graham's son, Franklin Graham, when addressing this, was technically correct, but did not elucidate on why, precisely, this was the case: "'We Do Get to Heaven by Good Works'—Franklin Graham Corrects President Trump's Heaven Comment," August 20, 2025, By Jesse T. Jackson, [ChurchLeaders.com](#), LINKS: [ChurchLeaders.com](#) ** [Archive Today](#) ** [Wayback Machine](#) Consequently, I felt the need to write President Trump to help him understand the underlying concepts. However, my letter to Trump might help others -- you, too -- because many people struggle with the question of how to get to heaven. Sharing how I was saved can illustrate what GRAHAM overlooked!

My letter was sent both by [regular "I-stamp" envelope](#) and also [with tracking](#) to ensure delivery. As indicated [here](#), the U.S. Post Office was unable to deliver my letter at 11:10 am on Friday, August 29, 2025 in WASHINGTON, DC 20500 because the business was closed. That is odd! Friday is a business day, and 11:10 A.M. is business hours. Readers may track our package [here](#), and if/when it's delivered, I hope to post updates [here](#).

***** "Do my letters / calls / emails have any effect?" *****

That's a good question! So, let's break this down with a careful assessment and examples:

** (1.) Of course, The Whitehouse gets millions of letters a year! [Google](#) suggests over 3 million paper letters per year -- Letters: 65,000 paper letters per week; Emails: Around 100,000 emails per week; Calls: 2,500 to 3,500 calls per day. That doesn't bode well.

** (2.) However, the friend who suggested I write President Trump assured me he read the letters and other feedback to him. She knows Trump well, and I know her well, so I trust her.

** (3.) As [we reported previously](#), just hours after *The Register* made a press inquiry to Sen. Josh Hawley's (R-MO) office, and suggested that it was wrong of him to promise support on legislation (in his Judiciary Committee comments) but fail to cosponsor it (implying negative or critical news coverage), I got an email from Congress.gov showing he signed on as a cosponsor. Hmm...

** (4.) In my Aug. 4, 2016 guest column in *The Ledger*; "A Polk Perspective: Fix our bankrupt policy on student debt," I called out then-Congressman Dennis Ross, R-FL-15, for making two promises (#1 -- to cut pork spending and #2 -- to support bankruptcy equality for student debt), which he didn't keep. LINKS: [THE LEDGER](#) ** [Archive Today](#) ** [Wayback Machine](#) ** [CWA2 archives](#) ** [Wayback Machine](#) Readers can listen to the public Town Hall meeting here: [YouTube](#) ** [Facebook](#) ** [WMV video](#) ** [MP4 video](#) [Wayback Machine](#) Oddly-enough, just one month and 13 days later, Ross introduced the HR 6191, the "Student Loan Repayment Act of 2016," on Sept. 27, 2016, as reported both by me in my follow-up column, as well as [Congress.gov](#). Do you think my Town Hall question and follow-up *Ledger* column had made a difference? Hmm... MY FOLLOW-UP COLUMN: "Polk Perspective: Rescue taxpayers from mounting student debt." ** LINKS: [THE LEDGER](#) ** [Archive Today](#) ** [Wayback Machine](#) ** [CWA2 archives](#) ** [Wayback Machine](#)

** (5.) My Nov. 16, 2018 column (linked above), in *The Ledger*, I wrote that "collegiate debt, now almost \$2 trillion, is almost 10 percent of total U.S. debt." Oddly-enough, just eleven (11) days later -- and apparently, in response to my column -- U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos, in her speech dated Nov. 27, 2018, repeated my complaints that, and I quote her, "Today, FSA's [student debt] portfolio is nearly 10 percent of our nation's debt. Stop and absorb that for a moment. Ten percent of our total national debt." LINKS TO DEVOS' SPEECH: [ED.gov \(bad link, kept for archival purposes\)](#) ** [Archive Today](#) ** [Wayback Machine](#) ** [GordonWatts.com](#) ** [GordonWayneWatts.com](#) ** [ContractWithAmerica2.com](#) ** LINKS TO MY FOLLOW-UP COLUMN CALLING HER OUT FOR COPYING ME: [THE LEDGER](#) ** [Archive Today](#) ** [Wayback Machine](#) ** [CWA2 archives](#) ** [Wayback Machine](#) ** Hmm...

** (6.) Apparently, this chain reaction even influenced the president to fall in line with my request for conservative spending cuts: On March 19, 2019, that is, less than four (4) months later, *Forbes* reported that Trump was proposing limits on student loan borrowing, e.g., calling for spending cuts which DeVos requested (after she copied me!): "[Trump Proposes Limits On Student Loan Borrowing](#)," By Zack Friedman, *FORBES*, Tue. March 19, 2019, LINKS: [FORBES](#) ** [Archive Today](#) ** [Wayback Machine](#) ** [Local Wayback copy](#) ** [Local Archive Today copy](#) ** [CWA2 archives](#) ** Hmm...

** (7.) Despite even getting the president's attention, things haven't changed: The 'Higher Ed' swamp (colleges, lenders, lobbyists, etc.) continue to rape both students (who see unaffordable college -- a curse their grandparents never had to endure) and taxpayers (on the hook for this Ponzi-scheme-scum Bubble that will eventually burst). Perhaps our voices DON'T "make a difference," because we're too lazy and don't pick up the phone to call, write, email, or visit lawmakers and other elected leaders. Perhaps we deserve the crash that is coming to the U.S. Dollar as we devolve into an economic descent into hell. However, even if The President and lawmakers refuse to act, I ask readers of *The Register* to be change that you want to see in others: Perhaps it would benefit you (even if not America at large) to read [my letter to The President](#). RELATED:

TRUMP QUOTE: "I want to end it. You know, we're not losing American lives, we're not losing American soldiers. We're losing Russia and Ukrainian, mostly soldiers. Some people, as missiles hit wrong spots or get lobbed into cities," Trump said on *Fox News*. [] "But if I can save 7,000 people a week from being killed, I think that's a pretty -- I want to try to get to heaven if possible. I'm hearing I'm not doing well," he continued. "I hear I'm really at the bottom of the totem pole. But if I can get to heaven, this will be one of the reasons." ** SOURCE: "[Trump jokes ending war in Ukraine boosts his odds to get into heaven](#)," by Brett Samuels - 08/19/25 8:47 AM ET, *THE HILL*, LINKS: [TheHill.com](#) ** [Archive Today](#) ** [Wayback Machine](#) ** [Google search](#) **



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***[*Courts / Legal 2025 -](#) *BREAKING*: JULY 4TH UPDATE -- Powerlifting Legends face off in court -- John Inzer sues April Mathis over patent claims: *Register* Editor, Gordon Watts, files friend of the court brief, seeking peaceful resolution for all: [Inzer v. Mathis](#), #1:25-cv-00171, S.D. Ohio ** (Fri.27 June 2025 ; UPDATED Fri.04 July 2025, Sat.12 July 2025, and Mon.18 Aug. 2025)

*** Righteousness**

Ecc 12:13-14; Micah 6:8; Matt 10:16

"13 Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments [e.g., *be righteous*], for this is the duty of all mankind. 14 For God will bring every deed into judgment, including every hidden thing, whether it is good [*righteous*] or evil [*unrighteous*]." Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 (NIV) Holy Bible

"He has told you, O man, what is good; And what does the Lord require of you But to do justice [e.g., *righteousness*], to love kindness, And to walk humbly with your God?" Micah 6:8 (NASB) Holy Bible

"Behold, I [JESUS] send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless [e.g., *righteous, innocent, honest*], as doves." Matthew 10:16 (KJV) Holy Bible

*** Follow the Master's Example**

Deut 1:35-36; John 13:15; 14:12; 1 Pet 2:21; 5:3

"35 Surely there shall not one of these men of this evil generation see that good land, which I swear to give unto your fathers. 36 Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh; he shall see it, and to him will I give the land that he hath trodden upon, and to his children, because he hath wholly followed the Lord." Deuteronomy 1:35-36 (KJV) Holy Bible

"For I [JESUS] have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you." John 13:15 (KJV) Holy Bible

"Verily, verily, I [JESUS] say unto you, He that believeth on me [JESUS], the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do [by following JESUS' example, and with His help]; because I go unto my Father." John 14:12 (KJV) Holy Bible

"For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ [JESUS] also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps," 1 Peter 2:21 (NASB) Holy Bible

"not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock." 1 Peter 5:3 (ESV) Holy Bible

*** FIGHT for the TRUTH!**

Prov 24:10; Luke 14:31; Sirach 4:28

"If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small." Proverbs 24:10 (KJV) Holy Bible

"Or what king, going to make war against another king, does not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand?" Luke 14:31 (NKJV) Holy Bible

"Strive for the truth unto death, and the Lord shall fight for thee." Sirach 4:28 (KJV) Holy Bible

"Fight to the death for truth, and the Lord God will fight for you." Sirach 4:28 (NRSV, 1989) Holy Bible

Truth is the strongest, most stable force in the Universe

Truth doesn't change because you disbelieve it

TRUTH doesn't bend to the will of tyrants

Get Truth!

"First, they [Nazis] came for the Jews. I was silent. I was not a Jew. Then they came for the Communists. I was silent. I was not a Communist. Then they came for



Legendary powerlifter [April Mathis](#), about whom we have [previously given news coverage](#), has just been sued by another legendary powerlifter [John Inzer](#), regarding allegations of patent infringement of his powerlifting wraps, sold on [his website](#) and [on Amazon](#). The case, *Inzer v. Mathis*, #1:25-cv-00171 (S.D. Ohio), which was filed in [Ohio's Federal Southern District Court](#), can be tracked online at [Pacer Monitor](#), [JUSTIA](#), or [Court Listener](#). *The Register* has provided readers a free download of both [Inzer's lawsuit](#) and [Mathis' response](#). Watts has just now filed [the required Corporate Disclosure Statement](#) available for download in four (4) formats: [*.html Webpage](#) [** *.pdf "PDF" format](#) [** *.doc Word Document](#) [** *.odt Open Office](#), and [an Amicus Curiae \(friend of the court\) brief](#) available for download in four (4) formats: [*.html Webpage](#) [** *.pdf "PDF" format](#) [** *.doc Word Document](#) [** *.odt Open Office](#). Watts served all parties by [U.S. Postal Mail](#), which was tracked and delivered to the court, and by email, which was read and a clarification follow-up, which was acknowledged. This past Wednesday, July 2, 2025, two days before July the 4th Independence Day, Watts filed a "Judicial Notice" to the court with updates on his CM/ECF (electronic) filing status and formally motioned the court to accept his Amicus brief, in support of Mathis, but seeking a peaceful resolution for all parties. His notice was filed with the court and served upon all parties by [U.S. Postal Mail](#), and was tracked, and delivered to the court, and has served the court and parties by email, which was read, as well. A copy of Watts' [JUDICIAL NOTICE](#) is available for download in four (4) formats: [*.html Webpage](#) [** *.pdf "PDF" format](#) [** *.doc Word Document](#) [** *.odt Open Office](#) [**](#)

UPDATE: On 07/30/25, Inzer responded to Watts' Amicus brief: PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE TO THIRD PARTY'S REQUEST FOR LEAVE TO FILE AN AMICUS BRIEF. In addition, *The Register* noticed a visit to our online newspaper by Mr. Inzer's company, confirming that they received their service copies of Watts'es filings.

April's Public Request for Evidence/Recollections:

In a recent public post to her Facebook, April seeks 2011-2017 lifting wrap evidence as 'prior art' under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (photos, sales records, experiences, & recollections of use before April 28, 2017) to help prove she didn't copy Inzer, and aid her defense. Readers may submit photos, records, sales receipts, or brief statements of recollection of sales/use before April 28, 2017, via her public Facebook wall post: [link](#) or [link](#) or [archived screenshot of her public post](#). She may be contacted through [her Facebook page](#).

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UPDATE: Our legal analysts have suggested that since Mr. Inzer's Patent No. 9,011,305 was applied for on December 28, 2011, the required date for prior art is before December 28, 2010, to meet the one-year grace period (pre-12/28/2010) needed for April to invalidate the patent as prior art. Evidence and statements from customers or fellow-lifters from 2011 could show prior use close to Inzer's filing, potentially supporting an inventorship or non-infringement argument, but recollections of use prior to 12/28/2010 are ideal. Fellow-lifters are asked to contact April regarding this matter [as she has asked](#). Mathis' eBay, where products can be bought, is <https://eBay.com/str/mathisenterprises>. This story is developing.

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*** **Economy 2025 -- DOUBLE HEADER: I. Spending Tracker Websites (includes popular U.S. National Debt Clocks) ; II. *A Deep Dive into the Deaf Community: Understanding Their Needs and Challenges*** By Jennica Pounds (aka: "Data Republican (small r)" / Guest columnist (Thr.27 Mar. 2025 ; UPDATED Fri.18 Apr. 2025)



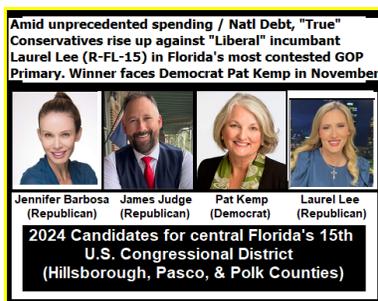
I. Spending Tracker Websites (includes popular U.S. National Debt Clocks)

Valuable insights into government spending—covering research, analysis, advocacy, and transparency—are essential for addressing fraud & waste. This comprehensive & nonpartisan list highlights websites tracking U.S. Federal spending across key areas of bipartisan concern, such as military / defense budgets, healthcare middlemen, taxpayer-funded "student loan" middleman, subsidies (e.g., oil, Pharma, agriculture), tax loopholes, and foreign aid. Critical areas to preserve include infrastructure (roads, bridges, satellites, GPS, Internet, utilities), food stamps, and emergency services, like 911. Note: Federal lawmakers earn over \$200,000 annually but face heavy workloads—balancing the budget requires living within our means, not just political games. LINKS: [Click here to jump to section below](#) [** Standalone webpage](#) [** CWA: Part II mirror](#)

II. *A Deep Dive into the Deaf Community: Understanding Their Needs and Challenges* By Jennica Pounds (aka: "Data Republican (small r)" / Guest columnist (Thr.27 Mar. 2025 ; UPDATED Fri.18 Apr. 2025)

Jennica Pounds – aka: "Data Republican (small r)" Contact her at DataRepublican.com or X.com/DataRepublican – is an AI software engineer & data expert (The "small r" denotes her unbiased allegiance is not to the Republican Party, but rather to the Republic, in her advocacy to convey an unbiased approach for transparency in exposing & analyzing wasteful government spending by both political parties—and improve efficiency.) She is well-known for providing online resources for the public which she's developed to expose connections between government grants, NGOs, & spending. She is a deaf, non-verbal activist who uses AI to scrape the Internet to provide detailed data on government spending with an online search portal. Pounds, whose identity was outed & doxxed recently, has been publicly supported by Elon Musk and other prominent figures regarding her research into USAID spending concerns, and she has well-over 600k followers on X / Twitter. When we recently contacted her by email to thank her for being nonpartisan and unbiased – seeking to expose irresponsible spending by both Democrats and Republicans – she responded and subsequently requested that we do news and commentary seeking assistance from the government for the needs of deaf Americans – and submitted this guest column – which we are publishing in this space because we believe that her request – needs of disabled citizens – reaches or surpasses the "60%" popularity threshold which we set for key issues of importance. Her resources are also listed among other bipartisan and nonpartisan funding trackers in the section above. LINKS: [Click here to jump to section below](#) [** Standalone webpage](#) [** CWA: Part II mirror](#) [*** UPDATED Fri.18 Apr. 2025 to include the editorial response of The Register.](#)

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*** **ECONOMY / POLITICS / SCIENCE / HEALTH --** Amid unprecedented levels of spending and National Debt, "true" Conservatives rise up in GOP backlash against "Liberal" incumbents in 2024 GOP Primary season: With surprising new endorsements for challengers, Barbosa & Judge, Central Florida's Dist.15 Congressional Race is becoming the most contested GOP Primary in Florida (Mon.19 Aug. 2024) [** Local news media give varying coverage of this new development](#) [** SCIENCE / HEALTH: Are some people able to detect earthquakes, solar flares due to fluctuations in earth's geomagnetic field or LF \(low frequency\) sounds? \(Mon.19 Aug. 2024\)](#)

As the American economy experiences unprecedented levels of spending -- which drive record levels of national debt (*the U.S. goes another trillion dollars in debt every 90-100 days, according to many leading experts, and as reported by [CNBC](#), [Forbes](#), [Yahoo! Finance](#), and confirmed by a basic [Google search](#)*) -- Jennifer Barbosa and James Judge, both of whom "answered the call" from former president, Donald Trump, to challenge GOP congresswoman, Laurel Lee, [as we previously reported](#), have accused Lee, the incumbent, of being "Liberal" on a number of fronts.



Even after Trump reversed course, and eventually endorsed Lee, the backlash by "true" Conservatives against so-called tax/spend RINOS (Republicans in Name Only) has only picked up steam:

** **James Judge**, a U.S. Coast Guard veteran who served in Iraq and Afghanistan, was recently endorsed by the [Winter Haven \(Fla.\) 9-12 Project](#) (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#) [** -4-](#) [** -5-](#)) Moreover, as reported by [Dr. Ed Shoemaker](#), Republican Party of Florida State Committeeman, for Polk County, Fla.: "The only variance as far as Polk County Republican Liberty Caucus is concerned as it relates to the WH912 Voter Guide is that The State Republican Liberty Caucus endorsed Amilee Stuckey for State House Dist 48," meaning they, also, endorse Judge (instead of Lee) for the GOP Primary in CD-FL-15. (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#) [** -4-](#) [** -5-](#)) Lastly, although *The Tampa Bay Times* didn't endorse Judge this time, when challenging Lee (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#)), nonetheless, the "U.S. House of Representatives: The Times Editorial Board recommendations," published

the trade unionists. I was silent. I was not a trade unionist. Then they came for me. There was no one left to speak for me." (Martin Niemöller, given credit for a quotation in The Harper Religious and Inspirational Quotation Companion, ed. Margaret Pepper(New York: Harper & Row, 1989), 429 -as cited on page 44, note 17, of Religious Cleansing in the American Republic, by Keith A. Fomier, Copyright 1993, by Liberty, Life, and Family Publications.

Some versions have Mr. Niemöller saying: "Then they came for the Catholics, and I didn't speak up, because I was a Protestant"; other versions have him saying that they came for Socialists, Industrialists, schools, the press, and/or the Church; however, it's certain he DID say SOMETHING like this. Actually, they may not have come for the Jews first, as it's more likely they came for the prisoners, mentally handicapped, & other so-called "inferiors" first -as historians tell us- so they could get "practiced up"; however, they did come for them -due to the silence of their neighbors -and due in part to their own silence. So: "Speak up now or forever hold your peace!" -G W W

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"Things are not always what they seem..." (Phaedrus)

"If the American people ever allow private banks to control the issue of their currency, first by inflation, then by deflation, the banks and corporations that will grow up around them will deprive the people of all property until their children wake up homeless on the continent their Fathers conquered." (Thomas Jefferson, attributed)

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"Things are not always what they seem; the first appearance deceives many; the intelligence of few perceives what has been carefully hidden in the recesses of the mind." -- Phaedrus

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"It is a capital mistake to theorize before one has data. Insensibly one begins to twist facts to suit theories, instead of theories to suit facts." Sherlock Holmes Quote -A Scandal in Bohemia

"How often have I said to you that when you have eliminated the impossible, whatever remains, however improbable, must be the truth?" (Sherlock Holmes: "The Sign of Four," 1890, Chap. 6, p. 111, by Arthur Conan Doyle)

"Eliminate all other factors, and the one which remains must be the truth." (Sherlock Holmes: "The Sign of

7/27/2022, last election cycle, recommended Judge, in the GOP Primary, when he ran for Congress is Florida's 14th Congressional District. (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#))

** Not to be outdone, [Jennifer Barbosa](#), the Plant City, FL paralegal, who ran for Congress in a long-shot bid to unseat powerful Democrat Congressman, Adam Schiff, when she lived in California, has picked up heavyweight endorsements Pastor Don Hazen, the 82-year-old founder of United Pastors of America, famous for writing about the moral decline of our nation ([Official Page](#) [** Facebook](#)) has endorsed Barbosa: ([-1: Video-](#) [** Screenshots: -2- ** -3- ** -4- ** -5-](#)) Moreover, while not necessarily formally endorsing Barbosa, as much is implied when [world-famous pastor, Dr. Rodney Howard Browne](#), introduces her when she visited his Tampa, Florida church: ([-1: Video-](#) [** Screenshots: -2- ** -3- ** -4- ** -5-](#)) Lastly, as reported by both [The Ledger](#) (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#)) and [Lkld Now](#) -- Non-profit & independent Lakeland, Fla. news, a project of a Lakeland 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, Linking Community Now Inc. (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#) [** -4-](#) [** -5-](#)), [Sheriff Richard Mack](#), Founder and President of [Constitutional Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association \(CSPOA\)](#) has endorsed Barbosa.

** Furthermore -- besides this newfound energy to defeat the well-funded Lee, in spite of Trump's flip-flop "reversal" -- many Conservative watchdog groups are now giving Lee low marks -- which suggest that the concerns/complaints made by Judge, Barbosa, and their supporters is not isolated, but part of a larger "revolt" against Lee, and other so-called RINO's, for their refusal to address key "Conservative" issues, such as irresponsible spending and soaring national debt -- which devalue currency and threaten a [crash](#) of the dollar:



- ** [FreedomIndex](#) gives Lee a score of 53 for adherence to The Constitution (limited government, fiscal responsibility, etc.). By contrast, Matt Gaetz is ranked 85, Anna Paulina Luna, 96, and Scott Franklin, another lawmakers often criticised as a 'RINO' by watchdogs —clocked in at only at only 70. (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#) [** -4-](#) [** -5-](#))
- ** Lee has a lifetime score of only 55% from [The John Birch Society](#). By contrast, Luna is ranked 100%, Greg Steube, 86%, but Franklin only scores 73%. (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#) [** -4-](#) [** -5-](#))
- ** Moreover, [Club for Growth](#), a Conservative watchdog, focused on limited government and conservative economic policy, scores Laurel Lee, R-FL-15 at 66% and her colleague in the district "next door," Congressman Scott Franklin, R-FL-18, at 81%. By contrast, Florida representatives Byron Donalds, Cory Mills, Anna Paulina Luna, Greg Steube, Bill Posey, and Michael Waltz all score a perfect 100%. (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#) [** -4-](#) [** -5-](#))
- ** Lastly, [Heritage Action](#), which was founded in 2010 to fight for conservative policies in State and Federal legislation, scores both Lee and Franklin at a modest 71%. By contrast, Donalds and Luna both score 98%, and Corey Mills 100% (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#) [** -4-](#) [** -5-](#) [** -6-](#))
- ** In addition, [The Register's independent investigation](#) found that -- even being generous with definitions -- **only 8.14% of all GOP lawmakers even attempt to comply with key planks in the official Republican Party platform**, which prohibit taxpayer dollars from funding student loan originations for higher education (as is done in public education -- where, for example, you don't have 5TH graders with student loans -- but rather direct funding and cost controls) -- a finding which is in agreement with other complaints made against GOP lawmakers. (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#) [** -4-](#))
- ** Another Conservative Watchdog, [OpenTheBooks](#), confirms this new trend of excess spending among GOP lawmakers: They found that the GOP-led "Freedom Caucus" earmarked far more than the Democrat-led "Squad" (\$23.1 million/member vs. \$13.9 million for the average Squad member), which supports our findings above and our assessment that we are nearing a [crash](#) of the dollar. (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#))

Besides the widespread consensus, above, of failures of **at least 91.86% of all Republican lawmakers** to keep their word to obey their platform (which says: "The federal government should not be in the business of originating [making] student loans.," p.35 Official GOP Platform) [The Register's investigation](#) also found that **only about 18.1% of all Democrat lawmakers make a genuine attempt to obey their Democrat Party's platform** on a similar plank ("Democrats will also empower the CFPB to take action against exploitative lenders and will work with Congress to allow student debt to be discharged during bankruptcy," p.71, par.1, sentence 2, official Democrat Platform). (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#) [** -4-](#))

A widespread failure of **all lawmakers in both parties to keep their word to obey their own party platforms (8.14% compliance rate for GOP and 18.1% for Democrat lawmakers by our audit)** is thought to play a role in the [dismal approval](#) ratings Congress now enjoys: [Pew Research](#) reports that: "About seven-in-ten Americans (72%) say they have an unfavorable view of Congress, with 26% saying they have a favorable view," a very low approval rating. (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#)) In spite of record lows in approval ratings Congress enjoys, Americans continue to reelect incumbent politicians to office: [Balletopedia](#) reports that "Congressional incumbents had a 98% win rate. Forty-one states had a 100% win rate in congressional races." (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#))



Besides the many large outside watchdogs which offer an objective overview of the rising anger and frustration among Americans with Congress, [Register](#) editor, Gordon Watts, occasionally tries to do his fair share to address critical needs by seeking help of "larger" news media, locally.

After our [press inquiry](#) to the candidates, this past June 11, 2024, [Congresswoman Laurel Lee \(R-FL-15\)](#), the incumbent, and one of the recipients, did not respond. (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#) [** -4-](#))

Watts, as a result of the lack of responsiveness by Lee, his member of Congress, wrote [a letter to The Ledger](#), critical of Trump's endorsement of Lee, based on her 'Liberal RINO' spending record, which published June 30 of this year, in their Sunday edition, [both online](#) and [in print](#). (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#) [** -4-](#))

Concurrently, Watts submitted numerous letters to the editor and guest column submissions to [The Tampa Bay Times: Guest column submission \(7/23/2024\)](#) [** Letter \(7/25/2024\)](#) [** 3 letter submissions & a column \(8/12/2024\)](#) [** a 5th letter \(8/14/2024\)](#). Besides unnamed sources inside [The Times](#), which confirmed Watts' submissions were received and reviewed, our review of the situation finds copious forensic evidence, as well: A letter submitted through [The Times' online portal](#) was [confirmed as received](#). Additionally, Jim Verhulst, the letters editor, acknowledged response by auto responder to both Watts' submission [via Gmail](#) and [from Watts' work email](#). Moreover, email sent to [Times CEO, Conan Gallaty, was received and read](#) in a timely manner. Lastly, Gallaty's long-time Executive Assistant, Anicca Keeler [confirmed receipt](#). (Archives of these files: [CWA2](#) [** Archive Today](#) [** Wayback Machine](#))

As of press time, it appears that Watts' letter, taking Lee to task, has not published in [The Times](#), and Watts is critical of the paper for not hearing all views. Watts' concern is not alone: GOP Candidate, [James Judge](#), mentioned earlier in our coverage, has this to say in [a guest column](#) to [Tampa Free Press](#):

"In response to The Times' "six recommendations for U.S. House candidates" in Florida, I have my own recommendation to those reading this piece: you'd be better off lining your birdcages with the Times, which has become the Tampa version of Pravda."

"James Judge: Tampa Bay Times Misleads Audience, Fawns Over Establishment RINO," by James Judge, Opinion, TAMPA FREE PRESS, July 28, 2024, LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#) [** -4-](#) [** -5-](#)

As a result of the many complaints that [The Times](#) has a 'Liberal' bias, [The Register](#) conducted [our own audit](#) of [The Tampa Bay Times' Letters to the Editor](#) section, for the last two (2) election cycles. We found that, for the 2022 Primary Election cycle (from 7/27/2022 when [The Times](#) published its recommendations to 8/23/2022, Primary Election day), of the total 64 letters published, 29 leaned Democrat, 8 Republican, and 27 were neither, with a metric of 362.5% as many Democrat-leaning letters published, objective proof of a clear bias. We also found that, for this, 2024 Primary Election cycle (from 7/24/2024 when [The Times](#) published its recommendations today, Monday, 8/19/2022, one day before Primary Election day), of the total 96 letters published, 41 leaned Democrat, 13 Republican, and 42 were neither, with a metric of 315.4% as many Democrat-leaning letters published, more evidence to support claims of a 'Liberal' of bias. We note that [The Times](#), published 50% more letters thus far, even though they no longer publish every day, a cost-cutting measure due to decreased demand for their product: Nowadays, [The Times](#) usually only publishes an "in print" edition on Sundays and Wednesdays, and online only on Fridays. Their expansion of their letters sections seems to be an attempt to compensate for less days published. (LINKS: [-1-](#) [** -2-](#) [** -3-](#) [** -4-](#))

Political pundits are closely watching central Florida's District 15 Congressional race due to the thin margin this newly-redrawn district gives each side, making it a very competitive and hotly contested race -- both for the Primary and the General Election.

Four," 1890, Chap. 1, p. 92, by Arthur Conan Doyle)

"How, then, did you deduce the telegram?"

"Why, of course I knew that you had not written a letter, since I sat opposite to you all morning. I see also in your open desk there that you have a sheet of stamps and a thick bundle of postcards. What could you go into the post-office for, then, but to send a wire? Eliminate all other factors, and the one which remains must be the truth." ("The Sign of Four,"(1890) by Arthur Conan Doyle: Chapter 1 - The Science of Deduction)
<https://literature.org/authors/doyle-arthur-conan/sign-of-four/chapter-01.html>

"How came he, then?" I reiterated. "The door is locked; the window is inaccessible. Was it through the chimney?"

"The grate is much too small," he answered. "I had already considered that possibility."

"How, then?" I persisted.

"You will not apply my precept," he said, shaking his head. "How often have I said to you that when you have eliminated the impossible, whatever remains, however improbable, must be the truth? We know that he did not come through the door, the window, or the chimney. We also know that he could not have been concealed in the room, as there is no concealment possible. When, then, did he come?"

"He came through the hole in the roof!" I cried.

"Of course he did. He must have done so. If you will have the kindness to hold the lamp for me, we shall now extend our researches to the room above -- the secret room in which the treasure was found." ("The Sign of Four,"(1890) by Arthur Conan Doyle: Chapter 6 - Sherlock Holmes Gives a Demonstration)
<https://literature.org/authors/doyle-arthur-conan/sign-of-four/chapter-06.html>

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"The first part of the quotation ("If the American people ever allow private banks to control the issue of their currency, first by inflation, then by deflation, the banks and corporations that will grow up around them will deprive the people of all property until their children wake up homeless on the continent their Fathers conquered") has not been found anywhere in Thomas Jefferson's writings, to Albert Gallatin or otherwise. It is identified in Respectfully Quoted as spurious, and the editor further points out that the words "inflation" and "deflation" are not documented until after Jefferson's lifetime.

The second part of the quotation ("I believe that banking institutions are more dangerous to our liberties than standing armies...") may well be a paraphrase of a statement Jefferson made in a letter to John Taylor in 1816. He wrote, "And I sincerely

Pundits and experts are keeping an eye, more broadly, on national races this election season, and watching closely to see whether the record lows in "approval ratings" for Congress will translate into voting out the incumbents -- or, whether American voters will continue to reelect incumbent politicians with "a 98% win rate," as *Balletopedia* reports.



SCIENCE / HEALTH -- "The Charlotte King Effect – Real or Imagined?"

Does earthquake, volcano, & solar weather researcher, Charlotte King, have an ability to sense LF (low frequency), VLF (very low frequency), and ULF (ultra low frequency) sound and EMF / Radio waves, and fluctuations in earth's geomagnetic field to detect earthquakes and other phenomena?(Mon.19 Aug. 2024)



Earthquake researcher, Charlotte King, has been featured in many news reports and studied extensively by the scientific community, and is most notably famous for her accurate prediction of the famous Mount St. Helen's eruption, in SW WASHINGTON STATE, which erupted at 8:32 A.M., on May 18, 1980, and taking the lives of 57 people. Subsequent news coverage of King reports that "Charlotte King's first claim to fame is that she predicted the 1980 eruption of Mount St. Helen's with 12 minutes." Source: "Fun With Predictions: The Bryant Park Project," by Laura Conaway, NPR, 03 January 2008, 1:26 PM (ET), LINKS: [-1](#) ** [-2](#) ** [-3](#)

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH: It is well-known that many animals can sense magnetic direction to navigate and can see and hear above and below the range of humans. If people can sense this, perhaps they can detect or predict solar flares, earthquakes and other phenomenon. [Scientific research shows](#) that LF and VLF sounds do predict earthquakes. LINKS:

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[James Judge](#), answered the call and are challenging Lee. Not long after that, however, Trump did a "flip flop" and, [according to Florida Politics](#) and other news agencies, changed his mind and endorsed Lee. In the interim, *The Register* sent out [a press inquiry](#), to all four candidates (Barbosa, Judge, Kemp, and Lee), asking whether they support reinstatement of bankruptcy availability to student loans, and, if not, what was their explanation as to why the GOP has repeatedly failed to cut spending on student loan originations (for the GOP candidates) as the Republican Party Platform specifically requires --or, for the lone Democrat, why she would refuse to obey her Democrat platform (which promises to support reinstatement of bankruptcy availability). *The Register* was successfully able to convince 2 of the 3 GOP candidates that bankruptcy rights for student loans was necessary to operate as a Conservative Free Market "check" on excess and dangerous Dept of Ed lending using our tax dollars: Republican candidate, [James Judge](#), responded publicly, [on his Facebook](#) (saved snapshot [linked here](#)), where he said:

"When elected, I will work to abolish the U.S. Department of Education. Additionally, student loans should be allowed to be included in bankruptcy." A very lively discussion ensued. Subsequently, Republican candidate, [Jennifer Barbosa](#) responded to *The Register's* press inquiry with [an emailed response](#), in which she stated that "I support reinstating bankruptcy for student debt," in addition to making allegations of misappropriation of campaign funds for one of her primary opponents. Previously, Barbosa -- like Judge -- [had also reaffirmed her support](#) for abolishing the U.S. Department of Education, a view held by many conservatives, where she responded: "Yes, Gordon, it's nice to see more conservatives getting on board with abolishing the Department of Education, something I have been in favor of doing for years. It's also nice to meet another sincere Christian. There are so many good, honest Christians in our district. We are blessed. Unfortunately in politics, there are also candidates who pose as pio[s] bearing false witness, engaging in adultery, stealing campaign donations..." As of press time, however, neither [Pat Kemp \(Democrat\)](#) nor [Laurel Lee, Republican \(incumbent\)](#) has responded to our press inquiry as to where they stand on legislation to reinstate bankruptcy rights to collegiate debt --or make use of bankruptcy to force Dept of Ed lending to tamp down and reduce loan limits to save trillions on spending when we currently have a debt crisis according to many experts. While *The Register* is withholding its formal endorsement on any candidate for this race, we have -- as previously reported -- disavowed Lee as a true Conservative for her repeated refusals to attempt spending cuts, but note that she is new and does not enjoy the benefit of a Republican Senate or President to aid any legislation she might file, unlike previous sessions of Congress where we document how [both Republicans and Democrats](#) refuse to file needed legislation that their own platform calls for -- even when they have "full control" of both houses and Oval Office -- a chief complaint of many Americans who have accused Congress of being afraid to act and address problems that they have promised to fix. -- and a likely cause of the low popularity ratings Congress enjoys. In the meantime, Barbosa and Judge have sparred over several issues in their GOP Primary race.

After complaints made by Judge to various state officials that Barbosa committed fraud by lying on her Candidate Oath, the [Central Florida Post](#) reported that Barbosa's recent registration change to the Republican Party caused her filed Oath statement to be false regarding the requirements she be a Republican for at least 365 days. ([LINK](#) ** Archives: [*1](#) ** [*2](#) ** [*3](#) **)

The Register reached out to her for [a response](#), and, among other things, Barbosa told *The Register* that: "Gordon, [] The answer to your question about my eligibility is very straightforward. [] I have exceeded all the qualifications to be on the ballot, including being a registered Republican for well over 365 days." Intrigued, *The Register* conducted our own investigation and determined that, indeed Barbosa had recently changed her voter registration, but, [an official response from the LA RECORDER'S OFFICE](#) said, in succinct part, that: "09/2015 to 01/2017: Republican Party," which would exceed the 365-day requirement, but not be immediately before as some have claimed is necessary. Subsequent news coverage by [The Tampa Bay Times](#), which published on print only (not online) confirmed our investigation, but William March, writing for *The Times* went on to report that Barbosa, who relied on "an unusual interpretation of Florida election law," denied she broke the law. March went on to report that neither the Fla. statute nor the actual oath affidavit has the word "the" in front of "365 days," leaving open the possibility that the 365-day period not, necessarily, be "the" exact year immediately before filing, and an elections expert he consulted did not dispute Barbosa's interpretation or weigh on on it either way.

Barbosa also had complaints of her own about Judge, where she accused him of misappropriation of campaign funds because he used his PR firm to do many tasks (flyers, website, etc.) instead of hiring outside help, where she writes that Judge "launders campaign donations to himself and his wife," and that "This is worse than Ihan Omar. She was caught paying her brotherhusband's consulting firm excessive fees from her campaign," according to [her Facebook page](#) (Cache [here](#)), where she cited [FEC data](#) to back her claim. There, also, a lively discussion ensued. Judge, in response, posted [a link to a video](#), where he responded, and claimed that his PR firm could do the job for less, not more, and thus saved money in doing the job in-house. When we asked her to defend this claim in light of Judge's claims that he could save money by doing the PR work in-house, Barbosa gave us [this written response](#), which said, in succinct part: "3rd parties don't save you money. They cost you money. [] Look at his receipts. [] He claims he paid \$3000 for Koozies and that this was a special deal which could only happen if he ran it through his PR firm. No it isn't. That's a horrible deal and an affront to the "fiscal conservatism" he claims to support. [] We need Congresspeople who care about how they spend money since they control the nation's purse strings. [] Koozies are 1 penny each on Amazon. [] At \$3000, that's 300,000 koozies. [] What is he doing with 300,000 koozies? [] We don't even have 300,000 Republicans in 2 Congressional districts combined. [] Is he the Mike Lindell of koozies? [] No, his PR firm overcharged his campaign for koozies so he could make a profit." (The [] denotes a line-break--Editor)

We asked her for clarification: "Great answers, but he also claims to use contributions for both website, flyers, merch, etc," and Barbosa [responded in succinct part that](#): "Yes, I just used the Koozies as one example. [] His PR firm overcharged his campaign for many things, not just koozies. [] Again, the idea that acting as a 3rd party saves money is absurd. Where's the savings. Those

believe, with you, that banking establishments are more dangerous than standing armies; and that the principle of spending money to be paid by posterity, under the name of funding, is but swindling futurity on a large scale."

The third part of this quotation ("The issuing power should be taken from the banks and restored to the people, to whom it properly belongs") may be a misquotation of Jefferson's comment to John Wayles Eppes, "Bank-paper must be suppressed, and the circulating medium must be restored to the nation to whom it belongs." [Internal citations removed]

Source: "Private Banks (Quotation)," from "The Jefferson Monticello" website: <https://www.monticello.org/site/jefferson/private-banks-quotation>, which, according to the website, <https://www.monticello.org/site/about>, has been maintained and kept open to the public by the Thomas Jefferson Foundation, Inc., which owns over 2,500 acres of Jefferson's 5,000-acre plantation.

are horrible prices. He is not a fiscal conservative. [] We all use campaign donations for website, flyers, merch. [] The difference is, we don't overpay for them. We also don't invent excuses to pay ourselves and our spouses..."

The Register was unable to determine, with any specificity, whether Judge over-paid or not -- but in any event, the FEC does not appear to be poised to levy a fine regarding for violations regarding use of campaign funds, so Barbosa's misappropriation complaint -- like Judge's oath-affidavit complaint -- seem to be lacking in any legal violations that would disqualify a candidate, and *The Register* takes no official stance in our editorial columns regarding this other than to say our legal analyses see no violations for either candidate, and that the voters will be the ultimate "judges" of these controversies. However, the refusals of [Congresswoman Laurel M. Lee \(R-FL-15\)](#) to make any attempts to file legislation to reduce or eliminate the student loan originations at the heart of the excess spending -- and which prompted [our own investigation](#) -- are of concern to economists everywhere as student debt is [well-documented](#) to be the largest area of discretionary spending, and thus, the low-hanging fruit and first target-choice of things to cut in the budget.



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As stated earlier, we are not optimistic for meaningful student loan bankruptcy or "pork" spending cuts being done by the "split Congress," due to gridlock prospects: if either party could not get their "signature" legislation done when they had "full control" (student loan bankruptcy legislation for DEMS and pork spending cuts to student loan originations for the GOP), what hope is there now with shared control of Congress (GOP in House and DEMS in Senate & Oval Office)? **We, therefore, ask readers to [contact lawmakers to stop infighting and return bankruptcy rights \(LINK ; Mirror-1 ; Mirror-2 ; Archive Today ; Wayback\)](#) to student loans to avert economic disaster: Otherwise, there will be no sufficient Conservative Free Market check on irresponsible lending by Dept of Ed, to the tune of trillions = equals the needle the breaks the camel's back, collapses the U.S. economy, & crashes the dollar. PERMA-LINK: [#Congress2024](#) ** Click [* here *](#) to jump back to the top of the page.**



Kevin F.F. Montague

*** **NEWS** -- Friends of *The Register* (Sat.30 Sept. 2023) (UPDATED: Tue.26 Dec. 2023 ; AND: Sun.31 Aug. 2025)

After various distractions and some technical difficulties, here is current news, but of an unexpected type: Many friends have helped *The Register*, and now it is our turn to help them.

** **1 of 5: Samantha DiBois** -- Readers should consider helping legendary strongwoman and powerlifter, [Samantha DiBois](#), whom *Register* editor, Watts, has personally known for well-over eleven (11) years (since at least May 31, 2014 per my message history). DiBois, a domestic violence survivor and sexual assault victim, has always made herself available to help others (in spite of repeated warnings from close friends that she can't "save the world," unless she saves herself first). Curious readers may learn more here: ** [Facebook \(professional\)](#) ** [Facebook \(personal\)](#) ** [Instagram](#) ** ([Older instagram deactivated for personal reasons, kept here for archival purposes](#)) ** [Google](#) ** [Open Powerlifting](#)

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** **2 of 5: Alan Collinge** -- Astute readers will recall special news coverage we gave Mr. Collinge, [a regular guest on COAST TO COAST: AM](#), the legendary overnight call-in show, [in prior news coverage](#), and our Liberal readers will certainly celebrate Collinge's petition to [cancel student debt](#), which incredibly received over one million signatures. However, some Conservative readers may wonder why *The Register* would support Collinge, given this salient fact, so an explanation is in order: Collinge's advocacy *mainly* seeks legislation for restoration and reinstatement of Constitutionally-protected (Art.I, Sec.8, cl.4, U.S. CONSTITUTION) bankruptcy rights which were stripped from student loans (a "Constitutional" reason is Conservative), *not* for cancellation of student debt (which was a very recent add-on). We support Collinge's call for reinstatement of Bankruptcy Uniformity, as our Constitution calls for, for one very key reason: as other Conservatives, even, point out, the removal of bankruptcy defense from student loans has allowed lending (using Trillions in tax dollars) to continue unchecked, and our own analysis of the situation finds that **ONLY** reinstatement of this necessary Conservative Free Market "check" will make it possible to reduce (hopefully eliminate) "Liberal pork" student loan subsidy originations spending--thereby averting a [crash](#) of the dollar, and inevitable collapse of the U.S. economy. However, if this is not plainly clear, let's hear from another very-far-right Conservative Republican: Congressman Glenn Grothman (R-WI-06) has made similar arguments. Grothman writes, in salient part: *"If there is no risk of the federal government and private lenders losing money through the bankruptcy process, then these actors have no reason to responsibly lend to student borrowers. In turn, institutions of higher education, who have little accountability and access to an endless pool of student aid dollars, continue to inflate the cost of tuition for our students."* Grothman goes on to write: *"Because of our bankruptcy laws, credit card companies and other lenders will not loan money if they do not expect it will be repaid. Sadly, in the 1970s, Congress took this safeguard away from students applying for federal loans."* SOURCE: [Grothman Press Release](#) ** [Archive Today](#) ** [Wayback](#) ** [Mirror-1](#) ** [Mirror-2](#) ** [Mirror-3](#) ** Grothman concludes his press release by saying that *"Out-of-control student loan costs and wasteful spending, coupled with high tuition prices, must come to an end for the sake of our students. If this [student loan bankruptcy] bill becomes law, it will force all federal student lenders, including the federal government, to become more responsible."*, which is key to avoiding a crash of the dollar: Student Debt, at over \$2 Trillion, is almost ten (10%) percent of total U.S. Debt, a point Conservative readers must not forget when wondering if Collinge is worthy of our assistance. Here is where readers may donate: [StudentLoanJustice.org](#) ** [PayPal](#) ** [BackBoneCampaign.org](#) ** [GoFundMe](#) **

** **3 of 5: KEVIN F.F. Montague** -- Readers certainly recall our own [scientific research](#) into America's cancer epidemic, slipping rank in life-span, as well as our obesity epidemic, powered by editor, Gordon W. Watts' [deep educational background](#). However, even Watts finds Mr. Montague's research impressive, and has purchased all his products. We wrote about Montague previously [in this space](#), and readers can buy his products at the links listed. However, Montague, a guest on the legendary [COAST TO COAST: AM](#), is struggling to save his family house, & avoid homelessness. Many "GoFundMe" campaigns seek donations, but Kevin's case warrants priority: Watts has known Kevin since November 2019, when he was a guest on [COAST TO COAST: AM](#), almost 4 years, has sufficient research credentials to verify Montague's work, and has no financial conflict of interest (is not getting paid to seek help). Watts reports: *"if I could have just 1 other resource besides my own research, it would be his. Even after he got my \$\$ he still was available 2 answer my questions! Good guy! --Gordon Wayne Watts BS, The Florida State University double major with honours."* We were very impressed with how his [GoFundMe](#) got enough donations to make 2 of his 3 required mortgage refi payments, and we wish to get him his 3rd, and save his home. Here are the three primary donation portals: [GoFundMe](#) ** [PayPal](#) ** [Fundly](#) ** Curious readers may also watch the [video by GoFundMe organiser, Michael Santos](#), who, along with Watts and others, can verify his honour and integrity. [Montague's Facebook](#) is also available for review.

** **4 of 5: Joanna Kearns** -- *Register* editor, Gordon Watts, and Collinge, shown above, both can personally also vouch for the integrity of Ms. Kearns, and respectfully asks readers to consider helping her too, regarding the loss of her father and her pet dog: [GoFundMe](#) **

** **5 of 5: Roberet J. More** -- Mr. More (unlike our other 4 friends, above) is not requesting *The Register* and allies "put out word" (news coverage) for financial donations. Rather, readers are asked **ONLY** to visit [Mr. More's YouTube channel](#) and subscribe -- so that he may obtain fifty (50) subscribers -- and, thereby, be able to live stream so videos are safely saved to the cloud immediately -- as security precaution if in danger, to ensure documentation of the events. **SHORT VERSION: Please go to <https://www.youtube.com/@54mlesna>, and click subscribe.** LONG VERSION: (If anyone has questions) Website: <https://Jn21-15Protctr.Tripod.com> ; Facebook: <https://Facebook.com/Robert.More.545> ; YouTube: <https://www.YouTube.com/@54mlesna> -- These are Mr. More's only official websites. And, as depicted on [his business card](#), here is his official contact information: Phone: (708)522-9385 ; Backup: (708)317-8812 ; Backup: (708)793-0736 Note: The (773)996-3218 shown on Mr. More's business card is outdated, and the (708)793-0736 listed is a new backup number. E-mail: Anselm45@Gmail.com ; E-mail: ismaBureauCh4@Gmail.com -- For context, [here is our business card](#). Proof that his claim of need for fifty (50) YouTube subscribers to stream is correct: [LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback](#) ; ([Screenshot](#)) We only got Robert from 11 to 31, in the last few days, but he needs only 29 more to get to 50. **

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Compiled by Gordon Wayne Watts, Editor-in-Chief, *The Register*

Nat'l Dir., Contract With America: Part II® ; Last updated: Thursday, 13 March 2025

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🟡*(**CAGW**) **Citizens Against Government Waste***: Provides research, analysis, and advocacy on government spending and transparency issues. CAGW is well-known for its "Pig Book" exposing pork-barrel spending.

URL: <https://www.CAGW.org>

🟡*(**CBO**) **Congressional Budget Office***: Provides nonpartisan budget analysis and cost estimates for legislation. URL: <https://www.CBO.gov>

🟡*(**CMS**) **The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services***: Provides data on healthcare spending, including the National Health Expenditure Accounts (NHEA). Official U.S. Government website: <https://www.CMS.gov>

URL: <https://www.CMS.gov/data-research/statistics-trends-and-reports/national-health-expenditure-data>

🟡*(**Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget**)*: The Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget (CRFB) offers a federal budget tracker that provides up-to-date information on federal spending and revenue. Federal Budget Tracker (Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget). URL: <https://www.CRFB.org>

TRACKER: <https://www.CRFB.org/budget-tracker>

🟡*(**Congressman Henry Cuellar's DEBT CLOCK**)*: [U.S. Representative (D-TX ; 28th District) since 2005] DEMOCRAT MEMBER OF CONGRESS, serving his eleventh term in the U.S. House of Representatives.

URL: <https://Cuellar.House.gov/debt.html>

🟡*(**Contract With America: Part II**)*: A platform advocating for fiscal responsibility and transparency in government spending. Unlike Newt Gingrich's original “Contract With America,” Part II doesn't support either political party or advocate any party or candidate in election campaigns, but rather advocates issues in a [bipartisan / nonpartisan](#) fashion, so long as they meet the “60%” Gingrich popularity standard: power grid security, fiscal responsibility, affordable healthcare, affordable college, etc. The “#pork” section highlights specific examples of wasteful or unnecessary expenditures—and calls upon readers to hold lawmakers accountable to reign in wasteful spending, providing various means of advocacy (phone calls, social media, etc.). This platform is a registered trademark of Gordon Wayne Watts, who nearly won the *Terri Schiavo* case—the 3RD-largest pro-life case since *Roe*, not an “abortion” case, but rather dealing with denial of medical care for a handicapped individual, a case which drew support from both Liberals (supportive of the handicapped community) and Conservatives (who were “pro-life”). URL: <https://ContractWithAmerica2.com/#pork>

MIRROR-A: <https://GordonWatts.com/n.index.html#pork>

MIRROR-B: <https://GordonWayneWatts.com/n.index.html#pork>

Archive Today library: <https://Archive.vn/contractwithamerica2.com>

Wayback Machine library: https://Web.Archive.org/web/*/https://ContractWithAmerica2.com

🟡*(**CRFB**) **The Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget***: A nonpartisan, non-profit organization committed to educating the public on issues with significant fiscal policy impact—with bipartisan leadership comprising some of the nation's leading budget experts, including many past heads of the House and Senate Budget Committees, the Congressional Budget Office, the Office of Management and Budget, and the Government Accountability Office. URL: <https://www.CRFB.org/debtfixer> MAIN: <https://www.CRFB.org>

🟡*(**CSIS**) **The Center for Strategic and International Studies***: CSIS offers detailed analysis and data on defense spending, including trackers on defense budgets & procurement under its tracker: <https://www.CSIS.org>

TRACKER URL: <https://www.CSIS.org/programs/international-security-program/defense-budget-analysis>

🟡*(**Data Republican**)*: A personal website by AI software engineer & data expert, Jennica Pounds aka “DataRepublican (small r)” (The “small r” denotes her unbiased allegiance is not to the Republican Party, but rather to the Republic, in her advocacy to convey an unbiased approach for transparency in exposing & analyzing wasteful government spending by both political parties—and improve efficiency.) An online resource for the public which she's developed to expose connections between government grants, NGOs, & spending. She is a deaf, non-verbal activist who uses AI to scrape the Internet to provide detailed data on government spending with an online search portal. Pounds, whose identity was outed & doxxed recently, has been publicly supported by Elon Musk and other prominent figures regarding her research into USAID spending concerns, and she has well-over 600k followers on X / Twitter. URL: <https://DataRepublican.com>

AWARD SEARCH: https://DataRepublican.com/award_search

Official Twitter / X: <https://X.com/DataRepublican>

Official Substack: <https://DataRepublican.SubStack.com> (Editor's Note: Her Substack account does not seem to be very active as of the time of publication.)

(DoD) The Department of Defense: Provides data on defense spending, including the DoD's Budget and Financial Management Webpage. URL: <https://Comptroller.Defense.gov/Budget-Materials/>

(DOGE) Department of Government Efficiency: A government website that tracks spending and provides data on efficiency efforts across federal agencies. URL: <https://Doge.gov/savings>

(DOGE Live Tracker): A website that provides real-time data on government spending, including the national debt, budget, and contract spending. URL: <https://Doge-Tracker.com>

(EdWeek) The Education Week Research Center: Offers a range of data and analysis on education spending, including trackers on school finance and education policy. School Finance Trackers: Note: Specific trackers are often embedded in articles or reports, such as school finance data, accessible through this hub.

URL: <https://www.EdWeek.org/research-center>

(EPA) The Environmental Protection Agency: Provides data on environmental spending, including the EPA's Budget and Spending Webpage. URL: <https://www.EPA.gov/planandbudget>

(FOX) National Debt Tracker: FOX BUSINESS

URL: <https://www.FoxBusiness.com/economy/us-national-debt-tracker>

(GAO) Government Accountability Office: The GAO website provides reports and testimonies on various aspects of government spending, including waste, fraud, and abuse ; audits federal spending and identifies waste (e.g., "High-Risk List"). URL: <https://www.GAO.gov>

(ITSUPTOUS U.S. Debt Clock): Displays real-time data on the national debt, including debt clocks for each state, as well as information on student loan debt and other economic indicators.

URL: <https://www.itsuptous.org/blog/best-resources-real-time-us-debt-clocks>

(KFF) The Kaiser Family Foundation: Offers a range of healthcare-related data and analysis, including trackers on healthcare spending, Medicaid, and the Affordable Care Act. KFF's "National Health Spending Explorer" is a primary tool for tracking healthcare spending.

URL: <https://www.KFF.org/interactive/national-health-spending-explorer>

(NCES) The National Center for Education Statistics: Provides data on education spending, including the National Education Budget Database: Note: The NCES Digest of Education Statistics includes detailed education spending data; there's no standalone "National Education Budget Database" page, but this is the closest equivalent.

URL: <https://NCES.ed.gov/programs/digest/>

(NOAA) The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration: NOAA's budget page offers data on environmental spending related to oceans, coasts, and climate. URL: <https://www.NOAA.gov>

Budget Data URL: <https://www.NOAA.gov/budget-finance-performance>

(NTU) National Taxpayers Union: Advocates for taxpayer rights and tracks spending policies.

URL: <https://www.NTU.org>

(Open The Books): A robust, non-partisan, non-profit organization that provides detailed information on government spending, including salaries, pensions, contracts, and data on pharmaceutical companies and their interactions with government agencies-- and with detailed datasets. Includes a standout feature, their "Federal Funding Transparency Map." URL: <https://www.OpenTheBooks.com>

(OpenSecrets): An excellent resource for tracking money in politics, including Big Pharma subsidies, providing detailed information on campaign contributions, lobbying expenditures, and other financial data related to the pharmaceutical industry. URL: <https://www.OpenSecrets.org>

Featured URL: <https://www.OpenSecrets.org/industries/indus?ind=H04>

(Peter G. Peterson Foundation): "National Debt Clock" A nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that is dedicated to increasing public awareness of the nature and urgency of key fiscal challenges threatening America's future, and to accelerating action on them. They work to bring Americans together to find and implement sensible, long-term solutions that transcend age, party lines, and ideological divides in order to achieve real results. Offers a comprehensive look at the national debt, including its causes, consequences, and potential solutions. Hosted by the Peter G. Peterson Foundation, this site features a real-time debt clock alongside educational content about the national debt's causes and implications. It uses Treasury data and Congressional Budget Office projections to estimate debt growth. Notable Feature: Links to physical debt clocks installed in various U.S. cities for public awareness. URL: <https://www.PGPF.org/national-debt-clock>

See Also: <https://www.PGPF.org/what-we-are-doing/projects/find-our-debt-clocks>

(ProPublica): An independent newsroom that produces investigative journalism on topics including healthcare and the pharmaceutical industry. URL: <https://www.ProPublica.org>

✶**Public Citizen**✶: A credible, non-profit advocacy group that works to promote transparency and accountability in government, including critique of Big Pharma subsidies and healthcare policy. URL: <https://www.Citizen.org>

✶**Read Sludge**✶: A news website that provides in-depth reporting on money in politics, including the influence of Big Pharma on lawmakers. URL: <https://ReadSludge.com>

See also: <https://ReadSludge.com/2025/01/31/on-the-bernie-rfk-pharma-money-spat>

✶**Sunlight Foundation**✶: Focuses on transparency. URL: <https://SunlightFoundation.com>

✶**(TCS) Taxpayers for Common Sense**✶: A respected watchdog group, known for analyzing earmarks and defense spending. URL: <https://www.Taxpayer.net>

✶**The Intercept**✶: A news organization that provides investigative reporting on a range of topics and often critiques government spending, including the pharmaceutical industry and its influence on politics.

URL: <https://TheIntercept.com>

✶**The Register**✶: Provides news and commentary on a wide range of topics, with the "#crash" section referring to commentary and analysis on economic and financial crises, particularly related to government spending and policy decisions—and the resultant threats for an economic crash of the dollar, offering valuable insights and perspectives on excess spending. *The Register*, hosted on 2 identical "redundancy" mirrors, is the personal website of Gordon Wayne Watts, who nearly won the *Terri Schiavo* case—the 3RD-largest pro-life case since *Roe*, not an "abortion" case, but rather dealing with denial of medical care for a handicapped individual, a case which drew support from both Liberals (supportive of the handicapped community) and Conservatives (who were "pro-life")—and thus credible; with a "Conservative-leaning" personal bias – but noting its appeal to fiscal responsibility across ideologies.

MIRROR-A: <https://GordonWatts.com/#crash>

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Archive Today library-A: <https://Archive.ph/gordonwatts.com>

Archive Today library-B: <https://Archive.ph/gordonwaynewatts.com>

Wayback Machine library-A: https://Web.Archive.org/web/*/https://GordonWatts.com

Wayback Machine library-B: https://Web.Archive.org/web/*/https://GordonWayneWatts.com

✶**U.S. National Debt Clock**✶: Provides real-time updates on the US national debt, including the total debt, debt per person, and debt as a percentage of GDP. It features a combination of text, images, and graphs to present the information in an accessible and visually appealing manner. This is a website that provides information on the US national debt, including debt clocks, budget items, unfunded debt, interest, and personal debt. It offers a detailed breakdown of the debt and its components, as well as the impact of the debt on individuals and the economy. The site aims to educate users about the financial situation of the United States and the implications of the national debt. URL: <https://www.UsDebtClock.org> See also: <https://UsDebtClock.org.usitestat.com>

✶**US National Debt**✶: Provides a simple, easy-to-read debt clock, along with information on the history of the national debt and its implications for the US economy. URL: <https://UsNationalDebtClocks.com>

✶**U.S. TREASURY**✶: Debt to the Penny: Official Government data — Operated by the U.S. Treasury Department, this isn't a "clock" in the flashy sense but provides the official, daily updated national debt figure. It's the authoritative source for exact debt numbers, updated each business day, and serves as a foundation for many clock estimates. Notable Feature: Offers precise, government-backed data rather than real-time estimates.

Main URL: <https://www.TreasuryDirect.gov> (navigate to "Debt to the Penny")

"Debt to the Penny" URL: <https://FiscalData.Treasury.gov/datasets/debt-to-the-penny/>

See also: <https://FiscalData.Treasury.gov/americas-finance-guide/national-debt/>

✶**USAspending**✶: A government website that provides data on federal spending, including contracts, grants, and loans. Broad Scope – Tracks over \$4 trillion in annual federal spending. URL: <https://www.UsaSpending.gov>

✶**USDebtClock.org**✶: Description: This is one of the most well-known online U.S. National Debt Clocks, providing a real-time display of the U.S. national debt, debt per citizen, and other economic metrics like unfunded liabilities and savings attributed to initiatives like DOGE (Department of Government Efficiency). It's widely referenced on social media and has mobile apps available. Notable Feature: Includes a "DOGE Clock" for tracking estimated government savings, though its methodology lacks detailed public sourcing.

URL: <https://www.USDebtClock.org>

✶**Worldometer**✶: A website run by an international team of developers, researchers, and volunteers with the goal of making world statistics available in a thought-provoking and time relevant format to a wide audience around the world. URL: <https://www.WorldOMeters.info/us-debt-clock/>

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**** 'UNABRIDGED' Intro**:** — Here are some websites that can help you track wasteful government spending – whether you're Conservative or Liberal (i.e., addressing “key areas” of concern by ****BOTH**** or ****ALL**** sides of the political spectrum – to be nonpartisan, unbiased, fair, & comprehensively effective) [[E.g., National Defense ; Military Spending ; Subsidies for oil / fossil ; Subsidies for Big Pharma ; Agriculture subsidies ; Health Insurance “middleman” versus less-expensive “direct fund” or “one payer” or “socialised” healthcare ; taxpayer-funded “Student Loan” middleman versus less-expensive “direct fund” model used in, say, Public Ed (you don't see 5TH graders with student loans, do you?) ; Tax loopholes ; Healthcare fraud / waste ; Streamlining spending in key areas ; USAID and other Foreign Aid ; Misc. fraud/waste, such as exorbitant salaries at various federal or federally-funded agencies (“million dollar” salaries for university presidents, coaches, excess staff, research projects, expensive buildings, architecture, expensive parties, vacations, bonuses, “golden parachute” retirement packages for already-rich employees), etc.]] NOTE: A few areas we might ****not**** want to cut: Nuclear Workers, Air Traffic Controllers, SNAP / Food Stamps, Police, Fire, EMS / 911, Fragile Internet, Telecommunications, & Power GRID ; 911 ; GPS ; Satellites, Roads, Bridges, Water, Power, Utilities, & other critical infrastructure. Editor's Note: Federal lawmakers are over-paid (>\$200,000.00+ / per /year, each), but under-staffed and “over-worked,” i.e., work long hours, thus may need “a little help” with workload issues. IF they are serious about balancing budget & not just making money off the backs of taxpayers, arguing, & playing political games: We must live within our budget, why not federal lawmakers (Members of Congress, e.g., House & Senate)?

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***A Deep Dive into the Deaf Community:**

Understanding Their Needs and Challenges*

By Jennica Pounds (aka: “Data Republican, small r”) / Guest columnist

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The deaf community is a diverse and vibrant group of individuals who share the common experience of hearing loss. While often perceived as a monolithic entity, the deaf community encompasses a spectrum of experiences, needs, and perspectives. This note aims to delve into the multifaceted world of deafness, exploring its history, cultural significance, communication dynamics, and the challenges faced by deaf individuals in various aspects of life.

The Spectrum of Deafness:

It's crucial to acknowledge that deafness exists on a spectrum, ranging from mild hearing loss to profound deafness. This spectrum influences the individual's communication needs, the impact on their daily life, and their access to resources.

Communication and Language:

Sign language is the primary mode of communication for many deaf individuals. It's a complex and nuanced language with its own grammar, syntax, and vocabulary. Sign languages vary geographically, with each region developing its own unique system. The existence of sign languages highlights the rich cultural heritage of the deaf community and its independent linguistic identity.

Historical Context:

The history of deafness is marked by periods of oppression and marginalization. Deaf individuals were often viewed as intellectually inferior and subjected to discriminatory practices, including attempts to force them to speak and integrate into hearing society. The emergence of the deaf community as a cultural and political force has challenged these historical narratives and advocated for deaf rights and empowerment.

Challenges and Barriers:

Deaf individuals face numerous challenges in navigating a hearing-centric world. These challenges can be categorized into:

* **Communication Barriers:** Lack of access to interpreters, captioned media, and accessible communication technologies creates barriers in education, healthcare, employment, and social interactions.

* **Educational Disparities:** Many deaf children lack access to quality education tailored to their needs. Limited resources, lack of qualified teachers, and reliance on outdated methods can hinder their academic success.

* **Employment Discrimination:** Deaf individuals often face employment discrimination due to misconceptions about their abilities and lack of accommodations in the workplace. This can lead to limited job opportunities and lower earning potential.

* **Healthcare Access:** Communication breakdowns in healthcare settings can lead to misdiagnosis, delayed treatment, and poorer health outcomes. The lack of deaf-friendly healthcare providers and accessible communication technologies exacerbates these issues.

* **Social Isolation:** Deaf individuals can experience social isolation due to communication barriers and a lack of opportunities for meaningful social interaction.

A Call to Action: What Deaf People Need from the Government

The deaf community, while vibrant and resilient, faces systemic barriers that hinder their full participation in society. Government intervention is crucial to dismantling these barriers and creating an inclusive environment where deaf individuals can thrive. Here's a comprehensive overview of what deaf people need from the government:

1. Accessibility and Communication:

* **Funding for Interpreters and Captioning:** Increased funding for qualified interpreters and captioning services is essential for equal access to education, healthcare, employment, and legal proceedings. This includes expanding the availability of interpreters in various languages and settings, including remote services.

* **Mandated Accessibility in Public Spaces:** Regulations requiring accessibility features like visual alarms, closed captioning in public spaces, and accessible websites are crucial for independent living and participation.

* **Universal Design for Learning (UDL):** Integrating UDL principles in education and public spaces ensures accessibility for all, including deaf individuals, by creating learning environments that are flexible, adaptable, and inclusive.

2. Education and Employment:

* **Quality Deaf Education:** Investment in specialized deaf education programs, qualified teachers, and culturally relevant curriculum is essential for academic success and social-emotional development. This includes promoting bilingual-bicultural education that embraces both sign language and spoken language.



* Vocational Training and Job Placement: Programs that provide vocational training tailored to the needs of deaf individuals and facilitate job placement in accessible and inclusive workplaces are critical for economic empowerment.

* Addressing Employment Discrimination: Enacting legislation that prohibits discrimination based on disability, including deafness, and enforcing anti-discrimination laws are essential for equal opportunities in the workplace.

3. Healthcare and Mental Health:

* Accessible Healthcare: Ensuring access to qualified medical professionals who are proficient in sign language and trained in deaf-specific healthcare needs is vital for accurate diagnosis and effective treatment.

* Mental Health Services: Providing culturally sensitive mental health services tailored to the specific needs of deaf individuals is crucial for addressing the unique challenges they face, including social isolation and communication barriers.

* Deaf-Specific Research: Funding research on deaf-specific health issues, including hearing loss, mental health, and communication needs, is essential for improving health outcomes and developing targeted interventions.

4. Cultural Recognition and Empowerment:

* Promoting Deaf Culture and History: Investing in initiatives that celebrate deaf culture, history, and achievements is essential. Government, we plead with you to act! Fund interpreters and captioning, mandate accessibility, and support quality deaf education. Ensure accessible healthcare and mental health services, and fight employment discrimination. Recognize and celebrate Deaf culture. These are not just requests, but essential steps towards an inclusive society where every deaf individual can thrive. We urge you to answer this call and create a world where deafness is not a barrier, but a vibrant part of our shared humanity.

Dear Government,

We are writing to inform you that our organization, has a dedicated account for receiving financial contributions specifically for supporting the deaf community. We are committed to using these funds to provide and ensure their access to vital resources.

Yes any of the lawmakers or staff can reach out to me through [[redacted]]

We believe that by working together, we can create a more inclusive and accessible society for deaf individuals. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or wish to explore further collaboration.

Sincerely,

Jennica Pounds.

Jennica Pounds – aka: “Data Republican (small r) Contact her at DataRepublican.com or X.com/DataRepublican – is an AI software engineer & data expert (The “small r” denotes her unbiased allegiance is not to the Republican Party, but rather to the Republic, in her advocacy to convey an unbiased approach for transparency in exposing & analyzing wasteful government spending by both political parties—and improve efficiency.) She is well-known for providing online resources for the public which she’s developed to expose connections between government grants, NGOs, & spending. She is a deaf, non-verbal activist who uses AI to scrape the Internet to provide detailed data on government spending with an online search portal. Pounds, whose identity was outed & doxxed recently, has been publicly supported by Elon Musk and other prominent figures regarding her research into USAID spending concerns, and she has well-over 600k followers on X / Twitter. When we recently contacted her by email to thank her for being nonpartisan and unbiased – seeking to expose irresponsible spending by both Democrats and Republicans – she responded and subsequently requested that we do news and commentary seeking assistance from the government for the needs of deaf Americans – and submitted this guest column – which we are publishing in this space because we believe that her request – needs of disabled citizens – reaches or surpasses the “60%” popularity threshold which we set for key issues of importance. Her resources are also listed among other bipartisan and nonpartisan funding trackers in the section above.

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Editor's Note: Our response appears [immediately below](#). —Editor-in-Chief, Gordon Wayne Watts, *The Register*

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*** SOURCES OF HELP & ASSISTANCE FOR DISABLED INDIVIDUALS IN THE U.S. ***

Government Programs, Services / Agencies, Funding / Tax Credits, and Regulations / Laws

- **The Disabled Persons and Family Support (DPFS)** program provides financial assistance to individuals with severe disabilities, allowing them to live independently and maintain employment.

<https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Disabled-Persons-and-Family-Support.aspx>

- **The Aid to the Aged, Blind, or Disabled (AABD)** program offers monetary payments and medical coverage to eligible individuals: <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Aged-Blind-or-Disabled.aspx>

- **The Social Security Administration** provides disability benefits, including Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI): <https://SSA.gov> **SSDI:** Provides financial assistance to individuals with disabilities who have worked and paid Social Security taxes. **SSI:** Offers financial assistance to individuals with disabilities who are age 65 or older, blind, or disabled, and have limited income and resources.

- **Medicaid:** Provides health insurance coverage to low-income individuals with disabilities.

- **Medicare:** Offers health insurance coverage to individuals with disabilities who are 65 or older, or have been receiving SSDI benefits for at least 24 months.

- **Tax Benefits: Disability Tax Credit:** Allows individuals with disabilities to claim a tax credit for expenses related to their disability. **Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC):** Provides a tax credit to low-income working individuals, including those with disabilities.

- **Education & Employment: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA):** Ensures that children with disabilities receive a free and appropriate public education. **Rehabilitation Act:** Provides funding for vocational rehabilitation programs and prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities in employment and education. **Job Accommodation Network (JAN):** Offers free consulting services to help employers provide accommodations for employees with disabilities. **Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Program:** Helps individuals with disabilities prepare for, find, and keep employment.

- **Housing and Transportation: Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act:** Requires that all programs and activities receiving federal funding be accessible to individuals with disabilities. **Fair Housing Act:** Prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities in the sale, rental, and financing of housing. **Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA):** Requires that public transportation systems be accessible to individuals with disabilities.

***Non-Profit Organizations* – Volunteers of America** offers a range of services, including in-home support, case management, and supportive employment, to empower individuals with disabilities to live independently:

<https://www.vo.org/services/special-needs-services/> **The Massachusetts Office on Disability** provides information and resources on disability rights, employment, and healthcare:

<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/financial-assistance-and-supports-for-people-with-disabilities>

Independent Living Centers (ILCs) offer advocacy and support services, such as accessible housing information and assistive technology services: <https://www.miusa.org/resource/tip-sheets/organizations/>

Centers for Independent Living provide training, information, and support to individuals with disabilities. **The Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund** advocates for the rights of individuals with disabilities. **The American Association of People with Disabilities** promotes equal opportunity and full participation for individuals with disabilities.

*** CALL TO ACTION: How State & Federal Government can better support disabled Americans ***

Technology, Accessibility, and Communication Access

1. ***Increase funding for American Sign Language (ASL) interpreters*:** Provide more resources for interpreter training, education, testing, curriculum development, and certification programs.

2. ***Improve video remote interpreting (VRI) services*:** Enhance VRI technology and increase its availability in public settings, such as hospitals and courts.

3. ***Enhance video captioning, audio description, and subtitling requirements*:** Expand regulations to develop and implement accessibility standards and guidelines and require increased availability and accuracy of timely captioning and subtitling in all forms of media, including online content, website accessibility, cable television, broadcast TV shows, and movies.

4. ***Update the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) – and Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act*:** Strengthen regulations to ensure that businesses, organizations, and government agencies provide equal access to communication for handicapped & disabled individuals – and to ensure that all electronic and information technology developed or procured by the federal government is accessible to handicapped and disabled individuals. Ensure wheelchair-accessible ramps, large font size printed materials for seeing-impaired, and braille for the blind, captioning for the deaf, TDD – Telecommunications Devices for the Deaf, and assistive technology, including: video phones, alerting devices, and communication access software, etc., for all public settings, such as hospitals, courts, schools (Public Ed), college (Higher Ed), and government buildings.

5. ***Enhance accessibility standards and features in emerging technologies*:** Research, develop, and implement regulations to ensure that emerging technologies, such as artificial intelligence, virtual reality, and autonomous vehicles are accessible to disabled and handicapped individuals.

6. ***Research and development*:** Fund research and development of new technologies and accessibility features that can benefit handicapped and disabled individuals.

Education, Employment, and Training

1. ***Enhance education, training, and vocational programs*:** Provide more funding & resources to programs for *all* disabled & handicapped students (blind, deaf, autistic, mobility-impaired, etc.) in schools (Public Education) and colleges (Higher Ed), including teacher training, literacy, and curriculum development. Strengthen regulations to ensure that all educational institutions (Public & Higher Ed) provide equal access to communication, accommodations, and resources. Increase funding for vocational rehabilitation, internship & job training programs to gain work experience & skills, job placement & employment services – including resume building, career counseling, mentoring, interview preparation, & job matching – entrepreneurship & small

business planning & development programs, funding, and professional networking assistance, and disability employment initiatives & awareness campaigns.

2. *Increased job opportunities, accessibility, and employment protections*: Implement more effective hiring practices and provide accommodations, such as wheelchair accessible ramps, braille, large font print, sign language interpreters, and captioning, in the workplace. Update regulations to prevent employment discrimination against handicapped & disabled individuals and ensure that employers provide reasonable accommodations and communication access.

3. *Scholarships and grants*: Offer scholarships and grants specifically for disabled students pursuing higher education or vocational training. Better yet, **directly** fund higher education (college) like we do with public education – thereby providing Higher Ed & Vo-Tech (Vocational Technical) opportunities for ***all*** students – disabled or otherwise: Getting rid of the “student loan” middleman would not only save students (obviously), but also **save taxpayers trillions** – because colleges would – once again – learn to live within their means, as they did before there ****were**** student loans – much less those originated (funded) by taxpayers. Like things were when there ***was*** no U.S. Dept of Education – created in the Jimmy Carter administration – and states ran things more efficiently (and at less cost to **both** taxpayers **and** students). “Direct-funded” higher education (--#1. as we already do with public ed – and --#2. as we did with mostly free colleges in our grandparents' time – and --#3. as most other civilised countries currently offer with taxpayer-funded college for those who meet academic standards) would abrogate, annul, and **eliminate** any need for vouchers (public ed) and Pell Grants (higher ed) – reduce overhead & unnecessary “middleman” programs, and “streamline” the system – thereby saving taxpayers – and students – untold billions – possibly trillions. Research by many experts suggests that – short of an unlikely miracle – the ***only*** means to force down lending – and force back greedy higher ed & lending institution lobbyists – possibly resulting in a more-efficient direct fund model (without the lender “middleman”) – is **reinstatement of Constitutional Article I Bankruptcy uniformity (Art.I, Sec.8, Cl.4, U.S. Constitution)** – which would apply to student loans – thereby offering **Free Market pressures** to disincentive excessive collegiate debt lending (when borrowers could have bankruptcy availability) – possibly restoring and returning to the efficient, AND AFORDABLE, “direct-fund” model which we had in our grandparents' time before “costs of college” became “out of reach” to ordinary middle-class Americans – **including disabled and handicapped Americans** – in need of Equal Protection and Opportunities to become educated – and “reverse” the present crisis of a shortage of American-educated doctors, nurses, and engineers (a shortage due to the unaffordable costs of college). <https://ContractWithAmerica2.com/#bankruptcy> Mirrors: <https://GordonWatts.com/n.index.html#bankruptcy> And: <https://GordonWayneWatts.com/n.index.html#bankruptcy> **Special Note:** As Pounds and other advocates often say, the disability community should not be aligned with either political party – thus the savings to taxpayers (supported by Conservatives / Republicans) and students (supported by Liberals / Democrats) achieved by a “direct fund” model – which we used to employ in our grandparents' day – should be a “bipartisan” or “nonpartisan” **plus** to this tact.

4. *Healthcare and Mental Health*: Offer direct-funded healthcare for disabled individuals – as elimination of the “insurance middleman” would also cost taxpayers (and patients) less. Many U.S. counties & states already offer healthcare for the indigent & poor using the “direct fund” method, and this seems to work better without an “insurance middleman.” Provide more sign language interpreters, TDD, video phones, captioning, large font print, braille, wheelchair ramps, etc. in healthcare settings, and ensure that medical professionals receive training & education on disabled & handicapped culture, communication, mobility challenges, & healthcare access. Increase funding for mental health services – including counseling, therapy, & support groups – and health education & outreach programs – specifically designed for handicapped and disabled individuals, including health literacy and disease prevention initiatives. There have been prior calls by politicians for elimination of the “insurance middleman” to achieve better efficiency, and save both patients – and taxpayers – trillions – including handicapped and disabled patients. <https://ContractWithAmerica2.com/#middleman> Mirrors: <https://GordonWatts.com/n.index.html#middleman> And: <https://GordonWayneWatts.com/n.index.html#middleman>

Community and Cultural Support

1. *Increase funding for disabilities & handicapped community organizations*: Provide more resources & funding for organizations & centers – and public awareness campaigns media initiatives – that serve the disabled community, including those that promote handicapped & disabilities culture, language, events, festivals, and Disabilities Arts – including programs and services for disabled youth, adults, & seniors. Support deaf cultural events and festivals, including sign language storytelling, deaf theater, and deaf art exhibitions.

2. *Establish a national American Disabilities education center*: Create a national center to provide resources, training, and support for education, including teacher training, curriculum development, and parent resources for disabled Americans.

3. *Handicap & Disability leadership development*: Provide training and development programs for disability leaders, including leadership skills, advocacy, and community organizing.

Research and Data Collection – Increase funding for:

1. *Research centers & institutes*: Establish research centers & institutes on education, employment, healthcare, & mental health for disabled Americans.

2. *Data collection & analysis*: Collect and analyze data on American disability demographics, education, employment, and healthcare & mental health outcomes to inform policy and program development.

3. *Evidence-based practices*: Develop and disseminate evidence-based practices and interventions for disabled individuals, including education, employment, healthcare, & mental health services.

***SCIENCE, HEALTHCARE, AND TECHNOLOGY*:** Science has made tremendous progress in recent years, offering innovative solutions to improve the lives of Americans with hearing, sight, or mobility health issues. Here are some exciting developments and historical solutions that can make a positive impact:

Paralysis, Cognitive, and Mobility Issues

1. *Prosthetic Limbs*: A traditional and historical method is now being augmented with AI-driven limbs that sense a person's brain activity with BCI's (Brain-Computer Interfaces) –and myoelectric prosthetics that detect electrical signals from residual muscles, to allow real-time control of prosthetic limbs.

2. *Functional Electrical Stimulation (FES)*: This therapy implants electrodes beneath a patient's skin to simulate nerve signals from the brain and allow movement and motion after a stroke or injury. As well, spinal cord stimulation has shown promise in restoration of movement and mobility.

3. *Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS)*: This treatment is a less invasive type of stimulation is sometimes paired with intermittent hypoxia (temporary therapeutic oxygen deprivation) to facilitate healing, increased electrical activity, and thereby improved motor output and movement.

4. *Stem Cell Treatment*: Cord blood treatment, “nanomedicine,” and stem cell therapy are used to treat spinal cord injuries and targeting root causes of cerebral palsy, particularly transplanting neural stem cells into a damaged spinal cord area.

5. *Virtual Reality (VR)*: is sometimes used to help improve memory and regain function for cognitive function.

6. *Telehealth for Cognitive Support*: allows remote access to therapy and support.

7. *Cognitive Rehabilitation Software*: This technology are tools that provide personalised therapy and track patient progress.

8. *3-D Printed Spinal Cord Scaffolds*: These can be implanted at the injury site to support tissue regeneration and formation of new neural connections.

Hearing Health Issues

1. ***Sign Language***: Sign language has been used for centuries as a primary means of communication for deaf and hard of hearing individuals.
2. ***Cochlear Implants***: These medical devices can restore hearing in individuals with severe to profound sensorineural hearing loss.
3. ***Hearing Aids with AI***: Advanced hearing aids with artificial intelligence (AI) can improve sound quality, reduce background noise, and even translate languages in real-time.
4. ***Gene Therapy***: Researchers are exploring gene therapy to treat genetic hearing loss, which could potentially restore hearing in individuals with inherited hearing impairments.
5. ***Sign Language Recognition Technology***: This technology can, using AI, recognise and interpret sign language, enabling more effective communication between deaf and hearing individuals.
6. ***Sign Language Generator***: This technology can generate and produce a virtual visual AI assistant to sign words and sentences, enabling those who aren't fluent in sign language to have an alternate means of "speaking" to hearing-impaired individuals – as a backstop or backup to written communication (useful for children or for hearing-impaired people who aren't literate in written language).
7. ***Educational Software***: Software which helps people practice sign language and learn other tips about the deaf community and culture.

Sight Health Issues

1. ***Braille***: Braille is a tactile writing system that has been used for centuries to enable blind and visually impaired individuals to read and write.
2. ***Eye Glasses and Contact Lenses***: Prescription glasses & contacts are recent historical developments to correct for myopia (nearsightedness), hyperopia (farsightedness), or astigmatism (curvature anomaly) by use of transparent material (glass, clear plastic, etc.) that has a positive or negative refractive power for light. Reading glasses are convex (have positive refractive power, like magnifying glasses) – and prescription glasses to correct for myopia are concave in shape (have a negative refractive power). Glasses & contacts can be custom-made to correct for specific shape anomalies in the eye.
3. ***"Ortho-k" contact lenses***: More-recently, healthcare science has developed the "Ortho-k" contact lenses via the science of orthokeratology – the use of specially designed gas-permeable contact lenses fitted to individual patients to temporarily gently reshape the cornea – change its refractive power – typically worn overnight – to improve their vision. This non-surgical treatment is mainly used to treat myopia (nearsightedness), though it can be used for hyperopia (farsightedness) and astigmatism.
4. ***Phacoemulsification aka Cataract surgery***: This surgery removes a cataract (the cloudy lens) by creating a small incision in the cornea by hand, with a scalpel, removes the cataract, and replaces it with an IOL (Intraocular Lenses) – a prosthetic or artificial lens. The refractive power of the IOL is calculated to correct nearsightedness or farsightedness.
5. ***LASIK***: – Laser-Assisted In Situ Keratomileusis (LASIK) is a type of eye surgery that uses lasers to correct for myopia (nearsightedness), hyperopia (farsightedness), or astigmatism (curvature anomaly) by changing the shape – and thereby the refractive power – of the cornea – to help people see better without glasses or contacts. It is well-known for its safety and quick recovery time. This eye surgery removes cataracts and damaged corneal tissue.
6. ***Stem Cell Therapy***: Scientists are investigating stem cell therapy to treat age-related macular degeneration (AMD) and other retinal diseases.
7. ***Bionic Eyes***: Advances in prosthetic vision have led to the development of bionic eyes, which can restore some vision in individuals with severe visual impairments.
8. ***Gene Therapy for Inherited Blindness***: Gene therapy has shown promise in treating inherited forms of blindness, such as Leber congenital amaurosis.
9. ***Assistive Technology***: Advances in assistive technology, such as screen readers and braille displays, have significantly improved accessibility for individuals with visual impairments.

Mobility Health Issues

1. ***Assistive Devices***: Assistive devices, such as canes, walkers, and wheelchairs, have been used for centuries to enhance mobility and independence for individuals with disabilities.
2. ***Prosthetic Devices***: Prosthetic devices have been used for centuries to replace or support damaged or missing body parts. (Example: a wooden "peg leg" often depicted in Pirate lore & legend.)
3. ***Exoskeletons***: Exoskeletons are wearable devices that can enhance or restore mobility in individuals with paralysis or muscle weakness.
4. ***Prosthetic Limbs***: Advances in prosthetic limb technology have led to the development of more sophisticated and lifelike prosthetics. (Example: A realistic-looking limb – not merely a "peg leg.")
5. ***Rehabilitation Robotics***: Rehabilitation robots can assist with physical therapy, helping individuals with mobility impairments to regain strength and function.
6. ***Accessible Transportation***: Initiatives to improve accessible transportation, such as wheelchair-accessible vehicles and public transportation systems, can greatly enhance mobility and independence for individuals with mobility impairments.

These are just a few examples of the many innovative solutions and historical practices that can improve the lives of Americans with hearing, sight, or mobility health issues. By combining cutting-edge technology with tried-and-true methods, we can create a more inclusive and accessible society for all.

*** **GENERAL DIET & LIFESTYLE TIPS** *** These are universal – but are beneficial for disabled Americans – whose needs are even greater. Please note that it's essential to consult with a healthcare professional before making any significant changes to your diet or lifestyle.

Diet Tips

1. ***Focus on whole foods***: Emphasize whole, unprocessed foods like fruits, vegetables, whole grains, lean proteins, and healthy fats. These foods provide essential nutrients, fiber, and satiety.
2. ***Stay hydrated***: Drink plenty of water throughout the day to help maintain energy levels, support digestion, and promote overall health.

3. ***Consider your specific needs***: Depending on your disability, you may require a specialized diet. For example, individuals with diabetes may need to monitor their carbohydrate intake, while those with celiac disease must follow a gluten-free diet.

4. ***Seek support from a registered dietitian***: A registered dietitian can help you develop a personalized meal plan that takes into account your specific needs, preferences, and lifestyle.

Lifestyle Tips

1. ***Prioritize self-care***: Engage in activities that bring you joy, help you relax, and promote overall well-being, such as meditation, reading, or spending time with loved ones.

2. ***Stay physically active***: Regular physical activity can help improve mobility, strength, and overall health. Consider working with a physical therapist or fitness professional to develop a personalized exercise plan.

3. ***Connect with others***: Building and maintaining social connections is essential for mental and emotional well-being. Join a support group, participate in online forums, or engage in hobbies that involve social interaction.

4. ***Advocate for yourself***: Don't hesitate to ask for help or accommodations when needed. Advocate for yourself in healthcare settings, workplaces, and public spaces to ensure your needs are met and your rights are respected.

5. ***Rest and Recuperation***: Quality sleep and rest are both important. Try to avoid excess activity, blue light screen time (TV or smartphone), or excess caffeine immediately before bed. Ensure your bedroom is cool and well-ventilated. Having bottled water bedside is a convenient way to stay hydrated. When working throughout the day, take periodic breaks to avoid overexertion or excess physical or mental stress.

Additional Tips for Disabled Americans

1. ***Explore assistive technology***: Utilize assistive technology, such as mobility aids, communication devices, educational resources (software, websites, & books), or adaptive software, to enhance your independence and quality of life.

2. ***Create a support network***: Surround yourself with people who understand and support your needs, including family members, friends, and peers with similar disabilities – and a strong team of medical professionals and healthcare providers – medical doctors, chiropractors, physical therapist, dietitians, etc.

3. ***Stay informed about disability rights***: Educate yourself on disability rights, laws, and policies to ensure you're aware of your entitlements and can advocate for yourself effectively.

4. ***Prioritize mental health***: Recognize the importance of mental health and seek professional help when needed. Mental health professionals can provide valuable support and guidance in managing stress, anxiety, and other mental health concerns.

5. ***Prioritize physical health***: Try eat well (quality food, hydration, supplements as needed), sleep well (aim for a good 7 or 8 hours of quality sleep), and engage in moderate exercise when needed, but "listen to your body": delay in any of these when needed can impair health, and make recovery even harder – and take much longer than if addressed in a timely fashion.

6. ***Keep good notes, records, appointment itinerary, etc.***: Keep sufficient notes on doctor appointments, prescription medications, healthcare and tech notes, and personal work agenda and itinerary – because it's easier to remember if written down than to rely solely on memory – making it easier to address disabilities. (Perhaps bookmark, PDF print / save to hard drive, and/or physically print out these tips, here.)

Remember, every individual's experience with disability is unique, and it's essential to tailor your approach to your specific needs and circumstances. By prioritizing your physical and mental well-being, staying informed, and advocating for yourself, you can live a fulfilling and empowered life as a disabled American.

*** **Tips for individuals who want to help their disabled friends and neighbors in a personal capacity:**

Communication Tips

1. ***Listen actively***: When interacting with your disabled friend or neighbour, make sure to listen actively and attentively to their needs & concerns.

2. ***Ask before helping***: Before offering assistance, ask your disabled friend or neighbour if they need help and what type of help they require.

3. ***Respect their boundaries***: Respect your disabled friend's or neighbour's boundaries and don't push them to discuss or engage in activities that make them uncomfortable.

Practical Tips

1. ***Offer specific help***: Instead of saying "Let me know if you need anything," offer specific help, such as "Can I help you with grocery shopping or cooking meals?"

2. ***Be patient and flexible***: Be patient and flexible when interacting with your disabled friend or neighbour, as they may need to take breaks or adjust their plans.

3. ***Respect their accessibility needs***: Respect your disabled friend's or neighbour's accessibility needs, such as providing wheelchair-accessible transportation or accommodations.

Emotional Support Tips

1. ***Validate their feelings***: Validate your disabled friend's or neighbour's feelings & experiences, and avoid minimizing or dismissing their emotions.

2. ***Offer emotional support***: Offer emotional support and a listening ear to your disabled friend or neighbour, as they may face unique challenges and stressors.

3. ***Celebrate their successes***: Celebrate your disabled friend's or neighbour's successes & achievements, no matter how small they may seem.

Education and Awareness Tips

1. ***Learn about their disability***: Take the time to learn about your disabled friend's or neighbor's disability, including its effects and how to provide support.

2. ***Avoid stereotypes and stigmas***: Avoid perpetuating stereotypes and stigmas surrounding disability, and instead promote inclusivity and acceptance. Understand that disabilities vary in both type and severity.

3. ***Support disability awareness initiatives***: Support disability awareness initiatives and events, such as Disability Pride Month or the International Day of Persons with Disabilities.

By following these tips, you can build stronger, more supportive relationships with your disabled friends and neighbors, and help create a more inclusive and accessible community for all.

4. ***Other Educational Resources***: Here are additional educational resources that may be helpful in offering guidance on health issues – *for further reading*:

((-A-)) “Consumer Products Advisory” – USA faces cancer epidemic and slipping rankings in life-span rankings, while Type-2 Diabetes, previously known as 'Adult Onset Diabetes' *now* appears in children in alarming rates. This paper gives a brief overview, documenting that Communist China and Socialist Japan have longer life spans, lower cancer rates, less fertility disease, and offers diet & health tips, which include how caloric restriction (cleansing fasts) may help; dangers of “consumer products,” including artificial sweeteners (such as Aspartame aka NutraSweet); and, how milk (particularly processed cow's milk) is associated with cancer and lowered fertility rates. Mirror-1: <https://GordonWatts.com/consumer.html> *** Mirror-2: <https://GordonWayneWatts.com/consumer.html>

((-B-)) LIMB REGENERATION RESEARCH: Research in tissue & limb regeneration – both in animals and humans. Mirror-1: <https://GordonWatts.com/regeneration.html> *** Mirror-2: <https://GordonWayneWatts.com/regeneration.html>

((-C-)) BOOK REVIEW: *The Register* gave a book review to 4 books written by Kevin F. Montague, scholar, scientist, & two-time a guest on Coast to Coast: AM: (1) The Master's Key to Unlocking and Mastering Chronic-Disease (2) Take Back Your Power: Review of Dr. Robert C. Beck's micro-currents research; (3) Special Healthcare Report: How to clear/control Rosacea, skin blemishes, & aging spots naturally, as well as address Nasal & Ear Colonics naturally with common household items; and, (4) PROSTATE RELIEF NOW! (ebook)

Mirror-1: <https://GordonWatts.com/montague-book-review.html>

Mirror-2: <https://GordonWayneWatts.com/montague-book-review.html>

Author website: <https://KffmEnterprises.com/the-masters-key/>

Official Coast To Coast: AM guest page: <https://www.CoastToCoastAM.com/guest/montague-kevin/103510>

FUNDING NEEDS REDUX:

Besides public awareness and regulatory help from the City, County, State & Federal Government, funding needs exist for disability needs – thus – while it is outside the scope of this paper to address in detail the precarious nature of the every-increasing U.S. Debt crisis – it is Sine Qua Non “required” to put a stop to dangerous excess spending – lest an economic crash impede and prevent needed funding for disability needs.

In short, the excess spending (you and I must live within our means, so why do lawmakers refuse to put a stop to spending more than our income?) – and excess currency printing by The Fed (which devalues ALL moneies in YOUR bank account) – must be addressed in a bipartisan or nonpartisan manner to fund disability needs. If you need help here, imagine them printing a million dollars for every American: what would the money in your wallet (or bank account) then be worth?

It is well known that America goes One Trillion (\$1,000,000,000,000.00) Dollars in debt every 90 or 100 days. (A trillion is a million millions – a lot!) a brief overview on national debt and its potential impact on the economy – including disabled America needs:

Causes of the National Debt – The national debt is primarily driven by:

1. ***Budget deficits***: The government spends more than it takes in through taxes and other revenue sources.

2. ***Entitlement programs***: Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid are mandatory spending programs that are not subject to annual appropriations.

3. ***Interest on the debt***: As the national debt grows, so does the interest paid on it.

4. ***RESOURCES***: A compilation of resources on tips to cut pork: <https://ContractWithAmerica2.com/#pork> Mirrors: <https://GordonWatts.com/n.index.html#pork> And: <https://GordonWayneWatts.com/n.index.html#pork>

4. ***RESOURCES***: A compilation of Spending Tracker Websites – includes popular U.S. National Debt Clocks: <https://ContractWithAmerica2.com/#tracking> Mirrors: <https://GordonWatts.com/n.index.html#tracking> And: <https://GordonWayneWatts.com/n.index.html#tracking>

5. ***TIPS – SPENDING CUTS***: Spending must be cut in all areas – both those dear to Democrats / Liberals (foreign aid, for example) and Republicans / Conservatives (fossil / oil, military / defense budgets, for example) – and emphasis should be made to eliminate unnecessary “middlemen” (healthcare middlemen, taxpayer-funded “student loan” middleman, etc.), while keeping critical needs (infrastructure, roads, bridges, satellites, GPS, Internet, utilities), food stamps, nuclear workers, air traffic controllers, and emergency services, like 911.

6. ***TIPS – RAISING TAXES***: Raising taxes “on the rich” – a common proposal to address income inequality and generate revenue to reduce the national debt – has its limits and can not fully solve a budget deficit: the relationship between taxation and debt reduction is more complex:

Theoretical benefits:

1. **Increased revenue**: Higher tax rates on the wealthy could generate additional revenue for the government.

2. **Reducing income inequality**: Progressive taxation can help reduce income inequality by redistributing wealth from the top earners to lower- and middle-income households.

Practical limitations:

1. **Elasticity of tax revenue**: Higher tax rates can lead to decreased economic activity, reduced tax compliance, and increased tax avoidance strategies, ultimately resulting in lower-than-expected revenue gains.

2. **Tax base erosion**: Wealthy individuals and corporations may respond to higher tax rates by relocating assets, income, or entire businesses to lower-tax jurisdictions.

3. **Economic growth impact** : Higher tax rates can reduce incentives for investment, entrepreneurship, and job creation, potentially slowing economic growth.

4. **Distributional effects** : Tax increases on the wealthy might have unintended consequences, such as reducing charitable giving or increasing tax burdens on small businesses and family-owned enterprises.

Real-world examples:

1. **France's 75% tax rate** : In 2013, France introduced a 75% tax rate on incomes above €1 million. However, the measure generated only a fraction of the expected revenue and was eventually repealed.

2. **Sweden's high tax rates** : Sweden has a high tax-to-GDP ratio, but its economic growth has been sluggish in recent years. Some argue that high tax rates have contributed to this slow growth.

Conclusion:

While raising taxes on the rich might seem like a straightforward solution to reduce the national debt, the reality is more complex. It's essential to consider the potential economic and behavioral responses to tax increases and to weigh these against the potential benefits. A more comprehensive approach to addressing the national debt might involve a combination of:

1. **Moderate (and regressive aka "pro-rated") tax increases** which tax the rich at higher rates (they can afford more taxation).

2. **Sustainable spending reductions** See above: excess spending –not anemic taxation– is the main problem).

3. **Tax reforms** that promote economic growth and fairness.

4. **Entitlement reforms** to ensure long-term solvency.

5. **Investments in human capital** and infrastructure to boost productivity and growth.

6. **Reduced regulatory burdens** that reduce excess regulations make operating a business less business less burdensome This multifaceted approach can help address the national debt while minimizing unintended consequences and promoting economic growth.

Consequences of the National Debt – Excessive national debt can lead to:

1. ***Inflation***: Excessive money printing can erode the purchasing power of the dollar.

2. ***Higher interest rates***: Increased borrowing costs can slow economic growth.

3. ***Reduced credit rating***: A high national debt can lead to a downgrade in the US credit rating.

Strategies for Survival – To mitigate the potential effects of the national debt:

1. ***Diversify investments***: Spread investments across asset classes, such as stocks, bonds, and commodities.

2. ***Build an emergency fund***: Save 3-6 months' worth of living expenses in a readily accessible savings account.

3. ***Invest in inflation-indexed instruments***: Consider investing in Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities (TIPS) or other inflation-indexed instruments.

4. ***Develop multiple income streams***: Diversify income sources to reduce reliance on a single income stream.

5. ***Stay informed and adaptable***: Continuously monitor economic developments and adjust strategies as needed.

6. ***Stores of food/ water/ off grid solar/ battery backup***: By using "off-grid" or "Hurricane Preparedness" strategies, one can be prepared for natural – or economic – disasters.

7. ***RESOURCES***: At the bottom of this online resource ("Protecting the Grid" legislative advocacy) is a subsection offering Hurricane Preparedness and Off Grid "Recommendations for citizens": <https://ContractWithAmerica2.com/#grid> Mirrors: <https://GordonWatts.com/n.index.html#grid> And: <https://GordonWayneWatts.com/n.index.html#grid>

CONCLUSION

Pounds, in her column, seeks to use a teamwork strategy to "create a more inclusive and accessible society for deaf individuals," but also speaks of periods of oppression and marginalization for Deaf individuals, "who were often viewed as intellectually inferior and subjected to discriminatory practices." This is often quite true, however, for *citizens of all types of disabilities* – not just hearing impairment or deafness. Our response column – obviously – is quite a bit more lengthy and detailed – both as to addressing other types of disabilities as well as offering additional subtle nuances and solutions which could, obviously, not fit in her 937-word (6,760 characters) guest column. That said, her call for all stakeholders to work together, and evoke the spirit of teamwork, is timely – and needed. To that end, The Registrar calls upon app parties to work together and support each other – by, for example, sharing similar, but distinct, advocacy for each other – example: Deaf Awareness websites sharing advocacy for blind or mobility-impaired citizens; Sight-impaired advocacy groups sharing links, funding needs, or advocacy needs for the deaf community, etc. – for citizens to speak to lawmakers and news media (letters to the editor, guest columns, interviews, etc.). Lastly, the inclusion of "budget hawks" and "fiscal Conservatives" to ensure we cut dangerous surfeit and pork are needed to ensure the budget has sufficient funding to address the needs of all handicapped and disabled Americans. "Together we can."



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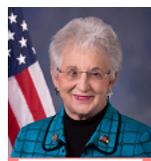


Sen. Chuck Grassley (R-IA) Rep. Laurel Lee (R-FL-15)



House Speaker Rep. Kevin McCarthy (R-CA-20) Fla. Governor Ron DeSantis (R-FL)

**** I. DEMS don't keep their word. GOP settles in after raucous infighting. "Gridlock" expected ****



Rep. Virginia Foxx (R-NC-05)

As [previously reported](#), most Democrat lawmakers and most Republican lawmakers fail to keep their word on key higher ed funding party platform planks. We have often been very critical of most GOP lawmakers for not keeping their word to follow our [Official GOP Platform's](#) prohibition against the [Liberal Pork spending](#) of use of tax dollars to originate (make) student loans (a contentious issue of late). Likewise, [others](#) have been [very critical](#) of Democrats, who had a rare opportunity to pass legislation when *they* held House, Senate, & Oval Office, but failed to keep *their* word to restore [Constitutional bankruptcy](#) & other standard consumer protections to student loans, as [their official Party Platform](#) promises: Well-known student debt expert, Alan Collinge, author of the famous [million signature petition](#), calling for restoration of constitutionally-protected bankruptcy uniformity, [wrote on 12/24/2022](#), that "Democrats controlling Congress- frankly betrayed their obligation to return constitutional bankruptcy rights to student loans" ([LINK](#) ; [Archives: -1- ; -2- ; -3- ; -4-](#)), [and tweeted](#), replying to Sen. Dick Durbin, "You BETRAYED 38 million distressed student loan borrowers. Shame on you, and shame on @TheDemocrats." ([LINK](#) ; [Archives: -1- ; -2- ; -3-](#)) Now that DEMS have lost the House to the GOP in the [recent 2022 mid-terms elections](#), many, perhaps most, political pundits expect [much gridlock](#) and lack of meaningful legislation in the foreseeable future. We do not hold out high hopes that DEM and GOP lawmakers can work together to address the twin crises of insanely unaffordable college (a valid concern of Liberals/Dems) and debt ceiling & concomitant [crash of the dollar](#) (a valid concern of Conservatives/GOP), but, in the meantime, we are in a "watch and wait" mode.

**** II. A small "ray of hope" exists ****

Since the initial Jan. 15, 2023 publication of this news regarding how [both](#) political parties have angered and alienated large swaths of their base (not to mention even larger portions of the "political base" of the opposing party), we began to notice a few small signs of hope that there may be a way around the impasse from some "unlikely sources":



Rep. Jim Jordan (R-OH-04)



Sen. Chuck Grassley (R-IA) Rep. Virginia Foxx (R-NC-05)

* (#1) First, the undersigned author noticed a [response from Sen. Chuck Grassley \(R-IA\)](#) regarding [S.2598, the FRESH START Through Bankruptcy Act](#), a bill which we believe is necessary for force down excess Dept of Ed lending, and thereby prevent/avert a [crash of the dollar](#). Long-time IOWA Republican Senator, Chuck Grassley, [who turns 90 later this year](#), and is "[ranking member](#)" on the Senate Judiciary Committee, writes: "As I mentioned in the [Judiciary Committee] hearing [held on Aug. 3, 2021], I am open to the concepts in this [student loan bankruptcy] bill," in his [letter dated Jan. 11, 2023](#), to the undersigned writer. This is quite surprising given how the GOP has, historically, been less supportive of [constitutional bankruptcy uniformity](#) as applied to collegiate debt. Grassley goes on to say: "I would like to see certain changes to this proposal, but I am hopeful that we will be able to find a solution that works for all those involved. As you likely know, this bill did not pass during the previous session of Congress and would need to be reintroduced in the new 118th Congress. As Senator Durbin continues to pursue the bill, I look forward to working with him on it." ([LINK](#) ; [local archive](#) ; [Wayback archive](#)) Watts issued a [formal response, dated 25 Jan. 2023](#) ([LINK](#) ; [local archive](#) ; [Wayback archive](#)), along with some "[additional tips](#)," the following day, 26 Jan 2023. ([LINK](#) ; [local archive](#) ; [Wayback archive](#)) ; and, noticing some key omissions, he followed up with a [3RD reply on Thr. 2-2-2023](#) and a [4TH reply on Mon. 2-6-2023](#), to correct some cc line errors and with an emphasis on protecting the fragile power and telecommunications grid: (2-2-23 addendum [LINK](#) ; [local archive](#) ; [Wayback archive](#) *** 2-6-23 cc corrections [LINK](#) ; [local archive](#) ; [Wayback archive](#)) **Editor's Note: While the GOP has, historically, been resistant to bankruptcy uniformity for student borrowers, nonetheless, Rep. Foxx's willingness to consider our arguments (see section IV., below) builds on prior momentum with known-Conservative Republicans, such as Sens. Grassley, Cornyn, and Hawley --and Reprs. Gaetz (R-FL-01), Norman (R-SC-05), Katko (R-NY-24), Christopher Smith (R-NJ-04), and Grothman (R-WI-06), all of who have filed and/or spoken out strongly in favour of student loan bankruptcy: PDF: [LINK](#) ** [Local archive](#) ** [Wayback Machine](#) ** .html webpage: [LINK](#) ** [Archive Today](#) ** [Wayback Machine](#)**

* (#2) Next, astute readers will notice that Watts' reply to Grassley's emailed response cc copied his new Member of Congress, [U.S. Rep. Laurel M. Lee \(R-FL-15\)](#), who replaced [U.S. Rep. C. Scott Franklin \(R-FL-18\)](#) when Franklin's [district shifted boundaries](#), placing him in the Florida's newly-redrawn 18th Congressional District. While Lee, the wife of former Florida State Senate president [Tom Lee](#), is an "unknown quantity" and "new face" in federal politics, and has made no known public statements regarding her views of [constitutional bankruptcy uniformity](#), as applied to collegiate debt (something we would expect conservatives to support, as the U.S. Constitution's Bankruptcy Uniformity Clause, Art.I, Sec.8, cl.4, is quite unambiguous and clear here), nonetheless, her staff has been kind enough to confirm receipt of legislative requests of her constituent, Plant City, Florida resident, Gordon W. Watts, editor/publisher of this online blog. Additionally, while Lee's [VoteSmart profile](#) ([LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback](#) ; [local snapshot 1](#) ; [local snapshot 2](#)) does not indicate what, if any, religion she proclaims, nonetheless, sources inform us that Lee is a practicing Christian, and this intel seems to be confirmed by her public wearing of a cross (see file photo, shown above), as well as the [VoteSmart profile](#) of her husband, Tom Lee, listing him as a Catholic Christian. ([LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback](#) ; [local snapshot 1](#) ; [local snapshot 2](#)) This gives us a "small ray of hope" that freshman Congresswoman, Laurel Lee (R-FL-15), will support bankruptcy equality, as this would be inferred from an honest reading of the "golden rule" found in her Christian Bible in numerous places (Leviticus 19:18b, Leviticus 19:34, Matthew 22:39b, Mark 12:31b, Luke 6:31, Matthew 7:12), and required by no less than Moses and Jesus, two key leaders in her religion. ([LINK \(BibleGateway.com\)](#)) ; See also: "[Bible Verses: What the 3 major world religions say VS Collegiate Debt](#)," by Gordon Wayne Watts, Fri, 15 Feb 2019 ; UPDATED, Sun, 23 June 2019, [LINK](#) ; [local archive](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback](#)) The inference is that she treat others as she would want for herself and her rich business-based campaign donors-- and thus support equal standard consumer protections, including [constitutional bankruptcy uniformity](#), for student loans, as with all others, including gambling debt and the colleges themselves, who can, and often do, declare bankruptcy.

* (#3) Thirdly, while many on both sides of the isle were/are very concerned with the selection of Kevin McCarthy as speaker (DEMS because he's a Republican, and many "far-right" Republicans, [who view him](#) as "swamp," "establishment," and/or RINO

(Republican in Name Only), nonetheless, this may work in his favour: C-SPAN quotes McCarthy as saying that Trump bears some responsibility for the Jan.06 Capitol riots, which will help him gain the trust of Democrats, should he need their help, but stopped short of calling for criminal prosecution, which should help him gain needed support from fellow-Republicans for critically-needed legislation, should he chose to revisit the student loan bankruptcy legislation, and seek to use it to "force down" dangerously-high lending/spending by the U.S. Dept of Education, something many on both sides of the isle are concerned about. ([LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback](#) ; [local snapshot](#))

* (#4) Lastly, there may be some small ray of hope from a very unexpected source: Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, who has been [intensely opposed to student debt forgiveness](#), is the last person anyone would expect to afford some help on this front, and is hated by many a Democrat. Additionally, *The Register*, a far-right, Conservative online paper, has [taken DeSantis to task](#) repeatedly for failure to follow many fiscal or moral conservative principles, both as Congressman and later as Governor. However, we find some unexpected glimmer of hope: *The Daily Caller* quoted DeSantis as saying that universities "have bloated administrative budget," and went on to say that "So my view is if you're gonna do some type of student loan relief—it's not really relief because people are still paying for it — but the people who should pay for it are not the American taxpayer. It should be the universities who should be responsible for that. If they're producing people that go deep into debt and their degree is not worth anything and they're not able to make enough money to pay it back, well then that's on them." This attempt to hold colleges accountable is not unlike Sen. Rick Scott's (R-FL) [COLLEGE ACT bill \(S.4772, 117th Congress\)](#) or Sen. Dick Durbin's (D-IL) bipartisan [FRESH START Through Bankruptcy Act \(S.2598, 117th Congress\)](#), both of which sought to hold colleges accountable financially, which, if taken to extreme measures, could lower tuition and thereby help the poor and middle-class. Additionally, DeSantis has been very vocal of late about his support for [teacher pay raises](#). Furthermore, DeSantis has come out in opposition to "insurance middlemen" ([LINK](#) ; [Orlando Weekly](#) ; [Google search](#) ; [local snapshot](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback](#)), a measure which we advocated in our sister project in the past ([LINK](#) ; [Mirror-1](#) ; [Mirror-2](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback](#)) That said, we are not optimistic for meaningful student loan bankruptcy or "pork" spending cuts being done by the "split Congress," due to gridlock.



Rep. Jim Jordan
(R-OH-04)

**** III. Analysis of unusual written statement from Consumer Bankers Association entered into an old, 2010 House Judiciary Hearing by committee member, Rep. Jim Jordan (R-OH-04), who is current chairman of House Judiciary ****



We recently added a 3rd Judiciary Hearing download to our sister project, CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II(TM) ([LINK](#) ; [Mirror-1](#) ; [Mirror-2](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback](#)) When we were doing research on where House Judiciary chairman, Jim Jordan, stands on student loan bankruptcy uniformity, as the U.S. Constitution requires, we found an old 2010 hearing (PDF format: [LINK via GovInfo.gov](#) ; [Local directory](#) ; [Mirror-1 archive](#) ; [Mirror-2 archive](#) ; [Mirror-3 archive](#) ; [Wayback Machine archive](#) ; *html Webpage format WITHOUT submitted written testimony, which are apparently image files: [via GovInfo.gov](#) ; [Archive Today cache](#) ; [Wayback Machine archive](#)) in which Jordan entered a written statement into the record from the [Consumer Bankers Association](#), and sought to analyze this statement, inferring that he probably agreed with it. This is of key importance as Jordan now chairs the same committee where he once implied a position on this contentious matter. We hope, shortly, to send a press inquiry to Jordan's office to see whether he still agrees with the unusual positions taken by this banker's association (in which they supported equal treatment of all debt and opposed illegal changes to existing contracts, while still somehow opposing legislation that would accomplish these purported goals). We hope to get a response to our inquiry as to what Jordan thinks of our responses/analysis --and whether he agrees with his GOP counterpart, Ranking Member, Sen. Chuck Grassley (R-IA), on Grassley's support for the concept of student loan bankruptcy restoration (see above), as it was back when the system had checks/balances. Without further ado, here are key excerpts from said written testimony -- and our analysis:

*** IMPORTANT Editor's Note: This quote from the top of page 58 is dialogue between committee member, Jim Jordan, and acting chair, Hank Johnson, regarding written expert testimony -- and summarises key points of this issue -- which are key to honouring the U.S. Constitution -- something important to so-called "Conservatives":**

Mr. JORDAN. Mr. Chairman
Mr. JOHNSON. Yes?
Mr. JORDAN. I would just unanimous consent if we could enter the written statement into the record from the Consumer Bankers Association.
Mr. JOHNSON. Without objection.
[The information referred to follows:]

* [Written] Testimony Submitted by the Consumer Bankers Association: "The cost of higher education has risen consistently for the past 20 years." (p.60)

* **ANALYSIS:** We agree -- college was once [FREE](#), a fact supported by [many on both sides of the isle](#), even Founding Fathers, but now -- with well-documented [price-gouging \(which is quite illegal\)](#), we note with wry irony that removal of [Constitutionally-protected bankruptcy uniformity](#), the illegal price-gouging (harming both students AND taxpayers) has gotten worse -- not better -- proving the Founding Fathers' wisdom in spades. Thus, bills like H.R.5043 are needed to restore Conservative Free Market checks/balances on irresponsibly-excess (and predatory) lending -- a threat to taxpayers (and students).

* [Written] Testimony Submitted by the Consumer Bankers Association: "We have additional issues with this legislation: [] First, the legislation would apply retroactively." (pp.61-62)

* **ANALYSIS:** We agree -- as stated above, if these bankers are correct, here, then where was the hue and cry of so-called "Rule and Law" Conservatives back when the 1998 The Higher Education Amendments of 1998 removed bankruptcy discharge for student loans after seven years in repayment, and made student loans almost entirely non-dischargeable, thereby [violating long-standing contract law](#) not to mention impairing contracts, a violation of the Art. I, Sec. 10, cl. 1, the legendary CONTRACTS CLAUSE of the U.S. Constitution? Hrm. In light of this, the changes made back in 1998 (to existing public student loan contracts) and again in 2005 (to existing private student loan contracts -- see e.g., *this quote from the hearing: "In 2005, Congress extended conditional dischargeability to private student loans issued by for-profit entities without any substantive discussion or empirical evidence to support such an extension. The private student loan industry contends that such an extension was needed to dissuade borrower abuse of the bankruptcy process and to minimize the risk for lenders, thereby making private loans affordable."* -- pp.1-2) would void ALL existing student loan contracts that were altered, thereby making H.R.5043 and similar bills required under the law. Thus, their appeal to law fails: he is "OK" with prior illegal changes to existing loan contracts, thus a double standard exists.

* [Written] Testimony Submitted by the Consumer Bankers Association: "Second, and equally significant, the legislation fails to consider the unusual circumstances in private student loans which distinguish student loans from other types of consumer loans." (p.62)

* **ANALYSIS:** Again -- we agree: as shown above, the [U.S. Constitution's BANKRUPTCY UNIFORMITY CLAUSE \(Art.I, Sec.8, cl.4, US Const.\)](#), requires that ALL bankruptcy debt be treated uniformly aka equally; thus, if credit card users, Donald Trump, gamblers -- even rich, greedy colleges themselves -- are afforded basic standard consumer protections, like bankruptcy, then so should all debt instruments. It is the law of the land, the U.S. Constitution, the highest law of the land, second, probably, only to the law of God Almighty. And even that supports equal treatment: see e.g., the "golden rule" of three major religions in the ["bankruptcy" section](#) just below the opening paragraphs.

* [Written] Testimony Submitted by the Consumer Bankers Association: "Third, and illogically from the perspective of consumers, the legislation would exempt non-profit lenders -- and the governments -- from the dischargeability rules." (p.62)

* **ANALYSIS:** Again -- we agree: see immediately above, invoking the [U.S. Constitution's BANKRUPTCY UNIFORMITY CLAUSE \(Art.I, Sec.8, cl.4, US Const.\)](#), which -- of course -- requires uniform treatment of ALL debt in U.S. bankruptcy code. Thus, ironically, the various "student loan bankruptcy" bills are actually *Sine Qua Non* by the U.S. Constitution's standards on bankruptcy.

* [Written] Testimony Submitted by the Consumer Bankers Association: "Finally, the legislation leaves out the largest student lender of all: the federal government. It seems absurd to focus attention only on one segment of the student loan marketplace, a segment that in the upcoming academic year will probably account for a little more than 10 percent of lending, while ignoring the other 90 percent." (p.63)

* **ANALYSIS:** Not to be repetitive, but, again, we agree: see immediately above, invoking the [U.S. Constitution's BANKRUPTCY UNIFORMITY CLAUSE \(Art.I, Sec.8, cl.4, US Const.\)](#), which -- of course -- requires uniform treatment of ALL debt in U.S. bankruptcy code. Thus, ironically, the various "student loan bankruptcy" bills are actually *Sine Qua Non* by the U.S. Constitution's standards on bankruptcy.

Finally, these last two (2) written comments need to be addressed:

* **JOHN A. HUPALO, RAMIREZ CAPITAL ADVISORS, WESTON, MA: (Expert witness)** "Students already face a dizzying array of choices...Furthermore, with the loss of discharge protection, nonprofit institutions will need to raise the price of their loan products for all borrowers to compensate for the potential substantial increase of loss due to loans successfully discharged in bankruptcy." (p.68)

* **ANALYSIS:** We agree -- but what is the problem? Less availability of loans will *reduce* the debt burden on students, and -- if applied to public (taxpayer-backed) student loans -- would "force down" irresponsibly profligate and excessive lending by the U.S. Department of Education -- thereby saving taxpayers *trillions*, something now needed as we keep facing a debt ceiling crisis. Thus, student loan BK legislation is very necessary to "tamp down" this irresponsible Liberal pork spending for unnecessary loan originations. (Bonus: Colleges would be forced to lower tuition to affordable levels when they realise that students no longer have a "deep pockets" sugar daddy named "U.S. taxpayer." This is basic Conservative Free Market forces in action.) Thus -- again -- college debt BK legislation is very-much needed.

* **THE FINANCIAL SERVICES ROUNDTABLE: (Expert financial witness which represents 100 of the largest integrated financial services companies providing banking, insurance, and investment products and services to the American consumer, and accounting purportedly for \$74.7 trillion in managed assets, \$1.1 trillion in revenue, and 2.3 million jobs)** "If student loan borrowers can just walk away from their student loan debt after graduation, it will severely restrict access to those with need, increase interest rates for all students, and significantly increase the moral hazard in private student lending. We respectfully urge the Committee to oppose H.R. 5043." (p.72)

* **ANALYSIS:** We will address these points one-by-one. First, even if student debt was treated as all other debt (such as credit card debt), borrowers can NOT just "walk away" from a debt: A bankruptcy court would have to allow any discharge, and they can be anywhere from 0.0% to 100%, inclusive. This is a "red herring" and bald-faced lie. Secondly, we do agree that it would restrict irresponsibly-excessive access to predatory loans, but we ask: what's the problem? Students and colleges -- both -- got on just fine when college was [FREE](#) in America just a few decades back, a fact supported by [many on both sides of the political spectrum](#). Third, if it increases interest rates on an unneeded (and harmful) loan instrument, so what? This is a moot red herring. Lastly, their claim that [constitutional bankruptcy uniformity](#) would "significantly increase the moral hazard in private student lending" is a patently-false baldfaced lie: By returning standard consumer protections, there would be a return of Conservative Free Market forces to *oppose* and *reduce* the various moral hazards and threats facing three (3) distinct groups: ((#1.)) students (who would see colleges lower tuition when they to affordable levels), ((#2.)) taxpayers (who would not need to originate -- make -- student loans in the trillions, and thus be "on the hook"), and ((#3.)) ALL Americans who need doctors, nurses, and engineers, all of whom are in dire shortage due to the unaffordable costs of college nowadays. Thus, we respectfully urge support bills like H.R.5043 -- both for private and public student loans, if they are made (*and would prefer that no loans be made at all, if possible*). Indeed, directly funding college (as we do with public ed) would probably save taxpayers trillions (and save students too). Finally, if student loan bankruptcy legislation isn't passed into law, we predict that the lack of free market checks on irresponsible [Liberal pork spending](#) absolutely WILL crash the dollar: student debt -- at over \$2 trillion, with a 'T' -- is almost ten (10%) percent of total U.S. debt, and the looming "debt crisis" MUST be addressed: when The Fed prints enough monies for everyone to have a million dollars, then a million dollars won't be worth much, hurting everyone by the uber-rich: student debt, as documented elsewhere in this project, is the largest discretionary spending we have, and should be "Number One" on lawmakers' radar -- and they must act: Time is running out.

**** IV. BONUS: Subsequently, we interviewed Rep. Virginia Foxx (R-NC-05), Chairwoman of House Education/Workforce; while initially resistant to Constitutional Bankruptcy uniformity (Art.I, Sec.8, cl.4), she said she'd consider our "Free Market" arguments ****



Last week, we noticed [The Ledger](#) report that Rep. Foxx was scheduled to speak at SEU (Southeastern University) at this past Monday, 13 February 2023, at 10am in the Welcome Center. ([LINKS: -1- ; -2- ; -3-](#)), and which was later republished on [Yahoo! News](#) ([LINKS: -1- ; -2- ; -3-](#)) SEU politics professor Dennis Ross, a former member of Congress, even posted a notice to [his Facebook timeline](#). We felt that this was a newsworthy event, as [Rep. Foxx](#) is currently the Chairwoman of the HOUSE Education/Workforce Committee. ([LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback Machine](#)) The event, which was open to the public, was sponsored by the ACPL (American Center for Political Leadership), whose director, Prof. Dennis Ross, is director, and he hosted the talk. Foxx took prepared questions, but did not take questions from the audience during the event, as reported in [The Ledger](#). However, after the talk, Foxx was kind enough to indulge the undersigned writer, and others, in brief questions. Reading from a brief, prepared question (PDF format: [LINK](#) ; [Local archive](#) ; [Wayback](#) *.html format: [LINK](#) ; [Local archive](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback](#)), this writer asked Foxx why she had not tried harder to cut taxpayer-funded student loan subsidies as our GOP Platform requires, and opined that the lack of bankruptcy as a Conservative Free Market force was lacking, thus nothing restrained the Dept of Ed's excess lending. Foxx replied that she opposes bankruptcy because borrowers would obtain discharge, implying a type of Liberal Free Handout, but this writer pointed out that comparing BK self-defense to a free handout was akin to comparing 2nd Amendment self-defense to police abuse, and that this was incorrect: While, yes, BK filings might initially surge, this is akin to "defunded" police getting their guns back, and an initial surge of violence when "bad guys" are repelled, but long-term, violence goes down, this writer argued: "A well-armed society is a polite society," and the same would happen with BK filings when BK defense is restored, as in times past when the system had proper checks/balances against irresponsibly excessive lending with our taxpayer dollars. This writer also informed Foxx that fellow-Republican, Rep. Glenn Grothman (R-WI-06), had made similar arguments in his press release regarding [H.R.4563, his own student loan bankruptcy bill](#), where Grothman writes: "If there is no risk of the federal government and private lenders losing money through the bankruptcy process, then these actors have no reason to responsibly lend to student borrowers. In turn, institutions of higher education, who have little accountability and access to an endless pool of student aid dollars, continue to inflate the cost of tuition for our students." Grothman goes on to write: "'Because of our bankruptcy laws, credit card companies and other lenders will not loan money if they do not expect it will be repaid. Sadly, in the 1970s, Congress took this safeguard away from students applying for federal loans.'" ([LINK](#) ** [Archive Today](#) ** [Wayback](#) ** [Archive-1](#) ** [Archive-2](#) ** [Archive-3](#)) Grothman's bill is not unlike the [bipartisan S.2598](#), another student loan bankruptcy bill, and which had more GOP sponsors than Democrat. Thus, Foxx is not on solid ground to doubt the necessary Conservative Free Market checks/balances of the threat of bankruptcy defense, and was wise and fair to reconsider her stance here, which agrees with the "checks" on the system she mentioned in her brief talk at SEU.

While this writer could not find any subsequent or "follow-up" news coverage of this talk [in a recent Google news search](#), nonetheless, he found Prof. Dennis Ross' [follow-up Facebook news feed](#), where Ross writes: "So very honored to have my friend, Congresswoman Virginia Foxx, Chairwoman of the House Committee on Education and Workforce, address the students and faculty at SEU as part of the American Center for Political Leadership Speakers Series. One of her comments that "You are either at the table or on the menu" was a strong message to this next generation of leaders to be engaged and involved in the political process," an enlightening comment that this writer remembers Foxx making: Foxx asked listeners that if they remembered nothing else to remember that, and to become involved in the political process to better our community.

Grothman concludes his press release by saying that "'Out-of-control student loan costs and wasteful spending, coupled with high tuition prices, must come to an end for the sake of our students. If this [student loan bankruptcy] bill becomes law, it will force all federal student lenders, including the federal government, to become more responsible.'" which is key to avoiding a crash of the dollar: Student Debt, at over \$2 Trillion, is almost ten (10%) percent of total U.S. Debt, a point this writer attempted to convey to Foxx, in his attempt to seek her support for the various bipartisan student loan bankruptcy bills that have expired in previous sessions of Congress.

While no further "mainstream" news coverage (other than this paper, [The Register](#)) could be found, nonetheless, famous "[Student Loan Justice](#)" student debt expert, Alan Collinge, author of the "[million signature petition](#)" on [CHANGE.org](#), seeking restoration of Constitutional student loan BK rights, did news coverage on the undersigned writer: [LINK](#). A brief review of the thread reveals that Foxx is very unpopular among both liberals and conservatives in Collinge's large Facebook group. Collinge is occasionally featured in [Register](#) news/commentary, such as [this guest column](#) he wrote, and granted permission to republish. Although [Collinge's petition](#) also seeks cancellation of student debt (besides BK restoration), [The Register](#) takes no position on this matter, as it is not a long-term solution, and more fully-explained here: [LINK](#) ; [Mirror-1](#) ; [Mirror-2](#) ; [Archive-1](#) ; [Archive-2](#)

After the talk, we followed up by e-mail -- G-MAIL: [LINK](#) ; [Local archive](#) ; [Wayback Archive](#) Official email address: [LINK](#) ; [Local archive](#) ; [Wayback Archive](#)

A video of the entire talk, including Q/A after-wards, can be downloaded in streaming and MP4 formats: [Facebook](#) ; [YouTube](#) ; [Local archive-1](#) ; [Local archive-2](#) ; [Local archive-3](#) ; [Wayback Archive-1](#) ; [Wayback Archive-2](#) ; [Wayback Archive-3](#) Grassley, Cornyn, Hawley, Reps. John Katko, Glenn Grothman, Virginia Foxx, and other open-minded GOP lawmakers, as well as reasonable Democrats, such as Jerry Nadler, Danny Davis, Steve Cohen, Sen. Dick Durbin, and others too numerous to name, offer hope, and we hope they can work together to pass meaningful legislation to protect both students and taxpayers.

As stated earlier, we are not optimistic for meaningful student loan bankruptcy or "pork" spending cuts being done by the "split Congress," due to gridlock prospects: if either party could not get their "signature" legislation done when they had "full control" (student loan bankruptcy legislation for DEMS and pork spending cuts to student loan originations for the GOP), what hope is there now with shared control of Congress (GOP in House and DEMS in Senate & Oval Office)? We, therefore, ask readers to [contact lawmakers](#) to stop infighting and return bankruptcy rights [LINK](#) ; [Mirror-1](#) ; [Mirror-2](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback](#) to student loans to avert economic disaster: Otherwise, there will be no sufficient Conservative Free Market check on irresponsible lending by Dept of Ed, to the tune of trillions = equals the needle breaks the camel's back, collapses the U.S. economy, & crashes the dollar. PERMA-LINK: [#Gridlock](#) ** Click [* here *](#) to jump back to the top of the page.



*****-BREAKING-- TRIPLE HEADER: I. Pres. Biden issues unprecedented ninth (9TH) "pause" on student loan repayment, interest, collections ; II. "Red state Georgia" did not experience "Red Wave" in recent senate runoff. Georgia's unique "student debt" crisis suspected as key factor; Congress has one week to pass key student loan bankruptcy legislation to "tamp down" excess DOE student loan originations or else face certain crash of the dollar ; III. Costs of colleges causing dangerous shortages of doctors/nurses, caused by unaffordable medical education ; BONUS: "LOAN WOLVES" (MSNBC Documentary, Dir. Blake Zeff), below, addresses this (Wed.07 Dec. 2022 ; UPDATED: Fri.30 Dec. 2022)**



Football legend, Herschel Walker
GOP senate candidate, Georgia

U.S. Senator, Raphael Warnock
Democrat senate candidate, Georgia

[2022 Mid-term Elections](#)

I. RECORD NINTH (9TH) PAUSE ON STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENTS

As [previously reported](#), Pres. Biden issued an unprecedented ninth (9th) "pause" on student loan repayment, interest, and collections for all federally-held student debt. As the \$2 trillion student debt is nearly ten (10%) percent of total U.S. debt, this threatens to [crash the dollar](#) if lawmakers continue to "kick the can down the road" and not address root causes.

With the U.S. Senate set to go on holiday break and a ["TARGET ADJOURNMENT—DECEMBER 21, 2022"](#) (LINKS: [-1](#) * [-2](#) * [-3](#) * PDF format: [-4](#) * [-5](#) * [-6](#) * [-7](#)) and the U.S. HOUSE set to have "Last Votes" at [3:00 P.M. EST, this Thursday, Dec. 15, 2022](#) (LINKS: [-1](#) * [-2](#) * [-3](#) * [-4](#) * [-5](#) * PDF format: [-6](#) * [-7](#) * [-8](#) * [-9](#)), if these student loan bankruptcy bills don't pass in a "Democrat-controlled" Congress by Dec.15, they will likely never get passed once Republicans take control of the House next year: The GOP has, historically, been much less amenable to legislation to restore student loan bankruptcy, and other critical standard consumer protections, which serve as a Conservative "Free Market" check on profligate lending by the U.S. Department of Education -- which, if student borrowers could assert BK defense, would be more reluctant to lend trillions of our tax dollars in an irresponsible manner. Many experts are saying that a [crash of the dollar](#) of the dollar, in our already-weak economy, is certain if this legislation isn't passed by the 15th when Democrats lose control of Congress.

The leading bill, [S.2598 \(Sens. Durbin, Cornyn, Hawley\)](#), is bipartisan and currently has [twice as many GOP sponsors](#) as Democrat. The other key student loan bankruptcy bills are as follows: [H.R.9110 \(Rep. Nadler\)](#) ; [H.R.4907 \(private student loans\)](#) ; and, the bipartisan [H.R.4563 \(Rep. Glenn Grothman, R-WI-06 and Rep. J. Luis Correa, D-CA-46\)](#). Related legislation is [S.4772 \(Sen. Rick Scott, R-FL\)](#), and this Republican lawmaker's bill has a similar "claw-back" measure for slush funds as Sen. Durbin's bill does with college performance. All 5 bills are very necessary to serve as a necessary "Conservative Free Market check/balance" on profligate and excessively irresponsible behaviour in which [our open investigation](#) documents how almost all (at least 91.86%, or perhaps 100% using literal definitions) GOP lawmakers refuse to obey a Republican Party Platform prohibition against Federal tax-dollar use to originate (make) student loans.

II. "Red state Georgia" did not experience "Red Wave" in recent senate runoff. Georgia's unique "student debt" crisis suspected as key factor



As previously reported by [CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II\(TM\)](#), nineteen U.S. states hold more federal student loan debt than their entire annual state budget. (Original Source: ["19 states have higher student-loan debt than annual budgets, report,"](#) by Ayelet Sheffey, BUSINESS INSIDER, April 5, 2021, 8:55 PM: LINKS: [-1](#) * [-2](#) * [-3](#) * [-4](#) * [-5](#) * [-6](#) * [-7](#)) Georgia ranks highest among all 50 U.S. states, with a state budget slightly



over \$48 billion, but Georgians' total federal student debt is about \$82 billion. Many speculate this to be why there was no "red wave" in "Red State" Georgia's last two senatorial elections: Although Georgia has, historically, been a reliable "Republican" stronghold, nonetheless, as reported by other news outlets, Democratic senatorial candidate, Raphael Warnock, the incumbent senator, beat football legend, Herschel Walker, the GOP candidate, by almost three (3%) percentage points: [-1](#) * [-2](#) * [-3](#) * [-4](#) * [-5](#) * and as verified by the [official GA election results](#) from Georgia's [Elections Division of the Secretary of State's Office](#) With over 45 Million Americans with student debt and another 40-50 Million who are cosigners, family/friends, etc., about 100M Americans, total, this is no small matter, and arguably the largest untethered voting block, with millions of "republican" and "democrat" victims in this pricing scam, in which today's students don't have affordable college like their parents/grandparents did.



Moreover, Black Americans have twice as much student debt as the national average and three times the default rate, compounding an already bad economic forecast for America. (Original sources: [-1](#) * [-2](#) * [-3](#) * [-4](#) * [-5](#) * [-6](#) * [-7](#) * [-8](#) * [-9](#)) Some advocates and fellow-Americans are critical of [President Biden's recent Executive Order](#) (LINKS: [-1](#) * [-2](#) * [-3](#) * [-4](#) * [-5](#)). However, as we document in prior research, students have actually repaid taxpayers \$1.22 for EVERY \$1.00 that taxpayers have lent them -- when looking just at how gov't recovers \$1.22 from every \$1.00 of defaulted student loans -- probably more when you consider that loans in good standing have no repayment problems, as documented by FORBES and REUTERS, with the WSJ reporting very similar figures. LINKS: [-1](#) * [-2](#) * [-3](#) * [-4](#) * [-5](#) * Primary sources -- [-1](#) * [-2](#) * [-3](#) * [-4](#) * [-5](#) * [-6](#) * [-7](#) * [-8](#) * [-9](#). Indeed, USA Today recently reported that "Government projects to make \$50B in student loan profit": [-1](#) * [-2](#) * [-3](#).



Thus, taxpayers actually owe students a small amount, and rich, surfeit colleges owe both students and taxpayers a pretty sum. Normally, students should not complain for paying more than borrowed (via interest on top of principal), but when many laws are egregiously broken, including illegal changes to existing loan contract without consent of both parties (when bankruptcy laws altered the terms of existing contract), price-gouging, and removal of bankruptcy uniformity (which is guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution's BANKRUPTCY UNIFORMITY CLAUSE, Art.I, Sec.8, cl.4) -- all quite illegal -- then this magnifies and adds to what banks, colleges, and taxpayers owe the students who are victims of many financial fraud crimes. PROOF: [-1](#) * [-2](#) * [-3](#) * [-4](#) * [-5](#) Many experts and advocates are suggesting that this egregious abuse, left unchecked by Republican lawmakers, is a key factor in why there was no "Red Wave," this election cycle --even in "Republican stronghold," Georgia. Similarly, Democrats (narrowly) lost the House, and it is believed that Democrat lawmakers' refusal to address this when they held House, Senate, and Oval Office, was a chief cause of there being no "Blue Wave" this election cycle either, leading some commentators to opine that ["Democrats never miss an opportunity to miss an opportunity"](#) regarding the crushing student debt crisis. (LINKS: [-1](#) * [-2](#) * [-3](#) * [-4](#) * [-5](#))

Helpful links:

- * "LOAN WOLVES" (Documentary, Dir. Blake Zeff) [MSNBC](#) * [NBC](#) * [11TH HOUR](#) * [YouTube](#) * [Google](#)
- * Our recent [press inquiry to lawmakers](#), found in [this folder](#). ([Local Archive](#) * [Wayback Archive](#) * [Local folder](#) * [Wayback folder](#) * [Wayback Library](#))

NEW: * A response received from [the office of Rep. Madeleine Dean \(D-PA-04\)](#), who is Vice-Chair of [House Committee on the Judiciary](#). ([Link](#) * [Archive Today](#) * [Wayback Machine](#) --archives listed for review after leadership changes), found in [this folder](#). ([Local Archive](#) * [Wayback Archive](#) * [Local folder](#) * [Wayback Library](#)) **Editor's Note:** *The informative documentation, referenced, here, is listed directly below, namely the 2 legal memoranda.*

NEW: * Our reply to [the office of Rep. Madeleine Dean \(D-PA-04\)](#), who is Vice-Chair of [House Committee on the Judiciary](#). ([Link](#) * [Archive Today](#) * [Wayback Machine](#) --archives listed for review after leadership changes), found in [this folder](#). ([Local Archive](#) * [Wayback Archive](#) * [Local folder](#) * [Wayback Library](#)) **Editor's Note:** *Our reply has much useful updates, including the visceral response CSPAN has been receiving as calls flood in to their morning show regarding support for the various "student loan bankruptcy" bills, from callers on both sides of the isle, including many republicans and other conservatives. A good read and surprising new phenomenon.*

* Watts, Gordon Wayne, LEGAL MEMORANDUM: Is Dr. Mark Kantrowitz Correct Re: Student Loan Cancellation? Probably not. (September 6, 2021). Available at [CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II](#)^(TM) in 3 file formats -- **Download Links:** * [html Webpage](#) * [PDF format](#) * [Word *.doc](#) *

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* AMENDED Written Testimony submitted to the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee [Submitted: Monday, 09 August 2021; Amended: Thursday, 12 August 2021] **Download Links:** * [Local cache](#) * [Mirror-1](#) * [Mirror-2](#) * [Mirror-3](#) * [Archive-1](#) * [Archive-2](#)

* ["ANOTHER VIEW: America faces challenges no matter who is in control,"](#) by Gordon Watts, December 6, 2022 7:17 am, [Gwinnett Forum](#), from the [Dec. 6, 2022 issue](#) ; [LINK](#)

* In related news, we have learned that [The USPTO](#) has registered [CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II](#)^(TM). This is a [registered trademark](#) of Gordon W. Watts, Register Editor-in-Chief. In [an email dated January 10, 2023](#), the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office wrote Watts: "Your mark [CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II] has registered with the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). Your United States trademark registration number is 6950909." Watts' project, "CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II"^(TM) [Int'l. Cl.: 042 ; SER. NO. 90-607,682, FILED 03-27-2021 ; FIRST USE 5-3-1998; IN COMMERCE 4-11-2022 ; US Serial No. 90607682], is dedicated to [creating an online presence and social media community for American voters](#) for the purpose of seeking legislation to fix present, obvious, and egregious problems we face today. Their secondary goals are to educate the public, and seek redress in the other parallel venues (seeking representation in the Executive Branch, calling on The President, and other State, Federal, and local leaders -- and the news media -- and fellow-citizens). They are not affiliated with the original "CONTRACT WITH AMERICA," whose [expired USPTO Trademark application serial number is 74578820](#), by applicant, Republican National Committee, and, may, incidentally, agree on some issues, and disagree on their handling of other issues -- which is why Watts created this "PART II" project: To finished the unfinished business of the original project.

III. Costs of colleges causing dangerous shortages of doctors/nurses, caused by unaffordable medical education



* In related news, the [American Association of Colleges of Nursing \(AACN\)](#) reports that "The U.S. is projected to experience a shortage of Registered Nurses (RNs) that is expected to intensify as Baby Boomers age and the need for health care grows." ([LINKS: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4-](#)) Reasons cited include "[n]ursing school enrollment is not growing fast enough," a "shortage of nursing school faculty," and demographics: a "significant segment of the nursing workforce is nearing retirement age," as well as the pandemic.



But, we ask, what causes shortfalls in enrollment and faculty employment? [Academia Labs](#) reports that colleges are now offering free tuition and student loan forgiveness as well as other scholarships to address nursing shortages, ([LINKS: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4-](#)) strongly implying that "costs of college" are a huge obstacle to America producing nurses & doctors. This suspicion is confirmed by [Med School Insiders](#), which lists five (5) chief reasons for the current doctor shortage crisis:

- 1.) Length of Training ;
- 2.) Cost of Training ;
- 3.) Limited Number of Residency Spots ;
- 4.) Limitations of Importing Physicians (*where they state that "The issue is that there is a lot of red tape that foreign-trained physicians must navigate to practice medicine in the United States"*) ; and;
- 5.) Aging Population (*e.g., demographics*)

* [LINKS: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4-](#)
In 2006, the NIH (National Institutes of Health) published a study by the International Journal of Health Services: [Strikes by physicians: a historical perspective toward an ethical evaluation](#). ([LINKS: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5-](#)) More recently, [NBC reported that](#) Kaiser Permanente, an "integrated managed care consortium," was considering a strike of about 32,000 Kaiser Permanent nurses & other health care workers. ([LINKS: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5-](#)) And [Healthcare Dive](#) ([LINKS: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5-](#)) provided an extensive and lengthy list of 2022 healthcare worker strikes, [as did Wikipedia](#) ([LINKS: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4-](#)), listing many prior years as well. **Therefore, the situation is very unstable and dangerous for the American economy and healthcare foundations.** A common theme among all the contemporary research is the "costs of college" are not affordable, as they were in the times of our parents and grandparents. *Is this true, we ask?* Our own research clearly documents that [college was once free in America](#) in many places (*Research: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5- * Many leaders from both sides of the political isle and additional research: -6- * -7- * -8- * -9- * -10-*)

However, presently, America is practically the only country that is [price-gouging its young generation](#) ([LINKS: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5-](#))

Editor's Note: *The C*SPAN links, below, were self-contradictory as to the Closed Captioning speech-to-text comments about the Pro Forma sessions scheduled: A closer look at the [C*SPAN page on the House](#) shows the following image, which has no mention of closed captioning text: [CLICK TO ENLARGE \(opens in new window\)](#) However, clicking their link, and listening to the audio finds the following audio: Speaker Designee, Rep. Kwasi Mfume (D-MD-07): "House resolution 1230: The House stands adjourned until 9:00 A.M. on Friday, December 30th, 2022." (Gavel sound) C*SPAN Narrator: "The U.S. House has finished business for the year, but will meet every three (3) days, for Pro Forma Sessions. Now, back to today's [Washington Journal](#), already in progress." This implies that the HOUSE and SENATE will meet on Fri. 30 Dec. 2022 and again on Mon. 02 Jan. 2023, but only the HOUSE was explicitly referenced, and even this claim has not been verified by the undersigned writer on the House website, even after thorough inquiry and review, so the matter is still in flux: Audio (*.mp3) [LINK](#) * [Local archive](#) * [Wayback archive](#) * C*SPAN screenshot [LINK](#) * [Local archive](#) * [Archive Today](#) * [Wayback Machine](#)*

Nonetheless, many sources document that [students have more-than fully repaid taxpayers](#) what was borrowed (*and this even at illegally-inflated price-gouging levels; editor's note: price-gouging is still quite illegal*). [LINKS: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5-](#) Therefore, it is clear: if all student debt was canceled, taxpayers would not pay anything, since, as documented above, students have more-than fully "repaid in full" their debt. Already American Higher Ed has proven to be an "epic fail," a weight on all segments of the economy, students, taxpayers, and now prospective patients whose lives are in jeopardy due to a self-induced shortage of doctors, nurses, & other medical care providers. But with the "pause" heading into its 3RD year, if the Ponzi scam/scheme, known as American Higher Ed lending, isn't halted, there will be a [crash of the dollar](#). Therefore, Congress must pass student loan bankruptcy legislation during what many believe will be the last session day of the 117TH Congress, namely today, Tuesday, 27 December 2022, at which time [House is scheduled to meet at 12 noon](#) ([LINKS: -1- * -2- * -3-](#)) and [Senate at 5:30 p.m.](#) ([LINKS: -1- * -2- * -3-](#)) in order to avert economic and healthcare disaster, as discussed herein. Therefore, we [will crash the dollar if this is not addressed](#) by legislation such as by the bankruptcy uniformity legislation in question. ([LINKS: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5-](#)) This results from the hemorrhaging bleeding of taxpayers to greedy colleges, banks, loan servicers, lobbyists, and lawmakers. **Bankruptcy uniformity isn't a free handout, but rather required by the Constitution's BANKRUPTCY UNIFORMITY clause; not an amendment, rather the Constitution, Art.I Sec.8, cl.4.** Besides the need to "tamp down" excessive Dept of Education lending (and prevent a crash of the dollar), availability of bankruptcy would also force colleges to lower tuition to affordable levels (like our parent/grandparents had), as colleges realise and understand students no longer have "deep pockets" loans. If college is no longer affordable to 99.9% of Americans (current situation), then who will treat you if you



have heart attack, cancer, stroke, or a nasty accident? Not everybody needs a college education – **but some do.** (*Think on that long and hard.*) ** We, therefore, ask readers to [contact lawmakers](#) before the HOUSE and SENATE go on holiday break, to return bankruptcy rights to student loans to avert economic disaster.

PERMA-LINK: [#NoRedWave](#) ** Click [* here *](#) to jump back to the top of the page.

*** **Election 2022** We're keeping the [grid](#) news, below, pinned to the top, as it is of critical importance, but below, we present a helpful [Election 2022](#) guide. (Thr.27 Oct. 2022)



*** **BREAKING – DOUBLE HEADER: I. Unexpected increase in solar cycle threatens satellites, GPS, and fragile power / telecommunications grid worldwide ; II. Lost "GRID" episode from Night Dreams Talk Radio (Host: Gary Anderson) was recovered (Mon.04 July 2022 ; UPDATED: Mon.01 Aug. 2022) (Recent news: 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7) I. NEW SOLAR FLARE THREATS LOOM:**

Scientists are calling on lawmakers to "harden the grid" from these threats, as documented in [CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II\(™\)](#) (Cross-posted to 5 mirrors in case the GRID goes down: [1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5](#)). Included on this research page are articles from Dr. Peter Pry, Executive Director of the nonpartisan [EMP TASKFORCE](#). Dr. Pry, a [frequent guest](#) on [Coast to Coast: AM](#), is well-respected for being unbiased and nonpartisan, as shown by a sampling of his recent articles: "Left" leaning "[Nuclear War Can Be Won—And Lost](#)" which suggests peace: "stoking war in Ukraine is not a good idea" ; "Right" leaning "[SLCM-N: Needed for Deterrence, Nonproliferation, and Arms Control](#)" article which suggests the "U.S. should deploy at least 2,000 SLCM-Ns, to match the lowest estimated number of tactical nuclear weapons in Russia" ; and his "scientific" assessment, titled "[IRAN: EMP THREAT](#)." (See more articles [here](#).) As earth's [earth's protective magnetic field is slowly collapsing](#) as documented in [this paper](#) (other download mirrors: [1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - PDF format: 6 - 7 - 8 - 9](#)), the increased solar cycle's threat is heightened. Therefore, lawmakers should stop the wasteful spending documented [below](#), in order to fund the modest, but necessary, upgrades to protect, harden, and secure our grid. Readers are encouraged to call your [Member of Congress](#) and [U.S. Senators](#) and [demand](#) they protect our grid. If, for any reason, the Whitehouse/Congress website is down, [here is a current list](#) of phone numbers and email addresses for lawmakers. (Mirror downloads: [1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5](#)) Register editor, Gordon Wayne Watts, was featured on [Coast to Coast: AM's episode description](#) for his call in to the show about "Contract with America Part 2," his trademark project to sound the alarm about grid threats: [*1* - *2* - *3* - *4*](#) Readers are encouraged to politely, but firmly, [demand lawmakers](#) act on the grid; those who can't call are encouraged to [donate](#), to keep this "web-thing" afloat long enough for others to read it and contact lawmakers: Internet hosting bills and time-off from "paying" work to maintain/update this web-thing are piling up, a non-paying volunteer job.

II. Lost "GRID" episode from Night Dreams Talk Radio (Host: Gary Anderson) was recovered

In perhaps one of the best interviews ever done on this important subject, Gary Anderson interviewed [EMP Taskforce](#) National Director, [Glenn Rhoades](#), for over an hour and a half on his show, [Night Dreams Talk Radio](#), an overnight "paranormal" talk show, often compared to the epic [Coast to Coast: AM](#) overnight call-in show. The show, which aired on 7-21-2022, drawing rave reviews from the EMP community on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) (archives: [-1- ** -2- ** -3-](#)), was unexpectedly deleted from all known platforms for what is believed to be a combination of operator error and internal archival "grid" failure (an apt and ironic metaphor as this was the subject of the interview). When [The Register](#) learned of this, we immediately drew upon our deep bench of tech experts and found one remaining stream, which had to be pieced together "old school" style by streaming raw audio into recording apps, an arduous and slow process. When we contacted Mr. Anderson, he was kind enough to honour our request and grant [limited permissions](#) to use their copyrighted material on our website only, and only for this one episode. After several failed attempts, and battling our own [internet "grid" problems \(just barely dial-up speed shown in screenshot\)](#), we were finally able to restore the episode in "studio quality" and in stereo, and we hope that Mr. Anderson will download a copy and put it back up on his platforms, for his much-wider audience, once his team has verified the quality of the episode is acceptable. Without further ado, we post, below, pursuant to our limited permissions, a copy of this show, and we urge all our readers to patronise and support host, Gary Anderson and his talented producer, [James Creachbaum, Jr.](#), on all of their platforms: [NightDreamsTalkRadio.com](#) ** [Facebook](#) ** [YouTube](#) ** [TikTok](#) ** [Twitter](#) **

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You may also [donate](#) if you can't do anything else; that is critical since we are taking time off from "paying" jobs to do this much-needed volunteer work. Nonetheless, it is even more important to politely, but firmly (and consistently) demand our over-paid, under-performing lawmakers (who make around \$200 GRAND per year -- much more than our staff) to do their job: FILE THE BILLS ALREADY, and stop merely sucking down our taxpayer dollars. **ACTION ITEMS:** Contact your ([your Congressman/Congresswoman](#)) & your [U.S. Senator](#), and demand they act. [Here](#), we provide key bill numbers, which will help their staffers understand your request. But you can speak in plain English too -- asking them to "harden" and "protect" and "upgrade" our fragile Power, Cell Phone, Computer, & Internet GRID. You can call them, and contact them through their Congressional and Senatorial webpages (look for contact links), as well as their social media. A personal visit would not hurt either, but be polite and well-prepared. And persistent. THEN, PLEASE [CONTACT LAWMAKERS AND OTHER POLITICIANS](#) to avert disaster. PERMA-LINK: [#grid](#)

*** **ELECTION 2022 (Thr.27 Oct. 2022)** Without further ado, here is a guide to candidates and issues for the mid-term 2022 general election: Our [press inquiry to candidates](#), found in [this file folder](#), asked selected candidates questions in the following categories: I. LAW AND ORDER (cashless bail, border, defunding police), II. DRUG USE (medical marijuana), III. Protecting the GRID, IV. Cutting Pork spending, V. CONSTITUTIONAL BANKRUPTCY UNIFORMITY, VI. AMERICAN ENERGY INDEPENDENCE.

** **GOVERNOR: Ron DeSantis stumbles on key points, shines on one:** As of press time, neither the DeSantis nor Crist campaigns have responded, and thus both deserve a gig. Nonetheless, we will attempt to rate them fairly. Our political analysts think DeSantis is more in line with traditional conservative values on law & order than Crist, but Crist, a former Republican, doesn't have the nickname "Chain-gang Charlie Crist" for nothing, and we rate this a statistical tie. Moreover, while DeSantis' actions shipping illegal aliens is technically illegal aid/abet of illegal alien transfer, a legal analysis of the common law "self-defense" doctrine reveals that striking one in the face is also illegal, but not if in self-defense, and note that the Biden administration's record illegal border crossings justifies DeSantis' otherwise bizarre behaviour, and give DeSantis a slight edge here. Regarding medical marijuana or protecting the power grid, we are aware of no legislation supported by either candidate while in office and rate this a nullity/tie. In the area of cutting [pork spending](#), we note that both candidates' voting records, while in Congress, have failed to address this, in spite of how our [open investigation](#) found that the GOP Platform prohibits our federal tax dollars being used to originate (make) student loans, and gig both candidates, especially DeSantis, who claims to be a Republican. Regarding [constitutional bankruptcy uniformity](#), we note that both candidates' voting records, while in Congress, have failed to address this, in spite of how our [open investigation](#) found that the Democrat platform requires this action, and gig both candidates, especially Crist, who now claims to be a Democrat. On energy independence, we are not aware of anything noteworthy in either candidate, thus our initial evaluation as a "Conservative" online news and commentary source, finds a statistical dead heat, here. However, DeSantis makes key mistakes in other areas of note when declined to call out and hold accountable his surgeon general when the latter insisted on invading the personal space of a Florida state senator who had cancer and asked him to wear a face mask in her presence. This moral failure, here, violates Conservative moral "rights & wrongs," and is a gig. Moreover, since he has had ample opportunities to obey the GOP platform regarding its prohibition on taxpayer funding for student loan origination, as well as constitutional bankruptcy uniformity, both when he was a Member of Congress, and later, from the bully pulpit as governor, he deserves an extra gig, reflective of his added opportunities. (Crist had similar opportunities, but his tenure as governor was long ago before the student debt crisis was where it is now, and he deserve some, but not a lot, of leeway here.) We rare this a statistical tie if evaluating on merit alone.

** **SENATE: Marco Rubio stumbles on key points, shines on one:** As of press time, neither the Rubio nor Demings campaigns have responded, and thus both deserve a gig. However, this reporter was able to find and call the Demings campaign, thus giving her an early edge. Our political analysts think Marco Rubio's stances are more in line with traditional conservative values on law & order than those of Val Demings, but Demings, a former police officer (and police chief) is very conservative here, and this pulls her even thus far. However, key errors by Rubio would appear to doom his campaign on a merit analysis (whether or not the polling data mirrors this). To begin with, Rubio knowingly lied about Demings when he claimed that she favoured defunding the police. This would be hilarious if it were not a serious issue: She is a former police chief, and there is no record of her having taken this stance. Rubio also knowingly lied when he claimed Demings had not authored any bill in Congress: while the bill she authored was a minor one (renaming a post office), this lack of integrity calls into question Rubio's political views as to trustworthiness. Lastly, Demings, while on the House Judiciary Committee, last session (116th Congress) voted in committee in favour of H.R.2648, a bill that would have attempted to repair [a constitutional flaw](#) in the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. Rubio, by contrast, has held a "bankruptcy self-defense for me, but not for thee" stance when failing to represent constituents who have college debt: Bankruptcy Uniformity is not a "Liberal" Free Handout, but rather required by the U.S. Constitution's Uniformity clause, Art.I, Sec.8, cl.4., and also a necessary Conservative Free Market check on excessive Liberal student loan originations by the profligate U.S. Dept of Ed, which will [crash the dollar](#) if the various

student loan bankruptcy bill (S.2598, H.R.9110, H.R.4907, etc.) fail to pass this session. Moreover, Democrats (who hold House, Senate, & Oval Office) will face a beatdown in the midterms if they are not responsive to this crisis, which harms taxpayers (who originate said loans) and students (whose tuition is price-gouged when colleges see student borrowers have deep pockets loans available on our taxpayer dollar). Regarding the grid, medical marijuana, cutting excessive pork spending, and energy independence, we have limited data. Regarding "red flag" laws, this writer vividly recalls Rubio stating he's for reasonable red flag laws, to flag mentally ill, but not extreme measures that would allow a disgruntled coworker to get you investigated. We feel Demings, a former police chief, has similar views, and would rate this a tie, but for the several documented lies by Rubio that call into question his integrity. Regarding abortion, Rubio is more "pro-life," but Demings does not support abortion up until the 9th month, and is similar insofar as both support exceptions for rape, incest, or the life of the mother. Both candidates have been lackluster in actually getting things done, but Demings edges out Rubio on two key "Conservative" metrics: Conservative morals (integrity) and Conservative adherence to the U.S. Constitution. Due to the "right-leaning" polling data available, we rate this a tossup, but give Demings the edge on an evaluation of selected metrics. In particular, even if Rubio is more "Conservative" on paper, can we really trust him with a record of telling lies and failing to get things accomplished during his twelve (12) years in Senate and decades elsewhere? CONGRESS: We sent our press inquiries to candidates in 2 local races, Dist.15, featuring former TV Investigative Reporter, Alan Cohn (Democrat) and Laurel Lee (Republican), and the newly-created Dist.18, featuring Keith Hayden (Independent) and incumbent Congressman, Scott Franklin (Republican). As of press time, neither congressional candidate in Dist.15 has responded, and based on limited data (neither candidate has been in elected office of this type, if at all, nor are their campaign websites particularly revealing), we withhold an endorsement here. Neither has Dist.18 candidate, Scott Franklin, responded as of press time.

However, Independent candidate, Keith Hayden, responded to our press inquiry (found in this file folder), and other than one "wrong" answer, scored perfectly. Regarding the one "wrong" answer, Hayden clarified why he failed to support H.R.9110: The text had not been published at that time. Moreover, after we notified the D.C. offices of lawmakers in question and still received no response to our press inquiry, the other five (5) candidates are without excuse for not promptly responding (or addressing this on their campaign websites, or, as appropriate, filing legislation).

In private communication with Hayden, this reporter represents that he expressed concern that many candidate guides were listing him incorrectly (not at all or "Democrat"), and this reporter investigated. Previously, we contacted BLEXIT about a candidate guide they were kind enough to make for voters, and informed them that their listing of a candidate as "Conservative" in some instances was incorrect. Their prompt response justified this listing by claiming the candidate in question voted "with" Republicans, and thus was considered "Conservative," this even in spite of the well-documented fact that our own Open Investigation discovered that more than ninety (90%) percent of all GOP lawmakers refuse to even make an attempt to follow key Republican Party official platform planks. Upon further investigation, Keith Hayden, the independent Dist.18 candidate (links: LINK ; Archive Today ; Wayback), is listed as Democrat, in spite of the fact the the Fla Dept of State, Div of Elections clearly lists his as no party affiliation: LINK ; Archive Today ; Wayback. We hope to alert them to both errors, both their incorrect definition of "Conservative" and their incorrect listing of Mr. Hayden. Before we become too critical, we should note that Candidate Guide is much larger than ours, and due to human limitations, it is not unreasonable to fathom human errors of this type. Therefore, we ask all readers to remember to pray for both the candidate in both/all parties, our politicians/leaders, as well as independent organisations, like BLEXIT, who work hard to show honour to readers, even if mistakes occur.

Readers may donate, if you appreciate our work, but if nothing else, readers may contact lawmakers to avert disaster. PERMA-LINK: #Election2022

***** BREAKING ***** Lawmakers in both political parties who don't follow their own party platforms on higher ed lending/funding threaten to crash the dollar (Pub. Wed.08 June 2022 ; UPDATED: Fri.10 June 2022) After initial press inquiry to lawmakers asking where they stand re proposed solutions to the dangerous higher ed bubble, a disturbing new phenomenon was discovered: we've opened active investigation into why almost all lawmakers in both parties refuse to obey planks in their party platforms on higher ed funding: Most Democrats (about 81.9%) refuse to obey the bankruptcy clause in the Democrat Party platform; almost all (at least 91.86%, or perhaps 100% using literal definitions) GOP lawmakers refuse to obey a Republican Party Platform prohibition against Federal tax-dollar use to originate (make) student loans; both actions threatens to crash the dollar in an already weak economy: only 8.14% of all GOP lawmakers comply with their party platform on student loan originations; only 18.1% of all Democrats attempt to obey their party platform calling for restoration of student loan bankruptcy. This includes past GOP lawmakers: Fla. Gov. Ron DeSantis, for example, when he was in congress, refused to file legislation to obey the party platform on student loan originations. Ongoing news coverage download mirrors: local cache * -1- * -2- * -3- * Archive Today * Wayback Machine * PDF format: local cache * CWA2 official * Wayback Machine We believe that only the Free Market forces of a threat of bankruptcy by student borrowers will be sufficient to force the Dept of Ed to stop irresponsible lending, and back of lobbyists sufficient to allow lawmakers (particularly GOP, who claims to support this) to pass legislation to cut these toxic subsidies, thus we call on all lawmakers to support S.2598 and H.R.4907, the student loan bankruptcy bills in session. UPDATE: As such, we've sent all lawmakers (435 Members of Congress & 100 U.S. Senators) an official press inquiry seeking lawmakers' views: Once on 4/16/2022 to 4/20/2022 (mirrors - PDF: Local Cache * -1- * -2- * -3- * Wayback Machine * WebPage: Local Cache * -1- * -2- * -3- * Archive Today * Wayback Machine) with a resend on 5/4/2022, due to glitches in our initial attempts. After we noticed the disturbing trend, above, we sent lawmakers a second press inquiry on 6/8/2022, asking them to explain why almost 100% of all lawmakers of both parties refuse to comply with their own party platforms on higher ed lending/funding, using this email list, which was derived from lawmakers' public email addresses. To be complete in Higher Ed investigative reporting, we notified fellow-journalists in print/broadcast media in an official press release, both on 4/24/2022 and, again on 6/9/2022, using a "master list" of media contacts provided to us by our research department. The key June 8 followup inquiry of lawmakers is available at these download mirrors: local cache * -1- * -2- * -3- * Wayback archive See also this folder for more documents: local cache * -1- * -2- * -3- * Archive Today * Wayback Machine-A * Wayback Machine-B * Therefore, if lawmakers, of both parties, refuse to even obey their own stated party platforms on higher ed funding/lending (much less the opposing party), when both platforms have much-needed legislation, and these harmful excesses crash the dollar, as many experts predict, we can not be held to blame for the eventual collapse of the economy, as other nations have recently encountered. PERMA-LINK: #OpenInvestigation

Other PERMA-LINKS: #inquiry ** #trademark ** #DonaldsFoxyRubioUpdate ** #OpenInvestigation **

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Rep. C. Scott Franklin (R-FL-15)

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II(TM) opens national and local Facebook groups (Mon.11 Apr. 2022 ; UPDATED: Fri.13 May 2022) Register Editor, Gordon Watts' trademark project, CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II(TM), now has Facebook groups open for business: Lawmakers made promises in 1994, but what have we to show for it? Americans of all political stripes demand change—time to revive from the ashes like the legendary Phoenix:

LINKS: Facebook group isn't an official page of any member of U.S. Congress, etc.; rather, it's a page dedicated to constituents of FLORIDA'S 15th U.S. Congressional District, created by a constituent of same because the current resident of this office (U.S. Representative, Congressman C. Scott Franklin, R-FL-15) hasn't -- for whatever reason -- been responsive to constituents, both in failure to provide sufficient in-person or "telephone" town hall meetings, as well as file and cosponsor legislation supported by the majority of his constituents, as documented in polls:

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UPDATE: The Register and CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II(TM) have now contacted all 435 Members of Congress and 100 U.S. Senators via our press inquiry which, due to email tech issues, had to be sent out in six (6) batches, here, including, of course, one to our Florida lawmakers. That press inquiry was polite and professional, in our higher ed news reporting, and focuses on Student Loan Bankruptcy bills S.2598 (117th) and H.R.4907 (117th) as a middle-ground compromise that is more politically viable than either the "forgiveness" or "status quo" measures on either extreme of the political spectrum. By contrast, our new editorial, titled "Fake Conservatives in the GOP and Fake Liberals in the Democrat Party: What about lawmakers who don't follow their own party platforms? A closer look at "Higher Education" (PDF format) focuses on GOP failures to cut pork spending and Democrat failures to adhere to party promises on bankruptcy equality -- both in Higher Ed -- and with a more "editorial" than "news" feel to the reporting.

UPDATE: The Register and CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II(TM) have now provided a "Courage Scorecard," for all 435 Members of Congress and 100 U.S. Senators, which reflects both replies to our press inquiry, as well as lawmakers' stance on the issues (even if no response is received), provided we know from the public record where they stand (based on sponsorship, voting record, public statements, etc.), in which we will "auto-populate" a response.

UPDATE: CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II(TM) Natl Dir, Gordon Wayne Watts, has issued a press release to fellow journalists regarding our recent press inquiry of Federal lawmakers. Related docs can be found in this folder.

(Wed. 04 May 2022 // A.M.) UPDATE: This morning we learned that the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office has docketed our Statement of Use affidavit for CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II(TM), application number 90607682, via the Trademark Status & Document Retrieval (TSDR) and fully expect our application for copyright to be granted on our trademark advocacy project, an online presence to address egregious Federal Government problems.

(Wed. 18 May 2022 // P.M.) UPDATE: My editor has directed us to inquire about the key role played by Florida Senators Rubio and Scott and Representatives Scott Franklin (R-FL-15) and Byron Donalds (R-FL-19) of Florida and Virginia Foxx (R-NC-05) of North Carolina about federal gov't role in student loan originations, and whether GOP lawmakers will -- or will not -- obey the Republican Party's platform on this issue necessary to avert a crash of the dollar. Ongoing news coverage here. UPDATE (Wed.6-8-22) We have now expanded our investigative reporting: our editor has directed us to open an active investigation into why almost all lawmakers in both major political parties are refusing to obey key planks in their party's platforms on higher ed funding: Most Democrat lawmakers refuse to obey the bankruptcy clause the Democrat Party's official platform, and all (or almost all) GOP lawmakers refuse to obey Republican Party Platform's prohibition against Federal tax-dollar use to originate (make) student loans, both actions being something that threatens to crash the dollar in an already weak economy. Ongoing new coverage linked here. ~Higher Ed reporter, Gordon W. Watts, for The Register

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pauses.

***** BREAKING: Pres. Biden extends student loan "pause" ***** Related news --The Register gets interesting report from readers regarding Sen. Pat Toomey (R-PA), does follow-up press inquiry to investigate (Wed.22 Dec. 2021 ; UPDATED: Sun.27 Nov. 2022) President Biden, according to an 11/22/2022 press release, and using Executive Order authority, has just directed the Department of Education to "pause" Federal Student Loan payments, just weeks before prior moratorium was set to expire, at year's end, on December 31, 2022. The Department of Education clarified that Biden's extension will include a "pause on student loan repayment, interest, and collection," as with prior



Sen. Pat Toomey (R-PA)

However, this pause is done in order to "alleviate uncertainty for borrowers as the Biden-Harris Administration asks the Supreme Court to review the lower-court orders that are preventing the Department from providing debt relief for tens of millions of Americans," via the recent Executive

Order.(Dept. of Ed: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- Whitehouse: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5- StudentAid.gov: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4-)

This marks the ninth (9th) time payments were paused. Here's a complete list of all nine (9) "pauses":

- (1) * CONGRESS: On March 27, 2020, Congress passed the CARES Act, temporarily suspending payments & waiving interest on federal student loans through September 30, 2020. (-1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5- * -6- * -7-)
- (2) * TRUMP: President Trump, on August 8, 2020, paused federal student loan payments, interest, & debt collection on federal student loan payments through December 31, 2020. (Whitehouse: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- BankRate: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4-)
- (3) * TRUMP: In an unexpected move, Trump, on December 4, 2020, acting through U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos, extends the moratorium one more time, an additional month, until January 31, 2021. (Dept. of Ed: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5- Forbes: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4-)
- (4) * BIDEN: President Biden, on his first day in office (January 20, 2021), directed the Acting Secretary of Education to extend the pause on Federal Student Loan Payments until at least September 30, 2021, as reflected in the DOE memo, dated January 21, 2021, the following day. (-1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5- * -6- * -7- * -8- * -9- * -10-)
- (5) * BIDEN: On August 6, 2021, the Biden administration extended the moratorium through, through January 31, 2022. (-1- * -2- * -3- * -4-)
- (6) * BIDEN: President Biden, on December 22, 2021 and in an unexpected reversal, issued a statement, dated 12-22-2021, that his "Administration is extending the pause on federal student loan repayments for an additional 90 days — through May 1, 2022." (-1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5-)
- (7) * BIDEN: President Biden, on April 6, 2022 and in an unexpected move, issued an official "Statement by President Biden Extending the Pause on Student Loan Repayment Through August 31st, 2022": (-1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5-)
- (8) * BIDEN: On August 24, 2022, the Biden-Harris Administration announced a (so-called) "final extension of the pause on student loan repayment, interest, and collections through December 31, 2022," warning that "[b]orrowers should plan to resume payments in January 2023." The administration also announced it will direct the Department of Education to "provide targeted student debt cancellation to borrowers with loans held by the Department of Education...for up to \$20,000 in debt cancellation," for those meeting certain income and Pell Grant receipt requirements: (-1- * -2- * -3- * -4- Citing this legal(*) memo: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4-)
- (9) * BIDEN: On November 22, 2022, the Biden-Harris Administration "announced an extension of the pause on student loan repayment, interest, and collections" in order to "alleviate uncertainty for borrowers as the Biden-Harris Administration asks the Supreme Court to review the lower-court orders that are preventing the Department from providing debt relief for tens of millions of Americans," via the recent Executive Order. The timing on this pause, however, is variable and conditional, as outlined in this direct quote:

"Payments will resume 60 days after the Department is permitted to implement the program or the litigation is resolved, which will give the Supreme Court an opportunity to resolve the case during its current Term. If the program has not been implemented and the litigation has not been resolved by June 30, 2023 – payments will resume 60 days after that." SOURCE: "Biden-Harris Administration Continues Fight for Student Debt Relief for Millions of Borrowers, Extends Student Loan Repayment Pause," U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, Press Release, November 22, 2022, LINKS: (-1- * -2- * -3- * -4-)

- (*) LEGAL -- Various legal memos of note: Dept. of Ed -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- DOJ, Slip Opinion -1- * -2- * -3- Congressional Research Service -1- * -2- * -3- WATTS (responding to KANTROWITZ) -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5- * -6- * -7- * -8- HARVARD LAW SCHOOL -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5-
- After the numerous "pauses" and "moratoriums" extending from March 2020 until over 2 years later, May 2022, many Americans, such as student debt expert, Alan Collinge, citing apparent desperation on the part of the Federal Government to address the Higher Ed bubble, have said "This is getting silly." Said Collinge: "The student loan "apocalypse" has already happened- more than two years ago. The pandemic is the nail in [the federal student loan program's] coffin. There is no saving it, and there is no good reason to save it." (-1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5-) Collinge goes on to make numerous factual claims, such as the claim that "it should not be controversial to say that defaults for all current student loan borrowers were going to be at least 60-70% (if not higher)...before the pandemic," and the fact that "Lending systems fail from time to time. This has been true dating back to biblical times, and continues to be true to the present day," claims which have been fact checked by the nonpartisan advocacy project, CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II(TM). (Mirrors: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5-) PERMA-LINK: #pause

Interesting report regarding Sen. Pat Toomey (R-PA)

In related news, *The Register* was contacted by one reader who claimed that Sen. Pat Toomey's office had told him that the senator did not support S.2598, the "FRESH START" student loan bankruptcy bill, which, as of press time, has twice as many GOP sponsors as Democrat. This reader granted permission to share his feedback with readers and the senator's office, should we do a press inquiry or other news & commentary of the higher ed bubble. Our reader confirmed the name of the staffer with whom he spoke, and was quickly responsive to our questions about a typo, confirming that the aid claimed that Toomey did not support S.2598, because, allegedly, returning bankruptcy defense, as in the past, would burden the tax payer. Register Editor, Gordon W. Watts, spoke with our reader for over an hour and a half, clarifying details of what happened. Update: This writer (Gordon W. Watts) spoke with Sen. Toomey's aid, who informed *The Register* that there was a small typo on what the senator said: The aid informed us that he told the caller, our reader, that it was merely his best educated guess that the senator would be unlikely to support S.2598 as described above, but that Sen. Toomey had not, as of press time, issued a public statement one way, or the other, on the Cornyn/Durbin/Hawley bill, S.2598. While this was clearly a human misunderstanding on the part of our reader (and no ill will or insult was intended), we strive for "accuracy in reporting," and will correct all known factual errors. --Editor, Gordon W. Watts (End of update)

While *The Register* supports S.2598 based on numerous Conservative free market, constitutional, and moral grounds, nonetheless, we applaud Toomey for being quickly and politely responsive in directing his staff to give a direct "yes or no" answer, something most lawmakers have -- as yet -- refused to do. In response to this report of Toomey taking the "wrong" side of this bill, *The Register* quickly reached out to Toomey's office with a polite, but firm, press inquiry, asking for clarification on why he might be in opposition to conservative free market economic values or equally-conservative moral and constitutional bases. We hope to get a formal and official response from Senator Toomey--and other lawmakers who have yet to weigh in on this matter, in the hopes that some solution can be had to deal with the student loan crisis. While some are calling on students to just "stop complaining" and "pay back" their loans, others take issue with that, on the basis that, as noted in prior research, students have repaid taxpayers \$1.22 for every dollar borrowed on defaulted loans alone (probably more when considering loans in good standing, which have no repayment issues), and the colleges have been repaid as well, which has caused some commentators to suggest that the federal government get out of the lending business and end the failed lending system--perhaps directly funding it like public ed (a "Liberal" solution), or perhaps getting out altogether (a "Conservative" solution). Our research suggests that either of these two solutions would cost taxpayers and students far less than the current status quo. The continued "stalling" and continued "pauses" and "moratoriums" by the federal government have caused many on both sides of the aisle to question the American Higher Education lending system and call for it to be abolished altogether.

We await speedy reply from lawmakers to our press inquiries, and hope lawmakers stop "kicking the can down the road," lest we crash the dollar, as many experts are warning. PERMA-LINK: #SenToomey



BREAKING: USPTO.gov publishes Register Editor, Gordon Watts' trademark, in Official Gazette -- Today, *The Register* has learned that the USPTO (U.S. Patent & Trademark Office) has published Register Editor, Gordon Watts' trademark, CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II(TM), in the Trademark Official Gazette (TMOG), for official "Publication for Opposition" notice (Tue.11 Jan. 2022) -- CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II (TM), the "nonpartisan" trademark project of Register Editor, Gordon W. Watts, dedicated to finishing the work of the original "Contract With America" (pioneered by Republican, Newt Gingrich, who teamed up with Democrat, Bill Clinton, to use "bipartisan" teamwork to balance the budget & accomplish other goals), previously in the news, just received notice, this morning, that it was "Published for Opposition" in the Trademark Official Gazette (TMOG). Watts' advocacy project creates an on-line community to advocate for legislation to fix egregious problems via website hosting and social media. As shown in previous news, lawmakers of both parties refuse to address genuine needs, harming country and world. The USPTO's actions can be followed via its online tools, the Trademark Status & Document Retrieval (TSDR) and the Trademark Official Gazette. The project is accessible at the following links:



FLAGSHIP MIRROR: <https://ContractWithAmerica2.com>

Mirror-1: <https://GordonWatts.com/n.index.html> * Mirror-2: <https://GordonWayneWatts.com/n.index.html>

Archive-1 (Library): <https://Archive.vn/contractwithamerica2.com> * Archive-1 (Page): <https://Archive.vn/BYgT2>

Archive-2 (Library): [Internet Archive](https://InternetArchive.org) * Archive-2 (Page): [Wayback Machine](https://WaybackMachine.org)



POLITICS: Fla. lawmakers in the news -- Register editor, Gordon W. Watts, makes legislative inquiry of his Federal lawmakers: Where do you stand on three (3) key issues: Protecting the GRID, cutting pork spending, Constitutional collegiate loan bankruptcy rights (Sat.04 Dec. 2021; UPDATED: Wed.18 May 2022) As reported here at this link, Mr. Watts, in an early morning email dated Sat. Dec. 04, 2021, make a "constituent" inquiry to his 3 federal lawmakers, Rep. C. Scott Franklin (R-FL-15), Sen. Marco Rubio (R-FL), and Sen. Rick Scott (R-FL) -- and, immediately, followed up with a similar "press inquiry" to Sens. Joe Manchin (D-WV) and Kyrsten Sinema (D-AZ), and party leaders in House and Senate, the following Wed. Dec. 08, 2021, with "tips" on how to broker a legislative compromise to get past the stalled budget roadblocks--and, an interesting side mention of mutual acquaintance, Melvin Kessler, Manchin's former political rival, and uncle of a high school classmate and long-time friend of Watts, e.g., dropping a few big names to make a connection: LINK ; ARCHIVES: -1- ; -2- ; -3- ; -4- ; -5- Congressman Franklin has had at least three (3) "telephone town halls" meetings so far, and *The Ledger* reports that they are "open to all on his list." (mirror links: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4-), but Watts, even after requesting to participate, has not been invited or allowed to participate in any telephone town halls (as past members of congress have done). (See also: -1- * -2- * -3-) Watts has occasionally commented on Franklin's Facebook, but notices another *Ledger* article which said that, while Congressman Darren Soto and Greg Steube, also of central Florida, allow all comments to be visible on their Facebook feeds, "including ones that are viciously critical, essentially creating public forums," nonetheless, Franklin had begun limiting viewership of his Facebook page, so that constituents, such as Linda Steniford of Lakeland, "noticed that she was no longer seeing comments on Franklin's Facebook posts. All posts since June 23 are accompanied by the automatically generated phrase, "Most relevant is selected, so some comments may have been filtered out." (mirror links: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5-) This is the same Scott Franklin who was one of the Lakeland (Fla.) city commissioners who were on the commission and heard Watts' three (3) presentations on the illegal 911 and non-emergency call-blocking done by the infamous (but improving) Lakeland Police Department. (mirror links: -1- * -2- * -3- * -4- * -5-)



While Franklin did not make any visible efforts to investigate or fix the egregious, and obviously life-threatening abuses (as did Mayor Bill Mutz; see posted videos), nonetheless, Franklin's role, otherwise, seemed to be minor, and whatever his negligence or oversights, he did not give any indication of ill motives in the view of the undersigned writer, who made said presentations at those meetings. Watts is a regular critic of lawmakers, often attacking their positions "from the right," and calling them out on excessive tax/spend Liberal policies, including the view of tuition as a form of tax and overtaxation: "[A Polk Perspective: Fix our bankrupt policy on student debt.](#)" By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, *The Ledger*, August 04, 2016; [FAIR USE *.pdf cache](#) and "[Polk Perspective: Rescue taxpayers from mounting student debt.](#)" By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, *The Ledger*, November 16, 2018; [FAIR USE *.pdf cache](#) and "[Polk Perspective: Offer relief for taxes dressed up as 'loans.'](#)" By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, *The Ledger*, November 19, 2019; [FAIR USE *.pdf cache](#). In fact, this was not the first time a Lakeland congressman has been called to task for social media behaviour: "[Ross Has Heavy Hand Online.](#)" By Gordon Wayne Watts (Letters) *The Ledger*, Jan 24, 2013, 12:41 AM (EST), [Archived copy](#); [FAIR USE *.pdf cache](#); see also: [follow up](#) and [news coverage](#). Even before that, Watts, in an Oct. 19, 2008 letter to the (now defunct) *Tampa Tribune* aka TBO.com, [took a hard jab](#) at Adam Putnam, former Republican Congressman for the Lakeland, Florida area (and FLAAG commissioner, after that), when Putnam started supporting unpopular "bailout" policies, prompting Watts to support Democrats Doug Tudor and Kathy Castor, both of whom opposed the unpopular and unwise [TARP](#)[1] and [Mortgage](#)[2] bailouts. (*mirror links*: [folder](#); [letter](#); [-1-](#); [-2-](#); [-3-](#); [Archive Today snapshot](#); [Wayback Machine snapshot](#); [Wayback Machine archive](#)) While Watts and other central-Florida constituents remain wary and suspicious of new congressman, C. Scott Franklin (R-FL-15), who unseated incumbent Ross Spano, in the previous election, nonetheless, Watts, a Christian, is keeping an open mind, and does not have any complaints about Franklin's personal preferences or choices on how he runs his Facebook or town halls -- so long as he gets a fair hearing, and accurate representation by his federal lawmakers (his Member of Congress, Rep. Franklin, and his two U.S. Senators, Marco Rubio and Rick Scott). Watts is fearful that the "all talk and no walk" lawmakers of both parties will keep spending taxpayer funds like it's "Monopoly money," that grows on tress and fail to upgrade and protect our fragile power and telecommunications grid -- not to mention continue to ignore the genuine needs of Americans to have affordable (even if not free) higher education in our new age of technology and 21st-century commerce. Watts, who surprisingly, got written statements from many "powerful" leaders in both GOP and Democrat circles, in support of his various legislative requests ([GRID upgrades](#); [PORK spending cuts](#); [CONSTITUTIONAL Student Loan Bankruptcy rights](#)), and included same in his e-mail attachments[3], will be surprised and disappointed if lawmakers ignore him this time and refuse to respond to the collective "Voice of the People" on these various needs -- especially given that they have been made aware of these problems on prior occasions[4], and thus were not "caught off guard" by the recent constituent "inquiry" asking "where do you stand?" **We are hopeful that the "tips" on how to broker a legislative compromise to get past the stalled budget roadblocks -- as well as address higher ed needs (an exchange of pork spending cuts for support for the student loan bankruptcy bills, the compromise proposed) will be accepted by lawmakers on "both sides of the isle," and will be monitoring this situation closely.**

* **Footnotes:**

[1] HR 3997: Financial Asset Purchase Authority, Establishes the Troubled Asset Relief Program (T.A.R.P.) to allow the Secretary of the Treasury to purchase troubled assets from any financial institution, Sec. 101 = VERY unpopular in conservative Polk County, Fla. Failed in the House 205-228, but Adam Putnam still voted 'yes' for this 'liberal' bill. LINKS: [Clerk.House.gov](#) * [Archive.vn](#) * [Archive.org](#) * [Cache](#)

[2] H R 1424: Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, aka the 'Mortgage Bailout': Passed 263-171 in the house, with apparently 1 vacant seat: Adam Putnam voted 'yea' ([Clerk.House.gov](#) * [Archive.vn](#) * [Archive.org](#) * [Cache](#)), and this passed into law. LINKS: [Congress.gov](#) * [Archive.vn](#) * [Archive.org](#) * [Cache](#)

[3] List of attachments in his e-mail:

- [AngryConservative---1.PNG](#) (127K)
- [AngryConservative---2.PNG](#) (132K)
- [Supporters-StudentLoanBankruptcy-only-FINAL.pdf](#) (493K)
- [Supporters-SPENDING_CUTS-only-FINAL.pdf](#) (2404K)
- [Supporters-GRID-UPGRADE-FINAL.pdf](#) (4965K)
- [ReviewOfMarkKantowitzForgivenessArticle_WATTS_9-6-2021.pdf](#) (360K)
- [GordonWayneWatts_AMENDED_Testimony_SenateJudiciary_Tue03Aug2021_Proposed.pdf](#) (428K)
- [ReadyRoomTue23Nov2021_RepCScottFranklin_R-FL-15_PDF.pdf](#) (1676K)
- [AngryConservative_PDF.pdf](#) (190K)

[4] **Documentation that Watts and others had, indeed, notified lawmakers of problems on prior occasions--thus ensuring that we did not "catch them off guard" without prior notice and opportunity to respond:**

• **Rep. C. Scott Franklin (R-FL-15)** was contacted by Watts and others on a number of occasions: When he was just a candidate [Tue, Oct 27, 2020 at 1:55 AM email to then-candidate Scott Franklin](#) about constitutional bankruptcy uniformity for college loans ; [Thu, Apr 15, 2021 at 4:48 PM email to state and federal lawmakers](#) about multiple concerns: Grid vulnerabilities, lack of intelligence exchange between state agencies, and Federal student debt to state annual budget ratio ; [Tue, May 25, 2021 at 5:15 PM email](#) about debt/pork spending ; [Thu, Oct 28, 2021 at 12:49 PM email](#) about student debt and constitutional bankruptcy uniformity for college loans ; [Sat, Nov 20, 2021 at 3:27 PM email](#) re Fla. 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Franklin's office**, (asking staff where he stands on pork bailout cuts in higher ed loan subsidies, student loan bankruptcy, or protecting the grid, etc.), various interactions on social media, or public columns on [Thr04Aug2016](#) ; [cache](#) ; [Fri16Nov2018](#) ; [cache](#) ; [Tue19Nov2019](#) ; [cache](#) ; Plus, many others support our various reasonable requests: [GRID security](#) ; [Budget / PORK spending cuts](#) ; [Constitutional Student Loan Bankruptcy right](#), but lawmakers keep ignoring Americans, and, thus, we agree with Gallop on the exceptionally low popularity / approval ratings Congress has[5], and suspect it is because, as a recent Princeton study[6] finds: "that majorities of the American public actually have little influence over the policies our government adopts" --and: "even overwhelmingly large pro-change majorities, with 80 percent of the public favoring a policy change, got that change only about 43 percent of the time." **KEY UPDATE as of Wed, 5-18-2022 -- Florida Senators Rubio and Scott and Reps. Scott Franklin (R-FL-15), Byron Donalds (R-FL-19), and Virginia Foxx (R-NC-05) play key role in inquiring about federal govt role in student loan originations, and whether GOP lawmakers will -- or will not -- obey the Republican Party's platform on this issue -- necessary to avert a crash of the dollar: ***** In addition to the above, the undersigned writer (Gordon W. Watts), spoke by phone with Legislative Assistant / Policy Advisor, [William Sitton](#), of [Rep. Scott Franklin's](#) DC office, on Friday, 4-22-2022, asking why he still never received a reply from Congressman Franklin concerning [his inquiries](#) as a constituent. Sitton, informed this writer that the correct protocol was to inquire through [the web portal](#) on his congressional webpage, which [this writer did](#). His message [was received](#), and he [followed up via "conventional" email](#) the following day, Sat. 4-23-22. After still not having received any response, this writer then [spoke, in person \(YouTube -- Facebook -- Local Cached MP4 -- Archived MP4\)](#), to Rep. Franklin at a campaign event, in his capacity as higher ed reporter for this blog, and as Natl Dir of [CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II](#)^(TM). Franklin was kind enough to grant [a brief, impromptu, interview \(YouTube -- Facebook -- Local Cached MP4 -- Archived MP4\)](#), but deflected his prior refusals to cut higher ed loan originations, [as the GOP Platform demands -- LINK -- Archive-1 \(Wayback Machine\) -- Local cache -- Archive-2 -- Archive-3 -- Archive-4](#), protesting that he was not on the Dept of Ed higher ed committee. This writer protested, reminding him that he was permitted to file the legislation, giving him a copy of [the official press inquiry \(LINK -- Cache -- Archive Today -- Wayback Machine\)](#). Franklin, to his great credit, did not run from the "hard questions," and promised that ["I will check it out; you have my commitment on that."](#) This writer notes that Franklin seemed surprised and did not acknowledge prior inquiries made by myself and others to obey both the official GOP Platform as well as [sound financial principles \(LINK -- ARCHIVE\) to cut pork subsidies \(Archives: -1- -- -2- -- -3- -- -4- -- -5-\)](#). Accordingly, my editor has directed me to interview and/or send press inquiries to five (5) "key" Republicans who claim to be conservative and in favour of cutting these Liberal pork subsidies as the GOP Platform demands: Senators [Marco Rubio \(R-FL\)](#) and [Rick Scott \(R-FL\)](#) and Representatives [C. Scott Franklin \(R-FL-15\)](#) and [Byron Donalds \(R-FL-19\)](#) of Florida and [Virginia Foxx \(R-NC-05\)](#) of North Carolina. We note that Rep. Foxx, who often claims to be "for reining in federal spending" and against "[r]unaway programs that spend more than Congress ever anticipated" ([LINK -- Archive Today -- Wayback](#)) has yet failed to make and legislative attempt to cut the higher ed loan originations, as the GOP platform demands, and we hope to ask her about that. As noted above, [many higher ed finance experts \(both liberal and conservative\) \(LINK -- ARCHIVE\)](#) believe the only way to make the lender (in this case, the Dept of Ed) stop its dangerously excessive student loan originations, as the GOP platform demands, is to use the Free Market forces of the threat of [bankruptcy defense \(Archives: -1- -- -2- -- -3- -- -4- -- -5-\)](#), as the U.S. Constitution's Uniformity Clause requires, and wonder why Foxx, an avowed "conservative," neither obeys the Constitution nor has made any attempts to oppose these higher ed loan originations, as the GOP platform demands. We are concerned with Foxx's stance here, as, during her [recent C*SPAN interview \(LINK -- Archive-1 -- Archive-2 -- Archive-3\)](#), she was asked ["why not allow bankruptcy protection for students? Every other borrower has it,"](#) to which she replied that this would ["give that burden to the hard-working taxpayer."](#) While, initially there would be filings, we feel that bankruptcy, a de facto "economic second amendment," is necessary to reduce excessive lending, and that her request to disarm students would be akin to asking we disarm police, based on the argument that they might shoot someone. Of course, while that's possible, we feel defunding & disarming police would *increase* violence, and likewise oppose disarming student borrowers. We note that her methods have not worked to cut spending and recommend she join fellow-Republicans, Josh Hawley (R-MO) and John Cornyn (R-TX) in support of [S.2598](#), a currently-enrolled student loan bankruptcy bill, which would "tamp down" student loan originations as both the GOP platform requires and as [many higher ed finance experts](#) agree is necessary to force these cuts -- and necessary to avert a [crash](#) of the dollar. Further updates, and interviews or replies to our press inquiries, will be posted in this space.

• **LEGAL WRITE-IN "SCAMS": Why else Watts & other "common" Americans may have a hard time getting Sens. Rubio & Scott, Rep. Franklin, & Gov. DeSantis to represent them:** Besides the recent Princeton study[6], which documents that politicians listen to "Elites" more than "Average Citizens," even when the latter are more numerous, the recent electoral thumping which Watts and one other "write-in" candidate got are a lesson in "elites" vs "common folk" voters: Everyone remembers the "write-in" loophole scam[7][8][9][10][11], here in Florida, a "closed primary" state, which allows "open" primaries" if all candidates are of just one party (all Democrats or all Republicans). In the "scam," the primary "slams shut" and becomes "closed," allowing party members only (shutting out all other voters) if a "write-in" candidate files to run. Since write-ins have almost no chance of winning, their action here, basically, "manipulates" the voter pool to shut out all "non-party" member (which, in GOP primaries, helps the more "conservative" candidate and in Democrat primaries, the more "liberal" candidate).

In the 2008 Dist. 64 Florida House race, Kelli Stargel won with "48,508 votes, or 95 percent" of the vote, according to *The Ledger*[14], defeating the late Dr. Alton C. Smith (Democrat) and *Register* editor, Gordon W. Watts (Republican), "write-in" candidates who "received a total of 2,567 votes." [14] In fact, both *BALLOT PEDIA*[12] and the official Fla. Dept. of State, Div. of Elections[13] results give Smith and Watts even *less* votes (with both reporting Kelli Stargel (Republican): 48,604, Alton C. Smith (Write-in): 454, Gordon Wayne Watts (Write-in): 57). However, why is this relevant? ANSWER: Stargel and two other Republican candidates (Jack English and Phillip Walker) filed to run for Fla House Dist. 64, hoping to replace Dennis Ross, R-Lakeland, who was term limited, and Stargel won that Aug. 26, 2008 primary, which was open only to Republican voters. But, why was this primary closed to non-Republican voters? ANSWER: Even though no Democrat ran that election, nonetheless, as *The Ledger* reported[15], "two write-in candidates qualified at the last minute to keep members of other parties from voting in the election." According to Florida law, the presence of the write-ins had the same effect as if a Democrat had filed to run for this seat: It closed the primary, slamming it shut to all non-Republican voters.

Many contemporary observers took issue with Smith and Watts, thinking these two men were "scammers" like most write-in candidates, who, according to *TC Palm.com*[7], once "they have filed, most write-ins are never heard from again. They rarely, if ever, campaign, advertise or attend public forums. In most cases, a write-in candidate's singular objective is to close the primary." [7] However, both Smith and Watts surprised all contemporary observers: Both actively campaigned[16][17], both wrote letters to the editor[18][19], seeking votes, and, once they filed to run, both admitted[20] that they had both been asked by political operatives to run to "close the primary"[20] (something very rare now-days in this type scam, as most write-ins never admit to anything). *The Ledger* reported[20], of Watts, that: "Watts raised \$154 through Sept. 27. About one third of that was listed as donations from Linda Ivell, Republican state committee woman for Polk County. [] Watts recently said Stargel asked him to run as a write-in candidate to keep the Republican primary

closed. [] He did it, he said, to illustrate the "loophole" that lets write-in candidates close a primary," and, of smith: "Smith said a Stargel supporter asked him to run for that reason. [] He said he supports closed primaries, in which only members of a particular party can vote, but that he regrets not going the extra step to put himself on the ballot. That also would have kept the primaries closed, while allowing him more exposure as a candidate."[[20]]

So, in conclusion, the "WRITE-IN SCAMS," while legal, are usually not morally upright, according to most observers and editorials. However, even when participants, such as Smith and Watts, try to do the "right thing," and run for the "right" reasons, seeking real change (and not merely to "shut out" voters), nonetheless, they get a sound "thumping," and soundly defeated by the "powers that be," simply because they are "little" and their opponents, "big." Thus, as the Princeton study[[6]] proved with sound science, Watts & other "common" Americans may have a hard time getting their lawmakers to represent them (as opposed to elite & powerful political interests). However, we must continue to fight for justice for all--not merely the "elite." *Below is further documentation that Watts and others have made genuine efforts to get lawmakers to fix key, critical threats to our nation and state -- and should either address these problems or step down:*

- **Sen. Marco Rubio (R-FL)** was contacted by Watts and others on a number of occasions: [Thu, Apr 15, 2021 at 4:48 PM email to state and federal lawmakers](#) about multiple concerns: Grid vulnerabilities, lack of intelligence exchange between state agencies, and Federal student debt to state annual budget ratio ; [Tue, May 25, 2021, 3:00 PM email](#) about debt/pork spending ; [Email, Thu, Oct 28, 2021 at 12:49 PM](#) about student debt and constitutional bankruptcy uniformity for college loans ; [Thursday, November 4, 2021 2:07 PM email](#) to Rubio staff about concerns about excess pork spending and constitutional bankruptcy uniformity for college loans ; [Sat, Nov 20, 2021 at 3:27 PM email](#) re Fla. Executive Order for EMP protection ; [Sat, Dec 4, 2021 at 12:54 AM email](#): "Legislative Inquiry: Where do you stand on these 3 issues?" ; [Follow-up / reminder: Date: Wed, Dec 8, 2021 4:29 am email](#), "Fwd: Legislative Inquiry: Where do you stand on these 3 issues?" ; As well as a cc copy to the governor, [PRIORITY I Scheduling Request \(@Fla Gov Ron DeSantis; cc as indicated\), Dated: Sun, Dec 19, 2021 at 12:17 AM](#), on the same subject (viz: [related email to Fla. Senate President on Mon, Dec 20, 2021, 12:38 PM, an official response from the Fla DOH and our reply](#)), e.g., a friendly reminder ; Not to mention, Watts' numerous phone calls to **Sen. Rubio's office**, (asking staff where he stands on pork bailout cuts in higher ed loan subsidies, student loan bankruptcy, or protecting the grid, etc.), various interactions on social media, or public columns on [Thur04Aug2016](#) ; [cache](#) ; [Fri16Nov2018](#) ; [cache](#) ; [Tue19Nov2019](#) ; [cache](#) ; Plus, many others support our various reasonable requests: [GRID security](#) ; [Budget / PORK spending cuts](#) ; [Constitutional Student Loan Bankruptcy right](#), but lawmakers keep ignoring Americans, and, thus, we agree with Gallop on the exceptionally low popularity / approval ratings Congress has[[5]], and suspect it is because, as a recent Princeton study[[6]] finds: "that majorities of the American public actually have little influence over the policies our government adopts" --and: "even overwhelmingly large pro-change majorities, with 80 percent of the public favoring a policy change, got that change only about 43 percent of the time."
- **Sen. Rick Scott (R-FL)** was contacted by Watts and others on a number of occasions: [Fri, Oct 11, 2019 at 4:03 PM reply from Rick Scott](#) about environment, even the initial message was about solar flare threats ; [Wed, Jan 8, 2020 at 4:36 PM reply from Rick Scott](#) about higher ed generalities, even the initial message was about student loan bankruptcy specifically ; [Thu, Apr 15, 2021 at 4:48 PM email](#) to state and federal lawmakers about multiple concerns: Grid vulnerabilities, lack of intelligence exchange between state agencies, and Federal student debt to state annual budget ratio: [Mon, May 24, 2021 at 5:43 PM reply from Rick Scott](#) about infrastructure, even the initial message was about solar flare threats ; [Tue, May 25, 2021, 3:00 PM email](#) about debt/pork spending ; [Thu, Oct 28, 2021 at 12:49 PM email](#) about student debt and constitutional bankruptcy uniformity for college loans ; [Thu, Nov 4, 2021 at 2:13 PM reply from Rick Scott](#) staff acknowledging concerns about excess pork spending and constitutional bankruptcy uniformity for college loans ; [Sat, Nov 20, 2021 at 3:27 PM email](#) re Fla. Executive Order for EMP protection ; Cc: FEDERAL LAWMAKERS ; [Sat, Dec 4, 2021 at 12:54 AM email](#): "Legislative Inquiry: Where do you stand on these 3 issues?" ; [Follow-up / reminder: Date: Wed, Dec 8, 2021 4:29 am email](#), "Fwd: Legislative Inquiry: Where do you stand on these 3 issues?" ; As well as a cc copy to the governor, [PRIORITY I Scheduling Request \(@Fla Gov Ron DeSantis; cc as indicated\), Dated: Sun, Dec 19, 2021 at 12:17 AM](#), on the same subject (viz: [related email to Fla. Senate President on Mon, Dec 20, 2021, 12:38 PM, an official response from the Fla DOH and our reply](#)), e.g., a friendly reminder ; Not to mention, Watts' numerous phone calls to **Sen. Rick Scott's office**, (asking staff where he stands on pork bailout cuts in higher ed loan subsidies, student loan bankruptcy, or protecting the grid, etc.), various interactions on social media, or public columns on [Thur04Aug2016](#) ; [cache](#) ; [Fri16Nov2018](#) ; [cache](#) ; [Tue19Nov2019](#) ; [cache](#) ; Plus, many others support our various reasonable requests: [GRID security](#) ; [Budget / PORK spending cuts](#) ; [Constitutional Student Loan Bankruptcy right](#), but lawmakers keep ignoring Americans, and, thus, we agree with Gallop on the exceptionally low popularity / approval ratings Congress has[[5]], and suspect it is because, as a recent Princeton study[[6]] finds: "that majorities of the American public actually have little influence over the policies our government adopts" --and: "even overwhelmingly large pro-change majorities, with 80 percent of the public favoring a policy change, got that change only about 43 percent of the time."
- **Gov. Ron DeSantis (R-FL) and Florida state lawmakers** were contacted by Watts and others on a number of occasions: [Thu, Apr 15, 2021 at 4:48 PM email](#) to state and federal lawmakers about multiple concerns: Grid vulnerabilities, lack of intelligence exchange between state agencies, and Federal student debt to state annual budget ratio: [Thu, Oct 28, 2021 at 12:49 PM email](#) about student debt and constitutional bankruptcy uniformity for college loans, [Thu, Oct 28, 2021 at 1:47 PM Scheduling request](#) to Governor's office about above [Date: Fri, Oct 29, 2021, 3:15 PM, email](#): Subject: SCHEDULING REQUEST: Gov. DeSantis regarding state sovereignty issues affected by Federal student debt to Fla state debt ratio (scroll down for forward) [Sat, Nov 20, 2021 at 3:27 PM email](#) re Fla. Executive Order for EMP protection ; Cc: FEDERAL LAWMAKERS ; As well as this e-mail to the governor, [PRIORITY I Scheduling Request \(@Fla Gov Ron DeSantis; cc as indicated\), Dated: Sun, Dec 19, 2021 at 12:17 AM](#), on the these subjects (viz: [related email to Fla. Senate President on Mon, Dec 20, 2021, 12:38 PM, an official response from the Fla DOH and our reply](#)), and a friendly reminder of previous e-mails ; Not to mention, Watts' numerous phone calls to **Gov. Ron DeSantis' office**, (asking staff where he stands on pork bailout cuts in higher ed loan subsidies, student loan bankruptcy, or protecting the grid, etc.), various interactions on social media, or public columns on [Thur04Aug2016](#) ; [cache](#) ; [Fri16Nov2018](#) ; [cache](#) ; [Tue19Nov2019](#) ; [cache](#) ; Plus, many others support our various reasonable requests: [GRID security](#) ; [Budget / PORK spending cuts](#) ; [Constitutional Student Loan Bankruptcy right](#), but lawmakers keep ignoring Americans, and, thus, we agree with Gallop on the exceptionally low popularity / approval ratings Congress has[[5]], and suspect it is because, as a recent Princeton study[[6]] finds: "that majorities of the American public actually have little influence over the policies our government adopts" --and: "even overwhelmingly large pro-change majorities, with 80 percent of the public favoring a policy change, got that change only about 43 percent of the time." [[5]] QUOTE: "Our ruling The meme said that Congress has 11 percent approval ratings, yet 96.4 percent of incumbent lawmakers were re-elected. We found small differences in the actual percentages -- Congress had roughly a 14 percent approval rate, and the incumbent re-election rate may be as low as 95 percent -- but the point of the meme is solid. Voters hold Congress in low regard, yet they re-elect almost everyone. So we rate the claim True." Source: "Congress has 11% approval ratings but 96% incumbent reelection rate, meme says," By Louis Jacobson on Tuesday, November 11th, 2014 at 4:56 p.m., [PolitiFact](#), [LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback Machine](#) ; [Cache](#) QUOTE: "Although Americans overwhelmingly disapprove of the job Congress in general is doing, voters re-elect most members of Congress in every election." Source: "Americans Down on Congress, OK With Own Representative," by Elizabeth Mendes, May 9, 2013, [GALLUP](#), [LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback Machine](#) ; [Cache](#) [[6]] "Testing Theories of American Politics: Elites, Interest Groups, and Average Citizens," by Martin Gilens and Benjamin I. Page, pp.564--581, *Perspectives on Politics*, September 2014 | Vol. 12/No. 3, doi:10.1017/S1537592714001595, © American Political Science Association 2014, [LINK](#) ; [Wayback Machine](#) ; [Cache](#) [[7]] "Lawmakers are complicit in write-in scam | Our view," by Treasure Coast Newspapers Editorial Board, *TC Palm*, Published 1:32 p.m. ET Jan. 26, 2017 Updated 11:43 a.m. ET May 30, 2018, [LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback Machine](#) [[8]] "Constitutional Revision Commission elites preserve write-in scam that keeps many from voting," by Lauren Ritchie, *The Orlando Sentinel*, Apr 27, 2018, at 2:50 PM, [LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback Machine](#) [[9]] "Friday's Letters: The write-in scam must be reformed (WRITE-IN GIMMICK)," by Ken Shacter, Jacksonville, *Jacksonville.com* | *Florida Times-Union*, Posted September 1, 2016 01:06 pm - Updated September 1, 2016 02:04 pm, [LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback Machine](#) [[10]] "WRITE-IN SCAM SHUTS OUT VOTERS," by *Tampa Bay Times*, editorial board Published Mar. 24, 2008, [LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) [[11]] "Editorial: Florida should close write-in loophole," OPINION, *The Tampa Bay Times*, Published Aug. 9, 2016, [LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback Machine](#) [[12]] "Florida House of Representatives elections, 2008," *BALLOTPEdia*, [LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback Machine](#) ; [Archive Today \(cache\)](#) ; [Wayback Machine \(cache\)](#) [[13]] "Election Results," by *Florida Department of State*, 2008, [LINK](#) ; [Local cache](#) [[14]] "Kelli Stargel Wins Florida House District 64," by Robin Williams Adams, *The Ledger*, Published: Tuesday, November 4, 2008, at 1:38 p.m., Last Modified: Tuesday, November 4, 2008, at 11:15 p.m., [Wayback Machine](#) ; [Local cache](#) [[15]] "Florida House Hopefuls Meet in Dist. 64 Forum," by Bill Ruffy, LEDGER POLITICAL EDITOR, *The Ledger*, Published: Tuesday, August 12, 2008 at 12:01 a.m., Last Modified: Wednesday, August 13, 2008 at 12:10 a.m., [Wayback Machine](#) ; [Local cache](#) [[16]] QUOTE: "He is challenging Republican Kelli Stargel, the only one listed on the ballot...To do that, the retired educator and Assembly of God missionary, who said he is a lifelong Democrat, will rely on steering people to his Web site, www.altonescsmith4flhr64.com; on talking to groups that invite him to speak; and on the media." Source: "Smith Is A Write-in Candidate For Seat," by ROBIN WILLIAMS ADAMS, *The Ledger*, Published 12:01 a.m. ET Sept. 25, 2008, Updated 2:50 a.m. ET Sept. 26, 2008, [LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback Machine](#) ; [Local cache](#) [[17]] "Gordon Watts for Congress" (Official Campaign website), by Gordon Wayne Watts, *The Register*, [LINK-1](#) ; [LINK-2](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback Machine \(2008\)](#) ; [Wayback Machine \(2021\)](#) [[18]] "Write-In Loophole," by GORDON WAYNE WATTS [The writer is a write-in candidate for state House District 64.], LETTERS: *The Ledger*, Friday, October 31, 2008, [Wayback Machine](#) ; [Local cache](#) [[19]] "Write-Ins Are Right," by ALTON C. 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RELIGION: Moody Radio in the news -- Moody Radio icon, Dr. Charlie Dyer, answers Bible question -- reports trouble receiving 'regular' email (Tue.26 Oct. 2021; Updated: Mon.15 Nov. 2021) As reported in previous news ([link -- archive](#)), Register Editor, Gordon Watts, well-liked and semi-regular caller [to many call-in shows](#), including the legendary international [COAST TO COAST: AM](#), called in to Moody's [Open Line Live](#), hosted by Dr. Michael Rydelnik, back in 2016, asking for feedback on an area of infant soteriology which hadn't been asked before (though similar questions had been), but was unable to get through on the phones that day. Watts

tried again in February of this year ([via web form -- via regular email](#)), and his submissions were confirmed as "received" by the call-screeners that day, but they informed him that his question was too hard or otherwise not acceptable to be taken live (as is usually done) for reasons not explained, even after polite and diligent inquiry -- and even though this is a valid question that has been taken by many other call-in programs, including COAST ([link -- cache](#)), and, of course, [submitted to](#) and [answered by](#) Dr. Charlie Dyer, show host of [The Land And The Book](#) -- and other call-in programs, not listed here, which imply that Watts' question was an appropriate Bible question, and not something whacky or off-topic. After Dr. Rydelnik's program continued to refuse to even allow a "mailbag" (e-mailed) submission (if, for example, they felt the caller was argumentative, or something), Mr. Watts, who was attempting to get additional feedback from top theologians when planning updates to [his book](#) on the same subject, decided to give up, for that time being, expecting Dr. Rydelnik's program to keep its word and answer "any" Bible question. After [Dr. Dyer's kind and detailed response](#), Mr. Watts felt an obligation to reply to Dr. Dyer's many points, agreeing on some, disagreeing on others, and thanking him. ([E-mail reply -- Addendum: add'l cc's](#)) After a few days of not having heard back, Watts used both the ["Website Form"](#) and voicemail message to diligently inquire. Dr. Dyer was kind enough [to promptly respond](#), informing him that "Gordon, [] I received this email and the voicemail, but I didn't receive the earlier email with the link to Amazon." After careful

inspection, it was discovered that one of Watts' "regular" emails was received (*see replies below [Dr. Dyer's response](#)*), but that his original reply, while [obviously correctly formatted & addressed](#), was never received. After careful consideration, Watts uploaded the original reply, here, [with attachments](#), into a special folder: [DrCharlieDyer](#), and leveraged the full authority of the Free Press via his eponymous and namesake blogs, here (*The Register: [GordonWatts.com](#) and [GordonWayneWatts.com](#)*) to publish them, and afford Dr. Dyer "easy access" to his detailed reply, in order to [show proper respect for Dr. Dyer's time and efforts](#). While the cause of the e-mail failure is presently unknown (intentional blocking of email addresses, or, more-likely, "spam" filters allowing a small email, [shown in replies below](#), but blocking emails with larger attachments), nonetheless, Watts went to special lengths to afford Dr. Dyer access to his reply, which has critical details for theologians who study in this area. For those who are so-inclined, *The Register* posits two (2) prayer requests: First, Dr. Rydelnik's program, for reasons unknown, is documented to be an "outlier" in how it handles "call-in" questions, being practically the only "Open Line" call-in show to not truly allow/accept "all" questions on the topic at hand. While emotions run high on the obvious mistreatment, here, we ask all parties to trust Jesus' advice in [Matt. 5:21-25 and Matt. 18:15-17](#), be patient, and seek genuine resolution, love, and peace. Secondly, Dr. Dyer, who was kind enough to reply a second (2nd) time, reporting that, indeed, "I looked...and I can't find it in my spam folder. Sorry!," previously informed the undersigned writer that "Unfortunately, I don't think I will have the time to pursue this topic any further. I'm getting ready to head back to Israel next Monday...I write all that to say I simply won't have time to add anything else to my already packed schedule." For these reasons, we ask all to pray that these various difficulties are addressed by Sovereign God Almighty in a gracious way, and, additionally, that, while Dr. Dyer, himself, is busy, nonetheless, we pray, and ask others to pray, that MOODY BIBLE INSTITUTE, with its "deep bench" of theologians can give an additional look at this area of soteriology, one which, while similar to the prior "Universalist" theories, is unique and different -- and a "Bible Question" that has not, to this writer's knowledge, ever been addressed on MOODY RADIO on-air at any time, thus ripe for discussion. **Update (Mon.15 Nov. 2021)** This past Saturday, 11/13/2021, this writer [called in](#) to Moody's [Open Line Live](#), hosted by Dr. Michael Rydelnik, once again, to give them a "fair chance" to weigh in on the various infant soteriology theories, one way or the other, discussed in [his book](#) on the same subject; and, while Dr. Rydelnik, once again declined to take the question on-air, for reasons known only to himself, he was nonetheless kind enough to speak off-air to this writer, during the commercial break, and let me know where he stands: He told this writer that he agrees with [Dr. Charlie Dyer's response](#) "a hundred percent," but had no comment, one way or the other, on [this writer's reply to Dr. Dyer: \(*.mp3 audio format * *.mov format with annotations * *.wmv format with annotations\)](#) Thus, we appreciate the prayers, which, in this case, were answered in chief part, and look forward to further [Moody Radio](#) programs on this and other topics. *Gordon W. Watts, Editor-in-Chief*

Editor's Note: The folder [DrCharlieDyer](#), containing attachments included in the email reply to Dr. Dyer included a PDF copy of Watts' book, but, due to copyright issues, can not be posted online, thus, a blog entry about it shall serve as a stand in. Attachments included with the email are as follows:

- [21-Feb2013-cover.pdf](#) (book cover)
- [FiresignTheatre_OpenLines_CoastToCoastAM.pdf](#) (Fair Use snapshot of COAST, showing where Watts' similar question was indeed allowed/permitted)
- [https://archive.vn/fN445.pdf](#) (Prior news coverage of Dr. Rydelnik)
- [NOT_7th-printing-Full-Color-WhenBabiesDie-6x9-Book.pdf](#) ("stand in" file)
- [OLL-FairUse-audio-clip-Sat30Jan2016_MP3.mp3](#) (Small "Fair Use" audio clip of Dr. Rydelnik's program)
- [Screenshot_20211023-165318.png](#) (Fair Use screenshot because snapshot clipped images)
- [WhenBabiesDie-byWATTS_Amazon.pdf](#) (AMAZON Product Description of Watts' book)



BREAKING: Fourth (4th) Major student loan servicer quits: Crash of the U.S. Dollar eventual, if not imminent (Wed.13 Oct. 2021) As reported by other news outlets, NAVIENT became the fourth major student loan servicer to announce an abrupt exist from the U.S. Department of Education's troubled and tumultuous student loan system. ([L - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6](#)) In July, two other major student loan servicers — GSM&R (Granite State Management and Resources) ([L - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7](#)) and FedLoan Servicing ([L - 2 - 3](#)) (subsidiary of The Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Authority and which handles the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program) — also announced their abrupt departure this past July 2021. Moreover, late last year, in October 2020, UHEAA (The Utah Higher Education Assistance Authority, and which serviced over one million student loan borrowers) announced an end to its contract with the U.S. Department of Education. ([L - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 - 8 - 9 - 10 - 11 - 12](#)) In spite of the fact that NAVIENT extended its contract ([L - 2 - 3 - 4](#)), nonetheless, *Forbes* just reported that "Despite the contract extension, Navient doesn't intend to continue as a federal student loan servicer with the Education Department. The Education Department granted the contract extension *before* Navient announced that it would exit federal student loan servicer." Source: "[Why Navient Got A \\$391 Million Student Loan Contract](#)," by Zack Friedman, *FORBES*, Oct. 13, 2021, 09:14am, EDT: [LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback Machine](#) *Forbes went on to report* that "Despite a \$391 million contract extension, Navient decided to exit federal student loan servicing," which begs the question of "Why": It's not just everyday that a huge company turns down a \$391 Million "easy money" contract. While potential oversight from the Dept of Ed, Congress, and CFPB (Consumer Financial Protection Bureau), or possible lawsuits from State Attorneys General for fraud/misconduct were cited, nonetheless, it is clear: The Federal Student lending system is an epic failure and collapsing under its own weight, suggesting perhaps it be shut down and discontinued, in favour of a simpler, less costly, funding model—such as what is used to fund public education instead of the current troubled and tumultuous American Higher Ed student loan system.



COLLAPSE OF THE U.S. DOLLAR CERTAIN

This portends a sure and eventual, even if not imminent, collapse of the U.S. Dollar for no less than seven (7) reasons:

[#1.] The CBO (The Congressional Budgeting Office) has said that the U.S. Student-Loan Program has begun losing money (running a deficit), and that was in early May 2019, even before the Covid-19 Economic Downturn: "[U.S. Student-Loan Program Now Runs Deficit, CBO Estimates: Cost to taxpayers could reach billions of dollars over a decade, according to a recent estimate](#)," by Josh Mitchell, *The Wall Street Journal*, Tue., 07 May 2019, 5:32 pm (EST): [LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback Machine](#) ; [Local cache](#) ; [Mirror-1 archive](#) ; [Mirror-2 archive](#) ; [Mirror-3 archive](#). Thus, the 85% eventual default estimate by Higher Ed expert, Dr. A. Wayne Johnson and other experts, is probably even higher now: It's gone from "earning" \$1.22 for every dollar lent to now losing money, as in PONZI schemes. (Sources: [LINK - L - 2 - 3 - 4](#))

[#2.] As reported elsewhere, former Sec. of Education, Betsy DeVos, called out the Dept of Ed for its profligate and reckless spending in her 11-27-2018 speech: "Today, FSA's [student debt] portfolio is nearly 10 percent of our nation's debt. [] Stop and absorb that for a moment. Ten percent of our total national debt." Source: U.S. Dept of Education, Sec. of Education, Betsy DeVos, 11-27-2018 speech: (Sources: [LINK - L - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5](#)) DeVos was obviously copying (without giving attribution or credit) a prior statement, made eleven (11) days earlier, in a published column by *Register* editor, Gordon Watts: "My prior column documented [former congressman, Dennis] Ross' promise to not only support bankruptcy equality for collegiate loans, but also opposition for use of tax dollars to make or guarantee said loans. But he never introduced legislation for either. Where has that gotten us? [] Collegiate debt, now almost \$2 trillion, is almost 10 percent of total U.S. debt. I predict we will crash the U.S. dollar if we ignore "crazy Gordon" one more time." Source: "Polk Perspective: Rescue taxpayers from mounting student debt," By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, *The Ledger*, November 16, 2018: (Sources: [LINK - L - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5](#))

[#3.] The looming "Debt Ceiling" crisis: "If the US defaults on debt, expect the dollar to fall — and with it, Americans' standard of living," by staff at *THE CONVERSATION*, October 11, 2021, 8:17am, EDT: [LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback Machine](#) ; [Google search](#) ; [Google news](#) ; [Yahoo! search](#) ; [Yahoo! news](#) ; "U.S. faces a recession if Congress doesn't address the debt limit within 2 weeks, Yellen says," by Thomas Franck, *CNBC*, Pub. Tue. Oct. 5, 2021, 7:40 AM (EDT), Updated Tue. Oct. 5, 2021, 2:38 PM (EDT), [LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback Machine](#) ; See also: [UsNews.com](#) ; [Reuters.com](#)

[#4.] Many Bible commentators believe that Bible, with its surprisingly accurate predictions in [Ezekiel 37:21-22](#) and [Isaiah 66:7-8](#) that Israel would become a nation after an approximately 2,000-year absence, also predicts hyper-inflation and/or famine in [Revelation 6:6](#), which says that a whole day's wages (denarius or "penny" in KJV) would be needed for a day's ration of food ("quart of wheat"): [LINK](#) ; [Archive Today](#) ; [Wayback Machine](#). While, normally, this "proof" of potential hyperinflation or a collapse of the dollar would be restricted to "opinion" or "religion" pieces, nonetheless, The Bible is given credence for its many accurate predictions. One example: Ezekiel 37:21-22 predicts that Israel will be re-gathered & reborn as a nation —and Isaiah 66:7-8 goes on to add that Israel will need only one day to be reborn. However, never in the history of the world had such a thing happened before. But, as predicted and foretold, Israel became a recognised nation, and "born in one day," as predicted. After being away from their homeland for almost 2,000 years, the Jewish People were given a national homeland in Palestine by the Balfour Declaration in November, 1917. In 1922, the League of Nations gave Great Britain the mandate over Palestine. On May 14, 1948, Great Britain withdrew her mandate, and immediately Israel was declared a sovereign state, and her growth and importance among nations became astonishing -- thus adding credibility to the hyperinflation, famine, and economic collapse predictions. Sources: [History.State.gov](#) ; [Britannica.com](#) ; [History.com](#) ; [Wikipedia.org](#) ; See also: [1](#) ; [2](#) ; [3](#) ; [4](#)

[#5.] Navient becomes the fourth (4th) major student loan servicer to announce an abrupt exist from the U.S. Department of Education's troubled and tumultuous student loan system, a hot potato item that major banks don't even want to touch in a "servicing" capacity, much less a lending capacity.

[#6.] The COVID-19 Pandemic economic downturn has not only taken a devastating toll world-wide, but moreover, due to recent controversies surrounding vaccine "mandates," many industries are disrupted, experiencing wide-spread "walkouts" and "sickouts," not to mention the overflow experienced by some hospitals which were overrun by COVID patients -- thus directly and indirectly affecting the supply chain and making daily deliveries of many commodities uncertain.

[#7.] Grid, weather, emerging solar flare threats, the slow-but-sure collapse of earth's protective magnetic field, pollution, environment, and exponentially-increasing population densities, foreign wars and unrest, and potential EMP attacks, hacking & cybersecurity threats, and such: (Sources: [LINK - L - 2 - 3 - 4](#))

Thus, lawmakers must file some version of the loan limits (pork spending cuts) bill, shown in APPENDIX-A of [the written testimony](#), which *Register* editor, Gordon Watts, recently submitted to the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee. LINKS: [1](#) ; [2](#) ; [3](#) ; [4](#) ; [5](#) ; [6](#) and/or shut down the DOE's ability to use taxpayer funds to make/back collegiate loans, as [this bill, H.R. 899 \(116th Congress\)](#) sought to do, indirectly, by shutting it down: [1](#) ; [2](#) ; [3](#) ; [4](#) ; [5](#) ; [6](#) ; [7](#), in favour of a less costly higher education funding model. As explained elsewhere, this is only politically possible if [bankruptcy defense is returned](#) to student loans, in order to serve as a free market check against graft, excesses, and the resultant hemorrhage bled out we currently see, all of which make the recent student loan bankruptcy bills among the most important bills pending before congress. Time is short, and we must act to avert a [crash of the dollar](#), and resultant [crash of the grid](#).



BREAKING NEWS from Dept of Ed, related to Student Loan "Forgiveness" (Mon.06 Sept. 2021; UPDATED on Tue.12 Oct. 2021 with breaking updates) As documented in [a new legal memo](#) published by *Register* editor, Gordon W. Watts, 6 of 8 recent papers by legal experts came to the conclusion that The President does, indeed, have statutory legal authority, under Federal Law (the 1965 HEA), to issue an Executive Order to cancel all federally-held Student Debt (but not privately-held collegiate debt). However, breaking news from the U.S. Department of Education, in an official press release, in which the DOE admits that it is breaking the law, cements the previously-argued claims regarding loan "forgiveness": They can only



break the law on this head if they have other authority on which to rely, such as The 1965HEA, thus proving the accuracy of this new legal memo.

While Mr. Watts takes no position "for" or "against" loan cancellation as a moral, economic, or practical solution (noting that it would solve a symptom and give relief to genuine victims of economic fraud crimes and documented price-gouging, but fail to address the underlying causes), nonetheless, Watts writes in response to another higher ed finance expert, nationally-recognized expert, Mark Kantrowitz who sides with the minority view. After Watts began hearing reports and complaints about Kantrowitz' view on this, he decided to revisit this issue, which was addressed in [a prior editorial](#) on this subject: Kantrowitz is not only an international expert, here, but is genuine in his honour and care for students, which raised concern when he came down on the "wrong side" of the issue. For that reason, Watts decided to write a formal legal memo giving this issue a much-more detailed analysis than before -- and hearing "both sides" of the issue from many other experts:

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UPDATE: (Sat.18 Sept. 2021) Republican lawmakers, apparently in an attempt to offer an "alternative" to "forgiveness" proposals, here, now have a "Student Loan Bankruptcy" bill with twice as many GOP sponsors as Democrat: [LINK](#) --End of Update

* "Forgiveness" is not legally correct in this context: It implies a "sin" committed by the victims of documented price-gouging -- which is usually not the case. Student Loan "Cancellation" is a more accurate term. But we chose to use it in our title, as "Loan Forgiveness" is much more widely understood at a glance than "Cancellation." Permission is granted to republish in whole, unaltered, so long as attribution is given, such as the suggested citation above. Sharing links is also welcome. "Fair Use" quotes for commentary, criticism, and research -- with attribution -- are also welcome. Donations, through the links at the top-left, though not tax deductible, are also welcome to support our research as we advocate for legislative solutions to avoid a crash of the dollar, a crash of the "GRID," and other such matters: If Members of Congress can get \$200,000.00/year to royally crash the economy, surely a "few coins" in the donations cup to those opposing them are as warranted, if not moreso.



*** BREAKING:** (Sat.18 Sept. 2021) "Student Loan Bankruptcy" bill now has twice as many GOP sponsors as Democrat: On Aug. 04, Sen. Dick Durbin (D-IL), Senate Judiciary Committee chair, introduced [S.2598 - The "FRESH START Through Bankruptcy Act"](#). What is unusual, however, is that, as of press time, it has twice as many Republican sponsors as Democrat. That's unusual, perhaps a first in the history of the nation. Historically, student loan bankruptcy legislation has enjoyed almost no GOP support. [H.R.2648, the "Student Borrower Bankruptcy Relief Act of 2019,"](#) from last session (116th Congress), for example, had 28 Democrat cosponsors but only 1 Republican cosponsor. Its Senate companion bill, [S.1414](#), had 20 Democrat but only 1 Independent cosponsors. In fact, [H.R.4907, the "Private Student Loan Bankruptcy Fairness Act of 2019"](#) from this session (117th Congress, 2021-2022, oddly-enough with "2019" in its title) has only Democrats as sponsor & cosponsors, but no GOP lawmakers. [As reported elsewhere](#), *Register* editor, Gordon W. Watts, was likely the political reporter who, via the "Free Press Doctrine," made this happen: After [a nearly 30-minute phone call](#) to aides in [Sen. Josh Hawley's DC office](#), at almost 5pm on the 15th of September, asking why he hadn't cosponsored a bill which he strongly supported in his [public floor comments](#) (*YouTube video: [cued up to 1h:26m:42s](#) - Source video: [Scroll to 01:40:57](#) - Archives: [Local](#) /and/ [Wayback](#)*), during a recent Judiciary Committee hearing, Watts, when checking email notifications, the following day [from Congress.gov](#), saw Hawley had signed on as cosponsor, probably that evening as a result of his [26 min, 31 sec telephonic press inquiry](#). The result of that was that the bill, which had, as original sponsors, Sens. Dick Durbin (D-IL) and John Cornyn (R-TX), now had another GOP cosponsor, Sen. Josh Hawley (R-MO), giving it [twice as many GOP sponsors, overall](#). Why is this, experts wonder? Is this a statistical anomaly? No, most would agree: Cornyn and Hawley are regarded some of the most conservative lawmakers on the hill. While some speculate that the "pandemic" economy devastation may have played a part in this, as well as potential for GOP lawmakers to lose voters during midterm elections, the fact remains: Numerous [strong "Conservative" arguments exist](#) for student loan bankruptcy uniformity, according to numerous legal experts: ([Local cache](#) * [Mirror-1](#) * [Mirror-2](#) * [Mirror-3](#) * [Archive-1](#) * [Archive-2](#)) In fact, Rep. Danny K. Davis (R-IL-07), widely regarded as "Liberal" by most, gave one of the best "Conservative" arguments "for" student loan bankruptcy in prepared remarks quoted in [a recent press release](#) by Rep. Steve Cohen (D-TN-09), sponsor of H.R.4907 from this session: "The 2005 bankruptcy restrictions penalize borrowers for pursuing higher education, **provide no incentive to private lenders to lend responsibly**, and likely affect African American borrowers more negatively than other borrowers." Emphasis in bold reflect free market pressures of such "incentive" for clarity; not in original: [LINK](#) * [Local cache](#) * [Mirror-1](#) * [Mirror-2](#) * [Mirror-3](#) * [Archive Today](#) * [Wayback Machine](#) Perhaps GOP leadership is starting to realise that they need an alternative to the various Liberal proposals, chief among them the Student Loan "Forgiveness" proposal, which now has even provoked [a petition with over a million signatures](#). Given this unusual turn of events, in shifting political winds among GOP, we've created a "Courage Scorecard" ([PDF format](#) * [*.html webpage](#) * [Word *.doc format](#)), which attempts to offer current information on where lawmakers (and The President and Dept of Ed) stand on key Higher Education issues. While it will be difficult to keep track of all 435 Members of Congress and 100 senators, nonetheless, this "work in progress" should offer assistance to readers and citizens on knowing where their lawmakers stand, in case they wish to seek legislation to address the looming higher ed bubble and "costs of college," which are no longer affordable, as just a few decades ago. Readers who are confused about these issues, and the "pros" and "cons" of competing proposed solutions, are encouraged to download the [written testimony](#) of editor, Gordon Watts, recently submitted to the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, regarding collegiate debt bankruptcy reform, as well as his [legal memo](#) addressing cancellation of student debt by Executive Order versus by legislation (the latter, which would require raising taxes and appropriation due to PayGo, the former, which would not). Additionally, [CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II](#)^(TM) (*see Wed.11 Aug. 2021 press release, below*), now provides resources for both understanding the problems and offering proposed solutions that don't break the bank, in our attempts to avert and prevent a duel crash of the dollar and crash of the "grid": As 911 and power are important to all, this page is required reading, a must for all--and readers, once educated & motivated, are expected to vocally demand [House](#) and [Senate](#) lawmakers, and [The President](#) (and possibly also [The Department of Education](#)) promptly and completely address the threats we face, or else the entirety of this project is a waste of valuable time/resources.

ADDENDUM: PROOF THAT REMOVAL OF BANKRUPTCY WAS NOT JUSTIFIED BY BANKRUPTCY ABUSE: Back when student loans were treated the same as all other loans in bankruptcy court, [only about zero-point-three \(0.3%\) percent were discharged in bankruptcy](#). (Because college was affordable, remember? No one even NEEDED a "student loan," much less one subsidised by our tax dollars, thus bankruptcy abuse did not occur. But when Liberals made "student loans" available on the tax dollars, colleges jacked up tuition to match increased borrowing abilities, creating a Higher Education Bubble -- which WILL burst if we don't stop insane spending of tax\$\$ on making/backing college loans.) PROOF: "By 1977 only .3% of student loans had been discharged in bankruptcy." *Source:* "[The History of Student Loans and Bankruptcy Discharge](#)," by Steven Palmer, Partner at Curtis, Casteel & Palmer, PLLC, [LinkIn](#), Published Oct 1, 2015: [LINK](#) * [Archive-1](#) * [Archive-2](#). MOREOVER: "Debunking the first premise is the fact that by 1977, under 0.3% of the value of all federally guaranteed student loans had been discharged in bankruptcy...(See H.R. REP. NO. 95-595, at 148 (1977))." *Source:* "[ENDING STUDENT LOAN EXCEPTIONALISM: THE CASE FOR RISK-BASED PRICING AND DISCHARGEABILITY](#)," 126 Harv. L. Rev. 587, [HARDARD LAW REVIEW](#), quote from p.607, Dec. 20, 2012: [PDF paper](#) * Archives: [1](#) * [2](#) * [Local cache](#) * [3](#) * [4](#) * [5](#) * [Article cite](#) * Archives: [1](#) * [2](#) * [Local cache](#) * [3](#) * [4](#) * [5](#) * Thus, there was no abuse by students seeking bankruptcy, and thus removal was not justified. In fact, removal of bankruptcy defense (aka the Economic Second Amendment) made students defenseless, and thus *increased* price-gouging and abuses that were not present before. For example, credit card companies don't loan insane amounts because borrowers have bankruptcy defense. Thus, bankruptcy defense must be restored to avert and prevent a [crash of the dollar](#), which is threatened with this insane lending using our tax dollars.

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Contract With America: ***** PRESS RELEASE:** (Wed.11 Aug. 2021) *Register* editor, Gordon W. Watts, launches **CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: PART II**^(TM), a nonpartisan legislative advocacy project, in order to finish the unfinished business of Newt Gingrich. Unlike Gingrich's project, this is nonpartisan and addresses citizen complaints from both sides of the aisle, and is a project of the citizens speaking to lawmakers, demanding action (unlike Gingrich's project, which was a project of lawmakers speaking to citizens, to solicit votes to help the GOP retake the House, Senate, and Oval Office). However, Watts' "PART II" continuation follows the same "60% issues" pattern set by Gingrich's original 1994 project, insofar as we focus **solely** on issues which we believe have at least **sixty (60%) percent** support among American citizens. This is focused primarily on American federal lawmakers (House & Senate), but has elements of appeal to the Executive Branch, the "4th Estate" aka news media, and citizen awareness campaigns. While "American" in nature, we hope this will be of benefit to the world. Top issues include protection of the power/telcom GRID & satellites, **cutting pork spending (important to "Conservatives")** to make this possible, and use of Constitutional bankruptcy uniformity to operate as a "Free Market" check on pork spending to make cuts more attainable. "Costs of College" (important to "Liberals") is also addressed, with proposed legislative, executive, and judicial solutions from both sides of the aisle. "CONTRACT WITH

AMERICA: PART II™ is our trademark phrase, and we are seeking official copyright status, and expect it to be so soon. The page is "desktop friendly" and "mobile friendly," with interactive links to social media, documented sources, and other resources, as well as a "DARK/NIGHT" and "LIGHT/DAY" theme toggle button. Official links with both mirrors and archives -- in case THE GRID (or web server) go down:

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UPDATE: USPTO.gov publishes Register Editor, Gordon Watts' trademark, in Official Gazette



Minor Updates: (Sun.08 Aug. 2021) As webmaster, it is occasionally necessary to update this online newspaper, and I have discovered that links to my recent "gay marriage" case are not clearly visible to readers, thus minor updates are necessary. For information on my *Amicus Curiae* (friend of the court brief) in the recent big "Gay Marriage" case, at the Federal Appeals court (which preceded the "big" U.S. Supreme Court case on the same subject), here is a link to the online docket with free downloads: * [COURT DOCKET](#) * [Mirror-1 cache](#) * [Mirror-2 cache](#) * [Archive Today cache-1](#) * [Archive Today cache-2](#) * [Wayback Machine archive](#) * My participation was unique in two (2) ways: First, I was the only "non-lawyer" which this court allowed to participate (so far as I know: A few other non-lawyers were denied participation). Secondly, I was the only "pro-marriage" litigant to advocate and defend gays against mistreatment (for example, hospital visitations, life insurance policies, etc.), while at the same time defending the 1-man, 1-woman definition of marriage (under Equal Protection standards) arguing that polygamy, aka plural marriage, had more legal precedent, and would have to be allowed if "same sex" marriages were allowed by the court. See e.g., the 01/06/2015 entry, and related "ORDER: regarding misc. motions," entered regarding my brief, by Justice Martin, accepting my *amicus* brief. ~Editor, G.W.Watts//



PRESS RELEASE: (Wed.24 Mar. 2021 ; UPDATED Sun.28 Mar. 2021) Bobby Watts Speed Shop and Auto / Engine Parts - MUSEUM is published, online, and now [now open to visitors](#), and features Bobby's 4 SPEED SHOPS, his AMERICAN EAGLE GYM (Plant City, FLA, "A Symbol of Strength"), and his PROJECT AMERICA. Mr. Watts sold car parts in central Florida from about 1966 until May 2018, over 50 years later, and was famous locally among local racing enthusiasts, and possibly nationwide, depending on the audience. Bobby briefly worked for "Big Daddy" Don Garlits, the legendary "King of Drag Racing," when they lived in the Central Florida in the early years. See photos of the 4 shops, and when he sold parts from his home in Plant City.



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Higher Education: (Sat.27 Feb. 2021) [Yes, Joe Biden Can 'Forgive' \\$50,000 Of Student Loans: But should he?](#) No matter which side you're on... you're very likely WRONG, as I will quickly show below, so pay close attention: The stakes are high... very high. As but one example of how "both sides" are almost uniformly wrong, I show that fellow-Conservatives are wrong to dismiss "cancellation" as a 'bad' policy, when, indeed, it is the 2ND-best option: As Sen. Rick Scott (R-FL) defines tuition, it is a form of tax, & students are sorely over-taxed. Moreover, ALL college debt has already been more-than fully paid for twice: First, the moment student take out over-inflated loans (that >85% will never be able to repay, according to the former COO of the Dept of Ed), taxpayers pay off colleges IN FULL. Secondly, it is well-documented that students have more-than paid back taxpayers, as they've paid \$1.22 for every \$1.00 borrowed--and that at illegally-inflated price-gouging prices. (Where's the DOJ to investigate illegal price-gouging, when you need them.) The stakes are very high: As over \$2 Trillion of U.S. Debt is Student Debt (comprising almost 10% of total Nat'l Debt), taxpayers will see the dollar crash if we don't stop these unwise subsidies of higher ed loans (which we got by without for decades, and can do so again). Further, college jack up tuition when taxpayer-funded subsidies are available. Lastly, when precious tax dollars are diverted for purposes that do nothing but enrich elite, rich colleges (which often don't even allow 'in-person' attendance, due to "Pandemic" issues), we are unable to fund needed upgrades to protect the Power & Telecommunications Grid, critical infrastructure, & other needs. "Liberals" are also wrong to tout cancellation as the 'best' option, when, in fact, one even-better option exists--the twin Conservative Free Market solutions outlined by Conservative heavyweight, Gordon Wayne Watts.



As over 44.7 Million Americans hold obscenely-heavy unrepayable Student Debt, & another 40-50 Million are cosigners, family, or friends (meaning that one-third, or almost one-half of all adult Americans are victims of this "new form" of slavery--Debt Slavery), it is not an understatement to say that economic, political, & social unrest at stake threaten to crash the dollar, the grid, and irreversibly crush our nation. (And, I add on a personal note: The GOP keeps getting a 'beat down' for so royally screwing up this very easy area of politics, losing elections as a result: One glaring example is the refusal to back 'sensible' measures like bankruptcy defense: GOP lawmakers & our business friends--including Pres. Trump--get repeated & massive bankruptcy discharge, but tell college students: "Bankruptcy for me, but not for thee," in double-standard style. If loan cancellation has a strong argument, how much more bankruptcy Uniformity--which is required by the U.S. Constitution's "Uniformity clause"-- look it up, which is "the tell" as to the lack of morals that refuse to abide by the Golden Rule in this regard--and lose at the ballot box, as a result.) As this is the same "Gordon Watts" who almost won the legendary pro-life 'Terri Schiavo' case--all by himself, doing better than all other "pro-life" litigants--combined, this short, 10-page, paper (not counting sources or the 1-page graph included), are well worth your time--and will help you when (not if, but when) you inevitably speak to reluctant Federal Lawmakers who are beholden to Higher Ed lobbyists & other 'monied' special interests.

UPDATE: (Sat.18 Sept. 2021) Republican lawmakers, apparently in an attempt to offer an "alternative" to "forgiveness" proposals, here, now have a "Student Loan Bankruptcy" bill with twice as many GOP sponsors as Democrat: [LINK](#) --End of Update

ACTION ITEMS: Stop being lazy: The fate of the nation is at risk: Calling your Lawmakers *does* work--but only if you stop being lazy: After downloading & studying the research, here, contact your [your Congressman/Congresswoman](#) & [your U.S. Senators](#). Mr. Watts, the author, is a true Conservative, who opposes 'Cancellation' and prefers the Conservative "Free Market" solutions outlined, but honestly acknowledges the facts as they are. See 'Terri Schiavo' section on this site, Google to verify, or see the court's own website, if you have legal accuman, but tarry not: Time is running out before the "Big One" hits our economy, and makes the 2008 crash look like peanuts.

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Kevin F.F. Montague

Health/Science: BOOK REVIEWS (Wed.27 Jan. 2021; Last updated: Fri.12 Feb. 2021) Follow-up to our [Wed. 27 Nov. 2019 coverage](#), below, of 2X Near Death Experiencer, Kevin F. Montague, scholar, scientist, & twice a guest on Coast to Coast: AM. We give a [book review](#) to his 4 books: (1) The Master's Key to Unlocking and Mastering Chronic-Disease (2) Take Back Your Power: Review of Dr. Robert C. Beck's micro-currents research; (3) Special Healthcare Report: How to clear/control Rosacea, skin blemishes, & aging spots naturally, as well as address Nasal & Ear Colonics naturally with common household items; and, (4) PROSTATE RELIEF NOW! (ebook). ** NOTE: There is some FREE stuff included. Book review-- to be updated incrementally-- available in 3 formats: * [PDF format](#) * [HTML webpage](#) * [Word *.doc](#) *



Election 2020

Jan. 2021 Why the GOP keeps losing: They did NOT take my advice on these five (5) issues, as elucidated in my "Letter to (former) Sen. Loeffler": [/LetterToSenLoeffler](#) * [Permalink-1](#) * [Permalink-2](#) * [Archived cache](#) *

TECH: Wireless Plans compared (Mon.19 Oct. 2020) "Why I chose PureTalkUSA for mobile (cell phone) service": [Product Review' comparing EIGHT \(8\) Wireless providers](#) ** (PDF format) ** Register Editor, Gordon W. Watts, explains why, in a contest of eight (8) wireless cell phone providers, PureTalkUSA beat out all others for the best mobile service:

- A-- (#1) Metro by T-Mobile (MetroPCS)
- B-- (#2) Sprint by T-Mobile (SPRINT)
- C-- (#3) Time Warner / Charter / Spectrum / BrightHouse (SPECTRUM)
- D-- (#4) Verizon / Frontier (VERIZON)
- E-- (#5) Cricket by AT&T (aka: Cricket Wireless)
- F-- (#6) Straight Talk (pre-paid provided by Wal-Mart)
- G-- (#7) PureTalkUSA (aka: PureTalk)
- H-- (#8) FreedomPop (they offered TOTALLY free talk, text, & data: And paid the ultimate price! Lol.)

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Successful Student Loan Bankruptcy: (Thr.15 Oct. 2020) *The Register* features guest columnist, Lucille Bartoo, from Modesto, CA. - Lucy Bartoo explains how she won a student loan discharge -- acting as her own lawyer. Editor's preface explains why this 1995 lawsuit win, *Lucille Bartoo vs. U.S. Dept. of Ed. and CA Ed. Loan Programs, et. al.*, Case #: 95-91125, is relevant for today: "[Is Your Educational Bankruptcy Just Another Lie?](#)" by Lucille 'Lucy' Bartoo, Guest columnist, *The Register*, Thursday, 15 October 2020. * PERMA-LINKS: [Mirror 1](#) * [Mirror 2](#) * [Archive](#) *

FREE Audio/PDF Bible Downloads: (Mon.31 Aug. 2020) *The Register* is providing free PDF downloads of the Holy Bible in 4 different versions, all with no copyright restrictions (in the Public Domain), and all known to be very "literal" or "accurate" translations: KJV, AKJV, WEB, and WMB. We're also able to



provide audio downloads in the KJV, by book (where you don't have to keep clicking for the next chapter, but can sit & listen to the whole book, in *.mp3 audio format). Click [here](#) to visit download page. If you're viewing this on another mirror, here are official download mirror archives: [MIRROR-1](#) and [MIRROR-2](#). We don't have YouTube versions, but it's a better investment to download & have "offline" copies, rather than depend on YouTube or any other website (even this one). WHY, you might ask? ANSWER: "Behold, the days come, saith the LORD GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD:" AMOS 8:11, Holy Bible (KJV). So, download The Word: Easier for you to download, listen, read, & study that it was for others to write, edit, upload, & publish. **Download, share, & study. Before there's a famine of The Word, that is.**

Election * **Elections 2020:** (Fri.14 Aug. 2020) Just this afternoon I (editor, Gordon Watts) sent out a [press inquiry](#) to the 5 Fla. Dist.15 Congressional candidates [(D) ALAN COHN, ADAM HATTERSLEY, and JESSE PHILIPPE ; (R) SCOTT FRANKLIN and ROSS SPANO] on both the nasty dispute that Franklin and Spano are having, as well as several "policy" or "legislative" matters: Higher Ed, Tuition, Excess Spending; and National Security / Grid issues: [LINK](#) * [Cache-1](#) * [Cache-2](#) * [Archive](#) * Early voting has already begun, but the Primary Election is set for Tuesday, 18 August 2020, and the General Election is on Tuesday, November 3, 2020. I will try to update Press Inquiry "results," as the answers pour in from the candidates, but you may visit my [Facebook page](#), my [Twitter feed](#), or contact candidates directly for more info. [UPDATE](#); [FULL Coverage](#) (*.pdf format) of today's Primary and the General Election this November 3, 2020: [Mirror-1](#) * [Mirror-2](#) * [Archive-1](#) * [Archive-2](#) ~Editor, Gordon W. Watts

FactCheck: (Tue.30 June 2020) Shortly after the Internet went down all over the world (ISP & cell phone outages: 22 June 2020 'Grid' news below), urban legend MEMES spread on social media like wildfire, claiming that Google & Apple installed COVID-19 tracking apps onto users' smartphones without consent, as shown in [this meme](#), [this one](#), & even [this one](#). This "conspiracy theory," however, is "mostly false." First the "true" part: Google recently made firmware updates & added an API (Application Programming Interface) -not technically an app, but rather a software interface which allows two apps to talk to each other, such as when you book a flight online: YOUR web browser communicates with an AIRLINE website to exchange data. The airline doesn't see all your private smartphone files, but just what it needs. That much is true: what Google & Apple installed allows your phone to interact with any "contact tracing technology" that might be developed by state, local, or federal government to help COVID-19 tracing (like South Korea & other places do, using Bluetooth technology with encrypted/anonymous data). But **three** key reasons why we know the MEME is FALSE: 1. First, the "exposure notification" API doesn't share data without consent: In fact, [*this* screenshot](#) from my smartphone clearly shows the default is "off": You must finish setup to install a participating app. 2. Secondly, the [rollout by Apple/Google](#) was [way back on May 20](#), well-before the June 15 disruption (below). 3. Third & last: This salient fact, oddly ignored by conspiracy theorists: Google, Apple, Samsung, etc. **don't** need "Internet" disruptions to update firmware: They do it all the time, quietly, in the background--because you assented & consented to their TOS (Terms of Service), which you clicked 'Accept' on their user agreement. RATING: "MOSTLY FALSE"

For further reading, please note: So-called "Conservative," "Liberal," even "non-political" sites all agree: [Snopes](#) * [ZDNet](#) * [USA Today](#) * [FORBES](#) So, bottom line, readers: Read carefully, skills you'll need when contacting lawmakers & other news media about the **four** threats we face, below: Excess Spending, Excess Taxation, & resultant crash of the Dollar *and* the Power/Communications Grid. (Editor, Gordon W. Watts, primary author)



Courts: (Wed.25 March 2020)
Originally published as "Mortgage Fraud" news on [Fri. 14 Apr. 2017](#) Federal Court reinstates Civil Rights lawsuit against ten (10) ILLINOIS state judges: Court lets Register editor, Gordon W. Watts, proceed with lawsuit against 10 IL judges who conspired to facilitate forgery/title theft of elderly man's house in ongoing Mortgage Fraud case. Watts has standing to intervene, places workman-type lien on house. [Open-Source Docket LINK](#) Presiding: Judge Robert M. Dow, Jr. (U.S. District Court) in Courtroom: 2303 (Everett McKinley Dirksen United States Courthouse, Chicago, IL).



COVID-19 Coronavirus FUNDING EMERGENCY: (Fri.27 March 2020) GOP lawmakers need to grant [Trump spending cuts request](#) to free up funding to address COVID-19/Coronavirus; * [National Emergency](#); * [Sign this petition on Change.org](#) AND [this petition on MoveOn.org](#) or even [write a letter via ActionNetwork.org](#) [HERE \(but ignore this failed Whitehouse petition\)](#), AND [SHARE-downloading /republishing, if you like THESE notes:](#) [\(stable PDF format\)](#) * [\(WORD *.doc format\)](#) * [\(HTML web-page format\)](#)



Science / BREAKING: (Mon.22 June 2020) **BREAKING:** "The Grid" nearly crashed twice in recent weeks: [Beginning May 20, 2020](#), many news agencies [reported](#) that satellites in the South Atlantic region took a direct hit from solar winds as earth's protective magnetic field unexpectedly weakened, causing technical disturbances in [satellites](#), and threatening [spacecraft and even smartphones](#) to stop working. Then, just weeks later, there were widespread blackouts of numerous social media, cell phone companies, and ISPs (Internet Service Providers): [#Facebook](#), [#Messenger](#), and [#Instagram all went down](#) simultaneously this past June 15, 2020; we later found out that [T-Mobile](#), [Verizon](#), [AT&T](#), and even the powerful [Sprint](#) all also suffered spikes in reported outages beginning around 12pm EST that day. While most of the reports alleged anonymous [DDoS \(Distributed Denial of Service\) Attacks against Facebook, Instagram, Fortnite, T-Mobile and Comcast](#) and even [Chase Bank](#), a few claimed that there was widespread, and unexplained, [failure of both regular and backup fiber optic equipment](#). See also: [TheVerge](#) * [FierceWireless](#) * [TmoNews](#) * [FORBES](#) gave an "UPDATE 5:00 am EDT:", [which said](#): "Forbes Senior Contributor [Davey Winder](#) has reported that the outages did in fact stem from T-Mobile, and there is no current evidence of a coordinated cyberattack." **However, this writer is very suspicious of that claim, given the fact that they had already admitted that practically every sector of the Internet (and not just T-Mobile) had outages or otherwise went down, earlier in the same news item:** "According to outage aggregator [Downdetector](#), users reported outages in major mobile carriers (T-Mobile, Metro, Verizon, AT&T, Sprint, Consumer Cellular, US Cellular), Internet providers (Spectrum, Comcast, CenturyLink, Cox), social media platforms (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Snapchat, Twitter), games and game services ([Fortnite](#), [Roblox](#), [Call of Duty](#), Steam, Xbox Live, PlayStation Network), streaming services (Netflix, Hulu, HBO Now, Twitch), banks (Chase Bank, Bank of America), delivery services (Doordash), and other major platforms like Google and Zoom." **Source:** "T-Mobile, Fortnite, Instagram, Comcast, And Chase Bank Have All Experienced Outages. Some Believe The U.S. Has Been Hit By Large-Scale DDoS Attack—Others Are Skeptical. (Updated)." Jesse Damiani, Consumer Tech, [FORBES](#), June 15, 2020, 08:43pm EDT, [LINK](#) * [Archive 1](#) * [Archive 2](#) * [Archive 3](#) * Therefore, it might be wise to revisit the news item, below, asking lawmakers to "Harden the Grid": [Science:](#) (Updated: Mon.22 June 2020) UPDATE: The [Solar Flare / Harden the Grid scientific paper](#), which was [Published at Academia.edu](#), has "prepper" information (pp. 49-50 of 58) to prepare for COVID-19 Nat'l Emergency: ** PDF file format: [Mirror 1](#) ** [Mirror 2](#) ** Webpage (*.html) format: [Mirror 1](#) ** [Mirror 2](#) ** Microsoft Word (*.doc) format: [Mirror 1](#) ** [Mirror 2](#) **



Higher Education: (Fri.06 December 2019; UPDATED Mon.02 March 2020) **U.S. Department of Education in the news:** U.S. Department of Education experiences lots of Instability, Turmoil of recent. -- [The Washington Post recently reported that](#) "1 in 15 borrowers has considered suicide because of student debt, survey says," and why is there this new suicide phenomenon? Answers follow:



- 1. This past October, *Forbes* reported that "[Judge Threatens Betsy DeVos With Jail In Student Loan Case](#)," for failure to obey a court order for the DOE to stop collecting on student loans from 16,000 students who went to the defunct Corinthian College, whose fraud made students eligible for a special discharge. (This is the same "Dept of Ed" that gave The Register a "non-answer" to a recent press inquiry: (1) Does the DOE support lowering loan limits for student loans, and (2) does the DOE support the student loan bankruptcy bill: While it's true that lawmakers & the DOJ also have jurisdiction, nothing stops the DOE from advocacy; this is clear cowardly "bunting" with a "non-answer." Indeed, the secretary, in her [11-27-2018 speech \(fair use cache\)](#) addressed loan limits. While we can't blame the DOE staff employees, [who replied to our press inquiry or wrote the attached response](#), the DOE is a "do-nothing" weight upon taxpayers, and needs to either shape up or ship out.)
- 2. Later that month, *The Wall Street Journal* reported that Trump Education Official, Dr. A. Wayne Johnson, who was appointed by Education Secretary Betsy DeVos, "said he would resign Thursday and endorse canceling most of the nation's outstanding student debt, [calling the student-loan system "fundamentally broken."](#)"
- 3. Then, in a strange turn of events, legendary Student Loan expert, [Alan M. Collinge](#), who is often featured [on CBS and many other outlets](#) just recently made a call for readers of his large Facebook group to [do a blitz on President Trump \[and\] Please get this video to him](#) to "drain the Student Loan swamp." Since this affects 44 Million Americans with collegiate loans, and another 20-30 Million cosigners, family, & friends (see Nov. 24 news item, below), *The Register* shall grant his Free Speech request to make his video go viral; we ask you to share [this YouTube video](#) or [this Facebook video](#).
- 4. Now that we've got the reader's attention, it's time to roll out a solution: Please note that my e-mails to my Congressman were kindly acknowledged by his higher ed staffer, as well as a nationally-known Bankruptcy attorney, not to mention *The Ledger*, the local paper which published my most recent column: [\(Web-page\) RandomHigherEd-DIALOGUE-thread.html](#) -or- [\(PDF file\) RandomHigherEd-DIALOGUE-thread.pdf](#). To that end, when we ask you to "call your congressman," it's not a wasted effort, and here is helpful information so you'll know what to say:
 - *** **IMPORTANT: 5** Updated "Key" Higher-Ed news items * [A proposed press release](#) I've supplied my congressman (which documents that the interest alone on Higher ed spending interest increased \$175,222,450.38 each day in recent decades) [This is the bill which Pres. Trump recently requested](#). Of course, you will need to know the bill number for your Member of Congress or Senator: [S.1414 \(Senate\)](#) and [H.R.2648 \(House\)](#). **VERY IMPORTANT:** Many 'Conservatives' oppose Student Loan Bankruptcy on the belief that this would somehow cost "taxpayer dollars," but this is incorrect: Almost ALL Student Loans are *owned* (not guaranteed) by the Federal Government, which occurred when "[the federal government effectively monopolized](#)" Student Loans "in a little-known provision of the Affordable Care Act, signed into law in 2010," during the first 2 years of President Obama's administration, according to [INVESTOPEDIA](#): "Who Actually Owns Student Loan Debt?," by Sean Ross, *INVESTOPEDIA*, Updated Jul 30, 2019, [LINK \(Fair Use cache\)](#) Thus, if EVERY student filed for bankruptcy, it would cost almost NO tax dollars (we already bought said loans), but failure to reinstate & return bankruptcy to collegiate loans allows taxpayers to continue to bleed to death, because bankruptcy (which would force lending DOWN) is not present, thus allowing continued waste of tax dollars to enrich colleges, using students as a "conduit" for taxpayer-funded student loans: it is an obvious scam, harming taxpayers and students. This should be enough, but if you need to see deeper research, you may download [this 203-page, 7.83 MB *.PDF file](#), which includes three (3) bankruptcy attorneys' testimony before the U.S. House Judiciary Committee, this past June, or, archived here: [Archive-1](#) ** [Archive-2](#). Now, if you're upset at the status quo, don't just "complain," but be a part of the solution: Call, write, email, visit, Facebook, or Tweet to your Senator or Member of Congress.
 - The Register is [Conservative](#), and we support [H.Res.675 \[116th Congress \(2019-2020\)\]](#), a Resolution expressing the view that Student Loan Forgiveness (or "Free College") are antithetical to American foundational values of self-responsibility & opportunity. HOWEVER, if [Lawmakers](#) could [pass \(263-171 in the House\) the "Mortgage Bailout" \(aka: "Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008"\)](#) outright giving a "Liberal Free (Corporate) Handout" of [Seven-Hundred Billion \(\\$700,000,000.00\) Dollars \(not counting another \\$250 Billion and \\$350 Billion in Sec.115\)](#) to companies who made bad decisions, and still have a "Bankruptcy Safety Net," the least they could do is return said safety net to student 'loans'. LIBERAL Lawmakers need to offer relief for taxes dressed up as loans to Student Loan Borrowers, and besides this tax-cut for the middle-class, they need to enact the spending cuts that Trump requested, which would drive down student debt and costs of college, as unlimited subsidies stopped "propping up" a Higher Ed Bubble (which looms larger than the 2008 Housing Bubble, as it lacks Bankruptcy as a Free Market check on excessive taxing/spending).
 - [For further reading:](#) [Retroactive Legislation: A Primer for Congress - Fair Use cache](#), *CRS (Congressional Research Service)*, August 15, 2019 ** [The Case against Civil Ex Post Facto Laws - Econ Papers archive - Fair Use cache](#), by Steve Selinger, *Cato Journal*, 1996, vol. 15, Issue 2-3, pp. 191-213 ** Besides the 'important' material above, [my Intervention "as of right"](#) before the [U.S. Supreme Court](#) was [properly received and court-stamped](#). ** [Cache-1](#) ** [Cache-2](#). The compilation of 'key' news articles, above, BEARS REPEATING and is both [*.PDF](#) and [*.html web-page](#) formats and cross-posted: [PDF-mirror-1](#) * [PDF-mirror-2](#) * [WebPage-mirror-1](#) * [WebPage-mirror-2](#) * Lastly, my most recent column is still big news: ["Polk Perspective: Offer relief for taxes](#)

dressed up as 'loans'," By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, *The Ledger*, November 19, 2019: [LINK](#) * [Fair Use Cache-1](#) * [Fair Use Cache-2](#) *** [Student Loan Bankruptcy Exception: Timeline - Fair Use cache](#), by Dr. Mark Kantrowitz, *FinAid*, Copyright © 2020 by FinAid Page, LLC. All rights reserved. *** [History of the Bankruptcy Discharge for Student Loans - Fair Use cache](#), *CAPPEX (Cappex originates from the phrase "College Application Exchange")*, Copyright © 2020 *** P.S.: Besides calling/e-mailing my Congressman & Senators, I've also [written The President](#), and both copies I sent were signed for & received, via both [the U.S. Postal Service](#) as well as [UPS](#). *The Register* asks readers to contact your Senators, Members of Congress, and even the President (via his social media, Facebook, Twitter, Whitehouse comments line, letter to the editor, or even by asking your Member of Congress to pass along your views). It's your move: The problem isn't going to solve itself. ~Gordon Wayne Watts, Editor-in-chief, *The Register*

• **Related: WHITEHOUSE Petition website documented likely cheating petitioners (Wed.25 March 2020) UPDATE:** As of today's update (Wednesday, March 25, 2020), we've noticed "funny business" with the [Whitehouse's petition website](#): Well-known student debt expert, [Alan M. Collinge](#), who is often featured [on CBS and many other outlets](#), made a [Petition on Whitehouse.gov](#). Created on March 16, 2020, nine (9) days ago, it currently has only [613 signatures](#). By contrast, [Collinge's CHANGE.org petition](#) got [94,023 signatures](#) in about the same time. Furthermore, another recent [MoveOn.org petition by Natalia Abrams](#), asking for Student Debt forgiveness, as a stimulus (in response to the COVID-19/Coronavirus economic downturn) got [428,145 signatures](#), as of press time. Moreover, the legendary ["Million signature" petition on MoveOn.org by Rob Applebaum](#), which has been online for a while, [has 1,206,357 signatures and climbing](#) --well-over a Million unique signatures. Even [Abrams' ActionNetwork.org letter campaign](#) has ["145,010 Letters Sent"](#). All these campaigns (excepting the "Million signature" petition) appear to be very recent petition or letter campaigns. Yet only one (1) of them -- Collinge's campaign -- are slamming petitions at a screaming-fast rate. Let one think that Collinge's supporters were weak, let us remind you that his petition ["got listed"](#) on the official Whitehouse.gov website -- i.e., once it gets 150 signatures (which it did in about one day's time), it gets posted publicly, and gets boatloads of "free advertising," where visitors (already familiar with the easy-to-use Whitehouse petition site) are already viewing the page. Why Collinge's Whitehouse petition has only a few hundred signatures is an anomaly, and a statistically very unlikely failure. Having this petition (with a VERY popular topic -- "Student Loan Forgiveness") posted in a very highly-trafficked place (on Whitehouse.gov, with other popular petitions) get ignored would not be unlike having fresh meat placed in a cage of hungry dogs, bears, and tigers -- and having said meat largely ignored. Now, focused on asking lawmakers to grant the Trump spending cuts request referenced in other news, *Register* editor, Gordon W. Watts, has started THIS viral petition [on Change.org](#) and THIS one [on MoveOn.org](#) and even a letter campaign [via ActionNetwork.org HERE](#), (but giving up on [this failed Whitehouse petition](#)), and has [contacted the Whitehouse](#), and his Member of Congress, [Rep. Ross Spano \(R-FL-15\)](#), seeking "help with a Federal Agency" -- the Whitehouse, in this case. ** [Click * here *](#) to jump back to the top of the page.



FREE: (Wed.27 November 2019; UPDATED FRI.29 JANUARY 2021) **FREE Research paper** * * I just purchased a book from 2X Near Death Experiencer, Kevin F. Montague, an author with a double major in Technical Communication Arts & Sciences, and a second degree in music. The [Special Healthcare Report](#), available [here](#) cost me \$4.50. When asking him about a PDF "unlock code," he said I could ["share that report with others freely"](#) in two [different replies](#). THEREFORE, what cost me \$4.50, you can [get free here](#). ([archive 1](#) * [archive 2](#)) Kevin was a [guest](#) on the [Tue. 11/19/2019 show](#), and, again on the [Sun. 04/05/2020 show](#), on the legendary Coast to Coast: AM, overnight program, hosted by George Noory & founded by Art Bell. When he died twice & met the Lord Jesus, he was given an assignment to finish writing his book, "THE MASTER'S KEY," which addresses chronic disease processes. Kevin, who graduated *cum laude* (with honours) from Notre Dame High School (Sherman Oaks, CA), became a California State scholar, & attended Loyola University (Westchester, CA), did an excellent job in the [research paper](#), he wrote on how to clear/control Rosacea, skin blemishes, & aging spots naturally, as well as address Nasal & Ear Colonics naturally with common household items. You can take my word that this is real science (see how I sign my name, this time), or download a [free copy \(*.PDF, 2.62 MB\)](#), yourself. **DISCLAIMER:** I'm not getting paid for this free ad, at this time (but all donations are being accepted). You may follow Kevin here: [TheAstroboy9](#) * [Beyond LIFE there is the LIGHT](#) * [KFFMenterprises \(Facebook\)](#) * [Kevin \(personal Facebook\)](#) * [KFFMenterprises \(Homepage\)](#) * [KFFMenterprises \(Purchase product\)](#) * [@CausalityLoop](#) * [The Master's Key \(main product\)](#) * [Listen to Kevin in Hour-3 \(16.7 MB *.mp3, right-click to download\)](#) * [Listen to Kevin in Hour-4 \(16.4 MB *.mp3, right-click to download\)](#)



** **UPDATE:** Book review-- to be updated incrementally-- available in 3 formats: * [PDF format](#) * [HTML webpage](#) * [Word *.doc](#) *

--Gordon Wayne Watts, Editor-in-Chief, & Health/Science Editor, *The Register* ([cache 1](#) * [cache 2](#))

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DEVELOPING: (Sun.24 November 2019) **AMERICA'S SICK HIGHER ED: An Area where Conservatives, Liberals, Blacks, Whites, & most others are now finding "broad agreement," and now must 'Team Up' & Work Together** ** My column published this past Tuesday, in *The Ledger*: ["Polk Perspective: Offer relief for taxes dressed up as 'loans'."](#) By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, *The Ledger*, November 19, 2019; [FAIR USE *.pdf cache](#). Moreover, there is an active and lively discussion [on FACEBOOK](#) about this, in which we find support for fixing this matter from both "Liberal" Democrats

DOUBLE Trouble



(who feel oppressed by the rich colleges/banks), as well as "Conservative" Republicans, like myself (who view tuition as a 'tax' and see 'Constitutional' and 'Moral' problems with current U.S. Bankruptcy Code) -- not to mention the fact that almost ten (10%) of all U.S. Debt is collegiate debt (which will crash the dollar if not stopped immediately).

Students AND Taxpayers hurt!
by GREEDY banks & colleges!

Since the twin curses of unaffordable/skyrocketing college tuition and oppressive/unrepayable student debt hurts Black Americans disproportionately, we expect that all Americans (Black, White, Red, Yellow, Brown, --and Liberal, Conservative, Libertarian, & Independent) to join forces to fight this new and frankly dangerous Higher Education Bubble. **PROOF:** *"Four years after graduating college, black students owe nearly twice as much student debt as their white peers do and are three times more likely to default on those loans, according to a new paper by the Brookings Institution."* Source: ["Black College Grads Have Twice as Much Student Debt as Whites."](#) by Kerri Anne Renzulli, *TIME*, Oct 21, 2016.

Black Americans, who comprise roughly 12.1% of America's total population, are hit especially hard, but this actually hurts almost all Americans. CBS recently reported that "A quarter of borrowers who take out student loans end up defaulting within five years...Nationwide, 26% of borrowers defaulted, Pew said." Source: ["1 in 4 Americans defaulted on their student loans, study finds."](#) by Sarah Min, *CBS News: MONEYWATCH*, Nov 07, 2019.

However, the twenty-six (26%) percent 'default' rate (they default because bankruptcy is practically unavailable) is only for the first five (5) years: Probably, the true default rate is over fifty (50%) percent, over the lifetime of the loan. And, recalling that college debt (almost \$2 Trillion now) is almost TEN (10%) PERCENT of U.S. Debt (which is slightly north of \$20 Trillion, at the time of press): The Higher Ed bubble will probably be greater than the 2007-2008 "Housing Bubble," because at least housing lenders' 'Predatory Lending was slowed down by borrowers' 'Bankruptcy' defense (which we've nicknamed "The Economic Second Amendment"). Student borrowers, however, can almost never surpass the 'Undue Hardship' standard.

This is a developing story, and, while nothing is guaranteed, it seems very likely that many groups (NAACP, college Republicans, college Democrats, and other politically-active groups) will form an unlikely -- but now *very* likely alliance. Note, please, that while many are calling for 'free' college (and there are excellent arguments for that, not the least of which is that [America did, in fact, have free college in many places in the recent past](#), when our Higher Education was the best in the world --and yet still affordable), nonetheless, my series of columns do NOT call for 'free' college, 'Loan Forgiveness', or "Liberal Free Handouts," which suggests that our compromise will work well --without compromising our shared values, as Americans.

If you, the reader, agree, then we ask you to contact your member of Congress. Mine (Editor, Gordon W. Watts) is [U.S. Rep. Ross Spano \(R-FL-15\)](#), and Florida's two senators are [Sen. Marco Rubio \(R-FL\)](#) and [Sen. Rick Scott \(R-FL\)](#). Please call them during Mon.-Fri. business hours, ask to speak to their "Higher Ed" staff, and ask for passage of both bills outlined in my recent *Ledger* column, linked (and archived) above; if you need the bill number: "H.R.2648 - Student Borrower Bankruptcy Relief Act of 2019" and the Senate companion bill: "S.1414 - Student Borrower Bankruptcy Relief Act of 2019." The other bill does not (at time of press) have a bill number (is not enrolled), but make reference to this, and they will understand: ["Trump Proposes Limits On Student Loan Borrowing."](#) By Zack Friedman, *FORBES*, Tue. March 19, 2019, which (as I show elsewhere) will result in both lower tuition and also prevent (or delay) a crash of the dollar. **Lawmakers: What you've been doing for the past 20-30 years HAS NOT worked; how about trying it my way, for once--or do you prefer to have a crash of the dollar and unaffordable tuition, both of which place national security at risk? ..not to mention continued unnecessary oppression of Black Americans, many of whom are our neighbours, family, & friends? It's your move, Lawmakers.**

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Be polite, but repeatedly persistent. If you're too lazy to even call and/or use the 'Contact form' on your lawmakers' webpage ([*this* is a 'Contact' form page](#)), then 2 things: First, we WILL lose, and secondly, we WILL *DESERVE* to lose. **Both students and taxpayers are greatly hurt by greedy, rich banks and overpaid colleges.** We don't ask for any 'free handout' -- just Justice. It's your move: the problem is not going to 'solve itself'.

P.S.: Knowing that I've shown tuition to be a form of tax (monies going to an arm of government: state colleges), many of my friends of faith recall that [the Judeo-Christian Holy Bible \(accepted by Jews & Christians\) lists excessive tax as a sin:](#)

- Times people were over-taxed--led to civil unrest in both cases, and thus TO BE AVOIDED.
- 1 Samuel 22:1-2 (King David--before he was King--got support from many over-taxed citizen)
- 1 Kings 11:42-43 ; 1 Kings 12:1-20 (Solomon's EVIL, STUPID son, Rehoboam committed this sin!)
- 2 Chronicles 9:30-31 ; 2 Chronicles 10:1-19 (Reprise: Solomon's EVIL, STUPID son, Rehoboam)

Note, please, that King Rehoboam's insistence on continuing King Solomon's oppressive/excessive tax nearly resulted in CIVIL WAR, and is what "split the kingdom" into the "Northern 10 tribes" and "Southern 2 tribes."

Moreover, most devout Muslims will recall that Surah 3:130, Surah 4:161, and even Surah al-Rum (The Romans) Quran 30:39 prohibit usury (excessive interest), which is usually present in collegiate loans. See also Al-Baqarah (The Cow), Surah 2:275, THE NOBLE QUR'AN, which has an especially

harsh/eternal punishment for: "Those who consume interest cannot stand [on the Day of Resurrection] except as one stands who is being beaten by Satan into insanity. That is because they say, "Trade is [just] like interest." But Allah has permitted trade and has forbidden interest. So whoever has received an admonition from his Lord and desists may have what is past, and his affair rests with Allah . But whoever returns to [dealing in interest or usury] - those are the companions of the Fire; they will abide eternally therein."

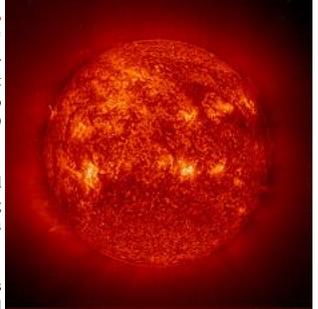
DISCLAIMER: This writer (Gordon W. Watts) is a Christian, and accepts the following as canon: SOVEREIGN KING JESUS

"46 And He said, "Woe to you also, lawyers! For you load men with burdens hard to bear, and you yourselves do not touch the burdens with one of your fingers." "3 Therefore whatever they tell you to observe, that observe and do, but do not do according to their works; for they say, and do not do. 4 For they bind heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers." [Luke 11:46; Matthew 23:3-4, NKJV, Words of Jesus in red] Commentary: 'Lawyers' & others, such as Federal Lawmakers, who "load men with burdens" (by passing laws stripping students' ability to obtain bankruptcy for most college loans -and stripping 'Truth In Lending' requirements to give borrowers fair 'Due Process' notice of this) certainly violate the Golden Rule. Lawmakers are hypocrites: They wouldn't accept this 'too hard to bear' 'burden' on their shoulders! And neither should you: **This bears repeating, so I shall -- CALL, WRITE, and E-MAIL said lawmakers:**

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*** BREAKING:** (Wed.02 October 2019) **Recent, but forgotten, solar superstorms: shut down power grids, halted stock market trading, and disrupted communications & satellites -- Worse than global warming **** The infamous solar storm of March 1989 inflicted major damage to Quebec, Canada's power grid, causing a 9-hour blackout when transformers were overloaded and failed, leaving more than 6 million Canadians without power, and crashing computer hard-drives later that year (August 1989), resulting in halted trading in the Toronto stock market. In fact, astronauts aboard the space shuttle Atlantis, during this solar storm, in October 1989 reported burning in their eyes as highly-charged solar particles hit them.



Another solar storm hit Canada, as well as **the northeast United States, in August 2003**, causing wide-spread blackouts, this time jamming the short-wave radio frequencies used by commercial pilots, prompting contemporary observers to speculate that the Kremlin was jamming radio signals. "In space, some satellites actually tumbled out of control for several hours," NASA said.

More recently, the "Solar Storm of 2012," documented to have been even larger than the largest previous solar storm in recorded history, almost made a "direct hit" on earth, narrowly missing only because earth had moved about nine (9) days [about 2.46% of earth's 365¼-day orbit] in solar orbit from its trajectory. As earth's 'magnetic north pole' accelerates its erratic movement, earth's protective magnetic field has begun to speed up its collapse, which would leave us completely vulnerable to another solar flare event. Register editor, Gordon Watts, who was valedictorian of his electronics class, has now submitted this [research paper](#) with proposed solutions for citizens to prepare and for Federal lawmakers to "harden the grid" to protect our critical communications and power grids, now much more sensitive than mere telegraphs, which were damaged during the infamous "Carrington Event." *To read the paper:*

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*** BREAKING:** (Mon.15 July 2019; UPDATED Sat.14 Sept. 2019) Lakeland (Fla.) Police have been "call-blocking" phones for decades: *We've now learned they've even been blocking 911 calls if they "get annoyed" at callers. DOCUMENTED: Damning Proof * NEW Update: Mayor gets involved-- texts 911*

-- Readers of *The Register* know us for delivering stories you won't find elsewhere, and this certainly qualifies as "bizarre" even by the standards of the Lakeland Police Department, legendary for being in the news for infamous corruption. If you didn't get the note: [Google: Lakeland Florida Police Department corruption](#) *** [Or Yahoo! them](#). Without any further ado, here are links to this breaking news item: [External Link](#) (opens in new page) [Internal Link](#) (drop-down to below)

CHICAGO, IL:
Mortgage Fraud BREAKING: Cook County, IL Circuit Court and 1st Appellate Court being sued in Federal Court for serious Federal Civil Rights violations: Makes one elderly man homeless, placing lives in danger: [Open-Source Docket LINK](#)

Hearing set before Judge Robert M. Dow, Jr. (U.S. District Court) in Courtroom: 2303 (Everett McKinley Dirksen United States Courthouse, Chicago, IL), on [Tuesday, 09 July 2019 at 09:15 A.M. \(CST\) or: 10:15 A.M. \(EST\)](#), to present [key motion](#) with [exhibits about a history of crime](#).

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(Fri. 14 Apr. 2017; UPDATED Sat. 05 May 2018: The ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT has [granted review](#) of Watts' request for review in this matter. Click [here](#) for the 20.5 MB pdf file, a Court-Stamped copy. Or, click [here](#) and see the "04/20/2018" entry in the LAW DIVISION docket (links at top--you must scroll down for 04/20/2018 entry). For full story, see link to [open-source docket](#), hosted by *The Register* and with filings by Register editor, Gordon W. Watts, who has been granted Intervention in the Law Division case; from Staff Reports; NEWS)

Courts * [Chicago Courts refuse to stop illegal construction/demolition: "Mortgage Rescue Scam" victim's house almost destroyed](#) * **UPDATE:** As previously reported

*** NEWS (Tue.09 July 2019) News Alert: G & G Complete Auto Repair now does WINDOWS and GLASS --** Readers of *The Register* recall my father, [Bobby Watts](#) passed away. One of his first jobs was with "Big Daddy" Don Garlits, the 'King of Drag Racing', and later on, he had the Bobby Watts Speed Shop & Auto/Engine Parts. But, for those looking for a good mechanic, stay tuned:

My father was friends with Gordon Hicks (and named me after him). While both my father and Gordon Hicks have passed away, my good friend, Kenny Hicks, took over his father's business, G & G Complete Auto Repair, which does "Balancing, & Alignment" on tire & wheels -- **as well as complete auto repair.** Click [here for their business card](#), and click [here for a map with driving directions](#).

However, I've just learned that they now *also* do complete Windows & Glass replacement & installation. Many auto repair shops exist, and many are good, but I don't know all things, so I can't speak on them. Anyhow, G & G, which is located at 1206 S. Collins St. in Plant City, FL, can be reached at OFFICE: (813) 754-4050 or SALES: (813) 420-1211 for Auto Glass Solutions. (DISCLAIMER: Kenny Hicks, the owner, is a friend, and I am biased in this regard, but, I'm not intentionally inaccurate -- and, to make his day, please mention that you heard this from me.)

*** PREVIEW (Sun.23 June 2019 ; UPDATED: Sun.31 Aug. 2025) Letter to The President: Part II --** UPDATE: After our [first letter](#) to The President on Wed. 24 April 2019, we sent [a follow-up letter](#) this past Fri. 22 Aug. 2025.--End of update//

Readers of *The Register* recall my [1-page letter \(8/2x14\) to Pres. Trump](#), which a friend of *his* had asked me to write, and I included [Supporting docs \(8/2x11\) \[file was updated recently\]](#). It was signed for and received via both [U.S. Postal](#) and [by UPS](#). Word on the street has it that it was reviewed by the president's chief of staff, which seems especially likely given the Trump administration's continued push to reign in spending (which was one of my two main issues, excess taxation being the other one). There were new developments (see below), and we also know that three (3) key problems weren't solved, prompting a follow-up:

by DNAinfo: [I] ["[Rotted' Historic Building In Old Town Triangle Could Be Seized By City.](#)" by Ted Cox, DNAinfo, Mar 30, 2017; and: "[Rotted' Old Town Triangle House Owner Faces Daily \\$1K Fine As Charges Fly.](#)" by Ted Cox, DNAinfo, Apr 07, 2017; and: "[Rotted' Old Town House Slated For Repairs As Fines Threatened Again.](#)" by Ted Cox, DNAinfo, Apr 28, 2017; and: "[Owner Of Rotted' Old Town Home Threatened With \\$150,000 Fine.](#)" by Ted Cox, DNAinfo, Jul 07, 2017; and: "[Owner Of 'Rotted' Old Town House Faces 'Significant Fines,' City Says.](#)" by Ted Cox, DNAinfo, Jul 13, 2017; and: "[Rotted' Old Town House Cleared For Repairs.](#)" by Ted Cox, DNAinfo, Jul 20, 2017; and: "[Rotted' Old Town House Owner Given 45 Days To Come Up With Repair Plan.](#)" by Ted Cox, DNAinfo, Sept 01, 2017; and: "[Landmarks commission still threatening fines if house in historic district isn't worked on once building permit is issued.](#)" by Ted Cox, ChicagoCityscape, Nov 09, 2017]], the house which was featured in our previous [Tue. 01 Dec. 2015 story, linked here](#) was almost destroyed, even in spite of repeated warnings to The Court's [Chancery, Civil, and Law Divisions](#). This story is developing: keep posted for updates. [The Register's open-source docket](#), is accessible [here with most or all key filings](#). [\[Perma-link to this story: click here\]](#)

(Mon.04 Mar.2019) New video & new evidence emerge in Michael Dunn shooting case, which could clear the former Lakeland, FL commissioner of all charges: [LINK](#) ** [Video \(YouTube\)](#) ** [Video, Commentary, Comments \(Facebook\)](#) ** [Video Download \(right-click\) MP4 format](#) **

LAKELAND, FL - OBITUARIES
(Sat. 12 May 2018) [Robert Franklin Delano "Bobby" Watts \(01 Jan 1935 - 03 May 2018\)](#)
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LAKELAND, FL: Local Lakeland Attorney, John Hugh Shannon, and 4 passengers, perish in tragic airplane crash on Christmas Eve 2017 * (Sun. 31 Dec. 2017) *The Register* recently ran true, but [very embarrassing, news coverage](#) on Atty. Shannon, back in 2014. (Permalinks: [#1](#) * [#2](#) * [#3](#) * [#4](#)) However, while the writer later learned who the actual guilty party was, he was unable to prove it, due to lack of witness cooperation, and the investigation ran cold, rendering all attempts to clear Shannon's name futile. Nonetheless, when news of Shannon's death reached *The Register*, we remembered our prior true, but [embarrassing, news coverage](#), and while not false, it was incomplete, and could cause pain and grief for the remaining family. Therefore, in spite of numerous obstacles (*loss of Internet, time needed to recover a lost GOP Primary debate video, transcode it to MP4 & WMV, and then upload it via almost dialup speeds, with bad connectivity in replacement Internet, and general fatigue and overwork*), the original writer made a Herculean effort to update the story with newly-learned information, which mostly clears Shannon's name, as well as give

- We're spending more than we make, and will crash the dollar, if the President doesn't convince lawmakers to go along with his spending cuts (as I've previously discussed).
- Skyrocketing tuition.
- Requisite crushing collegiate debt.

For those who want a "preview" of what I plan to write (to both Pres. Trump, my lawmakers, and probably local news media) as a "Part: II" follow-up, [here's](#) the banner image I plan to use, and **** here ** are "updated" Supporting docs (8½x11) [file was updated recently], a 7.83 MB file in PDF format** (but be careful when printing them out: While they're all 8½x11, some of them are landscape, with most of them being portrait, meaning you may have to adjust your printer settings for some pages). **"Editor's choice": A VERY GOOD READ!** ~Editor

*** UPDATE (Sat.18 May 2019) H.R. 770 vs. H.R.2648?** -- Readers of *The Register* recall we advocated H.R.770 as a Conservative Free Market check on predatory lending in higher ed loans, but just this past week, both [S.1414](#) and its companion bill, [H.R.2648](#) were introduced, apparently to cure a Constitutional flaw in the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, striking section (8) of 11 USC § 523(a), in order to make it comply with the U.S. Constitution, specifically, Art.I, Sec.8., Cl.4, the legendary "Uniformity Clause," and a special type of Equal Protection. However, readers probably wonder why [S.1414](#) is needed if [H.R.770](#) did the same thing. If you look closely at the text, however, you'll see the only difference in the bills is that S.1414 (and its companion bill, H.R.2648) merely strike section (8) but don't "bump up" the numbering, to make the numbering contiguous. Thus, the updated version, H.R.2648 and S.1414, merely leave a "blank" spot where (8) was, skipping from (7) to (9).

Thus, readers can be assured that the "updates" are not politically-motivated to dilute U.S. Rep. John Katko's (R-NY-24th) original bill, H.R.770, and thus *The Register* endorses the new bills. Note: The text of the bills aren't out as of publication date, but the generic bill was obtained from Sen. Elizabeth Warren's site: ([Press Release](#) and [The Bill](#))

See below, for my letter to The President, which I wrote him, after one of his friends suggested to me that I should. It explains this bill.~Editor

***** * BREAKING (Tue.07 May 2019 ; UPDATED: Sun. 31 Aug. 2025) Letter to The President** -- After one of Pres. Trump's friends suggested I send him a postal letter, about the Higher Ed matter below, I took him/her{*} up on the offer: [1-page letter \(8½x14\)](#) with references/supporters, 4-pages total, with [Supporting docs \(8½x11\) \[file was updated recently\]](#). I sent 2 copies by [U.S. Postal](#) & another 2 copies [by UPS](#). As you can see, both letters (which were sent on Wed. 24 April 2019) were received & signed for by the same person, the following Monday (29 April 2019), at the front desk, for incoming Whitehouse mail. Since I had good references, [and](#) helpful tips for Pres. Trump on getting his bill passed ([and since I took my friend's advice, and made sure my letter was indeed 1-page in size](#)), I'm sure that his staff have reviewed my mail, and apprised him of it. {*} With slight 'redaction' out of professional courtesy.



LETTER to President Trump

UPDATE: After our [first letter](#) to The President on Wed. 24 April 2019, we sent [a follow-up letter](#) this past Fri. 22 Aug. 2025.--End of update//

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*** FROM THE EDITOR (Fri.22 Mar.2019; upated: Sun.24 Nov.2019) -- Is Pres. Trump also copying/plagiarising me? *** (*But this might be a good thing*) [Editor's note: Yes, [I did e-mail](#) lawmakers, their staff, press, news media, paparazzi, friends, enemies, strangers, etc.] **UPDATE:** [Robert J. More](#), one of my readers ([mirror-1](#) ** [mirror-2](#) ** [YouTube](#)), wrote me seeking answers, on my support for Bankruptcy Uniformity (Equality) as required by [Art.I, Sec.8, Cl.4](#), of the [U.S. Constitution](#), and requesting that I post [my answers to his questions](#) as front-page news. His questions are good, and representative of other readers' questions, so [I GRANT HIS PETITION](#).~Editor * Everyone recalls how I have *-for years-* been calling on Congress to impose "loan limits" on use of taxpayer dollars to make or guarantee college loans: ("[A Polk Perspective: Fix our bankrupt policy on student debt.](#)" By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, *The Ledger*, August 04, 2016; [FAIR USE *.pdf cache](#)) **and** ("[Polk Perspective: Rescue taxpayers from mounting student debt.](#)" By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, *The Ledger*, November 16, 2018; [FAIR USE *.pdf cache](#)) **and AGAIN** ("[Polk Perspective: Offer relief for taxes dressed up as 'loans.'](#)" By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, *The Ledger*, November 19, 2019; [FAIR USE *.pdf cache](#)). No one listened to "little Gordon" when I sounded the "warning cry" about the dangerous bubble that is threatening to crash the dollar -and drive up college tuition, at the same time. (*After all, listeners/readers, and Rich-&-Powerful 'Big' Lawmakers likely reasoned: Who is this 'Gordon' character? Just a 'small' person, and we're prejudiced against 'small' people of all colours, so let's just ignore him.*) However, not long after I documented the Dept of Ed plagiarising/copying my columns on three (3) points (see news item below), President Trump apparently heard my cry for help, and is **also** copying me (*or maybe it's a coincidence?*) - The President is now (finally) on board with my "loan-limits" proposal: "[Trump administration wants to put a limit on student loan borrowing.](#)" By Katie Lobosco *CNN*, Tue. March 19, 2019; "[White House eyes new borrowing limits for students.](#)" By Robin Meade (via Morning Express)*CNN*, Tue., March 19, 2019; "[Trump Proposes Limits On Student Loan Borrowing.](#)" By Zack Friedman, *FORBES*, Tue. March 19, 2019; "[PROPOSALS TO REFORM THE HIGHER EDUCATION ACT.](#)" From *The Whitehouse The*, MARCH 2019) Even Ivanka Trump, The President's daughter, and policy-advisor, is now on board, and is quoted in numerous recent news stories to that effect: "We need to modernize our higher-education system to make it more affordable, flexible and outcomes-oriented, so all Americans, young and old, can learn the skills they need to secure and retain good-paying jobs," Ivanka Trump is quoted as saying in [MarketWatch](#), [Bloomberg](#), and [UPI](#). While **probably half of my readers** hate Mr. Trump (for being Conservative, a bit crazy, or rich), and while I'm a bit disappointed in him (for being a bit slow to come on board with this fiscally-Conservative spending-reduction measure), I congratulate The President --and thank him-- for coming on board--finally, and coming out of the closet as a true Conservative, in support of [The Bill Bennett Hypothesis \(Fair Use Cache Here\)](#).

However, we can't rest on our laurels yet: The job is not finished, and, as proven in my columns (in *The Ledger* and elsewhere), spending cuts are "half" of the solution (the 'taxing' part being the other half). And, now that I have the attention of Lawmakers, readers, and the Dept. of Ed., I will **REPEAT** my solution to the spending excesses: FEDERAL

updates on the developments surrounding the plane crash that took his life, and the life of his 4 passengers, 3 of whom were family members. The original story -- with all known current updates -- is published and available at the links above, along with commentary on the great increase in web traffic to *The Register's* website, when readers from around the world began searching for updated & info about Mr. Shannon's death. In the mean time, we pray for Aviation investigators to learn the cause of the crash, and we continue to pray for his remaining family & friends during this difficult time.

*** PLEASE QUICKLY sign this Whitehouse Petition to The President regarding H.R.2366. Why should you sign? See below for proof..**

*** "The CONSERVATIVE Case for College Loan Bankruptcy bill H.R.2366"** (Sun. 25 Feb. 2017)

Yes, the 'Conservative' argument for BK protection is even stronger than the 'Liberal' argument, so we don't know why the GOP supports these Constitutional rights more? *Details: Video link with transcript & notes* **** Deeper legal analysis **** [Read this First \(if you're new to this\)](#) ****UPDATE**** I just got word from Alan M. Collinge

([StudentLoanJustice.org](#)

webmaster) of [of this](#) miracle: The U.S. Dept of Education [is seeking](#) public comment on how they should treat Student Loans in Bankruptcy. One commenter felt it was unfair to let students have BK protections when others had paid off their loans, but *The Register* notes that, in the past, some slaves bought their own freedom, and yet, they did not begrudge or oppose the freeing of the remaining slaves. Debt Slavery is the new form of slavery, harming Blacks, Whites, Hispanics, and especially the poor, who cannot obtain an Education, which is a threat to U.S. National Security --and to the economy, as the tax dollar is on the hook, and college debt has surpassed credit card debt, at over 1.4 Trillion, e.g., \$1,400,000,000,000.00, with twelve (12) zero's before the decimal. [Click *here*](#) to see where to comment, and see the comments from *Register* editor, Gordon W. Watts. ~End-of-Update.

**** NOW, PLEASE QUICKLY sign this Whitehouse Petition to The President regarding H.R.2366.**

UPDATE: *The Register* has made key updates to the "Anti Virus" tips page, to help readers keep up-to-date on fighting Computer Virii (Viruses). [LINK](#)

Also, in a letter to his congressman ([*html webpage - 8.5x11 PDF format - Live FACEBOOK discussion](#)), *Register* editor, Gordon W. Watts, suggested that we make sure the GOP replacement to the ACA was not unaffordable, suggesting the county plan where he lives as a model that works, covers many people, and is affordable, as elucidated in our Thr. 02 Mar. 2017 news item, below. Watts has previously contacted all his Federal Leaders (congressman, senators, and the Trump transition team) on this issue, as documented in the Mon. 16 Jan. 2017 story, below, and, in other news, contacted the Dept of Education (see: Sat. 11 Feb. 2017 news coverage) and gotten several responses, and a promise of a reply to our press inquiry.

Key HEALTHCARE "repeal & replace" Updates:

Today, the U.S. House of Representatives is set to vote on the GOP replacement to the ACA (ObamaCare), and it looks like it will be a close vote, with Conservative Republicans opposing in on the grounds that it is unaffordable, and most or all Democrats, purportedly opposing on the grounds that it does not cover enough Americans. *The Register* suggests to lawmakers on both sides that POLK Care (see

LAWMAKERS, please file [this proposed bill](#), which takes the HEA (Higher Education Act) Bill, in question, and reverses a few numbers around to start reducing loan limits. (*Higher Ed staff, of Senators & Members of Congress: Please understand that the language in this proposed bill is valid, and can be filed with no trouble, since it uses the exact language of the HEA bill, except that it reverses the loan limits "dollar amounts."*) As proven beyond a shadow of doubt, in my columns, cited above, and below, Lawmakers also need to address the "taxing" half, as well, tuition being a form of tax, as it's funding going to an arm of government, state gov't college, here, and therefore pass [H.R.770](#) from [the current session \(track the bill here\)](#). The PRESIDENT is on board with one of my 2 proposals (and will likely be on board with the other, in time), and, indeed:

Many other Conservatives -besides Pres. Trump -support student loan bankruptcy equality: Conservatives, such as [Ike Brannon of the Cato Institute](#) and *New York Times* columnist [David Brooks](#) have publicly called for the return of bankruptcy to collegiate loans. Even [Jeb Bush included](#) this in his platform when he ran for president. And, of course, I (Gordon Wayne Watts) am a far-right Conservative: I'm 'the' guy who almost won the Terri Schiavo case all by myself, and am a fiscal, moral, and Constitutional Conservative, remember? (-or can be found by a cursory Google search or review of my blogs). **Moreover**, [National Review](#), founded by well-known Conservative, [William F. Buckley Jr.](#), is calling for allowing student loans to be dischargeable in bankruptcy, as is [Frank H. Buckley](#), a Foundation Professor at Conservative Antonin Scalia Law School of Law at George Mason University and author of "The Republican Workers Party: How the Trump Victory Drove Everyone Crazy, and Why It Was Just What We Needed." **Furthermore**, Both [Bloomberg](#) and [USA Today](#) (both of which are rated with a media bias rating of 'Center': [Bloomberg](#) **** USA Today**) are also calling for bankruptcy equality to be returned to student loans. **Lastly:** Well-known Libertarian-Conservative, Dr. Ron Paul supports [bankruptcy for ALL U.S. Debt \(not just college debt\)](#), as well as an [end to ALL U.S.-taxpayer-backed student loans \(and not merely a reduction on loan limits\)](#), the latter in support for Pres. Trump's call for lowering loan-limits, and then some, and the former in support of Rep. John Katko's (R-NY-24th) bill, [H.R.770](#), and then some. (Oh, and Rep. Katko is also a Conservative Republican, [and a former Federal Prosecutor](#).)

Likewise, [liberals](#) like Robert Reich, Thom Hartmann, & many others have called for this much-needed repair to fix a broken system. Indeed, the [Democratic Party made](#) return of bankruptcy a plank in their party platform in Philadelphia, recently.

My late father (Bobby Watts) once told me that if I was trying to fight a problem that was too big for me, to NOT "go it alone," but rather, ask for help from others to add their voice to mine. Indeed, I have the support of many other Conservatives (and most "Liberals") for the collegiate loan bankruptcy equality bill, H.R.770, and I have the support of almost all other "Conservatives" (incl. Pres. Trump) on the collegiate loan limits bill. Our voice is many, and The Truth is behind us. **As a Christian, I will add that I feel God is on our side, as documented here and elsewhere.**

To quote [U.S. Sec. of Education, Betsy DeVos](#), "There's a fitting metaphor that comes to mind. When a thunderstorm looms on the horizon, pilots have a couple of choices to make. They can either adjust their flight path ten degrees when they are a long distance away from the storm. [] Or they can stay on their original course and then be forced to make a jarring and abrupt turn when they fly right up to the bad weather. We face that same decision here."

So, I ask Lawmakers: Are you for us, or are you against us? It's your move, Lawmakers. Yes, H.R.770 is politically "difficult," but besides the Constitutional flaws it cures in current U.S. bankruptcy code, if both the "loan limits" bill above, and H.R.770, here, aren't passed, I solemnly predict that we WILL crash the dollar, and document said prediction in my columns, this blog post, end elsewhere.

*** FROM THE EDITOR -- U.S. Dept of Ed confirms my recent prediction about crash of the U.S. Dollar * My letter to lawmakers** Update: [Here are the attachments](#), plus extras, [Today's reply to the Dept of Ed](#), requesting a formal email to them, not a cc copy--which [they acknowledged](#) and for which [I thanked them](#), shortly before they issued [this 3-5-2019 formal reply](#).

(Wed.06 Feb.2019) (UPDATED: Wed. 06 Mar.2019) Everyone remembers my prior column ("A Polk Perspective: [Fix our bankrupt policy on student debt](#)." By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, *The Ledger*, August 04, 2016; [FAIR USE *.pdf cache](#)), where I took my good friend, former Congressman Dennis Ross, to task for non-performance as a lawmaker. However, in a subsequent column, I followed-up with a scary prediction that the U.S. Dollar will crash if I continue to be ignored -and, I backup said prediction with [hard facts & documented sources](#), such as: ("Polk Perspective: [Rescue taxpayers from mounting student debt](#)." By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, *The Ledger*, November 16, 2018; [FAIR USE *.pdf cache](#)) *It seems, however, that my cries for sanity did not go unheeded:*

In a speech on 11-27-2018, just 11 days after my 11-16-2018 column published, ("[Prepared Remarks by U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos to Federal Student Aid's Training Conference](#)." By Hon. Betsy DeVos, U.S. Sec. of Education, U.S. Dept. of Ed, November 27, 2018; [FAIR USE *.pdf cache](#)), DeVos echoed three (3) points I had made (and it's good that her mere copying my ideas isn't a copyright or plagiarism violation), but without fanfare, here is proof that I was right in my scary predictions:

(#1) First, she warns us that "Today, FSA's [college debt] portfolio is nearly 10 percent of our nation's debt," referring to use of our tax dollars to make and/or back (guarantee) collegiate/student loans. But I had made an identical warning in my 11-16-18 column when I said: "Collegiate debt, now almost \$2 trillion, is almost 10 percent of total U.S. debt. I predict we will crash the U.S. dollar if we ignore "crazy Gordon" one more time."

(#2) Next, when DeVos complains (and rightly so) that "Tuition, fees, room and board have grown at twice the rate of inflation and almost two and a half times median income," she goes on to clarify: "It has something to do with what one of my predecessors famously pointed out decades ago. When the federal government loans more taxpayer money, schools raise their rates." So, to whom was she referring? Anyone with half a brain on higher ed history will recognise the infamous "Bill Bennett's hypothesis," which I discussed in my 8-4-16 column, where I said: "When colleges and universities knew students could take out "deep pockets" loans, they jacked up tuition in response to the additional money available, thereby fueling tuition inflation and proving former Education Secretary Bill Bennett's hypothesis: When you subsidize anything, price goes up."

Since I referenced my 2016 column in my 2018 follow-up, it's no stretch to see her looking up my older column, after copy-cating my "10%" prediction/warning.

(#3) Lastly, DeVos makes this unusually candid admission on the limits of her powers: "As Secretary, I can move on a few, small tactical measures...But, ultimately, no one person or group can make a dent on this higher ed crisis **without an honest conversation about real solutions.**" (*Emphasis added for clarity; see below; bold and underline not in original*) What is so odd about this statement is not just its candid humility in admission of limits on authority (or an humble request for help from us), but moreso it is basically exactly and precisely what I *repeatedly* told her Press Officers repeatedly, when I sought an official statement on my views that she needed to

comparison/contrast analyses chart: [*html webpage](#) ** [PDF format](#) would satisfy "Liberal Democrats" (insofar as it covers almost everybody, especially the working poor) and "Conservative Republicans" (as POLK Care is VERY affordable). The only possible drawback is that the coverage may not be "complete," but it did cover this writer's cataract surgery, regular checkups, and would have covered much more had it been needed. Most or all prescriptions are not covered, but as America is over-medicated, that is not a drawback.

[Join the discussion](#), and contact your congressman/congresswoman to make your voice heard, lest we crash the U.S. Dollar with 'healthcare' that is unaffordable. For the record, *Register* editor, Gordon W. Watts, predicts that if Lawmakers do not stop using tax dollars to make/guarantee predatory/toxic college loans, get out of unnecessary foreign 'conflict,' and get rid of "unaffordable" healthcare, the U.S. will crash the U.S. Dollars, and it will only be a matter of 'when', not 'if': Only a matter of time.

pressure lawmakers to pass bills such as [H.R.770](#) from [the current session \(track the bill here\)](#) and/or [this proposed bill](#). I repeatedly assured her press corps that I understood (and sympathised with) the limitations on her authority, and understood that she could not change law, but asked her to use her "Bully Pulpit" to advocate these two (2) proposed bills here--and, oddly-enough, she parrots & copies this point in her speech. [Here's an email to her press officers that proves & documents that claim](#), where I said (bottom of page 5 to top of page 6) the same thing: "CONCLUSION: DeVos is [limited in authority and thus] unable to pass law on the four (4) points I raised (Federal law regarding public ed, higher ed, and states' rights issues regarding gun laws), but (A) she may have regulatory powers in some regard; (B) she certainly has the bully pulpit to speak out more loudly than either of us, combined; and, most importantly, (C) you and she have the ear not just Lawmakers, but also the President, who has a bigger bully pulpit to address these issues."

So far, I have documented that continued use of tax dollars to make or back (guarantee) collegiate loans WILL crash the dollar, and also 11 USC § 523(a)(8), the Federal Law which denies college loans "standard" bankruptcy protection (like all other debts) violated The U.S. Constitution's "Uniformity Clause," Art.I, Sec.8, Cl.4., a special type of Equal Protection. PROOF: ([mirror 1](#)) ** ([mirror 2](#)) THESE ALONE are sufficient to justify repealing this bad law, but moreover, it is inherently unfair: Everybody gets to push a "reset button" on all kinds of frivolous spending except collegiate debt! GM can get corporate welfare, Wall Street can crash the economy & get bailed out for waste, fraud, & abuse; and, corporations can file Bankruptcy for trillions. Even GAMBLING losses can get BK discharge: but no "safety net" for students, eh? PRESIDENT TRUMP can get bankruptcy discharge for Millions- repeatedly. But not college students? Besides being an immoral standard (that goes against all major religions), it makes people hate lawmakers and government. Back when student loans were treated the same as all other loans in bankruptcy court, only about 0.3% were discharged in bankruptcy. (Because college was affordable, remember? No one even NEEDED a "student loan." But when Liberals made "student loans" available on the tax dollars, colleges jacked up tuition to match increased borrowing abilities, creating a Higher Education Bubble -- which WILL burst if we don't stop insane spending of tax\$\$ on making/backing college loans.)

"By 1977 only .3% of student loans had been discharged in bankruptcy." [LINK](#) ** "Debunking the first premise is the fact that by 1977, under 0.3% of the value of all federally guaranteed student loans had been discharged in bankruptcy...(See H.R. REP. NO. 95-595, at 148 (1977).)" [Harvard Law Review](#) * ([cached copy](#))

No one wants to file for bankruptcy, but not having that threat has caused the lending system to become predatory and hyperinflationary. (Think of bankruptcy as the Economic 2nd Amendment --student borrower defense against Predatory Lending and insane tuition inflation.) The US student loan system is the most dangerous big-government lending racket we have ever seen in this country. Where are my "Conservative" peeps and hommies who claim to oppose this insane taxing/spending scheme? This also hurts Black Americans disproportionately: *"Four years after graduating college, black students owe nearly twice as much student debt as their white peers do and are three times more likely to default on those loans, according to a new paper by the Brookings Institution."* Source: "[Black College Grads Have Twice as Much Student Debt as Whites](#)," by Kerri Anne Renzulli, *TIME*, Oct 21, 2016.

The 'honest conversation about real solutions':

***DeVos complains (and rightly so) and claims to seek 'real' solutions, but DOES NOT propose any solution; I, however, do. So, what 'real' solutions do I propose? ANSWER: H.R.770 and my 'proposed' bill (both linked above) --and, I would recommend you read my friend's column, first, even before mine: "[Why College Prices Keep Rising](#)," By Alan Michael Collinge, *Special to The Register* | September 16, 2012, originally published [at FORBES](#), on Mar 19, 2012 @ 06:43 AM, and then print out both of my columns, Alan's column, DeVos' speech, and then persistently lobby lawmakers (senators and members of congress in the House of Representatives) -- and your local news media -- to pass into law my 2 proposed bills. Ignore me one more time, will you? See again my scary prediction --and said "10%" claim backed up by the Sec. of Ed., no less.

#CallYourCongressman #CallYourSenators #DoItNow #JustDoIt

UPDATE: Here is an example of just such examples: CHRISTOPHER ROBERTS' excellent [Feb. 16, 2019 letter to Navarre, OH Lawmakers](#) *** ([Cache](#)) *** [My 2011 letter to The Lakeland Ledger](#) *** ([Cache](#)) *** [My 2009 letter to The Tampa Tribune](#)

Editor-in-Chief, Gordon Wayne Watts

(Fri.08 Feb. 2019) UPDATE on Healthcare & IMMIGRATION solutions You recall my [Healthcare chart](#) from earlier; however, I will shorten my analyses, to make it "short & sweet" and get right to the point: [The 'PolkCare' plan](#) is better than the ACA (Affordable Care Act aka ObamaCare) on three (3) fronts: (a) PolkCare is affordable, costing taxpayers only a 1/2-cent sale tax; (b) it covers ANYONE making less than \$990.00/month; and, (c) It covers us WELL (paying for my cataract surgery and regular checkups). So, why is Polk County, FLORIDA'S indigent care so affordable, even with all this great coverage? It appears to me & several others who discussed this that this county plan got rid of the "insurance" middle-man, saving loads, where tax dollars go straight to the doctor or hospital. THEREFORE, if Federal lawmakers want to copy what works, here it is: **LAWMAKERS, if you insist on "Universal Healthcare," copy what works: Copy the PolkCare plan, the Polk County, FLORIDA indigent healthcare plan, which WORKS.** Don't reinvent the wheel: use PolkCare as your model, ok? (Or, better yet, give subsidies, tax credits, and/or Federal Grants to cities, counties, & states that do provide such coverage.) **IMMIGRATION:** And, since we have a stalemate on Immigration, I would suggest this: Republicans who want to fund a physical border (wall, fence, whatever you want to call it), offer to give Democrats some things they want (such as stronger enforcement powers on eVerify, which would prevent businesses from hiring illegal immigrants, and thus remove the motive to cross into our country illegally), as well as surveillance, drones, more border guards. Democrats supported funding for fences and walls in the past, and if Speaker Nancy Pelosi opposes it now, she's a flip-flopper who needs to be voted out as speaker. (But I also hold the GOP accountable: They held House, Senate, and oval office twice in recent times, once in George W. Bush's first 2 years, and again in President Trump's 1st two years, so I demand hard answers as to why the GOP was also a flip-flopping failure, who talked a good game, but did not finish the fence when they held complete power twice in recent years.) We should stop arguing, and start securing our border, lest illegal immigrants work for less than minimum wage, thus putting themselves in danger (no workman's comp) and hurting American workers (by driving wages down). ILLEGALS disrespect the legal immigrants who follow the rules, by jumping in front of them. CONCLUSION: You know why you can go to a zoo and be safe? ANSWER: Because walls work! Speaker Pelosi has a wall on HER house, and so she should get in line with our border, or else risk getting voted out as speaker.

However, before pointing my finger at Speaker Pelosi, I should admit that my many Democrat friends have told me that a "wall" would only cure the symptom, but not the problem, namely the economic incentives that are the "causes" motivating illegal immigrants to risk their life to come here, so without further ado, what are those causes?

According to Judith Gans, Immigration Policy Program Manager, at The University of Arizona (where there's a lot of illegal immigration to study), there are three (3) main causes for Illegal (or unauthorized) Immigrants entering the United States:

- (1) global economic change;
- (2) the inadequacy of channels for legal economic migration; and,
- (3) ineffective employer sanctions for hiring illegal immigrants.
- (Source: "[Illegal Immigration to the United States: Causes and Policy Solutions](#)," By Judith Gans, Immigration Policy Program Manager, The University of Arizona: [Link](#) ** [Wayback archive](#) ** [Fair Use](#) cache)
- (4) And, I will add to this, also: Economic & Political unrest (e.g., Overpopulation, Poverty, Crime, Wars, Asylum), and Family reunification.
- (5) I add this 'special' case of LEGAL Immigrants over-staying their VISA's (work or education VISA's come to mind).

Before I suggest a solution, let us remember that Illegal Immigration hurts not only the United States (driving down wages, lack of documentation for the few criminals that enter illegally), but also harms the immigrants, themselves, who are often forced to work "under the table" for less than minimum wage, Workplace Injury WITHOUT Workman's Comp, WITHOUT ability to file taxes & get I.R.S. tax refund, as well as Prostitution, Slavery, Kidnapping & ransoms, Lack of access to common social services (public health systems, proper housing, education, & banks), and uncertain housing with looming threat of deportation, as well as Death or Injury from long & risky treks in the hot, dry desert! [There is controversy as to whether "net economic" impact of immigrants (legal & illegal) is positive or negative, since illegal immigrants getting paid less than minimum wage benefits employers, and meets a labor need for off-times difficult jobs, but also costs local government much in the way of healthcare, public education, and sometimes higher education. But, since it would be unethical to justify illegal immigration (a crime) for a fiscal gain, this matter will be ignored as a matter of honour and integrity.]

Now that I've established that Illegal Immigration is harmful to all parties (including the United States, which is getting quite full, and can't even take proper care of its own citizens), what solutions can we offer?

- (#1) Global Economic Change (changing global labour markets), and (#4) (Economic & Political unrest) are more-or-less out of our control, so we can safely ignore them.
- (#2) While we must protect our border, it is a fact that we need to reform LEGAL Immigration, to make it easier to qualified candidates to become citizens (or, participants in a fair "part time workers" program), but only on a limited basis, as we can't take in every immigrant.
- (#3) The U.S. law PROHIBITS employers from knowingly hiring illegal immigrants, but the lack of enforcement or penalties means that employers have no motives to verify falsified or fraudulent identification documents used when hiring. **THIS IS THE MAIN MOTIVE FOR ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION**, and, as my many Democrat friends tell me, if we "put teeth" into enforcing the eVerify law, we will PREVENT motives for illegal immigration - problem solved.
- (#5) Over-staying of VISA's? A "fence" or a "wall" or a "border wall" WON'T fix this problem, because once hired, they are here to stay. So, refer back to #3 above: We need to require workers to have proper documentation, WITH STRONG PENALTIES for employers who don't require acceptable identification with PROPER VERIFICATION that is not fraudulent or falsified. TRANSLATION: We need to put "teeth" into eVerify already.

--SOLUTIONS -- So, to summarise and IN CONCLUSION:

1. We DO need a fence, border wall, or physical barrier in some places (which Border Agents & security experts tell us is VERY effective)
2. But we also need drones, surveillance, and other "technology," where appropriate.
3. We do need more border guards --which will cost taxpayers, meaning we should spend less on other nonessential stuff like "endless wars" or "useless" funding TRILLIONS to college loans, which has proved to be a disaster, resulted in higher tuition, when colleges jack up prices to match increased borrowing abilities of students. (Back before taxpayers funded college loans, college was affordable and the best in the world, so this is one place we can cut costs.)
4. We need to reform LEGAL IMMIGRATION to make it easier for qualified persons to apply for citizenship, and/or "part-time worker" programs... (In this category of "legal" immigration, we might include modest DACA extensions, but only if with the condition that we continue to fund, build, and finish both the border wall and also necessary measures like strong eVerify enforcement.)
5. while at the same time putting "teeth" into enforcement of eVerify employment laws, making it HARDER for unqualified persons to flout and break the law.
6. We need the "political will" to STOP PLACATING, BABYING, & PROTECTING rich businesses who use "legal" campaign contributions to "buy off" Federal Lawmakers, who would, otherwise pass strong laws and/or insist on enforcement of current laws.

We need TEAMWORK where both GOP and Democrats get some things that they want, such as a modest extension for DACA recipients (illegal immigrants who came to the USA as children, through no fault of their own). #TeamWork I urge Democrats and Republicans to work together, and offer each other some things the "other side" wants, lest we incur civil unrest, anger, & discontent. GET THE JOB DONE, LAWMAKERS.

(Wed. 08 Mar. 2017, UPDATES; NEWS) **Updates to website UPDATE:** *The Register* has made minor updates to the Alternative News Media 'Blogroll,' in the right-hand column, adding, among other things, evangelical Christian author, Bible prophecy expert, journalist, & commentator, [Erika Grey](#), a recent guest on [Coast to Coast: AM](#). Grey has a [Wikipedia entry](#), and an [AMAZON author page](#), and she was recently cited in [The Christian Post's](#) article, "Is Donald Trump 'the Last Trump' Before Jesus Christ's Return?" (by Stoyan Zaimov, *Christian Post* Reporter: Jan 30, 2017).

(Thr. 02 Mar. 2017, EDUCATION; NEWS; COMMENTARY; POLITICS) **UPDATE: Dept. of Education responds to email: UPDATE:** U.S. Department of Education acknowledges email (misspells names, as proof it's not 'auto-reply') * [*html WebPage format](#) * [PDF format](#) * This email to DOE gives in-depth analysis, with solutions, to the many complex problems facing U.S. Higher Education and addresses some Public Education issues, explaining how 'vouchers' in Public Ed compare/contrast with FEDERAL 'Pell Grants' in Higher Ed. However, not having heard back from the DOE since we contacted them last month, *The Register* resent our Press Inquiry, with more precise and specific questions: [*html WebPage format](#) ** [PDF format](#) -- eventually replying [by e-mail](#) with [this reply](#), to my press inquiry. Please note that the Dept of Ed gave me a "non-answer" to my valid questions: (1) Does the DOE support lowering loan limits for student loans, and (2) does the DOE support the student loan bankruptcy bill: While it's true that lawmakers and the Dept of Justice have jurisdiction, there is nothing stopping the Dept of Education from advocacy, and this is clearly cowardly "bunting" with a "non-answer." Indeed, the secretary in her [11-27-2018 speech](#) ([fair use cache](#)) addressed loan limits. While I can't blame these DOE staff employees, who reply to my email or wrote the attached response, the DOE is a "do-nothing" weight upon taxpayers, and needs to either shape up or ship out.

(Thr. 02 Mar. 2017, HEALTHCARE; NEWS; COMMENTARY; POLITICS) **UPDATE: In-depth analysis of HealthCare debate: UPDATE:** In-depth analysis to support the suggestion to use 'Polk Care' as model for replacement: ([*html WebPage format](#) ** [PDF format](#)) Compares/Contrasts 'RomneyCare' (2006 Massachusetts law named after former Gov. Mitt Romney), "ObamaCare" (the Affordable Healthcare Act), POLK County, Fla indigent healthcare; and: Japan's socialised healthcare, with personal testimony about Socialised (Universal) Healthcare in Canada & Australia. [In-depth]

Another Whitehouse Petition You Should Read Concerning Student Loans & Bankruptcy

Posted: Wed. 22 Feb. 2017 (EDUCATION; NEWS; WHITEHOUSE) by Gordon W. Watts

Hat tip to Alan Collinge for [this Whitehouse petition](#) that only needs a few more people to sign to push it over the edge (past the 150-signature minimum) & get listed on the Whitehouse website. (And to Steve Rhode, the famous [GetOutOfDebt.org](#) Guy, for his assistance in getting out the word.)

This petition challenges the Unconstitutional 11 USC § 523(a)(8), the U.S. Federal Law which prohibits Student Loans from ever being discharged unless the debtor can overcome the next-to-impossible "undue hardship" standard, which is far higher a standard than even unsecured Credit Card debts that might be racked up by gamblers, criminals, or worse. *** College students & "Blue-state Liberals," as one might expect, might be interested. *** BUT: Fellow-Republicans & "Red-state Conservatives" should *also* be concerned with how the Liberals have destroyed higher ed in this regard while trampling the Constitution! *** My friend's petition is at: <https://Petitions.Whitehouse.gov/petition/level-playing-field-and-return-standard-bankruptcy-protections-all-student-loans>

Section 523(a)(8) of U.S. Code is unconstitutional because it creates "non-uniform" bankruptcy law, running afoul of Art. I, Sec. 8, Cl. 4 of the U.S. Constitution. PROOF: ([mirror 1](#)) - ([mirror 2](#))

It also runs afoul of other constitutional provisions, but too long to enumerate. If you're a liberal or College Student, you need to sign to stand up for the little man. If you're a Conservative (like myself), you need to sign to defend the U.S. Constitution, here. (No, we're not asking for a Liberal Free Handout, just fair treatment under the Constitution. Very easy to sign. ["Just do it!" *CLICK HERE](#))

Petition to the WHITEHOUSE: Student Loan Debt

Posted: Sun. 19 Feb. 2017 (EDUCATION; NEWS; WHITEHOUSE) by Gordon W. Watts

WE the PEOPLE
YOUR VOICE IN THE WHITE HOUSE

Repeal 11 USC § 523(a)(8)
Created by J.C. on February 12, 2017

Sign This Petition
Needs 99,783 signatures by March 14, 2017 to get a response from the White House.

217,908 / 350,000 GOAL

First Name *
Last Name *
Email Address *

THE WHITE HOUSE MAY SEND ME EMAILS ABOUT THIS AND OTHER ISSUES.

* LONG

STORY SHORT: One of *The Register's* long-time readers, California financial & real estate expert, Jaime Y. Clavito, has filed a petition on the Whitehouse Website, and he respectfully asks you to sign it, in order that U.S. Laws give the same treatment to College Debt as any other debt: <https://Petitions.Whitehouse.gov/petition/repeal-11-usc-ss-523a8> Signing the petition is quite easy: All you do is visit the Whitehouse website by clicking here, enter the basic required information, click their "Sign Now" link, and then check your email & click the confirmation link that the Whitehouse will send you. **It's just that simple.** If you have any doubt, famed economist, [Martin A. Armstrong](#), inventor of the [Economic Confidence Model](#), which, even as early as late 2014, accurately predicted the [Stock Market plunge in the 3rd quarter of 2015](#), almost a year in advance, and who is the [ForFix Person of the Year for 2015](#), gave news coverage to Mr. Clavito's [in this recent blog post](#). Clavito's petition is "picking up steam" on [other social media](#), as well.

* **NOTE:** Once Mr. Clavito gets 150 signatures, his petition will become publicly searchable on the WHITEHOUSE's "We the People" petition website; and furthermore, if he can get 100,000 signatures in 30 days (not hard if you go public early on), then the Whitehouse will review his petition, make sure it gets in front of the appropriate policy experts, and issue an official response. So, *The Register* respectfully asks you to sign Clavito's petition so that the laws of the land give Equal Protection to all citizens, not just a few rich bankers, who constantly get bailed out, go bankrupt, and then get bailed out some more.

* **BACK STORY:** Mr. Clavito's petition seeks to repeal 11 USC § 523(a)(8), U.S. Federal Law which prohibits student loans from ever being discharged unless the debtor can overcome the next-to-impossible "undue hardship" standard, which is far higher a standard than even unsecured Credit Card debts that might be racked up by gamblers, criminals, or worse. Clavito is seeking bankruptcy and bringing a legal challenge against this law in [Federal Court](#), in the Southern District of California, acting as his own lawyer in [Clavito v. Dept of Ed/Navient, U.S. Dept Of Ed](#) (U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of California (San Diego), Lead BK case number: 3:16-bk-01362 In the Sun. 14 Feb. 2016, last year, *The Register* reported that Editor, Gordon W. Watts, has previously litigated this exact issue (except that Watts was challenging only the law, not his outstanding debt). This was after Watts made a petition as described more fully in the [Mon. 12-26-2011 news item](#). In spite of a valiant effort, with lots of monies spend on ads & flyers, Watts only got 444 signatures before his petition expired. Nonetheless, Watts made a compelling case that the law in question was unconstitutional on a number of grounds. Now, with so many victims of Predatory Lending, illegal monopoly, and, of course, taxpayers on the hook for having used tax dollars to make or back these toxic loans (that should have never been made in the first place, and probably not authorised by The Constitution), it is high time for you to sign Clavito's petition before the 30-day time-limit expires. His petition apparently has passed the 150-signature limit within just a few days, and is in "Prime Time" viewing on the Whitehouse website, so jump on the bandwagon now, or forever hold your peace: [Sign Here](#).

Open Letter to new Sec. of Ed., Betsy DeVos (Sat. 11 Feb. 2017; UPDATED: Sun. 12 Mar. 2017, EDUCATION; NEWS; COMMENTARY; POLITICS) **Open Letter to U.S. Sec. of Education, Betsy DeVos** Open letter (but also directly mailed) [*html WebPage format](#) [* PDF format](#) [* Weigh in on Facebook](#) [* Weigh in on Twitter](#) Interesting read, or so the Dept. of Ed. thought, as they visited *The Register's* website shortly after this email. ** *Register* editor, Gordon W. Watts, a DeVos-supporter, has both good and bad things to say, and sends his feedback with the hopes of encouraging & helping DeVos and the U.S. Department of Education regarding both Public Education and Higher Education challenges facing the nation. * **UPDATE:** I, the writer, overlooked mention of how College Debt, Tuition, defaults, etc., impacts Blacks at 2-3 times the average rate in U.S. Higher Ed. ~ It was negligent of me to overlook the huge problems facing African Americans, and, to that end, I submitted an Errata to the Sec. DeVos & the DOE ([*html WebPage format](#) [* PDF format](#)) and the DOE Press Office ([*html WebPage format](#) [* PDF format](#)) in my official capacity as a writer. My sincere apologies. ~Gordon W. Watts, Editor-in-Chief, *The Register* * **UPDATE: Dept. of Education responds to email:** U.S. Department of Education acknowledges email (misspells names, as proof it's not 'auto-reply') * [*html WebPage format](#) [* PDF format](#) * This email to DOE gives in-depth analysis, with solutions, to the many complex problems facing U.S. Higher Education and addresses some Public Education issues, explaining how 'vouchers' in Public Ed compare/contrast with FEDERAL 'Pell Grants' in Higher Ed. **2nd UPDATE:** Having not heard back from the DOE since we contacted them last month, *The Register* resent our Press Inquiry, with more precise and specific questions: [*html WebPage format](#) [** PDF format](#)

(Tue. 24 Jan. 2017, NEWS; POLITICS; COURTS) **William Pryor, possible Trump appointee for SCOTUS, not 100% pro-life, voted to kill Terri Schiavo** Possible Trump-appointee for the U.S. Supreme Court, William Pryor, has been investigated and found wanting in one key pro-life vote. Read the [email exchange](#) between pro-life advocate, [Robert J. More](#) and *Register* editor, Gordon W. Watts: [CLICK HERE](#) to view email. Mr. More has demanded, instead, that Mr. Trump appoint either former Alabama Chief-Justice, Judge Roy Moore, Constitutional scholar, Dr. Edwin Vieira, and/or Senior Judicial Analyst for Fox News, Judge Andrew Napolitano.

(Mon. 16 Jan. 2017; Updated: Thr. 02 Mar. 2017, NEWS; POLITICS; HEALTHCARE) **How to "Repeal & Replace" the ACA** After a [Dec. 16, 2016 response](#) from my congressman, U.S. Rep. Dennis A. Ross (R-FL-15th), I followed-up with [a reply clarifying my idea](#) on how to "repeal & replace" the ACA (aka: ObamaCare). I suggested [Polk Care \(Fla.\)](#) as a possible replacement: It's both affordable, and it works. Additionally, I made the extra-added effort to contact my other representatives in the Federal Government: [Sen. Marco Rubio](#) (R-FL), [Sen. Bill Nelson](#) (D-FL), and [the Trump transition team](#). * **UPDATE:** In-depth analysis to support the suggestion to use 'Polk Care' as model for replacement: ([*html WebPage format](#) [* PDF format](#)) Compares/Contrasts 'RomneyCare' (2006 Massachusetts law named after former Gov. Mitt Romney, "ObamaCare" (the Affordable Healthcare Act), POLK County, & Fla indigent healthcare; and: Japan's socialised healthcare, with notes/testimony about Socialised (Universal) Healthcare in Canada & Australia. [In-depth]

(Mon. 16 Jan. 2017, NEWS; POLITICS; RACE RELATIONS; EQUALITY) **Celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s dream** Today is Martin Luther King, Jr. day 2017, and as a reminder of the gains we've made, but also the unfinished business we still have, here, from *The Register's* archives, is a call-in to a local radio program commemorating the 2013 MLK, Jr. holiday: Comment on [Facebook](#), listen on [YouTube](#), follow on [Twitter](#). Some of the unfinished business includes the fact that: "*Four years after graduating college, black students owe nearly twice as much student debt as their white peers do and are three times more likely to default on those loans, according to a new paper by the Brookings Institution.*" Source: "[Black College Grads Have Twice as Much Student Debt as Whites](#)," by Kerri Anne Renzulli, *TIME*, Oct 21, 2016.

(Mon. 07 Nov. 2016, EDITORIAL; NEWS; ELECTION 2016) **Politics; Religion; Election 2016 Updates with Doris Moore Bailey: a program worth saving** A look at another local news program that has been serving Polk County and Lakeland, Florida for quite some time; highlights diverse history, accolades, kudos, and accomplishments, as well as recent, new challenges

(Sat. 03 Sept. 2016, ACTION ITEMS) **College ; Higher Education Bubble ; U.S. Debt ; National Debt ; Politics** * *The Register* is still under a 'State of Emergency' here in central Florida due to weather-related issues; however, we will issue this "call to action" with regard to the higher ed bubble that is about to burst: about 55% of all Total U.S. Debt is mortgage debt; and, about 33% is Higher Ed (college loan) debt; the rest is Credit card, auto, & other debt. So, since the Higher-Ed debt is about 1.4 Trillion, close to ten (10%) percent of total U.S. National debt (and growing), and U.S. tax dollars back (guarantee) these toxic, Predatory college loans, **the U.S. Dollar will crash**, making us like Greece, etc., if you -the reader- do not heed this call.

To that end, [we ask you to contact Sec. Clinton & Donald Trump](#). Tell BOTH campaigns (and your U.S. Representative, Senator, & local press) that they need to fight for the return of Standard Bankruptcy Protections (like all other borrowers have), at the **minimum**, if they want your vote. Tell them that we are 44 Million strong, and that if they think they can ignore us, they will find out, in November 2016, that they can not.

Hillary: <https://forms.HillaryClinton.com/contact> (646) 854-1432

Trump: policy@DonaldTrump.com (646) 736-1779

* If you want real action, scroll on down below the 'Election Coverage' story, and see the 'Action Items' at the bottom of the "Thr. 04 Aug. 2016" entry, below, wherein we give press coverage to U.S. Rep. Dennis A. Ross, and selected other key participants.



(Wed. 31 Aug. 2016, BREAKING) **Weather ; State of Emergency ; Breaking** - A "State of Emergency" has been declared due to central-Florida "rainy-season" weather damage to the roof of *The Register's* headquarters, namely the computer-room /slash/ bedroom of editor, Gordon W. Watts: ([Mirror 1](#)) * ([Mirror 2](#)) * ([interactive Facebook note](#)) * It could have been much worse, but all activities are suspended indefinitely in light of the new development. All prayers and well-wishes are welcomed, as are any suggestions and/or material support/donations. ~Editor, Gordon W. Watts

(Wed. 24 Aug. 2016, ELECTION 2016) **Elections ; Politics ; Election 2016: The Register's endorsements for both Primary and General Election:** Complete coverage for east HILLSBOROUGH Cty (Plant City, Brandon, Tampa), west POLK Cty (Lakeland, Winter Haven, Bartow), & parts of ORANGE Cty (Orlando) - with some surprises Wednesday, 24 August 2016 (LAKELAND, Fla.)

State, Local, & National: Includes deep analysis of the five (5) main Presidential Candidates, with pro's & con's for each.

[Click here](#) to open up in new window; [Click here](#) for 'drop down' in same, pre-loaded page.



(Thr. 04 Aug. 2016, IN THE NEWS) **News ; Press ; Higher Education ; Politics ; Congress ; The Dennis Ross 'Higher-Ed' solution in the news** *

After much effort on the part of all parties, the two "Higher Ed" solutions that central-Florida Republican congressman, Dennis A. Ross supported in a recent Town Hall Meeting (*news item below*) have now been receiving increased mainstream news media attention. *Register* editor/publisher, Gordon W. Watts, who was the initial proponent of these popular solutions, is in agreement with Ross' two proposed solutions: (#1) removal of taxpayer dollars from higher ed loans, in the first place, as a preventative measure, and, (#2) for existing college loans, the return of bankruptcy, which would repair an Unconstitutional Law: University of Connecticut law professor Philip Shuchman [testified before Congress](#), explaining that their removal of bankruptcy from college loans violated Federal Equal Protection: ([source 1](#)) * ([source 2](#)) * ([cached archive](#))



U.S. Rep. Dennis A. Ross representing Florida's 15th Congressional district in Central Florida, including parts of Polk & Hillsborough counties

there are [additional Constitutional problems](#) with current U.S. Bankruptcy Law regarding student loans - and [has contacted](#) both Congressman Ross, as well as his two state Senators, Sen. Marco Rubio (R-FL) and Sen. Bill Nelson (D-FL). * [PDF version](#) * [.html web page](#) * [Email Attachments folder \(local copy\)](#) * [Email Attachments folder \(mirror 1\)](#) * [Email Attachments folder \(mirror 2\)](#) -- Meanwhile, increasing mainstream news media seems to agree with Watts:

* "[Student loan issue teed up for Trump](#)," By Alan Collinge, contributor, *The Hill*, August 08, 2016, 04:58 pm: ([main live link: you may comment on article here](#)) * ([Google cache](#)) * ([Archive.org Internet Archive](#))

* "[A Polk Perspective: Fix our bankrupt policy on student debt](#)," By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, *The Ledger*, August 04, 2016 - FAIR USE *.pdf cache: [PDF](#) * [Scanned image of print version - WITH Bible commentary on this issue: [PDF](#) * [Microsoft .doc Word format](#) * [.html Webpage format](#) * [.jpg image \(column only; no commentary\)](#) * Screenshot: [PDF](#) * [.png image](#) * local Cache: [.html webpage](#) * [PDF](#)]

* "[Gordon in LAKELAND, Fla., on College Debt, Coast to Coast AM, "Open Line FRIDAY's," top of "Hour 4"; Fri.22-July-2016-PM to Sat.23-July-2016-PM](#) * [YouTube annotated video](#) * [Facebook annotated video](#) * [Twitter feed](#) * [local cached copy \(.wmv format\)](#) * [mirror 1 cache](#) * [mirror 2 cache](#) * [Coast to Coast AM \(Official episode page\)](#)

* "[Republican Congressman breaks with party, admits college loans deserve bankruptcy](#)," By Gordon Wayne Watts, *The Register*, Published: Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 12:34 p.m., -UPDATED: Wednesday, July 27, 2016 at 07:41 a.m. (EST-EDT) * [mirror 1 cache](#) * [mirror 2 cache](#) * [mirror 3 cache](#) * [mirror 4 cache](#)

* "[Is the Mark Tetzlaff Case Over at the Supreme Court? Maybe Not](#)," Posted by: Gordon Wayne Watts (Guest Post) (Debt Articles, Student Loan Bankruptcy Discharge), *GetOutOfDebt.org*, March 23, 2016 * [local cached copy](#) * [mirror 1 cache](#) * [mirror 2 cache](#)

* "[Column: The student loan crisis that can't be gotten rid of](#)," By Maureen 'Moe' Tkacik, *Reuters*, News | Wednesday, August 15, 2012, 8:48pm EDT [(Cache Archive: [.html webpage format](#) *** [.doc Word format](#) *** [PDF format](#))]

* "[Why College Prices Keep Rising](#)," By Alan Michael Collinge, *Special to The Register* | September 16, 2012, originally published at [FORBES](#), on Mar 19, 2012 @ 06:43 AM

* "[Allowing Student Loans Increases the Cost of Education at All Levels](#)," By Gordon Wayne Watts, [LETTER], *The Ledger*, June 03, 2011 * [local cached copy](#) * [mirror 1 cache](#) * [mirror 2 cache](#)

* "[Beware the debt trap](#)," By Gordon Wayne Watts, (Letters To The Editor) *TBO.com ; The Tampa Tribune*, Published: October 18, 2009 ; Updated: March 23, 2013 at 02:59 PM * [local cached copy](#) * [mirror 1 cache](#) * [mirror 2 cache](#)

* "[Higher-Ed Tuition Costs: The 'Conservative' view is not on either extreme](#)," By Gordon Wayne Watts, *The Register*, Published: Monday, 28 September 2009 ; Last Modified: Sunday, 29 May 2016: [mirror 1 cache](#) * [mirror 2 cache](#) * [mirror 3 cache](#) * [mirror 4 cache](#)

RELATED:

* [The famous "Million Person" petition] "[Support Student Loan Forgiveness](#)," Petition by Student Debt Crisis, hosted by *MoveOn* circa: 2012 - see news items, below * (Note: the claim on the petition, "There are currently 1,203,666 signatures," is documented as of today, Thr 04 Aug 2016. Cf: [screenshot1-MILLION-PERSON-petition.PNG](#) * [screenshot2-MILLION-PERSON-petition.PNG](#) * [screenshot1-MILLION-PERSON-petition.JPG](#) * [screenshot2-MILLION-PERSON-petition.JPG](#) ~Editor)

* "[Will a million online signatures push Congress to take up student loan debt relief?](#)," By Kitty Felde, 89.3, *KPCC, Southern California Public Radio*, March 25, 2013

* "[1 Million People Show Support for Student Loan Forgiveness Act](#)," By Katy Hopkins | Staff Writer, *U.S. News & World Report*, June 28, 2012, at 4:15 p.m.

* "[Student Loans: 1 Million Signatures Delivered Asking Congress To Do More Than Low Interest Rates](#)," By Tyler Kingkade Senior Editor/Reporter, *The Huffington Post*, 06/29/2012 05:47 pm ET

ACTION items -for those who wish to do something:

Legislative (1st Branch of Government)

[Congress \(House\)](#) * [Senate](#) * Other resources to contact your Federal lawmaker (states have little or no control over federal matters) * [USA.gov](#) * [ContactingTheCongress.org](#) * [Medium.com](#)

Executive (2nd Branch of Government)

[The Whitehouse](#) claims to have made improvements [in Higher Ed](#), and, to some extent, they have. However, has [The Whitehouse and President](#) really done all that they could? Oh, really? <https://www.whitehouse.gov/contact/write-or-call> or <https://www.whitehouse.gov/contact> by email.

Judicial (3rd Branch of Government) - here are some ideas

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The "4th Estate" (contacting the News Media)

<https://www.nytimes.com/Links/TV/articles/newsmediacontacts.html> * <https://blog.fundrazr.com/tips-and-tricks/how-to-pitch-your-story> * <https://fair.org/take-action-now/media-activism-kit/media-contact-list> * <https://archive.mrc.org/MediaAddresses/mediaaddresses.asp> * ...or call, write, and visit your local newspapers, TV stations, go to demonstrations, protests, and write letters to the editors, etc.

Petitions: like the above, but a good addition: "Just Do It"

<https://www.popvox.com/bills/us/114/hr449> * [Petition2Congress.com petition for H.R. 449](#) * [the famous 1-Million person petition!](#) * [Congress.gov - official Congress website on H.R.449](#)

Editor's Note: Congressman Dennis A. Ross (R-FL-15th) is highlighted here, but he is by no means the only party who is responsible for fixing some very Unconstitutional laws, that affect us all. In my state (Florida), Sen. Marco Rubio (R-FL) and Sen. Bill Nelson (D-FL) are also responsible for passing laws, in the upper chamber (the U.S. Senate). Additionally, U.S. Rep. David Jolly (R-FL-13th), another Republican representing the 13th Congressional District of Florida, in Pinellas County, slightly west of Lakeland, is a rare Republican who also supports H.R.449, which shows me that there may be hope for the GOP. "I didn't leave the Republican Party: They left me." ~anonymous disgruntled Republican *** For some bills in question, please see [the BILLS folder](#) which is described in more detail on the main "[BraveRepublicanBreaksRanksWithGOP-HigheEd.html](#)" news item.



The ever-watchful News Media: ; Viva l'Free Press !



Sen. Bill Nelson (D-Fla.)



Sen. Marco Rubio (R-Fla.)



U.S. Rep. Dennis A. Ross representing Florida's 15th Congressional district in Central Florida, including parts of Polk & Hillsborough counties



(Wed. 13 Apr. 2016, BREAKING) **Higher Education ; Politics ; Congress * Brave Republican Congressman breaks with party, admits college loans deserve bankruptcy.** * *The Register* has [documented](#) this candid & brave admission. U.S. Rep. Dennis A. Ross, of Lakeland, Fla., bravely admits that college students deserve bankruptcy safety-net, like all other loans afford, and *also* affirms the small-government view that we need to "get The Government out of the business of loaning the money," but has yet to introduce or cosponsor legislation to address either problem. [Click here](#) for details and sources to verify & document our claims.



When Universities see subsidies, they increase tuition simply to pay for million-dollar salaries. This costs students (skyrocketing tuition) and taxpayers (who back these loans). Because of that, *The Register* hopes Ross will end these subsidies, to put a stop to soaring tuition and resulting record College Debt.

Ross, representing Florida's 15th Congressional District (parts of Hillsborough & Polk counties) was once ranked the 'most conservative' Congressman by Heritage Action for America: [\(link 1\)](#) [\(link 2\)](#) [\(link 3\)](#) but has recently been described as "a RINO in conservative camouflage" by Conservative Review: [\(link 4\)](#) [\(link 5\)](#) [\(link 6\)](#) * UPDATE: *The Register* has notified both Rep. Ross, Sens. Nelson & Rubio, and the local news media-and has, [more-recently, reprised](#) his call for action: [\(.pdf file format or: web-page *.html file\)](#) See e.g., [GordonWayneWattsContacts_USSenatorBillNelson.pdf](#) for confirmation of receipt. So, they have been put on notice that "We the People" want representation. *** [Click here](#) for details. ***



(Wed. 17 Feb. 2016, BREAKING) **Higher Education ; Courts * Texas man arrested for not paying student loan** * Yesterday, *CNN* reported that "A Texas man was arrested by U.S. Marshals last week for not paying his \$1,500 federal student loan -- for 29 years." There were conflicting reports-with *The Houston Chronicle* [now reporting](#) that "US Marshals say man wasn't just arrested because he didn't pay student loans." *The Register* did investigative reporting to get to the bottom of this. While *The Chronicle* claims that the arrest wasn't just for nonpayment, but also because "A federal judge then issued a warrant for Aker's arrest for failing to appear at a Dec. 14, 2012, hearing," nonetheless, a closer review finds that Paul Aker, the recipient of the college loan "went inside to get my gun because I didn't know who these guys were," as reported by CNNMoney. Aker also told CNNMoney that he doesn't remember having a conversation with US Marshals, who alleged they called him first. Aker further said he hasn't received any notification about the outstanding loan "in a long time." *The Register* supports the Rule of Law, and doesn't deny Courts may issue bench warrants for failure to appear, yet this seems, in our judgment, to be extreme - even more-so in light of the Constitutional problems with the underlying loan. (See our previous coverage of the Constitutional challenge to these laws, in our Sun. 14 Feb. 2016, [UPDATES](#), below.)



(Sun. 14 Feb. 2016, UPDATES) **Higher Education ; Courts * Full coverage of Supreme Court 'College Loan' case** * *The Register* now has [full coverage](#), including the full court docket, with commentary, of the Tetzlaff 'Student Loan' case, including details on how *Register* legal editor, and Editor-in-Chief, Gordon Watts, breathed new life into this case, once thought dead. [Click here](#) for full coverage, links, docket, and other resources.



(Sat. 13 Feb. 2016, BREAKING) **Courts ; Politics * Justice Antonin Scalia dead** * U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Antonin G. Scalia has passed away, late Friday or early Saturday, at the age of 79, recent news reports confirm. *The Register* sends our sincere condolences to the Scalia family.

(Fri. 05 Feb. 2016, for Immediate Release) **Higher Education ; Courts * College Loan case may get a break from High Court** Mark Warren Tetzlaff, who is partially disabled, is seeking bankruptcy of his college loan, since he is unable to work. Famous '[Gay Marriage](#)' attorney, Douglas Hallward-Driemeier has taken Tetzlaff's case, but has stalled and apparently [declined to seek rehearing](#). *Register* editor, Gordon W. Watts, who self-identifies as Conservative, is not asking the High Court for outright loan forgiveness in his [request to intervene](#). Instead, he is asking merely that the same standard consumer protections as Credit Card holders have also be returned to Student Loans, as in the past. Watts, [who is himself under financial duress](#), has asked the Court to intervene [as a matter of right](#), since he is affected and his own rights aren't represented in this case. Watts has pulled out all the stops - and [filed a professionally-done brief](#). In case The Court claims his filing is late, he has [documentation of delivery to a commercial carrier in a timely fashion](#). **Update:** *Watts used Hallward-Driemeier's old address & made a couple of odd 'Scrivener's Errors' (typos), invoking Rule 201(c)(2), Fed.R.Civ.P., to give The Court judicial notice. Short, to-the-point, and a good read: 15-485 SuppCertQ/Service-GordonWayneWatts_AS-FILED.pdf, with proof of delivery: Tetzlaff-case-DOCUMENTATION-of-delivery-and-printing-GordonWayneWatts-Intervention.pdf*

(Tue. 01 Dec. 2015, from Staff Reports) **Courts * Chicago Courts refuse to help elderly 'Mortgage Rescue Scam' victim; make him homeless:** For those who remember, this is almost exactly like the famous 2009 CHICAGO 'Mortgage Rescue' Scam case in which [Lessie Towns](#) became temporarily famous, and had a personal visit from former Gov. Pat Quinn (D-Ill.) to address her problem. (*Google 'Paul Shelton' (who lost his license over this) and/or 'Lessie Towns' and/or 'Pat Quinn' and/or 'Mortgage Rescue Scam' to verify/clarify.*) However, unlike Ms. Towns, Mr. Daniggelis, the elderly victim, did not actually sign away his house and was even more of an innocent victim (albeit with much less news coverage). For those of you unfamiliar with [Mr. Daniggelis' case](#), you need only look at the initial filings by *Register* editor, Gordon Watts in the LAW Division case [at this link](#) -the filings denoted by a 'Blinking Dot': they are the most updated 'primary' filings. The [The 11/30/2015 Motion for Rehearing in CHANCERY](#) at *The Register's* [open-source docket](#), is also a very good read - and quite funny in parts! (*Note: The Court's docket, which is [cached here](#), does not have image download technology at this time.*) Many court observers wonder if Chicago Courts are still corrupt, as in the recent past.

UPDATE: [Chicago Courts refuse to stop illegal construction/demolition: "Mortgage Rescue Scam" victim's house almost destroyed](#) [Click here](#) for updates on this developing story. [[Perma-link to this story, here](#)]

(Mon. 16 Nov. 2015) **Breaking * Dr. Ben Carson flip-flops on IMMIGRATION: "Dr. Ben Carson flip-flops on IMMIGRATION -but why? Trump's plan better, but Carson's plan is very good -and much less expensive"**

(Fri. 06 Nov. 2015) **2016 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION * Higher-Ed candidate question: "Higher-Ed / College Loan QUESTION for Prez Candidates & their supporters ("supporters" - read: YOU!)"**

(Sat. 24 Oct. 2015) **Special to The Register: Are you Reading a Fictional Mortgage Document?**

(Mon. 31 Aug. 2015) **US/World Finance: China dumping US Treasuries onto World Market-** As reported by [FxStreet.com](#) back in July and then confirmed by [Bloomberg](#), China has been selling US Treasury Bonds at a rate of USD\$40B per month, which will slowly, but surely, liquidate their USD\$3.65T holdings. *The Register* notes that \$40 Billion is slightly more than one (1%) percent of the 3.65 Trillion stockpile total, and that a "billion" is a thousand millions, and that a "trillion" is a thousand billions -or a million millions: [Oxford Dictionaries](#) * confirms *The Register's* claim: "In British English, a billion used to be equivalent to a million million (i.e. 1,000,000,000,000), while in American English it has always equated to a thousand million (i.e. 1,000,000,000). British English has now adopted the American figure, though, so that a billion equals a thousand million in both varieties of English."

(Mon. 31 Aug. 2015) **US/World Finance: Commentary-** "The beginning of the end": Between our continual / continuous printing of EXCESS DOLLARS, and China's dumping on the market, there will be so many dollars floating around, they may not (soon) be worth the paper on which they are printed. With money becoming worthless, we must invest in that which is eternal: help our fellow-man when he (or she) is in need. (That sounds 'religious,' but be that as it may, it seems quite true.) - RELATED: "When the Last Tree Is Cut Down, the Last Fish Eaten, and the Last Stream Poisoned, You Will Realize That You Cannot Eat Money" --Cree Native American Indian proverb -References: - [QuoteInvestigator.com](#) - [Quotes.net](#) - [OxfordReference.com](#)

(Sun. 16 Aug. 2015) **Investigative UPDATE: Mortgage Fraud in Chicago, IL-** *The Register* has filed a [request in the trial court](#) to include the previous filings in the record on appeal, and he has also [asked the appeals court](#) for supervisory overview of these matters. As previously reported by *The Register*, legal editor and editor-in-chief, Gordon Watts, uncovered forgery fraud and fraud of other sorts in these mortgage fraud cases.

(Tue. 04 Aug. 2015) **Investigative Report:** **Mortgage Fraud in Chicago, IL** - *The Register* has uncovered mortgage fraud, resulting in a home being stolen, and the elderly home-owner being evicted -and getting no payment whatsoever for the 'sale.' FRAUD: Two signatures on different documents were identical. This is forgery fraud: no mere mortal can sign his/her name exactly the same twice in a row. This fraud was overlooked by the Court and lawyers on both sides: New papers filed in *GMAC v. Daniggelis*, 2007-CH-29738 and *Jounes v. Daniggelis*, 2014-M1-701473: [Court filings](#) -- [Misc. Public Records docs](#) (Mr. Richard B. Daniggelis, an elderly Old Town, Chicago gentleman, is the victim.)

Lady Justice Ponders Odd Ruling



Symbols: SCALES represent competing claims of Redress. BLINDFOLD represents fairness: "Justice is blind." SWORD represents the Power of The Court to enforce Justice.

(Thur. 11 June 2015) **News Flash:** **Fla. Gov. Rick Scott signs controversial 'Gay Adoptions' bill** - CS/HB-7013: (Adoption and Foster Care) was "Signed by Officers and presented to Governor [on] Thursday, June 11, 2015 9:10 AM." Source: "Bill History" of [Fla. House](#); cf: [Fla. Senate](#), and [signed into law](#) just this afternoon: [Transmittal Letter \(official link\)](#) - [Transmittal Letter \(cache\)](#) *The Register* reminds readers: The welfare of the child, not making a political statement, is what is foremost on Jesus' mind. ORIGINAL NEWS ITEMS FOLLOW:

(Tue. 02 June 2015) **Commentary:** **Why I oppose an outright ban on 'Gay Adoptions'** - A friend of mine just called me up, yelling & screaming that I "support" gays because I oppose an outright ban on gay adoptions. FYI: My friend and I are both against 'Same Sex Marriage,' and we both agree that, on average, gay adoptions are not as good as 'traditional,' 1-man-1-woman marriage parenting or adoption; however, support for an "outright ban" on 'Gay Adoptions' is very bad for no less than three (3) reasons outlined in [my response to him, here](#). Let me go on record and state: if we, conservatives, lose our fight against 'Same Sex Marriage,' it will be for reasons like this needless distraction (and/or for 'rich' conservatives refusing to help 'poor' conservatives like myself file *Amici* briefs at the nation's high court when the rules required the filer to be a lawyer), and I say we would *deserve* to lose. ~Gordon W. Watts, Editor-in-Chief

(Fri. 15 May 2015) **Politics:** **Redux on CS/HB 7013 (Adoption and Foster Care), which strikes controversial 'Gay Adoption' law and "conscience clause" debate** - The [Florida Family Policy Council \(FFPC\)](#), and [Florida Family Action \(FFA\)](#) (which is its Lobbying and Legislative arm) has [recently lobbied](#) Gov. Rick Scott (R-fla.) to veto CS/HB 7013, Adoption and Foster Care. [Click here](#) for Watts' response to that -and balanced analyses of the conscience clause debate.

(Fri. 24 April 2015) **Case Update:** **Court meets today to discuss the Watts case** - As all eyes are on the U.S. Supreme Court, today, the clerk has taken Watts' case and ["DISTRIBUTED for Conference of April 24, 2015"](#), which is today, according to docket. Lady Justice silently watches, and ponders whether court will repeat the mistakes of the past.

(Tue. 14 April 2015) **Politics:** **Florida's CS/HB 7013: Adoption and Foster Care bill strikes controversial 'Gay Adoption' law** - The bill passed both House and Senate. While *The Register* opposes both 'Gay Marriage' as well as creation of a new protected class in sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, etc., nonetheless, we 'Conservatives' are not bigots or haters, and real science is used to defend Florida's removal of the 'Gay Adoption' ban. (*Editor's Note:* [Click here](#) to see a 'middle-of-the-road' approach, that should make both Gay Rights activists and right-wingers, like myself, happy -in my letter to The Governor, press, and selected state lawmakers. ~Editor-in-Chief, Gordon Wayne Watts) See [how your lawmaker voted](#): CS/HB 7013 passed the Fla. House by a vote of 68-50-0-1 ([Senate page - Cache](#)), but had [one flip-flop](#), and one other late-vote ([House page - Cache](#)), bringing the vote to 67-52-0-0. It passed the Fla. Senate by a vote of 27-11-0-2 ([Senate page - Cache - House page - Cache](#)), and is set to be signed by Gov. Rick Scott (R-Fla.)

(Sat. 11 April 2015) **Causes:** **Richard's son: medical expenses & care** - *Editor's Note:* I have known Richard for about 20 years, maybe longer, when we hung out at [Burton's](#) place. His 8-year-old son has medical problems, and the hospital does not run on air: while it is possible that he may (or may not?) receive some type of aid, it is only fair to pay the hospital what is possible. I would ask readers, that are able, to donate: [Click here](#) to donate. [Connect with Richard](#) on his Facebook. Again, here is the [GoFundMe](#) link for Richard's son's medical expenses: <https://www.gofundme.com/r12jb3b4m> ~Editor-in-Chief, Gordon Wayne Watts

(Fri. 03 April 2015) **Case Update:** **High Court enters odd ruling, upholding "money can buy access to courts" rule** - Petition for rehearing filed with court, "Original + 40," instead of usual "O+10" required of *In Forma Pauperis*, so clerks, Justices, libraries, & press can have easy access. Case docs & court's docket links beneath Lady Justice below, on the right.

(Tue. 24 March 2015) **News Updates:** **Watts' case set for review Fri. Mar. 27 before High Court** - Today, The U.S. Supreme Court docketed a 2nd Supplemental Brief in the case of *Register* editor, Gordon Watts, who, previously, lost a 4-3 decision in State Court [in his bid to save Terri Schiavo](#). Watts is asking the High Court for permission to file an *Amicus Curiae* (friend of the court) brief in several high-profile gay marriage cases, as reported previously by *The Register*. Case Documents can be downloaded beneath the 'Lady Justice' icon, on the right. Watts is alleging, in his filing, that both sides have overlooked an obvious, and "workable" solution that will grant relief both to the "traditional" marriage advocates, who wish to keep the definition of marriage the same, as well as showing 'Gay Rights' advocates solutions that have been used in the past which did not require the definition of marriage to be altered or changed.

For information on my *Amicus Curiae* (friend of the court) brief in the recent big "Gay Marriage" case, at the Federal Appeals court (which preceded the U.S. Supreme Court case, here), here is a link to the online docket with free downloads:

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My participation was unique in two (2) ways: First, I was the only "non-lawyer" which this court allowed to participate (so far as I know: A few other non-lawyers were denied participation). Secondly, I was the only "pro-marriage" litigant to advocate and defend gays against mistreatment (for example, hospital visitations, life insurance policies, etc.), while at the same time defending the 1-man, 1-woman definition of marriage (under Equal Protection standards) arguing that polygamy, aka plural marriages, had more legal precedent, and would have to be allowed if "same sex" marriages were allowed by the court.

(Tue. 24 March 2015) **Commentary:** **Supreme Court rule which, in essence, says that "money can buy access to the courts," is 'bad' rule** - Since [RULE 37.3\(a\)](#) of the US Supreme Court permits that: "An *amicus curiae* brief in a case before the Court for oral argument may be filed if accompanied by the written consent of all parties...", then Watts' brief would normally be "automatically accepted": as noted on [The Court's Official Docket](#). "Consent to the filing of *amicus curiae* briefs, in support of either party or of neither party" was filed with the court by both petitioners and respondents in one case. [If a petitioner or respondent may submit to the Clerk a letter granting blanket consent to *amicus curiae* briefs, stating that the party consents to the filing of *amicus curiae* briefs in support of either or of neither party. The Clerk will note all notices of blanket consent on the docket." [RULE 37.2\(a\)](#)] However, unlike the appeals court, which [permitted Watts](#) to file an *amicus* brief, [RULE 37.1](#) of the US Supreme Court does not allow non-attorneys to file such briefs: "An *amicus curiae* brief may be filed only by an attorney admitted to practice before this Court as provided in Rule 5."

In plain English, an ax-murderer can represent himself *pro se*, acting as his own attorney, but when filing in someone else's case, The Supreme Court, unlike many other courts, requires you to have a lawyer who is a member of the US Supreme Court bar.

The rule prohibiting "non-lawyers" from filing briefs in other peoples' cases has been around for many decades, and is not unlike the recent [rule change](#) prohibiting "non-lawyers" from oral arguments before the High Court. (In [SEC v Sloan, 436 U.S. 103](#), non-lawyer [Samuel H. Sloan](#) had oral arguments before the high court, and successfully argued that the SEC, in issuing successive 10-day suspensions, abused its power, and Sloan won 9-0. That 1978 case was [the last time](#) a "non-lawyer" orally argued before the high court.)

Many people, including the court's own justices, have said that people have "no" automatic right of review by the Supreme Court, but, as shown above, that is not true in all cases. However, what about the case where a person wants to file a 'friend of the court' brief, as Watts [has been allowed](#) to do, but you simply can't afford a lawyer who is a member of the Supreme Court bar? The only thing stopping Watts from filing was the fact that he couldn't afford to "buy access" through a highly-money lawyer. (The fact that he took hard shots at both pro- and anti- gay advocates did not help his chances at finding a lawyer willing to file for him; nor, did it help that Watts is not in the "in crowd" of high rank and status "insiders.") The only lawyer who was receptive to Watts' pleas for help [asked \\$50,000.00 to file](#), obviously over-priced, and outside most peoples' range.

The court did not find any fault with Watts' brief, and, in fact, [actually docketed it in error](#) for a short period of time.

It's a mystery why no one has challenged this long-time rule (or perhaps they did, and the press didn't report on it?), but Watts speculates that it's obvious why no one has bothered to challenge [RULE 37.3\(a\)](#): Watts deduces that most people unable to afford an attorney to file are also too poor to get proper skills to fight an unjust rule, such as this.

But, in the end, it matters not "how long" a rule's been around: just like slavery and womens' suffrage were permitted to carry on for some time, likewise Rule 37.3(a) has been permitted to "keep out" anyone unable to afford an attorney. For this reason, *The Register* confidently opines that this rule has only one purpose: to ensure that "money buys access" to the high court. No other explanation is adequate: indeed, even Federal Appeals courts, just one notch below the high court, [permit](#) this sort of thing, so what's the high court's problem?

It is hoped that The Justices will see the wisdom in updating and revising outdated and antiquated rules that "send the wrong message": Money can buy access to The Court. Moreover, as [Sloan](#) has demonstrated, above, sometimes a "non-lawyer" can be very helpful to the court.

That is why Watts' *Amicus* brief is necessary:

"Rule 37. Brief for an Amicus Curiae"

1. An *amicus curiae* brief that brings to the attention of the Court relevant matter not already brought to its attention by the parties may be of considerable help to the Court."

The Register thinks we should lighten up and try to get along, and to that end: [COURT HUMOUR \(Irreverent, but clean\)](#)

(Thur. 05 March 2015) **BREAKING:** **U.S. Supreme Court issues odd ruling in case of Register editor, Gordon Watts, who, previously, lost a 4-3 decision in State Court in his bid to save Terri Schiavo**. On Sat. 02-28-2015, two days after Watts' 02-26 call to Merit's Clerk, [Erik Fossum](#), in the news item below, he received [this box](#) from the court [addressed to him](#) containing [some filings and a letter](#), which included [his January Amicus](#) brief, the required [Certificate of](#)

[Compliance](#), all of his February filings, including [the required motions](#), and [a copy of the Court Rules](#).

The [letter from the clerk](#) alleged that both petitions were being returned because, among other things, they needed to specify the type of relief being sought, needed a proper affidavit of indigency, and a "copy of the corrected petition must be served on opposing counsel," along with a Certificate of Service. Veteran court observers were baffled by the odd response from The Court, since both the January and February filings, in the news items below, clearly specified the relief sought (namely ability to file an amicus *pro se*, without needing an attorney), the latter included an [In Forma Pauperis declaration](#), which included [the required affidavit of indigency](#), as the rules require, and one of them even [served the other parties](#).

While early speculations included fears that The Court and clerks were merely trying to stonewall and delay Watts' filing or deny him Due Process, *The Register* notes that this seems unlikely in light of the fact that Clerk Fossum could easily have continued to delay his response to Watts, thereby allowing the time-deadlines to pass for the [four consolidated 'Gay Marriage' cases](#) for which Watts is attempting to file an *Amicus Curiae* (Friend of the Court) brief.

It is speculated (but not known) that The Clerks faulted his January petition for placing the motion to file in the brief, instead of as a separate filing, and the February petition for failing to serve other parties, which Watts did not do, based on the fact that [RULE 20.4\(b\)](#) of [The U.S. Supreme Court](#) states that "Habeas corpus proceedings, except in capital cases, are *ex parte*, unless the Court requires the respondent to show cause why the petition for a writ of habeas corpus should not be granted," thereby obviating the need to serve other parties.

In spite of the fact that Watts did not need to serve the other parties, as Rule 20.4(b) implies, he made another attempt to file a [Petition for the Extraordinary Writ of Habeas Corpus](#), along with the required paperwork [to proceed as indigent](#), due to the huge financial costs of his prior filings -and he refiled an updated version of his proposed brief: [UPDATED Amicus brief: Mar.01.2015 \(Word Doc\)](#) * [UPDATED Amicus brief: Mar.01.2015 \(PDF\)](#) * Veteran court observers do not know how The Court will react to Watts' request to become the first person in the court's history to file a Friend of the Court brief without the aid of an attorney, as the current [RULE 37.1](#) requires, especially in light of the fact that Watts' prior filings seemed to comply with the rules, and in light of the apparent discrepancy between the [Court's Feb. 19 time-stamp](#) and the actual [delivery date of Feb. 18](#).

Friday 06 Mar. 2015 UPDATE: The [hoard of Watts' Amicus briefs](#), with the [required paperwork](#) that was prepared on Wed. 04 Mar. 2015 [at the local FedEx Office centre](#), was [shipped that morning at 9:45am](#) and [delivered today](#) to the Court, and [signed for](#) by an 'LBENNETT' at 2:04pm today, 4 minutes past the [2PM deadline](#) for Amicus briefs supporting neither side, and thus late, unless the 'end of day' is used to time-stamp the filings. *The Register* believes that these filings will not be counted late because [RULE 29.2](#) of the [Court](#) allows that: "A document is timely filed...if it is delivered on or before the last day for filing to a third-party commercial carrier for delivery to the Clerk within 3 calendar days," which it was. *The Register* also notes that the filing should, legally, actually be time-stamped with the February date, because of [RULE 14.5](#), which permits that the petition would be deemed timely, and thus not late: "If the Clerk determines that a petition submitted timely and in good faith is in a form that does not comply with this Rule or with Rule 33 or Rule 34, the Clerk will return it with a letter indicating the deficiency. A corrected petition submitted in accordance with Rule 29.2 no more than 60 days after the date of the Clerk's letter will be deemed timely." The petition for The Extraordinary Writ of *Habeas Corpus*, which Watts filed under [RULE 20.2](#), permits his filing to follow "the form of a petition for a writ of certiorari prescribed by Rule 14," which makes his proposed *Amicus Curiae* briefs timely, should the *Habeas* relief be granted. However, as these are very extraordinary requests in Watts' petitions, asking for a wholesale revision of [RULE 37.1](#), which many believe unfairly restricts that "An *amicus curiae* brief may be filed only by an attorney admitted to practice before this Court," then these time-issues may be inconsequential in The Court's view of the larger questions at hand: Are *pro se* litigants unfairly denied Due Process or given 'unequal' protection, when compared with those able to afford an attorney? And, can it benefit The Court to do like many appeals courts and allow *pro se* non-lawyers to file potentially-helpful *Amicus* briefs?

Monday 09 Mar. 2015 UPDATE: The U.S. Supreme Court has docketed Watts' case: [In re Gordon Wayne Watts, Petitioner: No. 14-8744](#)

Thursday 12 Mar. 2015 UPDATE: The U.S. Supreme Court's docket notes that Watts' case was "DISTRIBUTED for Conference of March 27, 2015," for review by The Justices: [In re Gordon Wayne Watts, Petitioner: No. 14-8744](#) [Editorial Comment: *They don't play: that was quite fast. No backlog or slackers here.*]

Friday 13 Mar. 2015 UPDATE: The U.S. Supreme Court does not forward *Amicus* briefs to Justices, [claiming format is incorrect](#). Watts responds by re-submitting Supplement in the requested format: *[Supplemental Brief \(*.doc\) 13.8 MB](#)* *[Supplemental Brief \(PDF\) 30.1 MB](#)*

Monday 16 Mar. 2015 UPDATE: The [Supplemental Brief](#), above, [arrived at 10:15am](#), and was [delivered & signed for by an 'L.JOHNSON'](#) this morning...

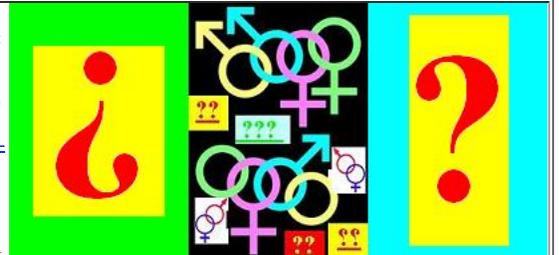
Tuesday 17 Mar. 2015 UPDATE: ...and docketed: ([Court Docket](#)) -- ([Cached Screenshot](#))

Friday 20 Mar. 2015 UPDATE: Watts files [2nd Supplemental Brief](#) in response to [newly-discovered testimony](#) on [TheBlaze](#), which cites [an article](#) found on [TheFederalist](#) related to Gay Marriage child-rearing research cited by Watts in his original filings.

Monday 23 Mar. 2015 UPDATE: The [2nd Supplemental Brief](#), above, arrived at 11:17am, and was [delivered & signed for by a 'W LEE'](#) this morning...

Tuesday 24 Mar. 2015 UPDATE: ...and docketed: ([Court Docket](#)) -- ([Cached Screenshot](#))

Sat. 14 Feb. 2015 UPDATE: The U.S. Supreme Court almost accepted the Jan. 23 filings (below), and docketed Watts as a party in one case: [-Docket-](#) but quickly deleted the entry when they re-read the filing, and saw that Watts wasn't a lawyer. (Apparently, his filing was good enough to pass for that of a lawyer.) The Court eventually denied Watts' request, claiming that he didn't use proper protocol in filing an "All Writs" petition, so he [refiled](#) again ([receipt](#)) on Feb. 14, 2015, using exacting protocol: * [-Motion In Forma Pauperis, etc.-](#) * [-UPDATED amicus \(PDF\)-](#) * [-UPDATED amicus \(*.doc\)-](#) * On Thr. 26 Feb. 2015, at the suggestion of Merit's Clerk, Denise McNeerney, he followed-up with [a letter to the Justices](#) and sent it [Next-Day Air](#) via both [FedEx](#) and [USPS](#) (and [signed for by the same person in both cases](#)) due to the time-sensitive nature of the issue. **Now Hiring:** One lawyer barred in the U.S. Supreme Court to review & file the *amicus* in this news item. Payment will cover printing, service, and time. Contact Gordon W. Watts, through this website to inquire. Watts' brief does not have any objectionable material, as does that of [the lawyer who filed this bizarre brief](#); however, to follow proper protocol, prospective lawyer should proof-read to ensure that [this problem does not happen](#). Latest Update: *The Register* spoke with Merit's Clerk, [Erik Fossum](#), on Thr. 02-26-2015, who confirmed receipt of the Feb. 14 *Habeas* filing, linked above, but, as yet, it has not appeared in a routine [docket search](#) of the [U.S. Supreme Court](#).



UPDATE: On Fri., Jan. 23, 2015, Watts asked U.S. Supreme Court for leave to file an amicus *pro se* in the 'Gay Marriage' cases currently being reviewed from our sister circuit, the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which are consolidated from 4 appeals originating from Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, and Tennessee: * [-Brief-](#) * [-Certificates of Compliance-](#) * [-Signed Certificates- \(large file size\)](#) *

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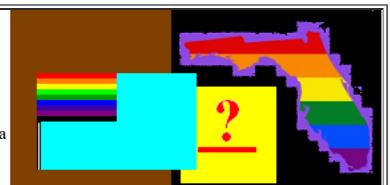
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UPDATE: In Jan. 06, 2015 Order of The Court, Watts' motion for leave to file an amended *amicus curiae* brief - replacing his timely 11/21/2014 brief on docket - was GRANTED.

Original Release:

Sun. 30 Nov. 2014 / Updated: Wed. 07 Jan. 2015 **BREAKING - FLA GAY MARRIAGE:** The Florida Law, which defines "marriage" as '1 man and 1 woman,' and which was passed by voters in 2008 by an addition to the State Constitution, by almost a 62% supermajority vote, was invalidated by a Federal Judge in North Florida this past August. *Register* Editor, Gordon W. Watts, who, several years ago, lost a 4-3 split decision on behalf of Theresa 'Terri' Schiavo, has been allowed to file an *Amicus Curiae* brief in the high-profile "Florida Gay Marriage" case, currently being appealed in the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, in Atlanta, GA. Watts, a nonlawyer, whose only college training is in the sciences (B.S., Biological/Chemical Sciences, FSU, double major with honours; A.S. Valedictorian in Electronics Technology from The United Electronics Institute) has filed papers in support of the controversial Florida Law. Watts uses a never-before-used 'Equal Protection' argument that, barring an unfair hearing, would be sufficient grounds to either uphold the Florida Law or, in the unlikely alternative, make polygamy (plural marriages) legal. For complete coverage of this issue, including Watts' filings, please see *The Register's* [research page \(link here\)](#). Court documents, technically, are available to the public -but at a charge; *The Register* is hosting these court filings as an 'Open Source' service for the interested public. Watts' brief, while likely sufficient to defend the Florida Law, is unique in all the Amici briefs on the state's side, insofar as it offers relief to those who claim damage from the Florida Law -without sacrificing either the definition of marriage as '1 man and 1 woman,' as is currently the law -or compromising the morals of those whose religious beliefs are in agreement with the popular Florida Law. ([Permalink-1](#) -- [Permalink-2](#) -- [Official Press Release](#))



Sat. 30 Aug. 2014 (Last Updated: Sat. 13 Sept. 2014) - **LEGAL ANALYSIS:** FLORIDA'S proposed Medical Marijuana "Amendment 2" violates Federal Law, contains lies that are misleading -and could even get you arrested, charged, & prosecuted under Federal charges: PROOF - ([PDF Document](#)) - ([Word *.doc](#)) - ([Web-page *.html](#)) - **NEW - BIBLICAL ANALYSIS:** What does the Christian Bible say about 'Medical Marijuana'? - Surprising finds in both the Old and New Testaments: ([PDF Document](#)) - ([Word *.doc](#)) - ([Web-page *.html](#)) For more on this, as well as Scriptural proof that the rapture is mid-week, but pre-trib, see the [Religion \(Theology / Spiritual\)](#) link in the nav bar, above. - **NEW:** Portugal has decriminalised the use of all illicit drugs: *Does their model work?* - ([PDF Document](#)) - ([Word *.doc](#)) - ([Web-page *.html](#)) - **NEW:** MARIJUANA: Medical and Health effects - ([PDF Document](#)) - ([Word *.doc](#)) - ([Web-page *.html](#))

Tue. 19 Aug. 2014 - **UPDATE to the Tue. 29 July 2014 news item, below:** While I believe I acted with good motives at every turn/juncture, I need to clear Atty. John Shannon's name, regarding the news item, below - as touching misconceptions on my part about his own motives: Earlier this evening, Tue. 19 Aug. 2014, I attended a debate between Ms. Burton and Mr. Shannon, and, after the debate, hosted by a local "9-12" group, I made it a point to apologise to Mr. Shannon. (Although the only thing I could think of that I might have done wrong was be a bit talkative to his secretary, when making an inquiry as to why was blocked, nonetheless, whether any of this was my fault or not, I felt it was the 'right' thing to do to apologise to him.) While I am still not sure I know what happened on his end (and while I don't know whether he 'connected' my name and face & recognised me), Mr. Shannon was good enough to accept my apology, and appeared genuinely sincere. Later, I hope to have more updates, which include some news coverage of the debate. So, when you read this account, below, please keep in mind that Mr. Shannon (and his secretaries & staff, like all of us) is human, and subject to mistakes, and please be accordingly patient with all our human limitations, mine included. --*Editor-in-Chief, Gordon Wayne Watts* -End of Update-

Tue. 29 July 2014 - **Local LAKELAND, Fla. attorney running for State House goes nutty - all caught on tape** Lakeland, Fla. Attorney, John Hugh Shannon, who is running against popular Republican Community Activist, Colleen Burton, goes nutty. Atty. Shannon is caught on tape bullying and threatening to slander little people for reasons unknown: Documentation of said claims: [LINK](#), and is [caught on tape](#). It is not illegal legal, in Florida, to tape record certain phone calls without their knowledge, permission, or consent: [Memorandum of Law](#) - [Facebook mirror: VIDEO](#) - [Local copy: VIDEO](#)

Mon. 28 July 2014 - **30-Year Reunion for Plant City Senior High School** - "PCHS Class of 1984 & More Reunion" is slated for Fri. Aug.01, 2014. "Happy Hour" begins at 4:00PM at Jimmy B's Bar, 6200 Gulf Blvd, St. Pete Beach, FL 33706. [[map links: ([Google search/map](#)) - ([Yahoo! search/map](#)) - ([Mapquest search/map](#))]] There is **NO** admission charge for the Fri. evening function. The main event will take place on Sat. Aug 02, 2014, from 6:00PM 'til 11:00PM at The Postcard Inn, next door to Jimmy B's. Buffet & "Cash Bar"; Music provided by a live D.J. ("Slammin' Sammy" McCullogh, class of 1984), dancing, slide show, PCHS trivia contest, & more fun; Friday golf outing - TBD. Dave Pippin, class of 1984 (President of [FutureTech Financial, Inc.](#)) and Chris Kent, class of 1985 (co-founder of [Numis Network](#)) will be raffling off 20 FREE 3 Day, 2 Night Cruises for 2 to the Bahamas! David and Chris are very experienced in financial matters. Saturday daytime activities - Volleyball & other beach activities. Anyone is welcome, especially classes 1981-1987, but space is limited, so register early.

Admission is only \$60.00 per person. **FULL PAYMENT MUST BE MADE BY MAY 15, 2014. Strike that: You may still pay in advance (by calling David Pippin or Noelle Swindal: both are accepting payment: see below), or, alternatively, you may pay at the door. There will NOT be any "up charge": The cost to attend Saturday's 'Main Reunion' event is still only \$60.00, and the Friday night 'get together' is still free. AVAILABILITY IS LIMITED TO 200 ATTENDEES.** Reunion organisers strongly suggest that the "Class of 1984" register ASAP, as it will be a "first-come, first-served" registration. **For those who don't wish to drive to St. Pete & spend the weekend or Sat. night, organisers are trying to arrange a shuttle for Sat. night, only. There will be an extra charge for this between \$25.00-\$35.00/person. Strike that: There will not be a shuttle provided. Plan accordingly.** Check these websites for official info & updates:

- <https://DavePippin.info>
- <https://www.Facebook.com/events/256251451203660>
- <https://www.Facebook.com/PCHSClassof1984andMoreReunion>

To register and pay now, please choose 1 of 3 options:

- Call Dave Pippin at 407-409-6774 ; DPippin@FutureTechFinancial.com ; <https://www.facebook.com/david.pippin.96> ; <https://www.DavePippin.info>
- Call Noelle Swindal (Maloney) at 404-386-9510 ; Maloney5742@comcast.net ; <https://www.facebook.com/noelle.s.maloney>
- Bring your \$60.00, and pay at the door, and make sure you have a room if you plan to stay overnight between the Friday and Saturday events. For more information, please send Dave Pippin an email at: DPippin@FutureTechFinancial.com. Additional Sleeping accommodations: PCHS group rates are available at The Postcard Inn and The Beachcomer next door, if they have not, as yet, sold out. However, we suggest that you check online at your favorite travel site to search for better rates. [Rovia.com](#) is a great site to check for the best rates.
- Any questions? Call me (Gordon Watts, Class of 1984) at 863-688-9880 ; Gww1210@aol.com ; <https://www.facebook.com/GordonWayneWatts> -or see the Facebook event pages, linked above,

PCHS Class of 1984 & More Reunion - Event Organizers:

Dave Pippin, President of FutureTech Financial, Inc.
Noelle Swindal (Maloney)
Stacy Benton (Dillard)
Jeff Borgan
Patty Alderman (Huret)
Shayne Ray (Hassell)

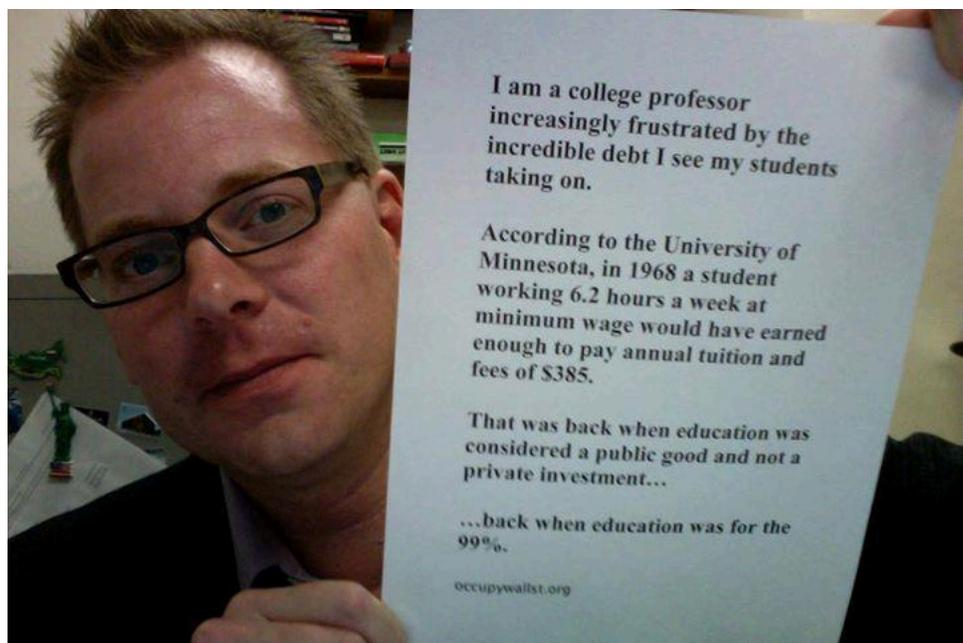
This news brief brought to you by Gordon Wayne Watts (class of 1984), Editor-in-Chief, *The Register*. - Last updated at: Mon. 29 July 2014

Mon. 09-16-2013 - *Special to The Register:* [Crippling debts make it difficult for graduates to achieve dreams](#)

Mon. 06-17-2013

American Higher Education in the news

There is a photo of a college professor circulating the Internet, which says the following:



"I am a college professor increasingly frustrated by the incredible debt I see my students taking on.

According to the University of Minnesota, in 1968 a student working 6.2 hours a week at minimum wage would have earned enough to pay annual tuition and fees of \$385.

That was back when education was considered a public good and not a private investment...

...back when education was for the 99%."

The professor is David Davies, associate professor of anthropology at Hamline University in St. Paul, Minnesota, and his claim is verified as true and correct, according to the Star Tribune of Minnesota, which reports the following: "In 1968-69, a student could have clocked 6.2 hours a week at minimum wage to earn enough to cover annual tuition and fees of \$385, according to the U. This year, a student would have to work 33.9 hours a week at minimum wage to cover tuition and fees."

<https://www.StarTribune.com/business/43647732.html?page=5&c=y>

see also: <https://m.StarTribune.com/local/?id=132317538>

and: <https://www.SociologyForNerds.com/2012/03/interview-with-david-davies-professor.html>

Both liberals and conservatives are at fault for this mess:

Liberals made loans easily available to anyone who had a pulse, and, like in the infamous Housing bubble of 2010, sellers jacked up prices REAL HIGH because they knew buyers had "easy loans" available. Result: A bubble, and resultant higher prices (distorting the free market, in techie terms)

Then so-called conservatives under Bush removed the bankruotcy safety net. At least the housing buyers could file bankruptcy, and this at least slowed the bubble of price-gouging. However, students, without even the most basic protections that rich Wall Street Bankers have (bankers can file bankruptcy for HUGE SUM\$!), are preyed upon even more.

Result: Even worse bubble.

None of us on the conservative side is asking for a 'Free Handout,' but to give huge bankruptcy protections to the rich bankers - even AFTER they've gotten copious liberal 'bailouts' and corporate handouts -and yet, somehow deny poor students the same protections -is patently unfair, and, as I argue here, illegal: [Education Link \(click here\)](#).

Gordon Wayne Watts
Higher Education writer -and Editor-in-Chief, The Register

Newly Updated: [When Babies Die: Where do they go? \(Full-color Edition\) \[Kindle Edition\]](#)
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: "When Babies Die: Where do they go? Heaven? Hell?" is now available at a bookstore near you: For ages, this question has baffled men and women, preacher and layman, learned and the "common man" -Joe Average citizen. Many a grieving parent has longed for solid, but true, answers, not just 'fairy-tale' assurances, lacking substance or reliability.

Now, theological researcher, Gordon Wayne Watts, of Lakeland, Fla. (between Orlando & Tampa), whose main claim to fame was almost winning the landmark 'Terri Schiavo' case -all by himself -despite not being a lawyer, puts his research skills to work on this case regarding infants who die. His analysis addresses not only unborn babies who die in infancy and killed by abortion, miscarriage, stillbirth, & Early Infant Death -but also persons born with mental disabilities who subsequently die -and by extension, this may possibly include peoples who have never heard of the Gospel of Christ -such as remote tribes of the world.

First off, there needs to be a distinction made with the 'proximal' fate, as opposed to the 'eternal' fate. (In other words, where the infant's soul is "for the time being" is NOT necessarily the same as his or her eternal fate, and there IS a difference.) Secondly, while most simply have assumed an "innocent" baby would go to heaven (and this is probably true -for the 'time being'), the eternal fate is a different story.

While the "ending" will catch most off-guard, it is a 'good' ending, rest assured. Watts explores nine (9) different positions on this matter (listed in Chapter 1, for those who can't wait to see where he stands on the issue), and eliminates 7 of them as theologically impossible, leaving 2 possible outcomes. This is a deep subject, and the writer assumes the reader accepts the Holy Bible as authoritative (since this is the main source of the proof offered), but Watts gives this subject a deeper treatment than any other writer, to date. Sit back, grab a cup of hot cocoa or a tall, iced-cold latte, and enjoy the journey on which Mr. Watts takes the reader.

If you have problems with your order, shoot me an email with your receipt or proof of purchase included: [Contact Link](#) ~Gordon

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Sun. 01-06-2013 -- New section on Higher Education, Colleges, Universities, Predatory lending in College / Student Loans, and the resultant soaring costs of college, student loan debt & Higher Ed Bubble. Click here: [Education](#)

Thr. 12-13-2012 **UPDATE:** U.S. Congressman busted for 1st Amendment violations, as many witnesses come forward. **Keywords:** #Twittergate ; #Busted ([Link](#))

Sun. 01-06-2013 **UPDATE:** Speaker John Boehner notified about his wayward congressman. **Keywords:** #Boehner ; #Ross ; #RepDennisRoss ; #Congressman ; #Twittergate ; #Busted ([Link](#))

Fri. 11-30-2012 ["Defending Gov. Scott's Proposal"](#) [Op-Ed defending Gov. Rick Scott's (R-Fla.) proposal to demand \$10,000.00 degree programs in Florida colleges]

FRIDAY, 16 Mar. 2012 - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: *The Register* has sent [this](#) email to U.S. Rep. Lamar Smith (R-TX-21st), the chair of the House Judiciary Committee, regarding H.R. 2028, The Private Student Loan Bankruptcy Fairness Act of 2011, and also H.R. 4170, The Student Loan Forgiveness Act of 2012. -Editor

Tue. 12-27-2011 -- Whitehouse gives partial treatment in petition process -- The Whitehouse's new 'We The People' petition process, described in other recent news of *The Register*, has rules for submitting online petition: "Remember you have just 30 days to get 25,000 signatures in order to get a response from the White House." ([link](#)) - ([cache 1](#)) - ([cache 2](#))

However, as shown here, ([link](#)) - ([cache 1](#)) - ([cache 2](#)), one petition is being given from Dec. 14, 2011 until Jan. 20, 2012, well-over the 30-day minimum, thus violating Equal Protection of those who weren't given the extra time. See our news coverage on 'We The People' for more details of The Whitehouse's new petition process.

'BIG' Trouble with Facebook: (Fri. 23 Dec. 2011) *Register* editor, Gordon Wayne Watts, a battle-hardened Internet veteran (who has made websites from scratch, such as this one) has frustration with a routine password reset -and offers some advice about Facebook.com -in his own words:

UPDATE: Mon. 12-26-2011 - Marishka from Facebook's User Operations just responded this morning and got my account back online.-GWW
"On around Tue. or Wed. (13-14 Dec. 2011), I was posting on a wall, when I got an error message...

[Click here for more](#)

The Whitehouse's new ["We The People" petition process: FAILURE](#)

(Last edited Mon. 12-26-2011 to add additional details on publicity)
In [recent news](#), *The Register* told you that our [petition to The Whitehouse regarding obscenely high college tuition](#), which eventually got at least 444 signatures before it 'expired' would remain online and in the permanent Whitehouse website archives, even after it expired if it met the 'first threshold' of 150 signatures before the 'expiration' period of Dec. 21, 2011, even if it did not meet the 'second threshold' of 25,000 signatures...

[Click here for more](#)

RECENT NEWS * BREAKING: Democracy in America's Republic has died: U.S. Congressman, or more likely, an aide answering emails for him, tells constituent to not email him: [mirror 1](#) -- [mirror 2](#) even though no threats, abuse, or harassment (like excess emails or the like) was involved. Constituent's response: [mirror 1](#) -- [mirror 2](#) Apparently, this got someone's attention, as Congress later visited *The Register's* website: [cache 1](#) - [cache 2](#).
[Alt. News Media/ Blogroll](#)
Far-right panel

* **NEWS: Some Republicans make confusing statements**, including freshman congressman, Dennis A. Ross (R-Fla.-12). **Item #1** - Liberal grassroots advocate, [Florida Consumer Action Network](#) accused [Rep. Dennis Ross](#) of making a pledge, as follows:
""oppose any and all efforts to increase the marginal income tax rates for individuals and/or businesses ... and oppose any net reduction or elimination of deductions and credits, unless matched dollar for dollar by further reducing tax rates.""
[cache 1](#) - [cache 2](#) *The Register* investigated this and found that, in fact, Ross made such a pledge: [link](#) - [cache 1](#) - [cache 2](#) However, Ross is on record as having said something that appears to be a bit little different in a [News Chief](#):
"Ross has also shown himself willing to look at the fiscal policies in force during President Bill Clinton's administration. That period had higher tax rates but also tough spending controls that actually produced a surplus."
[link](#) - [cache 1](#) - [cache 2](#)
While not actually a lie or a flip-flop, this is, admittedly, somewhat confusing: [cache 1](#) - [cache 2](#) **Item #2** - Many **Republicans** abandon conservative, Free Market principles (thus lying about campaign promises), resulting in **increased** taxation on students **and** do not support a bill to correct this problem: See "A Lesson in Freedoms" immediately below to verify this claim.

* **Economy: Many Democrats caught in a lie** including U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson (D-Fla.) regarding Balanced Budget Amendment. Click [here](#) to see the YouTube video documenting this. Here are saved copies ([Cache 1](#) or [Cache 2](#)) of the video if YouTube is offline or slow to load. Likewise, here are saved copies of: The Notes: ([Cache 1](#) or [Cache 2](#)) --and, the original request for help: ([Cache 1](#) or [Cache 2](#)) -- Now, *The Register* calls on you to NOT be lazy: View the vid, and contact your elected officials (Democrat and Republican) and local news media. - Copy of letter sent to Sen. Nelson - *Microsoft Word format: (Cache 1 or Cache 2) HTML web-page format: (Cache 1 Cache 2)*

* **UPDATE:** New spooky advances in science allow you to pick the right match in romance / marriage, using, among other things, a computer analysis of your facial features. With 50%-plus divorce rate, America must do something: Visit the ["Romance"](#) link and view the updates for details.

A Lesson in Freedoms - 4th of July 2011: The Register Makes New Findings on an Old Problem
July 04, 2011 -- *The Register* publishes [very controversial study](#), ([Cached copy 1](#) - [Cached copy 2](#)) comparing Civil War era slavery with Student Loan default - but justifies this study due to recent alarmingly sharp increases in suicides directly related to Student Loan default: Those who do not learn from history (Civil War) are doomed to repeat it (modern-day oppressions: indentured servitude, debt-slavery, suicides, etc.)
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UPDATE: Monday, July 11, 2011 -- After a full week of peer review of this position paper by peoples of all colours, *The Register* has concluded that this controversial paper was not offensive to Black Americans -or peoples of any colours -and, to verify this claim, has released a small portion of this peer review. To see a screen shot that lengthy discussion, please click on any one of the 3 mirrors to view: [Mirror 1](#) - [Mirror 2](#) - [Mirror 3](#) -*Editor*

*** BREAKING:**
Limbaugh / Hannity Parent Company Admits Hiring Actors to Call Radio Shows: Sean Hannity program busted using 'fake' callers
* OpEdNews did a report on this [here](#) & had over 44,000 views by just 1 day's time. On [page 2, here](#), the author cites *Register* Editor, Gordon Watts' report in par. 2 where he makes reference to "how Hannity's screeners practice bias and intimidation."
* Watts' report is posted [here](#) & [here](#) -and got many page views because of the reference by OpEdNews, which in turn, got lots of hits due to being mentioned by Reddft.com in [this](#) report. See also news coverage by [Debra J.M. Smith](#) of [Informing Christians](#), Related: [Special Guest Gordon Watts](#) ; [Sean Hannity Show Just Using The Right For Money](#) ; ["Let's Not Kid Ourselves Here": Does Limbaugh/Hannity Parent Company Hire Call Actors](#)

Click [here](#) or [here](#) to find out how to combat the rising tide of parents killing their handicapped or unborn children to 'send them to heaven': where babies go when they die. No, it's not necessarily heaven, BUT IT CAN BE: What THE BIBLE has to say.
HEADLINE: Click [here](#) or [here](#) to see **how, for once and all, to beat Skyrocketing Tuition**
"Higher-Ed Tuition Costs: The 'Conservative' view is not on either extreme"

Alert: All major candidates for Fla. Governor & Fla's U.S. Senates seat are 'Liberal Knuckleheads' who are responsible for your skyrocketing tuition. Click: [*here*](#) -or- [*here*](#) for details.

Alternative hip-hop rap: Click [here](#): **World's First Atheist Rap Label** **Atheos Records of Miami, Fla brings you: Terrence Ward a.k.a. Saint Max**

Cool video: Click [here](#): **"Freedom Is Colorblind (open up your eyes)"**

When I say 'Conservative,' I mean things like:
* Less taxing and spending [Related vid](#)
* More rights to free speech and the rights to keep/bear arms
* More rights to life (from cradle to grave: Think unborn, disabled, handicapped, or elderly)
* Upholding of the 'Rule of Law,' which effectively means more Law and Order: For example, I love people of all nations/nationalities, but if they want to immigrate, they must do it legally, and when the US Government REFUSES to uphold, obey, or enforce immigration law, and then has the gall to tell AZ that THEY can't enforce the law, then *who* are the 'illegals?'
Answer: The U.S. Government ARE THE ILLEGALS - since, of course, it is *they* who are telling Arizona Gov. Jan Brewer (R-AZ) that she can't enforce 'the law' -and that they won't either.

Odd Press Release: Odd, but true: [Link \(mirror a\)](#) or [Link \(mirror b\)](#)

Headline: A solution to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill has been found: ***Click Here*** -And *The Register* is hoping to put pressure on the Federal Government to get on board with this solution - and hopes you also put pressure on the Feds: [Cache 1](#) - [Cache 2](#)
Related links: [Fox news coverage of this](#) - [Wimp coverage](#) - [Link to the original reporter's coverage](#) Besides this cool method above (1) hay, I just realised - There are 4 *other* cool solutions: (2) Oil Spill Centrifuge Technology; (3) Why not drill on land (like Texas)? (4) There is *already* an FDA-approved oil-eating microbe: why aren't they using that? (5) one word: 'SKIMMERS!' * Does the government *want* us to fail -to keep us down? - "Things that make you go: 'Hmm...!'"

From the Archives: 5-Year Anniversary of death of Terri Schiavo marks request for Grand Jury indictments against judges: Robert J. More ([ThirstForJustice.net](#)), a member of the famous Notre Dame 88 has asked *The Register* to intervene, and upon investigation *The Register* has gotten a commitment from U.S. Attorney Robert Mosakowski to submit the findings to a Federal Grand Jury for their review. ([Click: \(Mirror 1\)](#) - [\(Mirror 2\)](#))

VERY IMPORTANT: USA faces cancer epidemic and slipping rankings in life-span rankings. Click [here](#) (or: [alternate site](#)) for solution. Warning: A change in diet is necessary, but scientifically proven effective.

MISSING PERSON: (pic: [Click here](#) or [here](#) - Note: You can left-click in Microsoft's Internet Explorer to zoom in on pics) A young woman I've never met contacted me (or had me contacted) ... by DREAM messaging -over what she claimed was a very important matter. I initially thought it was a bunch of nonsense (after all, it was 'only a dream'), but later research by the experts (links: [Click here](#) or [here](#)) revealed her claims to be altogether true. In attempting to return the message, I first tried to draw free-hand what I saw in the dream. (Pics: [Click here](#) or [here](#)) I was not so good of an artist, so, knowing some specific information from my prior research, I turned to CAD (Computer Aided Drawing) methods to draw what the young woman would probably look like at different ages. **NOTE:** With the exception of one comparison photo of my father, the pics above are *not* photographs, *although my 2nd try approaches photograph-like quality*. If you have information on the whereabouts of this young woman, contact me. Any prospective claimants must pass a genetic test to verify I.D. (Yes, the dream(s) provided that much detail, and I will run with it.) --GWW

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ABOUT:

This is the personal research page of Gordon Wayne Watts of LAKELAND, Florida. Mr. Watts' diverse research includes (but is not limited to) the following:

- The webmaster, Gordon Watts, is one of the very few official "Star Trek: New Voyages" / "Star Trek: Phase II" mirror operators, in which the original 1969 'Star Trek' series is revived: See the appropriate section in the links bar, at top.
- Much interesting POLITICAL news coverage: Taking aim at well-intended, but less-than-bright "conservatives" (such as Sean Hannity & staff) and even "dimmer" liberals galore. (See Political link)
- Putting the research tools to use on FINANCE and ECONOMY -including a review of John Cummata's "Turning Debt into Wealth" plan (see Finance link)
- A cure for all forms of Cancer! (And, while Mr. Watts is not a doctor -and doesn't play one on TV -his research done while at FSU is FREE and effective: At least it worked for Watts.) See the Health Section.
- Human Limb Regeneration, AZT, & AIDS - Separating Fact from Fiction and Urban Legend: See the Health Section.
- Studying and researching what works -and what doesn't in ROMANCE: Science and Scripture agree (see the indicated section)
- Deep theological research on advanced topics: How to answer a Jehovah's Witness or Mormon that knocks on your door: Careful, they're right sometimes, wrong other times. (See "*Religion (Theology / Spiritual)*") link.
- Mr. Watts went to court (and took up petitions with people signing their real names and full contact data) to oppose former Fla. Gov. Jeb Bush regarding the invasive "feeding tube" issue in the Terri Schiavo case (Translation: You liberals reading this should "be happy") -but, ironically, Mr. Watts' court pleadings before Florida's Supreme Court almost saved Theresa Marie "Terri" Schindler-Schiavo's life (without following a path that included feeding tubes). Since Mr. Watts did better in court in his attempt to save Terri's life (losing 4-3) than even Jeb Bush (lost 7-0) or the immediate family (lost 2-1 in Federal court), this is his main "claim to fame" and a reason his website is so highly rated. Explore the weird world of TRUTH, where Watts takes no shortcuts and gets both conservatives and liberals nervous, annoyed, and angry. ("Schiavo" section coming soon -otherwise browse the website or do a Google search.)

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BIO:

Gordon Wayne Watts, an alumnus of Plant City (Fla.) Senior High School's class of 1984, received his Bachelor's degree from The Florida State University with a double major in Biological and Chemical Sciences with honors (emphasis on and post-Bacc studies in genetics and forensics) and was the valedictorian from United Electronics Institute. Watts, a non-lawyer, is best known for his lawsuit on behalf of Terri Schiavo, which lost 4-3 in the Florida Supreme Court, arguably doing better than even then Governor Jeb Bush's similar suit (lost: 7-0) or Terri Schiavo's own family's federal case (lost: 2-1). Mr. Watts, who ran unsuccessfully for Dist. 64 Fla. House of Representatives, is an Amateur Extra (Ham) Radio Operator (call: N2GY), a part-time political activist, and amateur HTML webmaster while he searches for a full-time job in his field. Click [here](#) (link to Higher-Ed piece) for selected documentation of this.

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HISTORY of *The Register*:

Ronald L. Corbin, alumnus of Plant City (Fla.) High School's class of 1984, was the original editor and publisher of *The Hillsborough Register* which published in "hard copy" print format from 1992 until 1993, with offices located in [Suite-11](#) (Photos: [map](#) - [back door](#) - [front & inside views](#); [Left-click & Maximize to zoom in if using Microsoft's Internet Explorer](#)) of the shopping center at 104 West Reynolds St in Plant City and bounded by North Evers, North Collins, and West Mahoney Streets. In January of 1993, Mr. Corbin took the advice of one of his staff writers, Gordon W. Watts, and changed the name of the paper to *The Register*, as reflected in its Jan.01, 1993 (Vol.2, No.1) edition. After Ron moved out of state and closed shop, the paper was taken over by Mr. Watts, the present owner and publisher. At present, however, the paper is mainly published online with only a few special editions having been published in print as the occasion warranted. After *The Register's* Yahoo!/GeoCities web host stopped offering free web hosting, the paper was consequently subsumed by Mr. Watts' personal websites: [GordonWatts.com](#) and [GordonWayneWatts.com](#) --where it is presently published.

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- **Q: Why did you "butt your nose" into the "private" Terri Schiavo matter?**
- A: This question implies you are liberal, and if so, please be advised (and be glad) that I fought against Jeb Bush on the feeding tube issue, both in court and through a "real" petition, signed with peoples' full names and contact data -to verify its genuine nature. If you are conservative like me, you should *also* be advised (and glad) that I almost won my case in court to save her life -doing better than all other parties -combined. ALSO: To any 'Christians' peeps out there, be advised that the denial of food and water violated JESUS' own standards He set forth for His "brethren" in Matthew 25:31-46. This section may not address feeding tubes, but it does address food and water, and anyone that supports her starvation and/or dehydration is not obeying Jesus' commands here. Period. It is plain English for you to read. LASTLY, to all: Regardless of your religious beliefs -or lack thereof: Any time a law is broken (as I demonstrated in my court filings), it is *not* a private matter: Ask any convicted criminal.

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- If you turn your speakers on & click "Refresh/Reload," you can hear random midi music; It may change songs -or then again, it might not.
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- 'FLASH' Gordon's favourite Old Skool Hip-Hop RAP artists & groups! [Old School favs list - click here](#) ** or [here](#)

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EDUCATION:

First off, [here \(click here\)](#) is just a snippet of my educational qualifications. Ok, that established...

"Higher-Ed Tuition Costs: The 'Conservative' view is not on either extreme"

Position Paper -- A well-documented study into the U.S. Higher Ed crisis: Causes of skyrocketing tuition and declining quality of institutions of Higher Education in America -- Proposed solutions -- *Note: This research paper has many resources in the form of outside links, and it does address Public Education, but it is primarily a resource regarding the problems, and proposed solutions, to American Higher Education.*

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--[Gordon Wayne Watts](#), Editor-in-Chief, & Health/Science Editor, *The Register* ([cache 1](#) * [cache 2](#))

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Fri. 10 June 2022, 2:01pm(EST) **UPDATE: Fri. 10 June 2022, 2:01pm(EST)** Before you contact your ([your Congressman/Congresswoman](#)) & your [U.S. Senator](#), take a look at [THIS petition on Change.org](#) or [THIS one on MoveOn.org](#) or even write a letter [via ActionNetwork.org HERE](#) (*but ignore this failed Whitehouse petition*), downloading [THESE](#) notes. Then, ask Lawmakers to pass this BiPartisan(***) bill: [S.2598 — 117th Congress \(2021-2022\)](#) "[FRESH START Through Bankruptcy Act](#)" and related bill, [H.R.4907 — 117th Congress \(2021-2022\)](#) to make Student Loans fair (and Constitutional) again. (***) See [BREAKING](#) news item ([Fri.17 Sept. 2021](#)), below; Likewise, citizens on both sides of the isle support these bills. **NOTE: The Register isn't liberal-We're not asking for outright 'Loan Forgiveness'. Rather, we ask that bankruptcy protection be returned to Student Loans—just like all other borrowers have.** Still think it's only a 'few' loudmouths complaining? See [Rob Applebaum's petition](#), with OVER 1 MILLION signatures. You can't 'fake' over 1,000,000+ signatures. See also [Alan Collinge's recent petition](#), which also has OVER 1 MILLION signatures. *** **Read this first: "Why College Prices Keep Rising"**. Breaking Update: Pres. Trump's Whitehouse Petition page [is likely cheating petitioners](#). Trump does not appear involved directly. But the Whitehouse probably won't tamper with THIS petition [on Change.org](#) or THIS one [on MoveOn.org](#) or even this letter campaign [via ActionNetwork.org HERE](#) (*as apparently someone did with this failed Whitehouse petition*).

* Undecided Fla. voter, Gordon Watts, asks for clarification from six (6) presidential campaigns on issues & flip-flops: [LINK HERE](#).

* [Fri. 11-30-2012 Breaking](#): U.S. Congressman exhibits pattern of bizarre behavior: ([Link](#))

For information on my *Amicus Curiae* (friend of the court brief) in the recent big "Gay Marriage" case, at the Federal Appeals court, here is a link to the online docket with free downloads:

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My participation was unique in two (2) ways: First, I was the only "non-lawyer" which this court allowed to participate (so far as I know: A few other non-lawyers were denied participation). Secondly, I was the only "pro-marriage" litigant to advocate and defend gays against mistreatment (for example, hospital visitations, life insurance policies, etc.), while at the same time defending the 1-man, 1-woman definition of marriage (under Equal Protection standards) arguing that polygamy, aka plural marriages, had more legal precedent, and would have to be allowed if "same sex" marriages were allowed by the court.

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Why College Prices Keep Rising

By [Alan Michael Collinge](#), Special to *The Register* | September 16, 2012

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For many years, it has been unknown to the general public that all of the major elements comprising the student lending system (i.e. lenders, collection companies, guarantors) made far more money when students defaulted on their loans. Nevertheless, this is a fact, and it is well documented. It is most disturbing, however, that recent analysis of the President's Budget data reveals that even the US Department of Education, on average, recovers \$1.22 for every dollar paid out in default claims. Assuming generous collection costs, and even allowing for a nominal time value of money of a few percent (the governments cost of money is very low), it still appears that the federal government, even, is making a pretty penny from defaults.

How could this be possible? The primary reason for this is that unlike all other types of debt, bankruptcy protections, statutes of limitations, and other standard consumer protections have been removed from federal student loans, and draconian collection powers have been given to collect on hugely inflated, defaulted student loan debt.

The systemic consequences of these types of financial motivations are too numerous to describe here, but one very significant result is that during the legislative process, when the schools, lenders, and their lobbyists pressure Congress to raise the allowable loan limits, the Department of Education—one of the only entities available to act in the interest of the students and call for a freezing (or even a reduction in the lending limits)—has repeatedly failed to tell it like it is regarding defaults. The schools and lenders point and brag about the low “cohort” default rates, but this metric (which hit a low of about 4% in 2005) masks the true default rate, which we now know was likely 25% or higher for years, and today is likely significantly higher than that.

Instead of voicing concern, or even objections to Congress in the lending limit debates, the Department of Education remained largely silent, despite their knowledge about the true default rate for years, and in fact, press releases about the default rate spanning years from the Department of Education speak exclusively of the cohort rate, and this continues to this day, by and large, although media have shed some light on the true default rate in recent years.

This, again, is a key failure in oversight that effectively causes Congress to make decisions without the interests of the borrowers being represented (Of course the lenders and schools claim to have the interests of the students at heart, but their



obvious financial motivations discount their credibility on this claim). Therefore, Congress continues to rubber-stamp these legislative efforts, and the schools quickly raise their tuition to bump up against the new lending ceilings.

If the Department of Education were seeing a material, financial loss with loan defaults, they likely would be far more assertive about the reasons NOT to raise the loan limits...and this would provide a critical check on the process. But the Department has been largely absent from these debates, and its misaligned interest is certainly the reason why.

So it must be agreed that lack of Department oversight contributes directly to repeated votes by Congress to raise the loan limits, and we've already established the link between this poor oversight, and the removal of consumer protections. So undoubtedly, the removal of standard consumer protections has effectively allowed the schools and lenders to have their way with Congress on this issue.

Critics could argue that the established student advocacy groups should have stepped in to fill this role...and this is obviously true...but the advocates can claim that they did not know that defaults were as high as they were (recent evidence suggests that the true default rate exceeds 1 in 3), therefore any objections from them (assuming they did object) were not strong. Had they known that defaults were as high as they were, one can only assume that they would have objected far more forcefully, starting many years ago.

The current debate surrounding the cause of tuition inflation is a confusing mix of rhetoric that typically involves fingers pointing in all directions...like a scarecrow in the wind"...among lenders, schools, the Department of Education, the student advocates, and Congress. But of these five entities, four were behaving as expected (i.e. schools pushing for raising the limits, advocates wringing their hands in the absence of defensible proof that things were going awry, lenders playing their part as the selfish, amoral entities they are understood to be, Congress debating what they are told, and ultimately voting based upon this debate).

The Department of Education, however, failed to fulfill its role, and did not disclose to the group the true magnitude of the default problem, as one would expect it to. Therefore the Department is clearly the party whose behavior can ultimately be questioned with strong justification. Of course citizens have every right to be seethingly resentful and angered by all of these actors failing to point out what was obvious...that the students were being saddled with outrageous increases in student loan debt (I believe the advocates bear a tremendous amount of responsibility, for example), but strictly speaking, the Department's failure is the only one with zero defense.

This is a critical, unambiguous link that is never pointed out, but which is key- the key- to explaining the rampant inflation we have seen in academia over the years. Congress and the president should be demanding to know why key personnel at the Department so badly neglected to fulfill their duties, and take a hard, hard look at the corporate culture that has enabled this sort of gross neglect of basic functions. And of course, the standard consumer protections that should have never been removed from student loans must be returned at the earliest possible opportunity.

The Register has provided [this handy little graphic 'flow-chart'](#) explanation of the predatory lending system, as described in Alan's op-ed, above.

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Editor's Note: You may keep up with Mr. Collinge and his Student Loan Justice group at the following links:

*** "Student Loan Justice" web-ring:

- * Nationally-recognised College Loan advocate, Alan M. Collinge, has been featured in many papers, TV, and Cable networks. [Google him](#) if you doubt.
- * <https://StudentLoanJustice.org> (Official page)
- * <https://twitter.com/AlanSLJ> (Regularly-updated Twitter feed)
- * <https://m.facebook.com/groups/SLJGroup> (Facebook group for Mobile devices/iPhones)
- * <https://facebook.com/groups/SLJGroup> (Facebook group)
- * [Alan Collinge @ YouTube](#)
- * [\(YouTube search for SLJ\)](#)

He is also [the author of](#) the ground-breaking exposé, "THE STUDENT LOAN SCAM: The Most Oppressive Debt in U.S. History—and How We Can Fight Back", available at all major book sellers, and available in both paperback (ISBN-13: 978-0-8070-4231-1) and hardback (ISBN-13: 978-0-8070-4229-8) versions, such as the [\[Paperback\] version on AMAZON \(here\)](#) or [\[Hardcover\] version on AMAZON \(here\)](#), or even the [KINDLE version \(here\)](#).

Editor's Note: Mr. Collinge, who was featured in *FORBES*, above, is a prolific writer, author, and regularly featured in major national news media -- and has a highly-visible presence on social media: [NYTimes.com](#); [FoxNews.com](#); [TheHill.com](#); [Amazon.com](#); [Beacon.org](#); [Medium.com](#); [GoodMenProject.com](#); [AngryBearBlog.com](#); *The Student Loan Scam: The Most Oppressive Debt in U.S. History and How We Can Fight Back*: [Amazon.com \(Hardcover\)](#); [Amazon.com \(Paperback\)](#); [Amazon.com \(Kindle Edition\)](#); [Beacon.org \(Paperback\)](#); [NYTimes.com \(news\)](#); [CBSNews \(feature story\)](#); [Credit.com](#); [TheHill.com \(blogs\)](#); [WAER.org \(Syracuse University 88.3 FM news radio\)](#); [Wikipedia.org](#); [Google.com \(lookup via NYTimes\)](#); [Google.com \(lookup via CBS\)](#); [StudentLoanJustice.org](#); [Facebook.com \(group\)](#); YouTube channels: [Student Loan Justice](#); [Alan Collinge \(new\)](#); [Alan Collinge \(old\)](#); Search: [student+loan+justice](#); Search: [alan+collinge](#); Twitter channels: [@StudentLoanJSL](#); [@AlanSLJ](#); [Change.org \("Million signature" petition\)](#); [Archive Today cache](#); [Wayback Machine archive](#); [Local cache](#); [Mirror-1 archive](#); [Mirror-2 archive](#); [Mirror-3 archive](#)

Mr. Collinge, who was kind enough to [grant permission for reprint/republication of his Op-Ed](#), here, makes some very strong claims above, such as regarding the amount of profit that the U.S. Department of Education makes on defaulted loans, but The Register has carefully researched his claims, and -- so far as we can see -- they are correct and can easily be documented by a routine web search on the subject. His op-ed originally appeared [here](#) on *Forbes.com*, on 03/19/2012, as a guest post in Peter J. Reilly's regular column, which focused on the tax issues of individuals, businesses, as well as related financial matters. Mr. Collinge was good enough to authorise The Register to re-publish and archive his fundamentally important analysis here, so long as it was unaltered and re-printed in its entirety --with no additions, subtractions, or alterations to the piece (other than, of course, style and formatting issues), and The Register felt that it would be a good precaution to archive this piece on multiple websites, not "putting all our eggs in one basket," since it is not a widely known fact that the lack of bankruptcy protections for Student Loans was a major factor in the meteoric 'tuition inflation' in recent decades, in spite of declining quality of America's standings in Higher Ed rankings in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math). Mr. Collinge is the founder of [StudentLoanJustice.org](#), a Political Action Committee dedicated to the mission of changing unjust laws related to how student loans are handled. He is also the author of the ground-breaking exposé, linked above.

If Donald Trump (rich and conservative), Solyndra (rich and liberal), and ALL rich-&-powerful Wall-Street bankers can file for bankruptcy (and they don't even need it: they are rich), why not students? Read this -- re-read this -- and follow the links above.-Editor

PS - quote of the day: "The ability to file bankruptcies is the 'Economic Second Amendment,' and when colleges knew student loans were almost impossible to discharge in bankruptcy (due to the Brunner test), the colleges and lenders knew student borrowers of college loans were unable to defend themselves--and both parties engaged in Predatory Lending, victimising the helpless & defenseless college student borrowers with soaring & skyrocketing tuition--price-gouging them, like one shoots 'fish in a barrel'. For this reason, (conservative) supporters of the Second Amendment should not deny college students. Likewise, (liberal) supporters of helpless college students should be in agreement that student borrowers need the same

protections as ALL OTHER borrowers—including Credit Card users and the “über-rich,” all of whom can obtain bankruptcy discharge.”

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* **Headline** * **Co\$ts of College tuition going through the roof** –unbearably high ...while quality of American Higher Education declining...Credit card users have 'Standard Consumer Protections,' **but Student loan borrowers don't?!**

Help return it to the way it was in the 1950's when American Higher Ed was TOPS in the world, and costs of college were affordable. Sign this petition to return to proven methods that worked in the past:

**** <https://wh.gov/jU8> ****

While online petitions are usually ignored, this one will work if it gets 150 signatures before it expires Dec 21, 2011: It would then become permanently archived in the Whitehouse website, like this 'Evolution' petition that 'expired' but is still on the Whitehouse website and visible in a key-word search: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/petitions#/petition/promote-enforce-teaching-evolution-over-creationism/H4HkDs0B> -- If not, it gets deleted like this one: <https://wh.gov/24m>

Click here: **** <https://wh.gov/jU8> **** It only takes 5 minutes to Register & Sign. This just in: Please also sign [this](#) petition about Student Loan debt, which is the only form of debt that can not be discharged in bankruptcy.

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'BIG' Trouble with Facebook: (Fri. 23 Dec. 2011) Register editor, Gordon Wayne Watts, a battle-hardened Internet veteran (who has made websites from scratch, such as this one) has frustration with a routine password reset -and offers some advice about Facebook.com -in his own words:

UPDATE: Mon. 12-26-2011 - Marishka from Facebook's User Operations just responded this morning and got my account back online.-GWW

"On around Tue. or Wed. (13-14 Dec. 2011), I was posting on a wall, when I got [an error message](#), asking me to confirm my identity via confirmation code texted to my cell. Since I just had my number changed, I chose the 2nd option to have the code sent via a 'voice' call to my landline phone. However, as [this screenshot](#) shows, I got an error message, claiming I was "requesting too many codes in a short period of time," and asking me to try later. Only problem was this was my first time ever choosing that option, and furthermore, it was at the suggestion of Facebook. I somehow found out how to submit a bug report on the Facebook.com website, and got [this email](#) in response. They asked for screen shots of the issue, which I included in my reply. To help assure them that I really was the real 'Gordon Wayne Watts,' I included scanned images of [3 forms of ID](#), one a photo ID of my Fla Driver's License. I continued trying to follow the directions at the login page, sometimes getting error messages like [this 'systems overload' message, at 3:37am, dated the 18th](#), or [this "Something went wrong" message, at 4:06am, also dated the 18th](#), or even [another "too many codes" message, this one at 4:32am, Dec. 18, 2011](#). As late as the 18th, I still had not heard from them, and [wrote back](#); however, the next day, the 19th, I again contacted Facebook through their website, and got [another email from Facebook](#), which said "If you still need our help, please respond to this email with as much information about your problem as possible. We will respond to you within three business days," and I responded. The next day, on the 20th, Marishka, from Facebook's "User Operations" department replied in [this email here](#), with some basic instructions on how to gain access to my Facebook account once again. I followed them to a 'T' but was still unable to log in, and I kept getting error messages as before, so I responded to the email, and included the following screen shots in the email attachment: [1st screen shot: Their request](#) and [1st screen shot: The end result](#).

Today, Fri., Dec. 23, 2011, I still can not access my Facebook account, and I keep getting error messages, and sent [this email](#) to every known email address I have for Facebook -and then some, including the following screen shots in my attachment: [Dec-23-update-part-1.JPG](#) and [Dec-23-update-part-2.JPG](#).

What lessons can be learned? Well, it is possible (but not certain) that I was penalised for not honouring the Terms of Service, because I did get a warning about posting excessive messages to walls, when I was advertising my Whitehouse petition, described in other recent news. However, as the recent emails from Facebook did not reference that apparently minor infraction, the more important take-home messages that seem relevant here are the following:

- (1) Keep your contact and recovery information up-to-date, so you don't find yourself unable to verify your account with an old cell phone number like me; and,
- (2) Even when you follow the instructions, and do your part, life has uncertainties and no guarantee of success, most especially with a 'free' web service such as Facebook, which has no legal obligation to offer any goods or services. (They are free, hello?)

-- Gordon Wayne Watts, Editor-in-Chief, *The Register* "

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The Whitehouse's new '[We The People](#)' petition process: FAILURE

(Last edited Mon. 12-26-2011 to add additional details on publicity)

In [recent news](#), *The Register* told you that [our petition to The Whitehouse regarding obscenely high college tuition](#), which eventually got [at least 444 signatures](#) before it 'expired' would remain online and in the permanent Whitehouse website archives, even after it expired if it met the '[first threshold](#)' of 150 signatures before the 'expiration' period of Dec. 21, 2011, even if it did not meet the '[second threshold](#)' of 25,000 signatures.

This claim was made based on the fact that [this 'expired' petition](#) regarding Evolution failed to reach the 25,000-signature threshold, and yet was still online long after it had expired. (As is shown in the screen-shot, it had reached only 6,728 signatures by Dec. 18, 2011, even though it was created on Sept. 24, 2011 and 'expired' on Oct. 24, 2011.) It was, therefore, reasonably conjectured that meeting the [the 'first threshold'](#) of 150 signatures was all that was required to both stay online and be eligible for continued signatures: as shown in the screenshots, the 'Evolution' petition which expired on Oct. 24, 2011, was both still online at Whitehouse.gov and also had signatures as recent as December 18, 2011.

However, when it was noticed that [our petition, here](#) had expired and been deleted, a hasty call was made to our legal team for analysis and review, a regarding possible [Equal Protection](#) violation of the [Right to Petition](#) for a governmental redress of grievances. The 'tier 1' legal team came back with the following:

Since the 'Evolution' petition was created back when the 2nd 'threshold' was only 5,000 signatures, and [had apparently met and exceeded](#) this standard, it was "grand-fathered" in, and is awaiting an official response from The Whitehouse. Our petition, by contrast, did not meet the 2nd threshold standard. But something still seemed amiss, and a call was made to our 'tier 2' legal analysts to see what further analysis could be had:

Our 'tier 2' legal team brought back the following statistics: From Nov. 21, 2011, [when our petition was created](#) until early morning of Dec. 18, 2011, [a time-stamp of our petition](#) reveals that it took about 27 days to meet the 'first' 150-signature threshold to 'go live' on Whitehouse.gov's website, which is a rate of about 5.556 signatures per day, or about 0.232 signatures per hour, very slow. However, from the time our petition '[went live](#)' at 04:20am, 18 Dec. 2011, until it was deleted sometime between [11:18pm, Dec. 21, 2011](#) and [11:27pm, Dec. 21, 2011](#), it went from 150 signatures to at least 444 signatures, a net gain of 294 signatures in about 91 hours, which is a much faster rate of about 3.231 signatures per hour or 77.538 signatures a day -due to the increased visibility to the public petitions have on Whitehouse.gov. At his rate, it would have gotten about 2,326.2 signatures in 30 days, had it 'gone live' right away and continued to gain signatures at that same rate. However, tier 2 legal opined that this implicated both Constitutional [Due Process](#) and the [First Amendment's](#) guarantee of the [Right to Petition](#), and possibly also [Equal Protection](#):

For one thing, if even 'ideal' circumstances would not yield, on average, and more than 2,326.2 signatures, not even 50% of the 'lower' threshold of 5,000, and nowhere near the current 25,000-signature standard, then Due Process is implicated: The U.S. Supreme Court, in [Goldberg v. Kelly, 397 U.S. 254, 267 \(1970\)](#), quoting [Grannis v. Ordean, 234 U.S. 385, 394 \(1914\)](#), held that "The fundamental requisite of due process of law is the opportunity to be heard," which, apparent from the unreasonably high signature thresholds, is not reasonably possible. This is especially true, considering that our editor, Gordon Watts, [spent \\$239.00 alone](#) on a timely [PRWeb.com press release](#), dated 11-28-2011, well in time to "get the word out," and which had [hundreds, if not thousands](#) of news deliveries, as well as [over 50,000](#) new and web site impressions. Watts also spent [about \\$104.90 more for the printing costs](#) of the approximately 3,000 "3.5x8" handbills (8.5x11 divided into thirds) and additional posters printed and distributed at [Orlando's UCF](#) (Mon. 12-5-2011), and then at [Tampa's USF](#) (Tue. 12-6-2011), universities in central Florida, not even counting some posters distributed at local businesses, and other local colleges (Florida Southern, Southeastern, and Polk Community College's USF campus), and some additional handbills and flyers [paid for with cash \(about \\$29.92\)](#). Another approximately \$60.00 was spend on two \$5.00 [parking permits](#) as well as another 50 dollars or so on food and gas. Then, to help beat the 12-21-2011 expiration deadline, Watts bought [three \\$25.00 Facebook ads](#) (on 12-16 to 12-18), which all adds up to [about \\$508.82 spent](#) on this petition alone, a petition to The Whitehouse regarding unbearably high college tuition, interest, and fees -and lack of standard consumer protections.

WIDE-SPREAD PUBLICITY

In addition to numerous posters, and easily over three-thousand (3,000) handbills passed out at 2 major central-Florida universities, Watts reports a massive 'Internet campaign' on numerous social networks, forums, and message boards -a massive publicity campaign:

• World-wide press releases:

- <https://www.prweb.com/releases/2011/11/prweb8994334.htm>
- <https://news.yahoo.com/petition-whitehouse-regarding-student-loan-abuses-higher-ed-081634947.html>
- <https://newsguide.us/education/college-university/petition-to-the-whitehouse-regarding-student-loan-abuses-by.html>
- [View online news pickup in: Yahoo! News](#)
- [View online news pickup in: Google](#)

• Flyers / Posters:

- Numerous posters on cork-boards at [RaceTrac](#) gas stations and other local businesses with poster-boards (Plant City, Lakeland, Orlando - Florida)

- Numerous posters on cork-boards at [Florida Southern College](#) (Lakeland, Fla.)
- Numerous posters on cork-boards at [USF Polytechnic: Polk Community College](#) (Lakeland, Fla.)
- One poster on cork-boards and several given to staff to pass out at [Southeastern University](#) (Lakeland, Fla.)
- Roughly one-thousand five-hundred (1,500) handbill flyers & numerous poster on cork-boards at the [University of Central Florida](#) (Orlando, Fla.)
- Roughly one-thousand five-hundred (1,500) handbill flyers & numerous poster on cork-boards at the [University of South Florida](#) (Tampa, Fla.)
- Various Social and News Networks:
 - [The Register \(GordonWatts.com mirror: hosted by GoDaddy\)](#)
 - [The Register \(GordonWayneWatts.com mirror: hosted by HostGator\)](#)
 - E-mail notification sent out to Mr. Watts' lengthy e-mail list of friends and news media contacts
 - [Facebook.com/GordonWayneWatts](#)
 - [Youtube.com/GordonWayneWatts](#)
 - [GordonWayneWatts.blogspot.com](#)
 - [Twitter.com/Gordon_W_Watts](#)
- Various Forums and Message boards:
 - [CARM.org](#) Christian Apologetics & Research Ministry's [off-topic board](#)
 - [StarTrekNewVoyages.com](#) official website's [off-topic board](#)
 - Numerous [Topix.com](#) forums, found by a [Google.com search](#) limited to that topic
 - The [FairFaxUnderground.com](#) forum's [off-topic board](#)
 - [NuclearFuzzRadio.com](#)'s recent [Episode 36 interview](#), which was simulcast on [DoapBoxRadio.com](#)
 - The official Facebook pages of [NuclearFuzzRadio.com's group](#), and [Doap Box Radio's fan page](#), and also [The Bone Project's fan page](#), and even [The Bone Project's group](#)
- Numerous other Facebook pages, including (but not limited to) the following:
 - [www.Facebook.com/groups/ForgiveStudentLoanDebt](#) (ForgiveStudentLoanDebt.com's group)
 - [https://www.facebook.com/groups/SjJGroup](#) (StudentLoanJustices.org's group)
 - [Petition regarding unjust laws: College is too expensive Quality declining](#), (Public FACEBOOK Event: Anyone can see and join this event
By Gordon Wayne Watts - All invited: 2,350 – Hosts: 1 – Going:34 – Maybe: 2 – Invited by host: 2,134 – Declined: 31)
 - [https://www.facebook.com/groups/OccupyWallStreetGroup](#)
 - [https://www.facebook.com/pages/Occupy-Wall-Street/243902435655719](#)
 - [https://www.facebook.com/pages/Occupy-Wall-Street/252843278084869](#)
 - [https://www.facebook.com/OccupyStudentDebt](#)
 - [https://www.facebook.com/OccupyColleges](#)
 - [https://www.facebook.com/OccupyOrlandoFL](#)
 - [https://www.facebook.com/OccupyTampa](#)
 - [https://www.facebook.com/occupyLA](#)
 - [https://www.facebook.com/OccupyWallStreetNewYorkCity](#)

So, even with the 'ideal circumstances' such as all the wide-spread publicity had here, this well-worded petition, which was getting signatures at a rate of about 0.232 signatures per hour could only increase its rate to 3.231 signatures per hour, when it 'went live' on the Whitehouse.gov website. Even at this 'increased' rate under optimal publicity circumstances, it would only have gotten about 2,326.2 signatures before it 'expired' in 30 days (e.g., 720 hours), had it 'gone live' right away on Whitehouse.gov -far short of the old 'threshold' of 5,000 signatures, and even more-so short of the current 25,000-signature threshold required to obtain an 'official' response from The Whitehouse.

GRIM PROGNOSIS

Therefore, it would be unreasonable to think that most petitions, even under 'ideal' circumstances could gather sufficient signatures to obtain (as the Whitehouse puts it) a ["meaningful response"](#) to petitions.

This high standard prevents common people from having a meaningful voice in their government. Besides the unreasonably high thresholds here, a poor person, lacking many resources, also has to wait a good while before 'going live' on Whitehouse.gov, due to the 1st threshold. To make a level playing-field, The Whitehouse should allow all petitions to remain 'live' on Whitehouse.gov for the same 30-day time-period if they meet the 1st threshold. Additionally, the 25,000 signature standard is too high for all but the most rich and powerful and connected persons and organisations. Then, perhaps, citizens could get meaningful 'Due Process' and the ability to Redress their Government with grievances.

One other aspect, however, *must* be analysed: If 3,000 handbills were passed out by Watts on the 5th and 6th of December, and no more than 150 signatures were obtained by the 18th, when the petition 'went live' on The Whitehouse website, then even accounting for the fact the final exam week ended Fri., Dec. 9, 2011, that does not speak well of the college students. Furthermore, Watts estimates that about 50 of those signatures were by non-students whom he helped vote, and another 50 or so were from the Internet, meaning, at most, only about 50-60 of the approximately 3,000 votes came from students at UCF and USF. That is about a 2% batting average. Put another way, the very people who would benefit most from such a petition (and who had both computer skills and resources at the library to help them with the Internet if they lacked skills) were very apathetic, to the tune of about 98% apathetic.

While Watts reports that UCF and USF police, staff, and administration were very cooperative regarding his exercise of Free Speech in the 'Free Speech zones' (getting an A+ here), the students were polar opposites, show little, if any, cooperation, other than politely taking the flyers and thanking him in an estimated 70% to 80% of the instances he offered students a handbill.

Watts was very discouraged, and somewhat bitter, remarking that perhaps students deserved to be crushed by obscenely high tuition, interest, and fees, and then do without any of the Standard Consumer Protections that credit card users have (such as the ability to file for bankruptcy; have truth in lending; statutes of limits; the right to refinance; adherence to usury laws; and, Fair Debt & Collection practices, etc.). When students borrowers, hit with huge fees that can drive their loan up 200% to 500% of the original, already-high amount, and are subsequently unable to file for bankruptcy in this bad economy, when rich bankers are getting bailed out left and right with endless bailouts, the situation is desperate. Then, for students, even now, to be so apathetic is amazing, and was a chief factor that Watts reported in his negative overview of students' apathy and lack of knowledge or focused action to address this mounting crisis, the next bubble to burst in Higher Education.

The students received an 'F' grade in their apathy and lack of education on the looming Higher Ed crisis. So, what now can be done?

Without comment, here are some other petitions that are (apparently) open -- hope springs eternal with a '2nd chance':

* [https://signon.org/sign/lower-interest-rate-for](#)

* [https://signon.org/sign/want-a-real-economic?source=c.url&r_by=525506](#)

* (Update: this one's closed, but I'm keeping the link here to archive it) [https://www.whitehouse.gov/petitions/l/petition/support-legislation-permit-discharge-all-student-loans-bankruptcy/Czyt3L13](#)

* [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/embeddedform?formkey=dFFnbzJMVTIWanBMYWxIMEJBbWVks3c6MQ.](#)

Sign them, or risk losing your rights forever...

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Crippling debts make it difficult for graduates to achieve dreams

Special to [The Register](#). By Sophie Kinsella - Mon. 09-16-2013

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It's quite surprising to see that almost two-thirds of the students from all the colleges and universities in America graduate with some amount of debt to pay off. The Institute for College Access and Success or the TICAS has found through its Project on Student Debt that an average borrower will finish his or her college with almost \$26,000 debt to pay off. Every one out of 10 graduates end up accumulating more than \$40,000 in student loan debt. To be very frank this isn't only surprising, this is actually a scary situation for the students who desire to go for higher education without much of monetary support. There are clear chances that the student loan debts will cripple the dreams of the graduates.

The story of a graduate who faced the onslaught of debts:

Just a year back, Karen Burger graduated from the Northeastern University. Just like any other fresh graduate, she was raring to go and have a bright career. Her aim was to work at some faith-based nonprofit organization. Apart from the dreams, she also had \$96,000 student loan debt which she accumulated to support her five years of college. Debts came creeping in her life right after she graduated. Her career plans were crushed. To get out of debt and the interest rate, she had to immediately opt for a teller's job at TD Bank. Later, she had to reach out to an Army recruiter to break free the shackles of her student loan debt. "I would never have considered it if it weren't for the loans," Burger ruefully said.

You must be wondering why this story? Well, just like Karen, there are millions of other students who're struggling to cope up with their debts and dreams at the same time. As per the survey of Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, the numbers of students like Karen are only increasing with each passing year. Just 3 years back in 2010, the overall student debt was around \$826 billion. Currently, the amount is almost \$1.2 trillion. There is a whopping 45% increase. Now, you can imagine how demanding the situation is for the students who borrow to pay for higher education. A huge section of students ultimately end up losing their dreams.

Students need to get out of it

In such a circumstance, the major question that arises is whether any solution is there for the troubled students or not. Quite unfortunately, there is no straight answer for this. It all depends on how a student manages the debt. The president of TICAS, Lauren Asher, suggests that it's safer to take out government backed loans to finance higher education. It's even convenient enough to pay off Federal student loans. Asher feels, "Half of those taking out private loans have not maxed out on federal loans." Quite clearly, she doesn't support students' dependence on private student loans.

Asher also explains the benefits that federal student loans provide. According to her, "Federal loans are subject to income-based payback, fixed interest rates, and take nine months to default on, making them a much safer loan for students to take". She disapproves private student loans for ruining a student's credit history. "Any ding in credit rating can affect [a borrower] more now than ever, even employment," explained Asher.

What Asher wants to point is clear enough, but there is hardly any assurance that only Federal student loans will be able to save graduates from sacrificing their career and dreams. Getting out of debt is unfortunately not that easy a task. Not only debt, but there are increasing educational costs and unemployment also to aggravate the problems. However, as TICAS focuses on, students need to be informed properly about consolidating debts. Whether federal or private, students must know all the details about probable repayment options before taking out a loan. Only by selecting the right repayment option can students do away with their debts and save their dreams ultimately.

Editor's Note: The Register is not affiliated with either the writer, or her employers, so listed above, and furthermore, we do not receive any remuneration. The views expressed are not necessarily those of The Register or its employees. However, that said, after reviewing her Op-Ed for grammar and accuracy, the claims she makes seem to be correct -or at least, very close, with regards to the numerical analyses she provides. Nonetheless, we wish to disagree with one small claim above: Where she says that "unfortunately, there is no straight answer for this [crippling debt problem]," we wish to point out that The Register has previously published a detailed analysis, complete with proposed solutions which, although very politically-difficult (and sometimes even painful) to implement, are indeed straightforward, and said proposed solutions to lawmakers (and other governmental officials) are cross-posted to 4 mirrors:

- * GordonWatts.com/Higher-Ed-Tuition-Costs.html
- * GordonWayneWatts.com/Higher-Ed-Tuition-Costs.html
- * ThirstForJustice.net/Higher-Ed-Tuition-Costs.html
- * Gordon_Watts.Tripod.com/Higher-Ed-Tuition-Costs.html

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Are you Reading a Fictional Mortgage Document?

Special to The Register: By TheAdvocacyForConsumerRights.org (888-320-1599) - Saturday, 10-24-2015
<https://TheAdvocacyForConsumerRights.org> - <https://www.facebook.com/TAFCR>

Fiction books are a great source of entertainment. In a fiction book, unicorns can fly around on rainbows, and mermaids spend their days talking with dolphins.

The challenge is that very few people have only been trained to understand the laws of fictional grammar. This becomes an issue because people don't know when a document is fiction or fraudulent vs. containing facts.

The purpose for creating a fiction book or document is to create fiction, not fact. Fiction allows the writer to use words to fabricate a story to create an illusion. This is all well and good in a children's story book, but when a contract, such as a mortgage, is [created in fictional grammar](#), a consumer can end up losing their freedom and tremendous amounts of money.

Most consumers believe because they can read the document, it must be a factual document.

How do you create a fact within a sentence?

When you change a fact to a verb, is the fact still a fact? Or is the fact now a verb?

Is a verb a fact?

If you do not know the answers to these questions, then it is likely you would not know how to detect whether a fact exists in a document.

A simple rule of grammar is the only way to create a fact is by using a [pre]positional phrase. This is the only way to create a fact.

When you look up the word "borrower" in the dictionary, it is a noun or fact. It is not a verb.

"The borrower is responsible for making payments on time."

In the above sentence taken from a mortgage document, the word "borrower" has been modified, and now "borrower" is a verb. The word "the" is an adverb, making "borrower" into a verb.

As a matter of fact, the entire sentence contains not a single fact.

If a person were to enter into a written mortgage agreement with the above sentence, it would be no different than entering into a mortgage contract in which they agree they will produce unicorns to fly around rainbows because the entire sentence contains zero facts and only contains fiction which is not a fact.

Editor's Note: There was some confusion among readers about calling "borrower" a verb; the writer has been gracious enough to clarify this point stating that: "TAFCR specializes in factual laws of grammar, and, in the comment, [The Register is] speaking of fictional grammar, which is how we talk in day to day conversation. In factual grammar, [the word in question in the] sentence [above] is a verb."

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ARCHIVED: News Coverage & Editorial of U.S. House races in Fla. Districts 11 & 12: {Click: ([Mirror 1](#)) - ([Mirror 2](#))} **Thr 05 Nov '09** - I thank freshman Senator, George LeMieux (R-FL) for 'following' [my Twitter page](#) in [this screen shot \(click here\)](#) of our respective pages. SCRATCH THAT: I made a mistake: Sen. LeMieux is not "following" me, but rather "being followed": Sorry for my mistake - I am still new to Twitter, but I shall leave this item posted as an archived news item.

Sunday, 02 November 2008: McCain projected to win in a 'Reagan Landslide' + [PRAYER REQUEST! - click here](#)

Thursday, 02 October 2008: [Bailout Solution - click here](#)

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Thursday, 19 June 2008 **BREAKING NEWS:**

"Write-in" for RON PAUL may not count

LAKELAND, FL (The Register) June 19, 2008 -
"Exclusive" to The Register: The [Ron Paul](#)

Thursday, 19 June 2008 **More BREAKING NEWS:**
 Gordon Watts to run for State Congress

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LAKELAND, FL (The Register) June 19, 2008 - *Register* editor-in-chief, Gordon Watts, has, just today, announced his run for the

[presidential campaign](#) (1-800-RON-PAUL) has just now informed *The Register* of its thoughts on a "write in" campaign for Ron Paul's presidential bid, in response to a *Register* inquiry whether he was properly registered as a "write-in" candidate in all 50 states. Jesse, who sees Rep. Paul on a daily basis, informed this reporter that Dr. Paul, who has suspended his campaign, is **not registered** as a write in candidate in some states, due chiefly to the requirement by some states that a candidate for a major party agree to not run as a 3rd party candidate.

What this means in "plain English" is simple: Ron Paul supporters who attempt to "write in" his name will void their votes if they live in any of those states where he is not properly registered to be a "write in" candidate, thus the conventional wisdom suggests that a Ron Paul supporter might, instead, cast his or her vote for a properly registered 3rd party candidate. The leading 3rd parties and candidates most closely aligned with Dr. Paul's political views are as follows:

* [CONSTITUTION PARTY](#): Chuck Baldwin (Florida), Presidential Nominee; Darrell Castle (Tennessee), Vice Presidential Nominee

* [GREEN PARTY](#): No declared candidate as yet

* [INDEPENDENT PARTY](#) (in some states) / [INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE](#): Ralph Nader (Connecticut), Presidential Nominee; Matt Gonzalez (California), Vice Presidential Nominee

* [LIBERTARIAN PARTY](#): Former Congressman Bob Barr (Georgia), Presidential Nominee; Wayne Allyn Root (Nevada), Vice Presidential Nominee

Register editor-in-chief, Gordon Watts, requested that Jesse ask Dr. Paul to issue a public statement press release about his write-in status, so that voters (in particular, Ron Paul supporters) might be better informed when deciding whether a write-in of Ron Paul would be a wasted vote. Watts also asked Jesse to put in a request that Dr. Paul give his supporters options and information about other properly-registered candidates -and possibly endorse one.

We are expecting the Paul campaign to issue a public statement soon, in response to our inquiry, to address these matters.

(Editor's note: The statement that this was an "exclusive" to The Register was based on the fact that, to our knowledge, no other news source, to date, has addressed the "write-in" eligibility issue of Dr. Paul.)

House of Representatives, District 64 of "[Imperial](#)" Polk County, Lakeland, Florida.

(THR, July 17, 2008 - Related Election Coverage news: [Misc. Polk Stats](#) -or- [Misc. Polk Stats](#).)

Late last night, *Register* researchers discovered that Florida's primaries are *not* closed in some instances -such as the present situation in the Dist. 64 House race, being vacated by Incumbent, Dennis Ross, who is prevented by term limits from running again. This race features Republicans Jack English, Kelli Stargel, and Phil Walker, big names in the Republican politics of Lakeland and "Imperial" Polk County; however, to date, there has not been a Democratic candidate.

This situation, in which no Democratic challenger has stepped forward, effectively means that the primary winner would win the open seat -by default -and result in a winner who was not voted on by anyone but registered Republican voters.

Florida lawmakers, however, allow the Republican primary to be "open" to all voters -including registered Democrats and unaffiliated voters -in this circumstance, using the logic that all voters must be able to vote for a candidate. Some are opposed to the law, however, saying that it is a primaries should not be open to outsiders -since they are not a member of the party.

Still others suggest that if the Democrats (who are the minority party in conservative-leaning POLK) are not brave enough to field a candidate, then they have no moral high ground to demand to be able to vote in the otherwise closed Republican primaries.

However, a "loophole" in the law would close the primaries -and shut out Democrat voters if an eligible "write in" candidate declared his candidacy for the post. This law was written to allow the "write-in" candidate to face a "properly" chosen candidate in the general election.

ENTER GORDON WATTS: Mr. Watts, discovering this loophole, was outraged that the "openness/closedness" of a primary could be affected by a mere "write-in" candidate, someone who doesn't have to pay a filing fee at all. Thus, Watts filed as a "write in" just today, in order to bring this problem to light. Watts feels that the primary process should not be so delicate and sensitive to this situation -where just any "write in" candidate, without paying a filing fee, could change the primary rules "on a whim," as was quoted as saying.

The "write in" process was made free because the lawmakers envisioned the government getting out of control, and wanted to keep the doors open to all candidates -even those who do not have many financial assets. While Watts agrees with this -and is running on the platform of "election law change," he feels that the primaries should either be open or closed -but not both, and not dependant on the actions of a non-party member -such as is the case today. For an official statement from Gordon Watts on where he stands on the issues, please visit his official campaign page:

* <https://www.GordonWayneWatts.com/Campaign.html>

or

* <https://www.GordonWatts.com/Campaign.html>

Wednesday, 14 May 2008 - **Editorial:** How Hillary Might Win - [Personal site mirror](#) - [Alt. mirror](#)

* Monday, 22 January 2007 - **ERATTA:** *The Register* makes news typo: Hillary not dishonest regarding intentions; See link for retraction.

* Saturday, 20 January 2007 - **BREAKING NEWS:** Hillary Clinton Caught In Embarrassing Public Lie [MAIN MIRROR](#) ~ [ALT. MIRROR](#) ~

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(POLITICS) SEAN HANNITY SECTION:

UPDATE: *Sat 10 Oct '09* - Lee Kington bans yet another forum poster from Sean Hannity's forum, in violation of Hannity forum rules which allow disagreement if personal life is not attacked. Click [here](#). (If her website is attacked as this one was, a cached screenshot is [here](#) or [here](#).)

ALERT - Mon, 28 Sept 2009 - One day after Lee Kington's complaints about this web-ring, an unknown entity visited this website 9,239 times within about a one hour period (Click [here](#) or [here](#)) in what appears to be a 'Denial of Service' Attack on this webbing. Due to his vocal opposition to bad press from this webbing, Kington is the only suspect while CableOne, our ISP, and the proper authorities investigate this. Kington was in public suspicion on a [prior occasion](#) (cached: [here](#) or [here](#)) as well.

UPDATE - SAT, 26 Sept 2009 - Disagreeing with Obama is O.K. Disagreeing with Sean Hannity, even respectfully, can get you banned ([link](#) Cache: [here](#) or [here](#)) from Hannity forum. Moderator, [Lee Kington](#), violated forum rules, as explained [here](#) or [here](#). **NEW: The Forum Rules** are cached [here](#) or [here](#) in case they take them down or deny them.

UPDATE - Thr, 24 Sept 2009 - New evidence emerges that Hannity 'live call-in' radio program has "pre-recorded," not 'live' callers. Click [here](#) or [here](#). **Tue, 22 Sept 2009 - SEAN HANNITY Call-Screener deems caller's Health Care question too hard:** In what is one of the strangest news items of recent, Sean Hannity (1-800-941-SEAN) call-screener, Lynda McLaughlin, "diss'ed" (verbally insulted) pro-life icon, Gordon Watts (editor of [GordonWayneWatts.com](#)), of Lakeland, Florida, regarding his recent legal defense of Terri Schiavo, and then deemed his healthcare question as too hard for her show host, Sean Hannity. To see documentation of this (including audio of the call in question) -and hear Mr. Watts' side of the story, click [here](#) or [here](#). - Look for [news coverage](#) (click [here](#)) by reporter, Debra J.M. Smith (official websites: [here](#) and [here](#)). [Informing Christians archives](#) (click [here](#)) *and* [Watts interview archived on this website](#) (click [here](#)). Plus, new team member [here](#).

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Religion (Theology / Spiritual):

NEW: In this section: My Testimony of how I 'got saved' (see below) -- **ALSO:** In this section -commentary on the recent ABC news story on 'Reincarnation' boy who said he lived a "past life" as a WWII pilot -and 'Is the Bible true?' ~ Also: Answers to theology questions, such as "IS Jesus worthy of God's worship," and "IS JESUS the same person as Michael the Archangel?" --

Also: Angels on Assignment: A critique of the Melodyland School of Theology paper by the late Dr. J. Rodman Williams, Ph.D.: ([Main Link](#)) or ([Alt. Link](#)) His wife informs me he passed away this past October. I am sorry that I could not show my proper respect by writing my reply to your paper while you were still with us. God rest your soul, Dr. Rodman, and may you be blessed in your continued activities in Heaven.

* **My Testimony: How I 'got saved'** (by Gordon Wayne Watts: How you can get saved too) ([Main Link](#)) ~ ([Alt. Link](#))

* **Rapture: Mid-Week, but Pre-Trib** -- Dr. Chuck Hollowell, of Plant City, Florida's "Victory Baptist" church, recently preached

a sermon, in which he lined up New & Old Testament passages on the timing of the rapture. The 'time line' was impossible to read until you lined up all the passages together (letting Scripture interpret Scripture), and then it seemed all but certain that the rapture would occur in the middle of Daniel's week, but before things got real ugly, in other words, before the 'Great' Tribulation. Don't take my word for it - The links below are for my sermon, based on Dr. Hollowell's sermon, in which I added Scriptures that I thought could clarify, and I used my own 'chart' formatting system for the notes:

Half-inch margins (best for printing)

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* **Where do babies go when they die? Heaven?? Hell?? NO! -Wrong on both counts -so says the Bible:** Click [HERE \(main link\)](#) or [Here \(alt. link\)](#)

* RELATED NEWS: A call-in to various [MOODY RADIO](#) programs produced varying results.

* **2 Questions: "Is reincarnation real?" ~ "Is the Bible true?"** Click [HERE \(main link\)](#) or [Here \(alt. link\)](#)

* **JESUS: God or not?** ~ [\(alt. mirror\)](#) ~ [JESUS: God or not? \(Black & White, Printer-friendly version\)](#)

* **Test for Prophets & Spirits** ~ [Test for Prophets & Spirits \(Alt. Mirror\)](#): How can you tell the difference between a "prophet of God" and a "false" prophet -or between a "Holy Angel" of God and a "fallen" (demon) spirit? Both possibilities exist, so you must be able to distinguish: **7 Biblical tests to "try the spirits."** (Newly UPDATED Friday, 11 February 2011)

* **Two opposing views on "Praying to Saints" (A CATHOLIC topic)** ~ [\(alt. mirror\)](#) ~ [Two opposing views on "Praying to Saints" \(A CATHOLIC topic\) \(Black & White, Printer-friendly version\)](#). While these two (2) views have validity, only one-and-a-half (1 ½) of them are correct.

* **GOD: Was he "once a man like us," like Latter Day Saints (Mormons) claim?** ~ [\(alt. mirror\)](#)

NEW: * **Diaconate: Exegesis & Examples** -- An exegesis on the Diaconate, a VERY important subject: The diaconate, and how the church misinterprets in on two (2) points: First, the church restricts the definition of "deacons" to mean only people who take up collections or vote on some obscure committee (when THE BIBLE says that the definition is much larger), and secondly, the church has super-high standards for "low level" deacons, but almost NO standards for VERY HIGH-LEVEL (example: teaching-type) deacons: * [PDF file format](#) * * [.html "Web-page" format](#) * I make reference to a "random prophecy," which I had made (and which was fulfilled) in said email, above: * [PDF file format](#) * * [.html "Web-page" format](#) *

Alternate Mirror links: [mirror 1: Diaconate](#) ** [mirror 2: Diaconate](#) ** [mirror 1: random prophecy](#) ** [mirror 2: random prophecy](#)

* **THE HOLY GHOST is both a "force" like Jehovah's Witnesses claim and a person like mainstream Protestants claim.** Click [here for proof.](#) ~ [\(alt. mirror\)](#)

* **Are Michael and Jesus the same person as Jehovah's Witnesses say?** ~ [\(alt. mirror\)](#) ~ [Are Michael and Jesus the same person as Jehovah's Witnesses say? \(Black & White, Printer-friendly version\)](#)

* **Is Hell forever torment or mere destruction?** ~ [\(alt. mirror\)](#) ~ [Is Hell forever torment or mere destruction? \(Black & White, Printer-friendly version\)](#)

* **Is Jesus worthy of worship?** ~ [\(alt. mirror\)](#)

* **Is "Soul Sleep" (supported by Seventh Day Adventists, Jehovah's Witnesses, and Christadelphianism) true or not?** ~ [\(alt. mirror\)](#)

* Did the Jehovah's Witnesses have doctrinal flip-flops and change their mind on important issues? [Ask Google.com](#) or [Ask Yahoo.com](#)

* **Do Jehovah's Witnesses mis-translate the Bible?** ~ [\(alt. mirror\)](#)

* Did the Seventh Day Adventists make false predictions? [Ask Google.com](#) or [Ask Yahoo.com](#)

* Did the Jehovah's Witness organization make false prophecies that did not come to pass? [Ask Google.com](#) or [Ask Yahoo.com](#)

* Have the Latter Day Saints (Mormons) made false predictions? [Ask Google.com](#) or [Ask Yahoo.com](#)

* Are Jehovah's Witnesses taught to lie in court? [Ask Google.com](#) or [Ask Yahoo.com](#)

* Are Mormons, 7th Day Adventists, & many Jehovah's Witnesses right to prefer a vegan/vegetarian diet? YES! It is healthy and Biblical: Click on one of the mirrors for further details: | the [Tripod Backup](#) | [V](#) | [---](#) | [V](#) |

For a more "printer friendly" version, hit one of these pages: | or the [Tripod Backup](#) | My friend, Rob Cohen's Site about milk supports my own research into dietary practices in the links above: <https://www.NotMilk.com>

* Book/Movie Review of Dan Brown's "The DaVinci Code" ; <https://gordonwaynewatts.com/DaVinci.html> ; <https://gordonwatts.com/DaVinci.html> ; https://gordon_watts.tripod.com/DaVinci.html

* Movie Review of Mel Gibson's "The Passion of the Christ" ; <https://gordonwaynewatts.com/Passion.html> ; <https://gordonwatts.com/Passion.html> ; https://gordon_watts.tripod.com/Passion.html

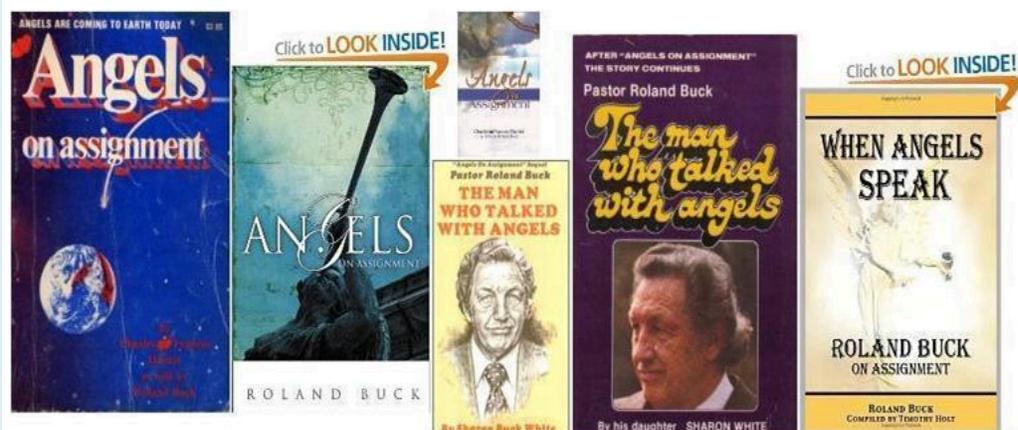
* **GOD SPEAKS!** Through roadside billboard signs? For those theologians who worry about "adding to" and "taking from" the Word of God, don't worry: They all look to line up with the word -and are oft-times quite funny! For more details, click one mirror: [Main mirror](#) - [Backup mirror](#) -

* UPDATE as of Thr. 03-17-2011: <https://www.OnlineCollegeDegrees.net/theology> is being added to *The Register's* theology section, at the request of Candice Vaughn, the webmaster / website Content Manager for: OnlineCollegeDegrees.net. NOTE: This website for this page/link is apparently a commercial website, offering online college degrees, and *The Register* is not a big fan of online degrees, but with skyrocketing tuition, it can't be much worse. CAVEAT: *The Register* is not being paid to advertise this link -and the link is being offered 'as is' for informational purposes as a link / page for "Great Christian Resources," with no warranties or guarantees.

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New: 'Angels on Assignment' section

Because of renewed interest in Rev. Roland H. Buck's book -and because of NEW DEVELOPMENTS, here is a new section to keep up with updates.



FIRST QUARTER - 1. "Angels on Assignment," by Rev. Roland H. Buck (a grandson of the Buck-Knife inventor)

Available at: [Amazon.com](#)

Available at: [Rev. Buck's old church, \(Boise\) Central Assembly](#)

Available through: [WhitakerHouse.com](#)

Available FREE online: [AngelsOnAssignment.org](#)

SECOND QUARTER - 2. "The Man Who Talked With Angels," by Sharon White (Rev. Buck's eldest child -who wrote of more angelic encounters -and the back story of his life/testimony)

Available at: [Amazon.com](#)

Available at: [Rev. Buck's old church, \(Boise\) Central Assembly](#)

Available through: [Albris.com](#)

Listed at: [Open Library](#)

Available FREE online: [AngelsOnAssignment.org](#)

HALF-TIME - Opposing Team's view: "ANGELS ON ASSIGNMENT: A Paper From Melodyland School of Theology" (by Dr. J. Rodman Williams, Ph.D.)

Critical Paper

Available at: [CBN.com](#)

Cached snapshot saved at: [The Register's main mirror](#) and [The Register's alternate mirror](#)

HALF-TIME - Home Team's view: "Angels on Assignment: A critique of the Melodyland School of Theology paper by Dr. J. Rodman Williams, Ph.D." (by Gordon Wayne Watts, A.S., B.S.) Supportive Paper
 Available at: [The Register's main mirror](#) and [The Register's alternate mirror](#)
 Printer-friendly version: [The Register's main mirror](#) and [The Register's alternate mirror](#)

THIRD QUARTER - 3. "When Angels Speak: Roland Buck on Assignment," by Timothy Holt (Rev. Buck's great nephew -which contains unpublished sermons of Roland Buck and messages on the Blood of Jesus which were given to him from God directly and through the Angel Gabriel)
 Available at: [RolandBuck.com](#)
 Available at: [Amazon.com](#)
 Available through: [AHigherLife.com](#)'s 'Store' Link through a search by name
 Available through: [AHigherLife.com](#)'s Online Store other Link through a search by name

FOURTH QUARTER - 4. "Life Teachings of Roland H. Buck: the collection of Roland H. Buck's last 67 sermons transcribed," by Timothy Holt (*Although these are the rough-draft notes, and not the published book in #3 above, these notes are the apparently word-for-word, verbatim transcription of all 67 of Rev. Buck's last sermons plus the 68th sermon at his eulogy. These notes, in the opinion of the webmaster, are complete and correct, and, by verbal permission of the author, Timothy Holt, I am providing them online for free --with the understanding that the author has asked me to make sure the reader understands that these notes are *not* the published and copyrighted book available for resale above; these notes are provided for private, non-profit use to the reader, with permission from the copyright holder.*)

Fri. 13 July 2012 - UPDATE: Timothy has just contacted me and informed me that he did not actually have permission from the copyright holders of these sermons, and thus I am taking them down. IF, however, you want copies of the sermons (audio recordings and possibly also transcripts - I am not certain), I would recommend you contact [Rev. Buck's old church, \(Boise\) Central Assembly](#), and click on either the 'Books & CD's' link or the 'Contact' link to make your requests known. I apologise for any inconvenience here. On my honour, this mistake was not intentional: Timothy has informed me that Roland's set of sermons actually belongs to Charm Buck and [Whitaker House](#).~Webmaster, Gordon Wayne Watts

Webmaster's Note: We are *INDEED* in the '4th Quarter' of the game -in these end times / last days, and the clock is just about the strick midnight! (And it may strike *sooner* for *YOU* if you die before Jesus returns!)

Further resources - Here are other of Timothy Holt's public web resources:
[www.Facebook.com/timothyholt2](#) ~ [www.MySpace.com/bluefire2007](#)
[www.InspiringYourFaith.com](#) ~ [www.RolandBuck.com](#)

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Overtime! - [More: Angel books](#) - Highly recommended by the webmaster



Many 'Angel' books exist, but these 4 (and those above) are, in the opinion of the webmaster, the best:

Angel Book: Personal Encounters With God's Messengers [Paperback]
 by: Charles and Frances Hunter
[Amazon.com \(link 1\)](#) - [Amazon.com \(link 2\)](#) - [Barnes & Noble](#) - [ChristianBook.com](#)

Murdered Heiress, Living Witness
 by Dr. Petti Wagner (Paperback – 1989)
[Amazon.com](#) - [Barnes & Noble](#) - [Albris.com](#) - [OpenLibrary.org](#)

The Beautiful Side of Evil [Paperback]
 Johanna Michaelsen (Author)
[Amazon.com](#) - [Barnes & Noble](#) - [Albris.com](#)

Sunshine: Daughter of Sacrifice [Paperback]
 By: Teresa (last name redacted: read the book to find out why)
 PS: I personally know Teresa -and she is not fake. -Webmaster, Gordon Wayne Watts
[The official website to order the updated edition of the book \(added text; new illustrations\)](#)

[TearsToJoyMinistries.org's copy of interview /&/ Free online copy of book](#)

Another Free online copy of book: [here](#) or [here](#) - [Interview on AudioFarm.org](#)

Unleavened Bread ministries interviews: [1st interview](#) - [2nd interview](#).

[Order book through WorldCat.org](#) - [Free online copy of book at: Unleavened Bread Ministries](#) - (Misc.: [Facebook page](#))

[FREE Online COPY \(mirror 1\)](#) - [FREE Online COPY \(mirror 2\)](#) - (Note: This webmaster spoke to Teresa on Thursday, 22 July 2010, and she gave her verbal permission for all the free online copies of her book to be published for personal and non-profit use. It is, as she said it, getting the message out, and that is what counts.)

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Your ANGEL STORIES: *Testimonials*

Your Angel Encounters

I was 8 months pregnant, married and asleep when at midnite a loud pounding on our front door. My husband proceeded to answer the door and it was my brother in law (his brother) who came barging in saying "OMG, Cyndi's mom's house is on fire and they think her brother is trapped in it!" I flew out of bed, the best I could, considering I was XTRA XTRA huge from pregnancy! My husband comes in to the bedroom and says "Stay here, I will go see whats going on!"....I said, "NO! What about my brother? I have to go"....he said "NO, STAY HERE >...I will come back to get you!" (You have to know my brother is only 11 months older than I and was born blind. I knew my mom worked third shift and would not have been home....but my 20 year old brother, blind, would have been home as it was midnite)
 I struggled out of bed....and all I had on was a slip as it was extremely hot and we did not have airconditioning. As my husband exited the bedroom and around the corner I was about 5 feet behind him. As I got around the corner and at the top of the step, I sat on the top step to take a deep breath. WHEN I looked up...a woman was standing there.
 She was all dressed in burgundy, a suit. An older woman with reddish colored hair. (sort of burgundy also, lol) She says, "Its ok honey, I will take you. Everything is fine."
 She then said..."Come on, I will help you dress and we will go down."
 (In my mind I was thinking "who is this woman?" she must have come with my brother in law...or followed him to our home? But it didnt matter to me as she was going to help me and take me there.)
 This woman walks into our bedroom and proceeds to go to the CHEST OF DRAWERS and remove a maternity top and shorts for me, as well as socks. I hurriedly got dressed and followed her down the steps and out the door to her car. She obviously had money as she had a beautiful huge cadillac with burgundy rust interior. Very plush.

She drove down the main road towards my mom's home. (only 3 miles away)...there was tons of firetrucks, ambulances, etc.
 I was crying and said..."My brother is blind"..."
 she said
 "Don't worry honey, your brother is safe. You will see for yourself."
 Shortly she pulled over into the parking lot across from my mom's house...it was a hardware shop. I got out of her car and "ran" across the street and my husband and his brother were standing right there in front of the house.
 My husband looked up and said...."How did you get here?"
 I said "The lady that came with Michael" (my brother in law)
 and Michael said "Huh? Nobody came with me"
 I turned to point to the woman and her car. IT was gone. Completely gone. The entire street was roadblocked as my mom's house was on property that shared the gas station and it was feared for an explosion....the woman and her car were nowhere in site. NO possible way that woman could have driven her car in and around the barricades that were set up and certainly no possible way for that woman to have exited that quickly, either. That woman was my guardian angel.
 Upon thinking, that woman would have had to pass my husband as he was exiting our house as she was coming in. He did not see any woman there.
 Neither my husband, nor my brother in law, said that any other car was in our driveway. (Her car WAS in our driveway as she guided me to it.)
 I remembered her going to my Chest of Drawers to help me dress. How did this woman know that MY clothes were kept in the tall chest of drawers instead of the long dresser with mirrors? (most women take the long dresser w mirror and the men use the chest of drawers. But because my husband wore uniforms to work...he needed more space so he would have the long dresser and drawers and I took the short 4 drawer chest of drawers for mine.)
 Burgundy. The color burgundy. Everything was burgundy. The woman's hair, her shoes, her purse, her suit, her car. Why didn't that click? Burgundy and pink were the colors of my wedding only 9 months earlier. Burgundy and Maroon was my favorite color. That woman was my guardian angel.
 As for my brother? Well, he was not in the house fire. My mom lost everything. Her home, which contained all of my childhood relics and memories, burned completely to the ground. It was a vicious electrical fire that spread through the wiring and walls rapidly. Little did we know that after my mom would leave for her third shift work, he would also leave the house and visit with his secret girlfriend....the young divorced woman next door.
 The next morning, a picture appeared in our local newspaper. A fireman was holding the completely charred remains of my mom's dresser drawer. Lying in that drawer was all of my mom's photo albums and loose pictures. Not a single one received so much as a speck of smoke damage. Lying on top...was the Holy Bible.

Written by, Cyndi Caron ItsMeCyndi@comcast.net Londonderry, New Hampshire (Saturday, 11 September 2004, 20:40:37 EDT)

**Webmaster asks: How'd that woman know the fate of your brother, Cyndi?
 to which Cyndi replied: She WAS my guardian angel :-)**

Here's my angel story.

It was 1975 and I was living in Alabama and engaged to a guy who had a brother named Jeffery^(*) who lived in Devil Hills, NC. Jeff had a job doing custom carpentry on boats. He was about to be married to a very fine, Christian lady. Jeff was a wonderful person, a real Christian. He loved his church (The Rock Church in Manteo) and he and his fiancée were active in youth ministry. I knew that Jeffery prayed for all his family members, including us as we prepared to drive the 16-17 hrs. to see him get married. We always said that Jeff and God had a special communication.

It was a hard trip and we took turns driving so that we didn't have to stop. We had no problems getting past Raleigh but we were really tired by the time we reached the easternmost area below Albermarle Sound. We decided to try a short cut through some rural areas to save some miles but we were unsure we were going the right way plus we were so exhausted we couldn't stay awake. It must have been 2-3 a.m. We pulled over to the side of the road and were asleep in 2 minutes. Now this was way out in nowhere and there was nobody on the road. When we awoke it was daylight and the car wouldn't start. We realized we had fallen asleep with the lights on and the battery was dead! We had to get to Kill Devil Hills by a certain time. Nobody had cell phones in those days and according to the map the nearest town was at least 10 miles. We were getting upset. Within a minute or two a blue Thunderbird with a white top flew past and pulled over in front of us. A big, tall man got out and came back to our car window, and said something like, "Got a dead battery, huh?" Well, it didn't occur to me at the time to wonder how he knew that. We could have been out of gas but he seemed to know without asking. I was so happy someone was helping us that I didn't think about the details at the time. We told him we were on the way to a wedding and were worried about getting there on time. We told him we weren't sure where we were. He told us to follow him and that when we came to a crossroads to turn right.

So away we went with the T-Bird just flying and we had to floor our Camaro to stay with him but we did and we could see him clearly in front of us. Then, about 6-7 miles along the road the Thunderbird just disappeared. One second it was there and then there was nothing but road in front of us. It wasn't foggy or raining, it was a clear morning. Then we came to the crossroads. We could see pretty far in 4 directions but he was nowhere in sight. We figured he must have taken off like a rocket to get away that fast!

When we got to Kill Devil Hills we told everyone about the incident. As we expected Jeffery said he had been praying for us and asking the angels to watch over us on the trip. Someone heard his prayers. The wedding was beautiful and the family, some of whom came from as far away as Seattle, all had a wonderful visit. Years passed and I forgot about the incident until I started reading books about angels and how they sometimes help stranded motorists. Helping us get to that wedding was pretty important. I read that sometimes angels appear as angels but other times seem ordinary enough that it isn't until later that people realize who they were. I also read how they sometimes have a sense of humor. That's true. The last thing I remember seeing on the back of that blue Thunderbird was the emblem on the trunk. Remember the T-bird emblem? It's a pair of WINGS.

() Some name detail(s) have been changed at the request of the author.*

Submitted by: Nancy S. SecretGarden260@msn.com Williamsburg, Virginia (Friday, 05 August 2011, 04:57:27 P.M. EDT)

Webmaster's comments: If the driver was following the T-Bird, they would both be paying attention to it, to make sure and not get lost, so her testimony that they saw it disappear is compelling. This writer knows the author of this story and trusts her, so her testimony is credible. Also, the driver of the Thunderbird had no way of knowing what was wrong (other than supernatural knowledge), and so his comment about a dead battery, combined with the unexpected disappearance and the type of car he was driving (one with wings in its logo) is too much to explain by chance. Image submitted by author



John Doe (January 1492)

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<https://AngelsOnAssignment.org>

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ROMANCE:

For information on my research into love and romance (what makes it work -- what has been shown to NOT work), check out my research page:

* [Main mirror](#) - [Alt. mirror 1](#) - [Alt. mirror 2](#).

For information on my *Amicus Curiae* (friend of the court brief) in the recent big "Gay Marriage" case, at the Federal Appeals court, here is a link to the online docket with free downloads:

* [COURT DOCKET](#) * [Mirror-1 cache](#) * [Mirror-2 cache](#) * [Archive Today cache-1](#) * [Archive Today cache-2](#) * [Wayback Machine archive-1](#) * [Wayback Machine archive-2](#) *

My participation was unique in two (2) ways: First, I was the only "non-lawyer" which this court allowed to participate (so far as I know: A few other non-lawyers were denied participation). Secondly, I was the only "pro-marriage" litigant to advocate and defend gays against mistreatment (for example, hospital visitations, life insurance policies, etc.), while at the same time defending the 1-man, 1-woman definition of marriage (under Equal Protection standards) arguing that polygamy, aka plural marriages, had more legal precedent, and would have to be allowed if "same sex" marriages were allowed by the court.

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HEALTH:

VERY IMPORTANT: USA faces cancer epidemic and slipping rankings in life-span rankings -as well as an obesity epidemic. (*Does milk really do the body good?*) Also, Type-2 Diabetes, previously known as 'Adult Onset Diabetes' *now* appears in children in alarming rates. Click [here](#) (or: [alternate mirror 1](#) or: [alternate mirror 2](#)) for solution. Warning: A change in diet is necessary, but scientifically proven effective. *Stuff the government and mainstream media refuses to tell you, as they are influenced by the power of such as the dairy industry: Information on Milk, Meat, and Health Diet info - why cow milk is not good for HUMANS - nor is dog or cat milk -so click on the research links above.* **More Research on Milk risks:** [Main link](#) - [mirror 1](#) - [mirror 2](#) For a dissenting view, in opposition to the pro-vegan arguments made in the prior links here, see [Denise Minger's RawFoodSOS.com](#) page, in which she spars with [Dr. T. Colin Campbell, author of TheChinaStudy.com](#). I do not know either of these people, "in real life," but Denise was kind enough to let me posts several VERY long and critical screeds against her view: <https://RawFoodSOS.com/the-china-study> -- <https://RawFoodSOS.com/2010/08/06/final-china-study-response.html> -- and even on her contact page: <https://RawFoodSOS.com/contact>. (My posts are close to the very bottom of the page, and I 'let loose' on her and her pro-meat, pro-milk peeps! Even though I disagree with Denise, I can say that she is impressive for at least three (3) things:

(-1-) Very bright; (-2-) Very hard-working & dedicated (even to the point of being able to out talk ME in forum, no easy feat (-/

--saying she is verbose is an understatement LOL), and (-3-) She is kind enough to let me post a respectful but firm dissent, sharply disagreeing with her conclusion that a meat & dairy diet is A-OK. Oddly enough, Denise has not responded to my posts, but my web tracker implies or suggests that she probably visited my page to look at it --which is a sign of any good scientist and/or researcher: Doing your homework & gathering facts is what the scientific model is all about.

More health research from [The Register](#):

* **The AZT-AIDS connection is investigated -and challenged:** Both sides to this controversy: [MAIN LINK](#) - [MIRROR 1](#) - [MIRROR 2](#)

* **Human limb regeneration! -- Is it real!?** Lacking proof, here, rather, is evidence: Like FOX brags, we report; you decide: [MAIN LINK](#) - [MIRROR 1](#) - [MIRROR 2](#)

Outside links on health research:

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Rob Cohen's research: Very comprehensive argument why supermarket milk does NOT do the body good: [NotMilk.com](#)

Healthy foods combat disease -that's why other countries are healthier than the U.S.A.: [ArthritisFoods.net](#)

** **'Lift Like a Girl' web-ring**, hosted by Nia Shanks, personal trainer, powerlifter: Talented athlete and very smart

[NiaShanks.com](#) ~ [BeautifulBadass.com](#) ~ [Facebook.com/GirlsGoneStrong](#) ~ [Facebook.com/BeautifulBadassFanpage](#) ~ [NiaShanks.blogspot.com](#) ~ [YouTube.com/NiaShanks](#) ~ [FatLossDetour.com](#)

** **'Pretty Powerlifting' web-ring** is hosted by Vanessa 'Pretty Strong' Gale, and Sara 'Pretty Strong' Cichorek

[PrettyPowerlifting.com](#) ~ [PrettyStrongPowerlifting.com/](#) ~ [Pretty-Powerlifting_fanpage_on_Facebook](#) ~ [Youtube.com/MuscleGirl504](#) ~ [Youtube.com/SaraCichorek](#) ~ [PrettyStrong_Wordpress.com](#) ~ [Twitter.com/PrettySTRONG](#)

** APRIL MATHIS, 'World's Strongest Woman', with World Records in the SHW div. of RAW Powerlifting

April Mathis is presently ranked as 'The World's Strongest Woman' by virtue of the fact that she holds the all-time World Records in the Super-Heavyweight division of RAW (unequipped, e.g., belt & wrist wraps only) powerlifting with world records in the squat: 615-lbs., bench press: 415-lbs., deadlift: 580-lbs., and total: 1610-lbs at 254-lb. bodyweight. (In all fairness, Becca Swanson also hold's the title of 'World's Strongest Woman,' but Becca lifts in the equipped division. April is presently training to break the equipped records as well.) April's new website is dedicated towards the sport of competitive powerlifting, strength training, and performing feats of strength once thought to be impossible. *Here are some resources to find out more about April:*

* ([Google Search](#)) -- ([Yahoo! Search](#)) -- ([Google 'Video' Search](#)) -- ([Yahoo! 'Video' Search](#))

* **Official Training log of April Mathis:** SuperTrainingGym.com/forums/index.php/topic/1074-april-mathis-training-log (Training Log)

* April's Facebook: www.Facebook.com/AMathis01 - Her YouTube: <https://YouTube.com/AMathis01>

Editor's Note: I have trained with April at Deb's Gym, here in Lakeland, and she is not only very smart regarding powerlifting, but she is also a genuinely nice person, always willing to help me with my lifting technique and program, which was useful when I started back lifting after a long layoff. To prove that I really know April: Here is file-footage of what happened after we got into some sort of argument: We settled it the only way known to warriors: An arm-wrestling contest. (YouTube vid: 'I challenge World's Strongest Woman to arm-wrestling contest: Best 2 out of 3') - (Cache 1 - Right-click to save) - (Cache 2 - Right-click to save) Do not let her difficulty here mislead you: She is VERY strong, and this was my first loss to a woman in my adult life, even after many worthy challengers: I have since retired from arm-wrestling on the advice of my trainers. April is as smart as she is strong -and a good neighbour as well. --Editor, Gordon W. Watts

** **D Wizard of Abs**, simply referred to as D, is on a mission is to create a healthier and fit world. Immersed in sports as a child he later went on to briefly play professional football in the NFL. He sustained an injury which put him out of the game for good. Disappointed, he picked himself up. He found himself in the gym training others. It was there he discovered his gift of being able to make huge impacts on people's lives. Exercises that seem virtually impossible, he executes. He makes what seems impossible, possible! "Like a calm wind, I will positively touch the world. Attempt to get in my way and that wind becomes mighty, destroying whatever is in its path!"

[Youtube.com/DWizardofAbs](#) ~ [Facebook.com/DWizardofAbs](#) ~ [Twitter.com/DWizardofAbs](#) ~ <https://www.facebook.com/DWiz1on1>

Personal page: <https://www.DWizardOfAbs.com>

** 'Natural News' web-ring, hosted by Mike Adams, the "Health Ranger." Smart, Healthy, & a Great 'old school' rapper!

[NaturalNews.com](#) ~ [HealthRanger.com](#) ~ [YouTube.com/TheHealthRanger](#) ~ [Facebook.com/NaturalNews](#) ~ [Facebook.com/HealthRanger](#) ~ [Natural News 'testing' experimental page](#) ~ PS: Browse my YouTube for some of The Health Ranger's best rapping: [YouTube.com/GordonWayneWatts](#)

** I'd like to thank my peeps, buds, and hommies at Deb's Gym in Lakeland (between Orlando & Tampa), Fla for helping me to get in shape:

-- <https://www.debs-gym.com> or: <https://www.DebsGym.com>

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Debs-Gym-House-of-Perfection/320905505143> (Gym Facebook page)

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=1666203667> (Her Facebook page) (You have to be signed in to view this page: Requires FREE Facebook account registration.)

They even made me lunch one day after a workout -even though this is not a service they advertised. Good people: That's how they roll there! Other experts who have helped me... below:

** Bret Contreras' web-ring: Another intelligent strength and exercise researcher:

[BretContreras.com](#) -and- [BretContreras.Wordpress.Com](#) - most famous, however, for being...

[TheGluteGuy.com](#) - *Here*, he answers my question in 'ABC'.

Oops - was that link bad? He changed/updated the link, so here's the correct one -- Here: <https://bretcontreras.com/abc-ask-bret-contreras>.

The original page is archived here: <https://web.archive.org/web/20120708203129/https://bretcontreras.com/2011/01/abc-ask-bret-contreras>

Other websites in his web ring include his: [You Tube](#), [Twitter](#), and [Facebook](#).

** Eric Cressey is also an expert in the field of strength exercise: [EricCressey.com](#) - His Facebook is: [HERE](#).

I purchased the following product from him, and all indicators are that it is high quality: [ShowAndGoTraining.com/](#). He works with, among other people, many professional baseball players. His professional website is: [CresseyPerformance.com](#).

***** HIGHLY Recommended by the webmaster:

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Don't take my word for it: Do your own research -let Google & Yahoo! help you: ([Search Google: vegan cancer](#)) ~ ([Search Yahoo!: vegan cancer](#))

RECAP on the main body of health research: [Main link](#) - [mirror 1](#) - [mirror 2](#) (Yes, it was worth repeating.)

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FINANCE:

For information on my research into the very important subject of Money and Finance\$ (and news coverage on John Cummuta's "Turning Debt into Wealth" plan), check out this research page:

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* [Dr. Gordon P. Watts, Jr., the archaeologist](#)

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* [Gordon W. Watts, the North Londonderry township manager \(not me! Another "Gordon W. Watts!"\)](#)

* [Gordon A. Watts, the Canadian genealogist](#)

* [G. Gordon Watts, for whom a Professorship of Music was established](#)

* [Gordon Taylor Watts, Elder within The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints \(Mormon church\)](#)

* [Gordon Watts, CEO at Belco Electric in the Metro Atlanta Area](#)

* [Gordon Wayne Watts, biologist, chemist, electronic technologist, and participant in the Terri Schiavo ordeal](#)

This is the "official" website of Gordon Wayne Watts (me, myself), however, I have seen several other Gordon Watts' on the World Wide Web, so to remove ambiguity and confusion, I shall try to differentiate and distinguish:

* **Dr. Gordon P. Watts, Jr., archaeologist, (Ph.D., St. Andrews)** of [East Carolina University](#), not me, but another Gordon Watts. He appears to have retired in 2001, and here's all I could find:

* [The University's bio of him here](#), which shows his involvement in the Program in Maritime Studies.

* [A research paper](#), which cites him, at the bottom of the page;

* [A North Carolina official state website listing in PDF format \(large file!\)](#), listing him as the director of the Tidewater Atlantic Research, Inc.,

* ; and, lastly, [a story by him](#) in the [Archeology Program](#) of the [National Parks Service](#).

* **Professor, Gordon T. Watts, Associate Professor and particle physicist** at (Chicago, Illinois (?)) Fermi Lab at the [University of Washington](#) (not me; another Gordon Watts). His websites appear to be:

* <https://blogs.quantumdiaries.org/4>, his old blog;

* <https://gordonwatts.wordpress.com>, his current blog;

* <https://d0.phys.washington.edu/~gwatts>, his official University Bio;

* <https://d0.phys.washington.edu/~gwatts/research>, his research page;

* https://www.interactions.org/quantumdiaries/bios/gordon_watts.html, his blog bio;

* <https://www.tele.fnal.gov/cgi-bin/telephone.script?name=Watts>, an update on his gwatts@fnal.gov email address, vis-a-vis, "gwatts@phys.washington.edu," which appears to be an older email address.

* **NEW:** <https://www.facebook.com/GordonWatts> is Dr. Watts' FACEBOOK page.

* **Gordon W. Watts, the township manager** of the [North Londonderry \(Lebanon County, PA\) Township](#) (not me! Another "Gordon W. Watts!")

* <https://www.nlondtwp.com>, The Official website for the North Londonderry township, located in Lebanon County, PA.

* <https://webserver.nlondtwp.com:8888/GenInfo/NLT2003c.htm>, NORTH LONDONDERRY TOWNSHIP - TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS LIST - 2008.

* <https://www.auditoren.state.pa.us/Reports/Pension/munNorthLondonderryTwpNUPP092606.pdf>, an audit found on the State's website, making reference to the township.

* <https://www.lebanonema.org/lema/Municipalities+and+Local+EMCs/default.aspx>, Emergency Management Agency website.

* https://www.bookrags.com/wiki/North_Londonderry_Township,_Pennsylvania, The Bookrags.com research website entry for the township.

* **Gordon A. Watts (not me), a Canadian Genealogist**, who writes for the online magazine, [The Global Gazette](#); His official website appears to be here:

* <https://globalgenealogy.com/globalgazette/authors/authgw.htm>. He also has a personal website, the [POST 1901 CENSUS PROJECT](#), dedicated to "Open the door to Canada's Historic Census." (It appears that I am not the only "Gordon Watts," who has taken on the powers that be.)

* **G. Gordon Watts** with sons, Dave and Gordon Watts, Jr. [This](#) story in the [March 25, 1999 issue](#) of the [Harvard University Gazette](#) seems self-explanatory, with its title, "G. Gordon Watts Professorship of Music Established."

* **Gordon Taylor Watts, Elder within The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon church):**

Elder within The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (<https://lds.org> colloquially known as Mormons)

Born 1935 South Weber, Utah -- Married Connie Welling 1963, Logan Utah Temple; four children

This biographical sketch was adapted from the "News of the Church: Elder Gordon T. Watts of the Seventy" in the Ensign, May 1998 on the occasion of Elder Watts' call to the Second Quorum of the Seventy, according to: <https://gapages.com/wattsgt1.htm>

Cf:

<https://lds.org/friend/2002/02/friend-to-friend-best-friends?lang=eng>

and:

<https://ldsliving.com/story/5687-i-will-look-good-friends>

and:

<https://www.ldschurchtemples.com/memphis>

* **Gordon Watts, CEO at Belco Electric in the Metro Atlanta Area;**

CEO at Belco Electric providing electricians and electrical service to the Metro Atlanta Area since 1972. Tennis, Francophile, Travel, Outdoors, Walking, Movies

<https://twitter.com/GordonWatts>

and

https://belcoinc.com/belco_electric_company_about.htm

His profile: <https://www.belcoinc.com/wordpress/?author=1>

His blog: <https://www.belcoinc.com/wordpress>

* **Gordon Wayne Watts, A.S., B.S., electronic technologist, biologist, chemist;** with a double major, B.S., with honors, in Biological and Chemical Science, (FSU, class of 2000), and an A.S. in Electronics Technology, United Electronics Institute (Valedictorian, class of 1988). However, I am probably best-known for my involvement in the [Terri Schiavo](#) ordeal:

* **STATE INVOLVEMENT:** Click [* here](#) * to jump back to the top of the page.

* I lost my bid to save Terri by a 4-3 split decision before the Florida Supreme Court, who denied my rehearing:

<https://www.floridasupremecourt.org/clerk/dispositions/2005/2/03-2420reh.pdf> (A copy of the court's file, [here: Case No. SC03-2420](#) or [here: Case No. SC03-2420](#).) To put things into perspective, let's look at how well Florida Governor, Jeb Bush, did.

* Jeb Bush went before the same court, and he too tried to save Terri, using different legal tactics. He lost 7-0 in his rehearing:

<https://www.floridasupremecourt.org/clerk/dispositions/2004/10/04-925reh.pdf> (A copy of the court's file, [here: Case No. SC04-925](#) or [here: Case No. SC04-925](#).)

* I am a small "nobody," but when we both went before the same panel of judges, on the same issue (let's save Terri), and both asked for a rehearing of our cases, I did markedly better than him or, for that matter, anyone else, but I got paltry press coverage. Can anybody say "biased" or "paparazzi?"

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After we were roundly defeated in state court, in what appeared to be a pre-determined outcome, we went to federal court. I am listed on page 17 of 25 of the official court opinion, a large PDF file: <https://www.ca11.uscourts.gov/opinions/ops/200511628.pdf>. (A copy of the court's file, [here: Case No. 05-11628](#) or [here: Case No. 05-11628](#).) The [Tampa Tribune](#) also published another opinion from this court, [here](#), listing me as one of the interested parties. The rest, as they say, is history.

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*New 'Terri Schiavo' section

(Full name: Theresa Marie 'Terri' Schindler-Schiavo aka 'The Florida Woman on the feeding tube')

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This page is maintained by Gordon Wayne Watts, a non-lawyer, who is best known for his lawsuit on behalf of Terri Schiavo[1], which lost 4-3 in the Florida Supreme Court, arguably doing better than even then Governor Jeb Bush's similar suit[2] (lost: 7-0) or Terri Schiavo's own family's federal case[3] (lost: 2-1). Mr. Watts, who ran unsuccessfully for Dist. 64 Fla. House of Representatives[4], is a part-time political activist while he searches for a full-time job in his field.

Contemporary legal scholars are amazed that Watts, a non-lawyer, could almost win a court case on behalf of Terri Schiavo.

Mr. Watts, of Lakeland, Florida, received a Bachelor's degree from The Florida State University with a double major in Biological and Chemical Sciences with honors and was the valedictorian from United Electronics Institute.

Sources:

[1] *In Re: GORDON WAYNE WATTS (as next friend of THERESA MARIE 'TERRI' SCHIAVO)*, No. SC03-2420 (Fla. Feb.23, 2005), denied 4-3 on rehearing. (Watts got 42.7% of his panel) <https://www.floridasupremecourt.org/clerk/dispositions/2005/2/03-2420reh.pdf>

[2] *In Re: JEB BUSH, GOVERNOR OF FLORIDA, ET AL. v. MICHAEL SCHIAVO, GUARDIAN: THERESA SCHIAVO*, No. SC04-925 (Fla. Oct.21, 2004), denied 7-0 on rehearing. (Bush got 0.0% of his panel before the same court) <https://www.floridasupremecourt.org/clerk/dispositions/2004/10/04-925reh.pdf>

[3] *Schiavo ex rel. Schindler v. Schiavo ex rel. Schiavo, 403 F.3d 1223*, 2005 WL 648897 (11th Cir. Mar.23, 2005), denied 2-1 on appeal. (Terri Schiavo's own blood family only got 33.3% of their panel on the Federal Appeals level) <https://media.ca11.uscourts.gov/opinions/pub/files/200511556.pdf>

[4] Key Phrase search: ([Google search for Watts' campaign](#)) and ([Yahoo! search for Watts' campaign](#)) - Archived copies of Official Campaign pages:

<https://GordonWatts.com/Campaign.html> and <https://GordonWayneWatts.com/Campaign.html>

Synopsis:

Synopsis -- short version: Terri Schiavo, the famous 'Florida feeding tube' woman, collapsed and fell into a coma in 1990, and she was temporarily hooked up to a feeding tube to feed her while she was unconscious. Many contemporary scholars believe that she was kept on a feeding tube merely for the convenience of the nursing staff, even after she regained sufficient consciousness to possibly eat. After about 15 years on a feeding tube, however, she became unable to eat, due to lack of use of the muscles involved in eating. CONTRARY TO POPULAR BELIEF, she was not hooked up to all kinds of life-support machines (no heart-lung, dialysis, or respirator machines, for example) -only a feeding tube, and we believe that was put in only for convenience purposes, but after 15 years on a feeding tube, it would be hard to wean her off of it suddenly -- those things take time.

Synopsis -- long version:

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* If you were upset that Gov. Jeb Bush stuck his nose into the Schiavo matter, then you should be happy and not complain to me about my involvement in the Schiavo case: I fought very hard against Jeb Bush's legal filings.

AMICUS CURIAE BRIEF BY AMICUS GORDON WATTS in support of Appellee, Michael Schiavo's petition to affirm:

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Motion to file in support of Michael Schiavo:

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* If, however, you are pro-life, and wanted Terri to live, then you should *also* be happy and not complain to me about my involvement in the Schiavo case: I lost my pro se bid to save Terri by a 4-3 margin, picking up 42.9% of my panel's vote, in Florida's Supreme Court. My case, SC03-2420, is shown below. Florida Governor, Jeb Bush, by contrast, went before the same court in case number SC04-925. Bush's rehearing, unlike mine, was denied by a 7-0 margin, picking up 0.0% of his panel's vote. Thus, my experience and ability to speak with some credibility is shown by the fact that I did markedly better in his rehearing before the same panel than Bush. I am also listed on page 17 of 25 in this Federal Court's opinion: case No. 05-11628, before the 11th Circuit Court of Appeal in Atlanta, GA. Related case here in the Tampa Tribune. David Gibbs, III, of the Christian Law Firm, representing Terri Schiavo's parents and siblings, lost 2-1 in Federal Court, --in his attempt to save Terri Schiavo, only garnering 33.3% of his panel's vote.

In Re: GORDON WAYNE WATTS (as next friend of THERESA MARIE 'TERRI' SCHIAVO), No. SC03-2420 (Fla. Feb.23, 2005), denied 4-3 on rehearing:

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Note: The court brief listed above, in the 'Legal Aspects' section, is styled in the United States Supreme Court, but I am listing it instead of the brief referenced in SC03-2420, the Florida Supreme Court case, since the U.S. Supreme Court brief was patterned after the State case --and a slightly more-improved version.

In Re: JEB BUSH, GOVERNOR OF FLORIDA, ET AL. v. MICHAEL SCHIAVO, GUARDIAN: THERESA SCHIAVO, No. SC04-925 (Fla. Oct.21, 2004), denied 7-0 on rehearing:

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Schiavo ex rel. Schindler v. Schiavo ex rel. Schiavo, 403 F.3d 1223, 2005 WL 648897 (11th Cir. Mar.23, 2005), denied 2-1 on appeal:

(I am listed on page 17 of 25 of the official Federal Court of Appeals opinion.)

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Also, the [Tampa Tribune](#) also published another opinion from this court [*here*](#).

Other Websites of Interest:

* <https://TerrisFieght.org> -- Terri Schindler-Schiavo Foundation: The official family website dedicated to Terri Schiavo

* [University of Miami 'Schiavo links' page: Selected Schiavo and related Web links](#)

* [ALTERNATE University of Miami 'Schiavo links' page: Messier, but with additional Schiavo Case Resources and related Web links](#)

* [ADDITIONAL U. of Miami Schiavo resources](#)

* <https://AbstractAppeal.com/schiavo/infopage.html> - Liberal, but fairly neutral blog of Matt Conigliaro, a St. Pete lawyer

* [Florida Supreme Court's TERRI SCHIAVO documents/cases page](#)

* Footage of Terri shortly before her death -- Was Terri 'PVS'(*) or not? We report, you decide: ['Conversation With Terri' - Mirror 1](#) -- ['Conversation With Terri' - Mirror 2](#)

(*) 'PVS' stands for 'Persistent Vegetative State' or sometimes: 'Permanent Vegetative State' -- Basically it means brain-dead, unconscious, or unresponsive, depending on the context, and whether it is a legal, medical, or colloquial term.

PS: If you want a copy of this video footage of Terri's conversation with her father, right-click on the links above, and select 'save as,' and save to your favourite folder.

* [Additional 'Schiavo' documentation from ProCon.org, apparently a neutral website](#)

* [Web Archive of TerriPac.com, Michael Schiavo's PAC \(Political Action Committee\)](#)

* [Screen Capture of TerriPac.com archive - Mirror 1](#)

* [Screen Capture of TerriPac.com archive - Mirror 2](#)

* [TerriPac.com, Michael Schiavo's PAC -- which appears to be a dead & abandoned website as of now](#)

* [Screen Capture of TerriPac.com abandoned page - Mirror 1](#)

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Gordon W. Watts
 Editor-in-Chief, The Register

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"First, they [Nazis] came for the Jews. I was silent. I was not a Jew. Then they came for the Communists. I was silent. I was not a Communist. Then they came for the trade unionists. I was silent. I was not a trade unionist. Then they came for me. There was no one left to speak for me." (Martin Niemöller, given credit for a quotation in *The Harper Religious and Inspirational Quotation Companion*, ed. Margaret Pepper (New York: Harper & Row, 1989), 429 -as cited on page 44, note 17, of *Religious Cleansing in the American Republic*, by Keith A. Forni, Copyright 1993, by Liberty, Life, and Family Publications.

(Some versions have Mr. Niemöller saying: "Then they came for the Catholics, and I didn't speak up, because I was a Protestant," and yet other versions have him saying that they came for the Socialists, Industrialists, schools, the press, and/or the Church; however, it is certain that he did say something along these lines. Actually, they may not have come for the Jews first, as it's far more likely they came for the prisoners, mentally handicapped, and other so-called "inferiors" first -as historians tell us -so they could get "practiced up"; however, they did come for them -due to the silence of their neighbors -and due, in part, to their own silence. So the general idea is correct: "Speak up now, or forever hold your peace." --Gordon)

"Any truth is better than indefinite doubt." (Sherlock Holmes)

"Things are not always what they seem..." (Phaedrus)

"If the American people ever allow private banks to control the issue of their currency, first by inflation, then by deflation, the banks and corporations that will grow up around them will deprive the people of all property until their children wake up homeless on the continent their Fathers conquered." (Thomas Jefferson, attributed)

"It is a capital mistake to theorise before you have all the evidence." (Sherlock Holmes)

"How often have I said to you that when you have eliminated the impossible, whatever remains, however improbable, must be the truth?" (Sherlock Holmes)

"Any truth is better than indefinite doubt. (Sherlock Holmes, "The Yellow Face" Arthur Conan Doyle)

"Things are not always what they seem; the first appearance deceives many; the intelligence of few perceives what has been carefully hidden in the recesses of the mind." --Phaedrus <https://www.forbes.com/quotes/author/phaedrus> and: <https://quoteseverlasting.com/author.php?a=Phaedrus>

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"It is a capital mistake to theorise before you have all the evidence. It biases the judgment." (Sherlock Holmes: "A Study in Scarlet," by Arthur Conan Doyle)

"It is a capital mistake to theorize before one has data. Insensibly one begins to twist facts to suit theories, instead of theories to suit facts." Sherlock Holmes Quote -A Scandal in Bohemia

"How often have I said to you that when you have eliminated the impossible, whatever remains, however improbable, must be the truth?" (Sherlock Holmes: "The Sign of Four," 1890, Chap. 6, p. 111, by Arthur Conan Doyle)

"Eliminate all other factors, and the one which remains must be the truth." (Sherlock Holmes: "The Sign of Four," 1890, Chap. 1, p. 92, by Arthur Conan Doyle)

"How, then, did you deduce the telegram?"

"Why, of course I knew that you had not written a letter, since I sat opposite to you all morning. I see also in your open desk there that you have a sheet of stamps and a thick bundle of postcards. What could you go into the post-office for, then, but to send a wire? Eliminate all other factors, and the one which remains must be the truth." ("The Sign of Four,"(1890) by Arthur Conan Doyle: Chapter 1 - The Science of Deduction) <https://literature.org/authors/doyle-arthur-conan/sign-of-four/chapter-01.html>

"How came he, then?" I reiterated. "The door is locked; the window is inaccessible. Was it through the chimney?"

"The grate is much too small," he answered. "I had already considered that possibility."

"How, then?" I persisted.

"You will not apply my precept," he said, shaking his head. "How often have I said to you that when you have eliminated the impossible, whatever remains, however improbable, must be the truth? We know that he did not come through the door, the window, or the chimney. We also know that he could not have been concealed in the room, as there is no concealment possible. When, then, did he come?"

"He came through the hole in the roof!" I cried.

"Of course he did. He must have done so. If you will have the kindness to hold the lamp for me, we shall now extend our researches to the room above -- the secret room in which the treasure was found."" ("The Sign of Four,"(1890) by Arthur Conan Doyle: Chapter 6 - Sherlock Holmes Gives a Demonstration) <https://literature.org/authors/doyle-arthur-conan/sign-of-four/chapter-06.html>

"If the American people ever allow private banks to control the issue of their currency, first by inflation, then by deflation, the banks and corporations that will grow up around them will deprive the people of all property until their children wake up homeless on the continent their Fathers conquered...I believe that banking institutions are more dangerous to our liberties than standing armies... The issuing power should be taken from the banks and restored to the people, to whom it properly belongs.""

"The first part of the quotation ("If the American people ever allow private banks to control the issue of their currency, first by inflation, then by deflation, the banks and corporations that will grow up around them will deprive the people of all property until their children wake up homeless on the continent their Fathers conquered") has not been found anywhere in Thomas Jefferson's writings, to Albert Gallatin or otherwise. It is identified in Respectfully Quoted as spurious, and the editor further points out that the words "inflation" and "deflation" are not documented until after Jefferson's lifetime.

The second part of the quotation ("I believe that banking institutions are more dangerous to our liberties than standing armies...") may well be a paraphrase of a statement Jefferson made in a letter to John Taylor in 1816. He wrote, "And I sincerely believe, with you, that banking establishments are more dangerous than standing armies; and that the principle of spending money to be paid by posterity, under the name of funding, is but swindling futurity on a large scale."

The third part of this quotation ("The issuing power should be taken from the banks and restored to the people, to whom it properly belongs") may be a misquotation of Jefferson's comment to John Wayles Eppes, "Bank-paper must be suppressed, and the circulating medium must be restored to the nation to whom it belongs."" [Internal citations removed]

Source: "Private Banks (Quotation)," from "The Jefferson Monticello" website: <https://www.monticello.org/site/jefferson/private-banks-quotation>, which, according to the website, <https://www.monticello.org/site/about>, has been maintained and kept open to the public by the Thomas Jefferson Foundation, Inc., which owns over 2,500 acres of Jefferson's 5,000-acre plantation.

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ARCHIVES for *The Register* and this website (WARNING: The 'Archive' section is quite long and comprehensive.)

(Tue 6 Oct '09) Remember "Lavonda" from 'Lost & Missing' below? Her real name is Cynthia Caron & she's on THE VIEW & needs your vote. Click [here](#) to help Cyndi & Lost & Missing children.

Plant City High School: 25-yr Reunion#UPDATE: Deadline has been extended to allow you more time: You now have until Mon. Aug. 3rd, 2009 to register & pay -without a late fee. After that, registration is closed. [Click here](#) or [here](#) for new developments regarding unexpected news coverage -- **AND the new Facebook 'reunion' link.**[End of Update.] * A 25-Yr reunion for PCHS class of 1984 has been planned for classes 80-88: Fri AUG 07 and Sat AUG 08, 2009 - many events planned. WALDEN LAKE boasts it will be: *"the largest combined reunion in Plant City's history: Over 1,000 classmates & family expected to attend. See friends & family from your class and the years before and after you graduated."* Why this reunion will probably be real big: *1* For the 1st time in ages, 'local' Plant City venue (not Tampa or St.Pete) *2* Good publicity by classmate mass emails, flyer handouts, & publicity in all the major papers *3* A 'combined' Reunion, inviting all of 1980-1988 *4* Reasonably priced (\$40.00 for main event is lower than most REUNIONS) #1: [WaldenLakeGolf.com](#) -> Select EVENTS -> Click on 'Class Reunions' -> Visit "Plant City HS Classes of '82, '83, '84, '85 & '86" ([Or just click here](#)) #2: [Classmates.com](#) -> PCHS Class of 1984 -> Click on 'Announcements' for details and the original 'Reunion' announcement ([Click here & Sign in](#)) It is quoted as saying: *"Everyone needs to sign up with Walden Lake Golf and Country Club. Please don't wait! You can go to their website and register online or you can call them. They need an accurate count to have time to order food and prepare the rooms we will be using."* * Registration & payment required by **Mon. Aug. 3rd, 2009. After that, registration is closed.** (Lest we forget, [I missed](#) our 20-yr reunion.)

Lost & Missing Children need your help... UPDATE! We won 16th place!

!! -As of Wed 10 June 2009, it's official: We beat both Miley Cyrus and Oprah! Click on: <https://tweetervall.mallplace.com/tv/wall-of-fame> and select 'Ms Twitter World' on the bar to the right. (Or click [*here*](#) for a screen capture, documenting the moment!)

In a message dated 5/25/2009 2:08:35 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time, <Lavonda Dolce> writes:

...Thanks Gordon for helping me. If you can, I would be honored if you email your friends too: The more clicks the better. Here is what my friend Teresa is telling her email list:

My dear Friend...is having a contest on a site called Twitter, she runs a forum for missing kids here in the states. All you have to do is go to this link <https://bit.ly/be9nb> and the second place person is her site, (it is the hands with the purple flower) titled @LostNMissing.

If she could get enough votes she would get exposure to show the faces of children, elderly and loved ones missing and maybe find one that could go home to their family. Would you please vote for her. You don't need to sign up all you do is [click on the x mark and it turns to a check mark](#). She is in second place to a teenager just wanting popularity, when her site and cause is a darned good one, you can vote every twenty minutes, so when you think of it today would you please please please vote and vote and vote and lets see if we can get her number up enough to win. I am begging all my friends, Please for me...With sugar and cream....lol

Gordon adds: <https://mallplace.com/tweeter-wall/ms-twitterworld> is the direct link.

Strike that! THIS-> <https://tweeterwall.mallplace.com/tw/worldwide/elite-ms-twitterworld> is the 'new' link. (Contest is over -see above.)

#1: Click there, and

#2: Vote on 'LostNMissing'!

"Just do it!"

Friday, 06 February 2009: Unemployment Comp Case: *Watts v. UAC*, et al., No. 08-6939 (U.S. Jan. 12, 2009, US Supreme Court) -is currently pending redetermination; the appendix in this cause for the most recent brief is also online. Click [here](#) -at the main site, or, alternatively, at the mirror site, [here](#) to access the proper folder. The files and folder in question are as follows:

- * Redetermination.doc (The "redetermination" request)
- * 08-6939_ts.pdf (the "top side" brief; e.g., the opening brief of petitioner/appellant)
- * 08-6939_tssb.pdf (a "top side supplemental brief")
- * APX/ (the file folder where the appendix documents are kept)
- * Additionally, there are other files "therein" related to this case.
- * Lastly, any lawyers looking at this case and thinking the litigant is stupid, don't laugh for too long: *You* could be the next victim the court decides to target. (And, knowing the lawyers deal with the courts more than, say, *pro se* litigants, that is quite possible if not highly probable.)

In the haste to turn out a story, many news sources make the false claim that "Octuplet Mom," Nadya Suleman's children *were* given Bible names, when, in fact, only five of the eight octuplets were. Click [here](#) for details.

Saturday, 21 June 2008 STRANGE BUT TRUE News: Someone, probably a lawyer who frequents Topix.com, caught snooping net about Register editor's Unemployment Comp case. - Gordon Watts, that paper's editor and main (but not only) writer, did a routine check of [our web logs](#) and saw unusual activity of a Google.com web search on his recent unemployment comp case (sometimes cited as an example of how judges break their own rules). [The writer of "Post #219" on May 8, 2008](#) by a Winter Park, Florida lawyer, who calls herself "Boohil," is believed to be the person searching for updates on Watts' case. Whether true or not, Watts has posted a copy online ([here](#) and [here](#)) of the motion for rehearing to satisfy curious readers -and offer support of his claims of judicial misconduct. (Editor's note: The online personality referred to above has, just now, offered [this](#) clarification: "I acknowledged (over 6 weeks ago), that I saw a couple of your unemployment comp case filings included in some Google search results (a search conducted a couple of weeks before that discussion). I've conducted no "VERY RECENT" Google searches which would have included any results related to you. There's your clarification.")

NEW as of Wednesday, 25 July 2006: The Low-Down on Stem Cell research: Neither moral nor practical, so it should not be legal: <https://gordonwaynewatts.com/StemCell.html> ; <https://gordonwatts.com/StemCell.html> ; https://gordon_watts.tripod.com/StemCell.html ** Click * [here](#) * to jump back to the top of the page.

* **Friday, 15 October 2010** - Info on how to combat computer viruses - most of these program are free, including two FREE programs from Microsoft Corporation, a trusted source:

([Mirror 1: Click here](#)) --or-- ([Mirror 2: Click here](#)) --or-- simply do your own research, but these programs are favourites of the webmaster.

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* **Thursday, 10 August 2006 - INTERESTING Star Trek development:** I have learned that Star Trek, the original series, has begun production with all new episodes of Kirk, Spock, McCoy, with consulting producer, Eugene Roddenberry, Jr. As some of the original actors have died, there are new actors, but there are also some returning actors as well, including, but not limited to Walter Koenig (Chekov), George Takei (Sulu), and Grace Lee Whitney (Yeoman Rand).

Picking up in the 4th season, where the series' 3rd season left off in 1969, the Five-Year Mission continues. For further details and free download of current episodes, please see the official [Star Trek: New Voyages](#) and [Star Trek: Phase II](#) websites, and: Click on the DOWNLOADS link to be carried to the EPISODES section.

For further details, see my official mirror sites: GordonWatts.com/StarTrek -or- GordonWayneWatts.com/StarTrek

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Monday, 23 August 2004 - OLD NEWS: Gordon Watts misses Class of 1984 Plant City Senior High School's 20-year class reunion: For Details, click: [here](#) or [here](#) (I apologized for missing my High School reunion.)

** **Wednesday, 13 February 2008 - Breaking News:** Florida Judicial System makes international news: A British newspaper, [here](#), gives an unbiased report of the account. While all the judges seem corrupt, the general trend is that the more corrupt judges are rewarded more and punished less, and the JQC, set up to police bad judges, is even more corrupt. Truly bizarre -but only in America, where the judiciary is in need of reform. The Judicial Qualifications Commission (aka "JQC"), a "Kangaroo Court" set up to police bad judges, which was in *The Register* news items below, on March 07 and March 15 of 2005, is at it again: [This](#) fine story by the St. Pete Times, was kind enough to quote *Register* editor, Gordon Watts: [-Screen Capture Here-](#)

** **Tuesday, 28 August 2007 - Breaking News:** As reported by Ron Branson, of the national [Jail 4 Judges](#) site, Nancy Grant, the director of the [Florida Jail 4 Judges](#) branch, has been prosecuted for distribution of copies of the constitution to inmates, an apparent violation of her 1st Amendment Rights of free speech to said inmates. Click [here](#) for details from their news room.

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** **Friday, 21 October 2005 - Interesting News:** The very dedicated staff at the [Florida Department of Law Enforcement](#) apparently visited my personal website here and hit 17 pages about 44 times after I sent them a letter suggesting ways they could improve their forensics labs (downloading about 1.70 MB, with the most recent visit on 20 Oct 2005 - 14:02 pm, EDT). (Their website, FYI, is: <https://www.fdle.state.fl.us>.) One might speculate that, besides being plain curious, they may have been grateful for me defending them in court and almost winning. (See below.) A little history here is due: We remember the state police were the only honest cops involved in the Terri Schiavo ordeal, but the State Police were the victims of "obstruction of justice" and "political stonewalling" in their various attempts to investigate some abuses alleged in this case. (If you wanted Terri to die, then you might disagree with my personal blog here ;-)

In any case, while I really hate "political" things -and quite prefer the "quiet life," I was rather incensed at the abuse committed against our honest state police, and went to court to defend Florida's honest state police -and Terri. (I am not a lawyer, and felt a little out of place, but, hey, this is America, and we have the freedom of redress, right?) The "long story made short" is that, while I didn't win, I did better than Jeb, losing my case by a narrow 4-3 margin. (Fla. Gov. Jeb Bush (Republican) lost his case before the same court 7-0, bless his soul.)

This chapter in my life is closed, and I hope to put my college education to good use doing forensic work in either a police or private forensics lab, and there are several job offers out there of varying magnitudes and nature.

Whether the state police give me a job in this important field (or not?), we need to keep them in our prayers daily. (I must add, to be fair, that most police officers are honest and diligent *most* of the time, and (*unfortunately*) the Pinellas Park City police and county sheriff deputies did not uphold the various state laws on, for example, abuse. In this context, we must pray for the errant police as well as the honest ones: We must pray for our enemies: They need it the most.) Now... the many investigations that the Florida State Police do (ballistics, forensics, DNA analysis, chemical analysis of crime scenes, etc.) are all very important; and, they are understaffed and underfunded -and overworked. (When *you* are a victim of crime, *you* will wish you had prayed for these

ministers of justice, these messengers of protection. -- OK, back to my "regular" personal blog issues. *Have a nice day. - GW*

Monday, 24 October 2005 Record Hurricane Season: Why is this happening? - **Three competing theories** (Editorial) | [Main Mirror](#) | | [Alt. Mirror](#) |

Saturday, 27 August 2005 New link added [here](#) with mirrors on [mirror: 1](#) and [mirror: 2](#): News coverage of "Roe v. Wade" lawyer, Sarah Weddington's 03 Apr. '96 visit to FSU's Lecture Circuit and coverage of the 20 Apr. '99 debate held on whether the HIV virus causes AIDS.

Monday, 02 May 2005 "The Concerned Citizens for Judicial Reform (CCJR) in conjunction with other groups and friends of Terri Schindler-Schiavo has organized rallies in Tallahassee, FL and Washington, DC to take place on May 2, 05 beginning at 9AM EST." For details, please log onto: [this PRWeb.com](#) press release; or, if you prefer PDF version (takes slightly longer to download), please click: [here](#). Please note that this rally is TODAY, and is formally scheduled to go from 9am to 5pm, and, if you are going to the one in Tallahassee, word on the street has it that it will start in front of the Florida Supreme Court on 500 South Duval Street, which is close enough to the State Capitol, that there are bound to be participants at both places.

Monday, 11 April 2005 Headlines: New evidence shows that living wills are not effective: "[LivingWillsAndPVS.html](#)" [Press Release Here](#)

Tuesday, 15 March 2005: **You are still being asked to help impeach judges involved; details in Monday's Alert below**
Update: Currently, only seven (7) methods exist to save Terri Schiavo:

- (1) EXECUTIVE BRANCH: The Department of Children and Families (DCF) is an arm of the Executive Branch, as are the local police, and thus do not need court authority to step in and take custody of an abuse victim. Florida Governor, John Ellis "Jeb" Bush, is the head of all law enforcement in the state. *Based on past experiences in which illegal and oppressive court decisions have led to civil unrest (Rodney King decision, acquitting guilty police officers) and have also led to civil war (The "Dred Scot" decision of the United States Supreme Court, declaring Blacks to be slaves, which led the United States into Civil War), many voices are calling on the Florida Governor to be a good leader and stop this judge, who has ordered that Terri Schiavo NOT have an autopsy but to be cremated, in a thinly veiled attempt to cover the illicit attempt to perform an illegal euthanasia.* He could do this by sending in the DCF to take custody of Terri. State Police could escort the DCF employees to ensure their safety. If local police interfered with the State Police, it is pretty certain that local citizens would defend the State Police and allow the abuse victim to be taken into protective custody; this would prevent civil unrest and avert what many think could spark a civil war.
- (2) JUDICIAL BRANCH: The Judicial Qualifications Commission (JQC) outlined below, has indicated that it will not be able to meet in time to save Terri, even were it to agree with the premise that the judges involved be removed and impeached.
- (3) JUDICIAL BRANCH: Many suits are outstanding and/or on appeal, so they won't be covered here.
- (4) THE NEWS MEDIA: The "Fourth Estate" is the real power in control, and refuses to expose the illegalities committed in this case, evidence of possible "state controlled" media influence, the "state actor" being the judicial branch and its interests.
- (5) THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH: The State House has the Constitutional authority to impeach bad judges. This is rare and difficult, but see below for how you can be a part.
- (6) THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH: This is "number zero" - The new laws being proposed on the State and Federal level are all "zero" because any law passed can be conveniently ignored by a corrupt or "unjust" judge.
- (7) THE HEAVENLY BRANCH: Before we ask you to pray, crack open your Bible and look in the book called "Matthew" and see chapter 25, verses 31-46. The speaker is JESUS, and He is very ticked about the way in which someone had deprived His younger brothers and sisters of some basic necessities, including, but not limited to, food and water, with no mention of feeding tubes -or excuses being accepted. It is the editorial board's interpretation that Jesus is seen telling some bullies to "Go to Hell," in this account. The conclusion that one may draw is that if you pray for Terri to be given basic necessities, then you are pleasing to Jesus, and if you pray for her to be put out of her misery or otherwise deprived, you may end up on Jesus's bad side, so, before we ask you to pray, we direct you to this passage: We don't want Jesus to accuse you of picking on His younger sister, Theresa Schiavo.
- (7) YOU: While we believe God will eventually judge the wicked, He has told contacts at *The Register* that He will not intervene at this time unless people who have received His blessings act to defend the defenseless and then pray for His help: The Almighty's official word on this is that while Terri is not to be blamed for this, it would not be fair to all the other righteous nations for Him to rescue our heroine, Terri, in the same way He rescues their heroes of the faith when our nation's citizens have been much more apathetic and lukewarm than their diligent citizens.

In plain English, The Word of the Lord is that He does not think it is fair for us to expect the same blessings as other, more righteous, nations, if we are lazy. He will eventually rescue Terri, but He is likewise displeased by those who refuse to demand impeachment and removal of unjust judges and other officials at fault -He is displeased with those who only speak of good but do not back it up with righteous deeds:

Proverbs 3:27 (KJV) "Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it."

James 4:17 (KJV) "Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin."

"Wanna do good? See below, and then act."

Monday, 14 March 2005:

Alert! You are being asked to help [impeach](#) judges involved in the Terri Schiavo case. The online petitions method is not working (it is ignored by those who could impeach) -and the "JQC" method, shown [here](#) is *NOT* working. The authorities in the JQC say they don't meet in time to impeach Greer and various appeals court judges who persecute and threaten Terri Schiavo -even if the JQC agrees with us that he should go, they tell *The Register* that their panel does not meet in time to act. THEREFORE, you must invoke Art. III, Sect. 17 of the State Constitution. Please see below --and note the March 07-08 stories for details on how to do. (Time is ticking, and she dies on 18 March 2005 if no one helps, and remember, impeachments actions are both rare and possibly slow, so let's get a move on it!)

Wednesday, 09 March 2005 PRESS RELEASE: Papers filed today in Schiavo case
[HERE on this GeoCities Mirror](#)

Tuesday, 08 March 2005 NEWS FLASH: The Register legal committee concludes American Court System in crisis, leads the way to address it:

After one unnamed office aide to Florida State Representative, John Stargel, informed *The Register* that there had not been any constituent requests to being an impeachment proceeding (e.g., to "impeach Greer" or any other judge), as outlined in the State Constitution (*see story below*), it was discovered that the "online petitions" to impeach a judge while a great morale booster, were not being effective to their stated goal -to get rid of bad judges. Therefore, staff at *The Register* researched the proper method. For any person wishing to impeach a judge, it is suggested that you contact your state representative, as Editor-in-Chief, Gordon W. Watts, has done. Click [here for the letter in Microsoft Word 97 format](#) which was sent by conventional postal mail, or [here for the letter, in "web page" format](#), showing what was sent by e-mail.

Monday, 07 March 2005 David Allen, host of The David Allen Show heard on WJGR: 1320 AM, "The Patriot," Where your opinion counts, has asked The Register to post contact information for Florida State Representatives.

There have been many misguided attempts to initiate impeachment proceedings against the various judges involved in the Terri Schiavo case. To begin with, the appeal court judges bear even more responsibility than circuit judge, George Greer, because they have higher authority. Secondly, the attempts to impeach many judges has resulted in "online petitions" galore; However, in Florida, there are only two constitutionally acceptable forms of addressing the misconduct of judges. One is through the [Judicial Qualifications Commission](#). The [Florida Bar](#) erroneously claims [here](#) that the JQC is the only body that can investigate judicial misconduct: "Under the Florida Constitution, only the Judicial Qualifications Commission has authority to investigate complaints against Florida judges. Persons wishing to file a complaint should address materials to: Judicial Qualifications Commission 1110 Thomasville Road Tallahassee, FL 32303 (850) 488-1581" ~ **However, THE FLORIDA BAR is incorrect:** The Florida Constitution, under [Article III, Section 17: Impeachment Proceedings](#), also may investigate bad judges. Just like the U.S. House impeached former President, Bill Clinton, and the U.S. Senate tried and convicted him, finally imposing a minor reprimand as

punishment, the State House may impeach, and the State Senate may try. ~ Therefore, when David Allen became aware of the movement among citizens who are saying that "enough is enough" with respect to judicial misconduct, he asked *The Register* to post links to the contact information of Florida State Representatives. If you live in Florida, and you want a judge -or a group of judges -impeached, then you are advised to NOT sign any petition -until after you have contacted both the JQC (see above) and your State Representative -via some methods listed below:

***** <https://www.myfloridahouse.gov/legislators.aspx> (The official state site - look down the list, or click the "Find Your Representative" icon in the top right, and enter your zip code.)
 ***** <https://mmm1108.verio-web.com/flor54/vpkwrittenow.html> (This is a private website, and you must trust the website to really send the email. This method is not preferred. Instead, it is suggested you look in the front of your local telephone book for your state representative. Your state senator can not initiate impeachment proceedings in Florida, only your representative; the senate, however, does try the defendants, that is, the judges who terrorize Joe Average Citizen.)
 ***** <https://action.csgv.org/legdirectory> (This private website is user-friendly. It is suggested that you enter your address, and the site takes you to a page showing who your representatives are.)
 ***** <https://action.csgv.org/legdirectory/Index.asp?step=6&state=FL&chamber=003> (This site is similar to the above, but you must sift through the list to find your representative; If you don't know your representative's name, you'd better break out the local telephone book, and look in the "blue pages" in the front, right before the white pages.)
 ***** https://www.nssflorida.org/fl_house.shtml (This site is my personal favorite: The National Space Society provides this contact information for Florida legislators with the stated hopes of people advocating in letter writing activities "in support of space exploration and the nations vision for space exploration." ~~~ Scroll on down in this very pretty page to view photographs and data on your local legislator -if you know his/her name.)

If you live in Florida and you wish to let your voice be heard with respect to renegade, loose-cannonball judges, then you will at least try to contact your Florida State Representative and the JQC with respect to impeachment proceedings.

"Evil triumphs when good men do nothing." - Edmund Burke [1729-1797] ~ ***If you do not make the effort, then by your actions, you have shown yourself to support the highly-paid state judges who will do anything they please to you when you enter their courtroom.***

Friday, 25 February 2005 **Florida Supreme Court splits 4-3 on surprise last-minute filing in Terri Schiavo Case While many parties have become involved in the Terri Schiavo case, there has been much activity under the radar, not reported by the mainstream press.**

LAKELAND, FL (The Register) Terri Schiavo supporters have been bolstered by a surprise, last-minute filing from an unexpected source...

Click [here](#) for further details.

Wednesday, 23 February 2005: **New filings today** in the Terri Schiavo case defy news media who have said that Register Editor, Gordon Watts, does not have legal standing to proceed: While many have made fun of Watts' efforts in court, the Florida Supreme Court has refused to dismiss the Habeas Corpus proceedings brought by Watts, and they have sat in court since late 2003. Due to the recent turn of events in the Schiavo case, many have asked Watts to petition the courts to put his court filings on a fast track before it is too late. Click [on the Yahoo!/GeoCities Mirror here](#) for detail of this case.

Friday the 15th of Oct. 2004: **THIS JUST IN: Fla. Dept. of Revenue Guns for Michael Schiavo No other news agency gets scoop**

Why did the [Fla. Dept. of Revenue](#) do an [MSN Search](#) for the court records of Terri Schiavo?

While it is obvious that [A Website tracker](#) has done double caller ID on the Dept. of Revenue --seeing who visited *and who referred them* --in which they clicked on *The Register's* home pages and browsed around, what is not so obvious is why. (Hint to the reader: You can take the "204.89.69.44" and the "204.89.69.14" numbers and go to the [ARIN Whois](#) database and look up the IP addresses to see who owns them. In this case, the Florida Dept. of Revenue can surf the net on it's block from: 204.89.64.0 to 204.89.127.255.)

While our investigators do not know for sure, three theories emerge:

- 1) The rumors that Mike Schiavo has taken out a hefty insurance policy on his wife, with the intent to deprive her of antibiotics and kill her, and collect, abound, and are discussed [right here](#).
- 2) The fact that Mike Schiavo is on record as having violated [this felony law, s.825.103](#) might seem interesting to the Dept. of Revenue --because, while the police have never charge him with this crime, Mr. Schiavo is on record with the Court System as having his award money for his lawyer' fees --and for using Terri's award money for his lawyers' fees. He is permitted under the State Law to use the \$300,000 he won for whatever legal purpose he wanted, but since the court orders from the medical malpractice trial jury were for the approx. 700,000 dollars for Terri to be used only on her medical care, this constitutes a first degree felony within the meaning of s.825.103.
- 3) *The Register's* favorite theory is that the class 2 and class 3 felonies committed by Michael, and outlined in [this brief](#) posted [on this page](#) and also on [The Fla. Supreme Court's website](#), and posted [right here](#) may have something to do with it, combined with the fact that Terri is illegally detained at a hospice, when she is not terminal and continually denied retained rights to an attorney and standard medical rehabilitation.

One thing is certain: Only four people know - Mike Schiavo, his attorney, the Fla. Dept. of Insurance investigator -and God!

In God we trust. One nation under God. So help me God. God bless the USA.

God help us!

Arizona's Dept of Insurance in the news

Monday, 20 September 2004 -- published 0420am

The only "big" thing that puts them in the news is that an anonymous reader of *The Register* reading this story inquired about the proper dept to address insurance fraud in his/her state.

In this case, the reader would be advised to go to <https://www.id.state.az.us>, the home page of the Arizona Department of Insurance; Phone numbers include: (602) 912-8444 (Phoenix Area) or (520) 628-6370 Tucson Area --- Toll Free Statewide: (800) 325-2548.

This should be sufficient cause to put this dept in the news, as *The Register* strives to be interactive with readers, which, coincidentally, is one of the requirements that Al Ruechel of [Bay News 9](#) mentioned in a recent correspondence as a requirement for featured websites. **New:** Interesting Website: | <https://AngelsOnAssignment.org> The classic documentary of an old preacher visited by angels is finally online and at no charge -with a follow up sequel. "It changed my life," says one entranced reader who could not put the book down and alleges that he had to finish it in one sitting. One reader saved it to his hard drive just in case it was not available elsewhere.

Florida Supreme Court has, for over six (6) months now, refused to dismiss current Habeas Corpus petition (for Terri Schiavo) and Mandamus actions (to enforce felony abuse laws) filed by *The Register's* mercy chair, Editor, Gordon Watts. Generally, bad cases get dismissed very quickly, suggesting Watts' petitions have merit. See Court Cases links below for details on this case, No. SC03-2420.

Do the news media and the Pinellas Cty Courts think that Florida Lawmakers were just joking when they made it a 2nd degree felony to deprive Theresa Schindler-Schiavo of standard (non-feeding tube) food and medical treatment under s. 825.102(3), Florida State Law? (If police allowed them to deny Theresa protection of these laws when she was moving around and possibly able to see/hear, what happens to you if you get knocked out cold unconscious -or worse, if you are conscious but unable to speak? "Things that make you go 'Hmm...'" ~ For a Biblical perspective, see Proverbs 24:11-12; Prov. 31:8-9; and the last several verses of Matthew, chapter 25. See if you can figure out what the two wisest men of all times might be thinking about Theresa's plight, which could be your or my plight if fate so chooses. --- **NEW:** <--- ~ Points to ponder: "**When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn.**" (Proverbs 29:2, Holy Bible, KJV)

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UNCATEGORIZED Stuff:

This site maintained by Gordon W. Watts, who lost his *pro se* bid to save Terri by a 4-3 margin in Florida's Supreme Court. Watts' case, SC03-2420, is shown [here](#) and a saved copy is [here](#). Florida Governor, Jeb Bush also tried to save Terri's life, and went before the same court in case number SC04-925. Bush's rehearing, unlike Watts', was denied by a 7-0 margin. Watts' experience and ability to speak with some credibility is shown by the fact that he did markedly better in his rehearing before the same panel than Bush. Governor Jeb Bush's case is shown: [here](#) and a save copy is [here](#). Mr. Watts is also shown on page 17 of 25 in this Federal Court's opinion: [Court Website Copy](#) or [Saved copy of case No. 05-11628](#). Related case [here](#) in the *Tampa Tribune*. **Besides these links about me and my involvement, please note that other cool links about other things are on this small personal page here.**

New: For those seeking to find out what "The Law" has to say about Theresa "**Terri**" Schiavo, please see one of the better court briefs filed in this case:
(Web page) [Copy on GordonWAYNEWatts.com mirror, here](#) or [Copy on GordonWatts.com mirror](#)
(In Microsoft Word format: 283 KB) [Copy on GordonWAYNEWatts.com mirror, here](#) or [Copy on GordonWatts.com mirror](#)
Commentary: Since this brief here is by Mr. Watts, who did better than Jeb, and since Watts claims this court filing was a slightly more updated version of the one which beat Jeb's petition in court, and that he feels it was his best court brief on this matter, we arrive at the "good" quality by this logic.

New: For those seeking to find out what the Bible has to say about Theresa "Terri" Schiavo: | [In Microsoft Word format \(best\)](#) | [In HTML \(web page\) format](#) | [In Text format \(smallest file size\)](#) |

Oops! Did the Word document not download properly? I don't know what that is - however, you might try hitting the web servers at *The Register*, whose links are listed below:

Visit the alternate site:

| [In Microsoft Word format \(best\)](#) | [In HTML \(web page\) format](#) | [In Text format \(smallest file size\)](#) |

Hot News!~::~... SEVEN (7) COOL WEBSITES:

1 <https://www.NotMilk.com> The "long" story on why not to drink milk from animals -the "short-and-sweet" version is my health and diet research above.

2 <https://www.StarTrekNewVoyages.com> Yes! The rumors are true: Star Trek, the Original Series is back with all new episodes -picking up where the series' 3rd season left off in 1969, the Five-Year Mission continues now in season 4, and starring some of the original actors, including, but not limited to George Takei (Sulu), Walter Koenig (Chekov), and Grace Lee Whitney (Yeoman Rand).

3 <https://www.AngelsOnAssignment.org> Many things about Holy Angels from a man who made several correct predictions before his untimely death -and whose allegations of visits with angels is thus supported. LAST but certainly not least, this page is one of my favorite web sites.

4 <https://www.NaturalNews.com> The 'Natural News' website, hosted by Mike Adams, the "Health Ranger."

5 <https://www.HealthRanger.com> Mike Adams (The Health Ranger) personal website

6a <https://www.YouTube.com/TheHealthRanger> "The Health Ranger" YouTube channel

6b <https://www.YouTube.com/user/TheHealthRanger> "The Health Ranger" YouTube channel

7a <https://www.YouTube.com/GordonWayneWatts> Gordon Wayne Watts' YouTube channel

7b <https://www.YouTube.com/user/GordonWayneWatts> Gordon Wayne Watts' YouTube channel

Monday, 10 March 2008 - CURRENT News: Three new 'link' resources are being added today.

** First, my friend, Alan Collinge, has started [Student Loan Justice](#), a Political Action Committee (PAC) representing students before our elected official -*get this* -with regard to student loans. In case you don't know, many debts (such as credit card debts) can be forgiven by way of bankruptcy, but **student loans** typically can **NOT** be forgiven except in these four ways: (1) Paying off the loan in full (including interest, which can drive up the total loan greatly); (2) Certain types of volunteer work, military service, or teaching or practicing medicine in certain types of communities; (3) If the borrower becomes totally and permanently disabled; and, lastly, (4) If the student borrower passes away (dies). **Huh...? You mean a person who gets in debt through drugs and credit card debt has more bankruptcy protection than students trying to better themselves? Yes,** if we are to believe [this official 'Stafford Loan' website](#), which, under its "Circumstances and Conditions for Loan Discharge" header, clearly states that: "(Typically, student loans cannot be discharged in a bankruptcy.) Consult your legal counsel regarding your particular situation."

The Student Loan Justice "PAC" was, according to the [official website \(click here\)](#), formed in December, 2006. Their PAC provides a counterweight to the big lenders in Congress, who regularly donate millions of dollars every election cycle to our elected officials -no doubt, in hopes of reducing or eliminating "consumer protections" for low-income student borrowers. Alan's organization was featured in a recent [CNN story \(click here\)](#). Their official website is: <https://www.StudentLoanJustice.org>.

** Second, Mr. Joseph L. DelGado, a paralegal in the Altamonte Springs / Winter Park area of Central Florida (near Orlando), and one of *The Register's* readers, is asking for signatures related to Pro Se litigants' difficulties in court. This petition is not like most online petitions: It uses a "real life" signature verification -where you actually sign, so it carries more weight -and is less easily forged -than most "online" petitions. "*Pro Se*" refers to persons who represents themselves in court -without a lawyer: ["Pro Se" definition](#) -See also: www.pro-selaw.org. Mr. DelGado's organization, PEOPLE UNITED FOR LEGAL SYSTEM EQUALITY (PULSE), looks hopeful, since he apparently has 27 years of experience as a paralegal. His petition, motivated in part by personal experiences, can be found at: <https://www.gopetition.com/online/11773.html> and seeks reform and improvements of the current status of the legal system.

** Third, another reader, James in Florida, has asked us to give press coverage to Lauren Richardson's situation. At first, *The Register* was reluctant to do so, because even after intense coverage on Terri Schiavo's situation, not unlike Laura's, it appeared that the power of the press was ignored. However, James' constant efforts on behalf of Lauren, who is most likely not PVS, are inspiring, even to those who have long given up hope that "the system" can be made to work. This writer has viewed clips of Lauren on a Fox Network interview, posted on You Tube, and -from what little can be seen of her -she does not appear to be PVS. Her official website is: <https://www.LifeForLauren.org>. Additionally, there exists a radio interview about Ms. Lauren Richardson: <https://f2a.org/radio/2008-02-12.ram>, although the first part of the broadcast deals with other issues. Advance the time-bar to about 22 min 45 sec (total Program is about: 54 min 08.1 sec) to hear this program.

While this seems to be a "hopeless" case, let us not forget that many others were declared "PVS" or otherwise hopeless -when they were not PVS at all -for example, [Kate Adamson](#), Rev. Rus Cooper-Dowda, mentioned in [this St. Pete Times article](#), and who wrote [this booklet](#) and [this mini biography](#). -and Police Sgt. David Mack, just to take three examples. Dr. Ronald Cranford, one of the doctors who declared Terri Schiavo to be "PVS," declared Sgt. Mack to be PVS -and was wrong -as we see:

"CRANFORD: Yes. Yes, in 1979-1980 in a legal case then. I diagnosed Sergeant David Mack (ph) as being in permanent vegetative state and 20 months later he started waking up and he regained consciousness and I've never been able to explain that case." (Source: [CNN Official Transcripts](#).)

Last, but not least, we can not forget [Terry Wallis](#), who was declared to be PVS, hopeless, and a long list of many other bad things -yet he proved them wrong. -The moral of the story is "never say 'never'" when it comes to declaring a person to be a hopeless PVS case. --- That's all for now, folks.

Monday, 04 April 2005 *Register* editor and reporter, Gordon Watts, has been on special assignment on site at "Ground Zero," the Woodside Hospice, and has traveled to the Federal District courthouse in Tampa, as well as the Pinellas County State's Attorney Office, to continue court action, report, and participate in protests of the various abuses of the disabled patients who, while able to eat and drink, are sometimes denied food and water, not to be confused with feeding tube implements. Staff has been unavailable to update the site but are expected to be back in the office sometime soon. We thank you for your readership and patronization of *The Register*. (*Links to the 2 mirrors are below in the Friday, March 11 alert.*)

Friday, 11 March 2005:

Alert! You are being asked to help impeach judges involved in the Terri Schiavo case. The online petitions method is not working, so you must invoke Art. III, Sect. 17 of the state Constitution. Please go to [The Register's GeoCities Mirror](#) and note the March 07-08 stories for details on how to do. (Time is ticking, and she dies on 18 March 2005 if no one helps, and remember, impeachments actions are both rare and possibly slow, so let's get a move on it!)

Wednesday, 02 March 2005:

There is a lot of discussion about my close call at Florida's Supreme Court, in the which I got a 4-3 decision, almost getting intervention in **the Terri Schiavo case**. Since many people are stunned that I (a non-lawyer) did far better than our state's Governor, who lost on a resounding 7-0 decision, I think this case bears mentioning.

The "non-profit" newspaper, at which I am editor, has much news on the subject: https://oocities.org/Gordon_Watts32313, the GeoCities mirrors.

It would be remiss of me to not include a link to the videos of the woman they call brain dead, but others call crippled or handicapped:

Click on one mirror below to view video - download time depends on connection speed and Internet traffic:
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At the right: Mr. Watts in action at a demonstration for Theresa "Terri" Schiavo, January 07, 2004.

Florida Supreme Court splits 4-3 on surprise last-minute filing in Terri Schiavo Case

While many parties have become involved in the Terri Schiavo case, there has been much activity under the radar, not reported by the mainstream press.

LAKELAND, FL (PRWEB) Friday, 25 February 2005 - Terri Schiavo supporters have been bolstered by a surprise, last-minute filing from an unexpected source...

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If one mirror is down or busy, click on the other. PS: Here's the link to the official website for Terri Schiavo's most immediate family: <https://TERRISFight.org>

Click ****_HERE_**** for links to Watts' involvement in the Terri Schiavo saga **-and Education:** FSU: I went to The Florida State University, in Tallahassee, Florida, and graduated with a double major with honors in Biological and Chemical Sciences. (Go 'noles!) I am class of 2000.

UEI, An electronics college: Prior to that, I went to United Electronics Institute, now doing business as Florida Metropolitan University. To clarify, UEI was at 3924 Coconut Palm Drive, in the Sable Park region of Tampa, Florida. I am class of 1988.

High School: For high school, I went to Plant City Senior High School, Plant City, Florida. I am class of 1984. (*See pics to the right.*)

Education in the real world's school of hard knocks: Oh, yeah: All that electronic college did me good: I'm a HAM EXTRA operator (There are three levels: Technician, then General, and then the highest, Extra: Zzzap!!) My call sign is N2GY. You can look me up on: <https://www.qrz.com> or <https://www.arl.org> or even <https://wireless.fcc.gov/uls> if you know how. Here: <https://www.qrz.com/callsign/N2GY> and <https://www.arl.org/fcc/fcclook.php3?call=n2gy> and <https://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsApp/UlsSearch/license.jsp?licKey=2702986> are my pages in QRZ, ARRL, and the FCC.

YOU ARE HERE: ~~~ www.GordonWayneWatts.com ~~~ **New:** Interesting Websites: <https://www.HartungReport.com>, whose owner has a personal website here: <https://www.RobertHartung.com>. He's no ANGEL, but he *is* a conservative: Get the "Conservative" News that matters. For **REAL ANGELS**, please see below:

The classic documentary of an old preacher visited by angels is finally online and at no charge -with a follow up sequel. "It changed my life," says one entranced reader who could not put the book down and alleges that he had to finish it in one sitting. One reader saved it to his hard drive just in case it was not available elsewhere.

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Thursday, 19 August 2004: [More Help Needed for Hurricane Charley victims](#) | [The Register contacts WFLA, 8 on your side, a Tampa TV station regarding unbalanced coverage of Schiavo matter](#) **Tuesday, 17 August 2004: [A short "Open Letter to the Governor"](#). [Sunday, 15 August 2004 Help needed for Hurricane Charley victims](#): Click [Click here](#) for where to send supplies. [Commentary here](#) on "other" types of bad weather in the forecast. [Review of Mel Gibson film: The Passion](#). <-- CHECK OUT: Info about the star of the movie, Jesus, the only proper role model. [The Register get scoop on Jeb Bush reply in "Terri's Law" dispute](#). ** [Letters to the Editor](#) **** New Allegations of Possible Insurance Fraud by Michael Schiavo Surface: [Click Here](#) for story. **Thur 29 July 2004: TERRI'S LAW CASE TAKES BIZZARE TURN:** Our fearless editor, Gordon Watts, files friend of the court brief, supporting Michael Schiavo. When contacted, Watts had no comment, but asked *The Register* to issue [this joint statement](#). Documents and updates for this case [here](#). Related: [The full statement from the 23 Outraged Citizens -not edited for length](#) | [Tampa's AP Bureau's repeated embarrassments to Fla. press corps](#) | [The Register corrects Globe columnist Ellen Goodman on what law says](#)****

Suit Challenges Governor's Seat

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LAKELAND VOTER SAYS STATE DEPT DENIED MANDATORY RECOUNT

From staff reports

LAKELAND, Fla. -- As Governor Bush heads into his seventh month in office, one disenfranchised Lakeland voter says he wants to continue to challenge his legitimacy.

Bush, popular second-term Florida Governor, easily beat Bill McBride with 61 percent of the vote back in November. Although pre-election polls had him in a tight race with McBride, he held a comfortable lead throughout election night. But still unresolved is a lawsuit filed September of last year by one voter -- Republican Gordon Watts of Lakeland.

Watts claims the State Department



Lakeland resident and non-lawyer Gordon Watts filed a lawsuit on behalf of himself and other similarly situated Florida voters/taxpayers in September of last year.

broke the state's mandatory recount law by refusing to grant Democratic Gubernatorial Primary contestant, Janet Reno, a machine recount after she was defeated by less than one-half of a percent. His suit seeks a recount of the votes in that primary. The law requires an automatic statewide recount of the votes when one candidate is defeated by less than one-half percent of the votes cast -- as was done for Al Gore in the 2000 Presidential race in Florida.

Tallahassee Judge P. Kevin Davey refused to grant Watts an "immediate hearing" as state election law requires, and eventually dismissed the case.

Reno, now out of the public eye, had tried to obtain a recount but eventually gave up after almost a week following the state's decision to deny her request. She could not be reached for comment.

Watts currently has two pending appeals in the First District Court of Appeal and the state's Supreme Court.

"People shouldn't sue judges," said George Waas, Senior Assistant Attorney General. Waas, who works directly for Attorney General Charlie Crist, is the attorney appointed by the state to represent Judge Davey, who is a defendant in Watts' suit.

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VOTER CONTINUES SUIT, SEEKS MEDIA EXPOSURE

Continued From 1A

The other defendant, Florida's Department of State, responsible for counting the state's votes, is represented by Jerry York. York had no comment when contacted by The Register.

Watts' situation is similar to that of former Vice President Al Gore. Gore, who requested manual recounts in selected precincts, was given a statewide machine recount after he was defeated by less than one-half of a percent. Watts, a registered Republican, claims that the "rule of law" should apply to Reno as well, in spite of the fact that she has given up her request for a statewide recount. "The law should apply equally to all, whether Democrat or Republican, and she should be given the mandatory machine recount like Al Gore was," Watts said. "The State Department obviously thinks that they are above the law and not bound by the rules, but who else will they trample next if left unchecked?"

A survey performed by Watts claims that, with a 2.7 percent margin of error, 93 percent of voters want the election laws followed and news coverage given at any cost or, at the very least, if the costs don't run into the millions.

Nonetheless, news coverage of this has been sparse, with press choosing instead to focus on lesser lawsuits, such as the resign-to-run suit against State Representative Kevin Ambler of Northwest Hillsborough County. Even though Ambler had resigned an elected post in the Northdale Special Tax District on October 18, there was news coverage in local television and print media long afterwards, with at least two articles appearing in the Tampa Tribune on October 25 and November 9 of last year. The four Tampa voters, who brought this suit against Ambler, eventually lost and decided not to appeal.

Watts is also seeking the impeachment or removal of Judge Davey: "This judge illegally refused me a hearing, and no one is above the law. While most people have forgotten about the election or were unaware that laws were broken, nonetheless, when told of it, most reported that all people should be given their day in court, and that the election laws should be followed -- because violation of voting laws -- or denial of the right to have your grievances heard in court -- strike at the very foundation of America's principles and hurts everybody."

The state House can impeach state judges, and, in certain circumstances, the governor or the state's Supreme Court can remove a judge from office.

"And," Watts added, "since most people with whom I've spoken want news coverage, I don't understand why the news media has been so slow to report on this."

The case number for Watts' Supreme Court suit is SC03-385, and that of the 1st DCA case is 1D02-5120. Both cases are styled Watts v. The Florida Department of State.

-_ Gordon Watts can be contacted at Gww1210@aol.com for interviews or to make contributions to defray his lawsuit costs.

Click [here](#) for further details of past actions on this.

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Outside Links

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[|Jail 4 Judges national site: J.A.I.L. = "Judicial Accountability Initiative Law" - Ron Branson, Director|](#)

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Here is [|a Terri Schiavo analysis with links galore.](#) provided by mathematician, historian and scientist, [Reason McLucus &](#)

[Jalexson](#), an interesting web paper / blog. This Vietnam vet and Ph.D. candidate has an interesting [Bio](#). The very thorough [Abstract Appeal](#) blog / website, by [Attorney Matthew J. Conigliaro](#) of [Carlton Fields, Attorneys at Law](#); Matt Conigliaro has an [About Page](#), and he is helped by [Attorney Hunter W. Carroll](#). He and Hunter Carroll have worked on the [Terri Schiavo Info Page](#) with its timeline, but he posts current Schiavo news on the front page. He has not discussed my allegations of felony violations galore yet, but has otherwise done a fine job with his legal blog. [RavenL.net](#) Freedom isn't Free! ~ Eleanor White's site on mind control and other conspiracy theories. She has also researched [Multistalker Victims](#), that is victims who appear to be stalked by multiple stalkers in an organized fashion. Ms. White is an intelligent Ham Radio operator (call letters: VE3LKE) from Hamilton, Ontario, Canada -who has also written about Terri Schiavo.

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***FIRST Amendment Rally: Wednesday 07 Jan 2003 & Thursday 08 Jan 2003
Demanding State Atty Bernie McCabe do his job & Protect Terri Schivo from ILLEGAL
Abuses***

Passed along to The Register by an anonymous but trusted source. -Editor

The volunteers of TerrisFight.org have learned that supporters are planning a demonstration on the steps of the Criminal Court House in Clearwater, Florida to demand that Pinellas County's State Attorney, Bernie McCabe, conduct a full investigation into charges of abuse against Terri Schindler-Schiavo by her guardian. If you would like to be a part of this effort, please join us in peaceful demonstration.

**14250 49TH STREET
CLEARWATER, FL**

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2003

&

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2003
4:00 - 7:00 pm**

UPDATE: A Report on TERRI Schiavo Rally in St Pete / Clearwater yesterday evening Date: 1/9/04
8:59:57 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Gww1210
To: Gww1210

Dear fellow-supporters of Terri Schiavo, FYI, here is a brief report on the demonstration / rally we held yesterday evening in St Pete / Clearwater at the Courthouse where State Atty Bernie McCabe works:

Friday, 09 January 2004

** Since my out of state friends have told me they're a little jealous that I live only 60 miles from yesterday's rally, I will give them an update:

Almost as many people showed up to protest Bernie McCabe as yesterday, a little less media exposure, but different members of the Schindler family were kind enough to come out again and thank us for trying to help out and speak out.

Brian, a WTVT-TV Fox 13 reporter was kind enough to interview Rev Rus Cooper Dowda, myself, and a third person, a member of Not Dead Yet, whose name I didn't get. My parents, who stayed up late enough to watch FOX 13's 10-O'Clock broadcast said they *did* show footage of the protest and gave some news coverage, even though they did not air the interviews. However, they'll have the interviews as "file footage" for anything they plan to do in the future.

We got there earlier, stayed later, had more signs, were able to use cardboard to make the signs a little more sturdy and less "floppy," and passed out more flyers. (good) Also, after we got finished picketing & handing out fliers at the courthouse, after it closed at five pm, we moved to the bus stop and continued, picketing, talking to people, and passing out fliers that had the the facts and laws related to this matter. (I gave the Fox 13 reporter one of the newly updated information sheets and told him of my lawsuit and future plans of more people to continue legal and picketing actions.)

We had a good time, got to know one another a little better, and hopefully let people know that these abuses and denial of medical treatments & rehab could happen to them, as well as the chance that someone could try to starve them when no one's looking.

MY COMMENTS: "We need publicity to pressure the 'high people' in government to enforce the law and follow the law, as the current laws, while not perfect are generally good. Otherwise, what happened below (see my signature) could happen here."

Gordon Wayne Watts

[Map to Location](#) - [Signs to Bring](#) - [Why this demonstration is so important](#) State Attorney Bernie McCabe has refused to investigate charges of physical abuse against Terri Schindler-Schiavo, a disabled Pinellas County woman - even though a bone scan indicated Terri was the victim of trauma.

Mr. McCabe has also refused to investigate well-founded allegations of abuse, neglect and exploitation against Terri - even though there is evidence which supports such charges and offenses of this nature are felony crimes under Florida law.

If you are in Florida and can join us in demanding that Mr. McCabe do the job he was elected to do, please be there.

RALLY! RALLY! RALLY!

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7th and THURSDAY, JANUARY 8th, 2004

4:00 - 7:00 pm

WE NEED YOU! TERRI NEEDS YOU! WE NEED BODIES!

Terri's life is at stake!

Please Help a Disabled Woman!

PLEASE BE ON THE STEPS OF

THE CRIMINAL COURT HOUSE

PICKET BERNIE McCABE'S OFFICE

14250 49th Street

Clearwater, Florida

MapQuest MAP for 14250 49th Street, Clearwater, FL:

[Click here for Map.](#)

PLEASE MAKE SIGNS!

PLEASE MAKE STRONG STATEMENTS!

NO NEED TO SPARE THE WORDS!

THE DISABLED DEMAND THEIR RIGHTS!

DON'T RAILROAD TERRI

INVESTIGATE MICHAEL SCHIAVO

- He never did CPR!!!!

- He delayed calling EMS !!!

- He left Terri FACE DOWN!

-Terri had stiff neck, multiple fractures, broken bones

- Terri is responsive!!!!

- Michael never "remembered" Terri's wishes UNTIL 10 YEARS later!

MICHAEL HOLDS TERRI HOSTAGE IN A HOSPICE ILLEGALLY

- when Terri had hypoglycemic shock -- after Michael visits -- insulin was found at her bedside

*ARREST MICHAEL NOW!

*VIOLATIONS OF STATUTES 825-102 (3)

FAILURE TO PROVIDE DISABLED FLORIDA RESIDENT WITH CARE!

*VIOLATIONS FLA STATUTES 744.3215(1)

NEGLIGENT GUARDIAN!

*VIOLATIONS FLA STATUTES 825.103

MISUSE OF A DISABLED PERSON'S FUNDS!

<https://www.terrisfight.org>

<https://www.propertyrightsresearch.org/articles4/terrifrms.htm>

The Recount Lawsuit continues without Janet Reno

More FLA Elections Problems

This just in as of Tue. 16 Dec. 2003:

The Florida First District Court of Appeals has affirmed the lower court ruling. Appeals are planned.

The Fla. 1st DCA, in the case, Watts v Florida Dept of State, case number 1D02-5120, affirmed the lower court ruling in a *per curiam* decision, without comment or a written opinion. (Browning, Hawkes, and Polston, JJ., concurring) Appealing such cases without opinion is historically difficult, but *The Register* intends to continue digging for truth and avoid a "catch-22" scenario, where major media avoid coverage without an "upset" ruling - and the court refuses to look at the laws, issue an "upset," without pressure from the press.

Florida, not known for the wisest choices, even if technically legal, in regards to voting and elections, is hoping to avoid more embarrassment, but *The Register* believes that the laws are not solely for the rich and connected. *Original Story Below:*

[Read more in Schiavo case](#)

[Read background in Recount Case case](#)

Health:

More developments on Schiavo above & below, but 1st this: Click [* HERE *](#) for a rather graphic picture (at bottom) of an overdose, not for shock value, but in hopes that *all* you parents will have a frank discussion with your kids about knowing their limits & when to just walk away. When you view [this pic](#), remember: This didn't have to happen...

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Related News

Click [here](#) to visit the official Terri Schiavo website.

Wed., 16 June 2004 hearing by Terri Schiavo's family to challenge the guardianship of estranged husband and guardian, Michael Schiavo, before Judge George W. Greer, Fla. 6th Cir. *Special Correspondent, Cheryl Ford, RN, reporting:* Click: [** HERE **](#) for story.

Register exclusive: Only *The Register* covered the [Terri's Law Oral Arguments Hearing](#) this Monday, June 14, 2004, held in Lakeland's Second District Court of Appeals.

Click * [HERE](#) * to read the Register's report on two (2) other women, who were given up for dead, but who were able to hear doctors talk about starving them. Another news agency reports on one of those women: Kate Adamson, a New Zealand-native, was described by doctors as being in a "vegetative" state, but this mother of two could feel pain and hear the doctors plan to starve her to death. [Original Story Here](#). (Note: The article initially calls her "Kate Anderson.")

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Deep-scan analysis of the Terri Schiavo case - with possible solutions: Click [HERE](#) for analysis of the disputed "Terri's Law" - and other violations of the current mercy-killing laws, not in dispute - not currently covered by "mainstream" media.

Other News

Register continues its legal battle to get the Florida "recount" laws enforced. Recount lawsuit decision expected soon from Florida's first district court of appeals. [Read more below](#)

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[www.NaturalNews.com](#) The 'Natural News' website, hosted by Mike Adams, the "Health Ranger."

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U.S. President: Editorial - by Gordon Wayne Watts, Editor-in-Chief



The Register, as all know, is a strongly right-leaning Conservative online newspaper, but journalism requires strict discipline to avoid bias (or even the appearance of bias), and genuine motives to "Be Fair" to all parties. To that end, our endorsements will take a turn for the weird and likely anger all readers (both Donald Trump supporters and Hillary Clinton supporters -as well as surely angering all of the so-called "3rd-party" voters, who are fed up with both Democrats & Republicans, who continue to ignore most voters' and our 'Common Sense' requests).

endorsement to NY businessman, Donald Trump, for the general election, scheduled to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016. While some primaries (such as the presidential election) have already been held, many important primary races are still undecided, and, in particular, there's something for everybody in the Florida Statewide Primary Election, slated to be held in a week, on Tuesday, August the 30th, 2016. Helpful links, in this regard, are the following:

- * [PolkElections.org](#)
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If we've angered all readers (yes, we probably will anger both you and your "political enemies" -which could be fun to watch while they read our Editorial, in wide-eyed disbelief!), then perhaps this is a sign that we are unbiased -and maybe even close to correct, so here goes nothing...

Hillary R. Clinton / Sen. Timothy M. "Tim" Kaine (DEM)

U.S. Senator (Florida)

One of Florida's senate seats, held by incumbent, Sen. Marco Rubio (R-FL), is up for grabs.

The Democratic Primary (Tue. Aug. 30, 2016) features 5 candidates: Roque "Rocky" DeLaFuente; Orlando Congressman, Alan Grayson; Pam Keith; Reginald Luster; and, Port St. Lucie Congressman, Patrick

First off, the most 'Liberal' candidate is unarguably former Sec. of State, Hillary Clinton, but she has done many good things, which, to be fair, we will outline at the offset: Clinton, who was brought up as a Methodist, once said that she thought that "abortion is wrong." [sources: ["Hillary Clinton's Moral Conflicts on Abortion,"](#) by Myriam Renaud, *The Atlantic*, Aug 6, 2016 ; ["Hillary Once Thought Abortion Was Wrong,"](#) by Ken Blackwell, CP Op-Ed Contributor, *The Christian Post*, August 4, 2015[6:46 am] She even opposed China's "forced abortion" & Romania's "forced pregnancy" policies, according to *OnTheIssues*, which quotes her as saying: "I went to China in 1995 and spoke out against the Chinese government's one child policy, which led to forced abortions and forced

Murphy. All 5 candidates seem to be moderate to liberal, but otherwise patriotic and intelligent. Luster's website, for example, calls on increased HigherEd grants (good), but it is short-sighted in its promise that he would "Increase U.S. Department of Education funding to purchase high interest rate, private sector student loans." This, of course, would distort the Free Market, inducing college to jack up tuition to match increased borrowing abilities of cash-strapped students. DeLaFuente is vague on HigherEd issues, and Keith does not address them in her website, as of the date of publication. Grayson is mired in a bitter divorce settlement, but he is well-known for his "Co-sponsoring legislation to return bankruptcy rights to Americans struggling with student loan debt." **The Register endorses Alan Grayson for the Democratic nomination for Florida Senator.**

The Libertarian Party of Florida holds a primary (Tue. Aug. 30, 2016) for 2 candidates: criminal defense lawyer, Augustus Invictus, 33, and Paul Stanton, 31, a U.S. Army veteran and information technology specialist. Both candidates seem to support the amendment, oppose foreign military intervention, and both oppose the so-called U.S. Government's "war on drugs," and thus, both candidates appear to be genuine Libertarians, in that regard. While [St. Peter's Blog](#) lists Stanton ahead "22-12 percent, with 65.8 percent undecided" in the primary, Invictus has the support of well-known Libertarian advocate, Raquel Okyay, according to [his official website](#) and [Audio Visual Network News](#) related to refusal to debate and refusal to denounce alleged threats by Charles Peralo, a Stanton supporter. **Okay's concerns appear to be genuine, as she has a good reputation within the Libertarian community, if a tie-breaker is needed. However, The Register withholds formal endorsement in this primary, due to lack of additional information.**

The Republican Primary (Tue. Aug. 30, 2016) features 4 candidates: Manatee County land developer and businessman, Carlos Beruff; Dr. Ernie Rivera, an ordained minister with a Doctor in Ministry in Leadership (in progress); Sen. Marco Rubio (R-FL), the incumbent senator; and, Officer Dwight Mark Anthony Young, a former Detention Deputy with the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, until having quit to run for Senate. All 4 candidates appear to be genuine Conservatives, with Sen. Rubio getting an impressive 77% Scorecard by [Conservative Review](#), known for its difficult standards in gauging conservative actions, votes, and stances taken by elected officials. However, with all due respect to the senator, he scores the lowest of the 4 candidates by *The Register's* review. While all 4 seem to be pro-life, pro-2nd-Amendment, and fiscal conservatives, there is a large amount of daylight between them on other key economic issues. Rubio, for example, has refused steadfastly to cosponsor legislation like H.R.449, which would return bankruptcy to college loans, offering a "Conservative Free Market" check against predatory lending, and resultant tuition inflation that occurs when lenders/colleges knows students have deep pockets to borrow. Beruff's campaign office was polite when *The Register* inquired, but never returned our press inquiry regarding either the bankruptcy issue (curative) or a proposal to reduce loan limits in the 1st place (preventative, and with the aim to get "smaller government," until the government is out of lending or guaranteeing loans with tax dollars, necessary to prevent another crash of the U.S. Dollar). Rivera was not available to speak with *The Register*, and his website's HigherEd section linked to the official GOP website, which, while better than average, nonetheless was OK with allowing college loans to continue. To Rivera's credit, however, both he, and Dr. Moses, who was manning his campaign office when *The Register* called, both seemed to be genuine moral and fiscal conservatives, and Moses, a Th.D. in theology, took time to make an excellent effort to inform this writer. Ofcr. Young, himself, was able to clarify *The Register's* questions, and assured this writer that he supported allowing college borrowers the same defenses afforded all other borrowers. Young, a Jamaican-American, has done well in integrating into America's culture, and supports "legal" immigration, but opposed "illegal" immigration, rightly opposing others who "jump ahead" of others who were in line earlier to become American Citizens. **The Register endorses Dwight Mark Anthony Young for the Republican nomination for Florida Senator, but we give honourable mention to Dr. Ernesto J. "Ernie" Rivera for his excellent track-record in life as a genuine Conservative, whose Puerto Rican heritage and high morals are positive assets.**

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U.S. House of Representatives (Florida)

There are other races for Congress in the lower chamber (the House, as opposed to the senate) in central Florida.

sterilization because I believed that we needed to bear witness against what was an intrusive, abusive, dehumanizing effort to dictate how women and men would proceed with respect to the children they wished (good), but it is short-sighted in its promise that we had been subjected to the Communist regime of the 1970s and '80s where they were essentially forced to bear as many children as possible for the good of the state. And where abortion was criminalized and women were literally forced to have physical exams and followed by the secret police and so many children were abandoned and left to the orphanages that, unfortunately, led to an AIDS epidemic.

[source: "[Hillary Clinton on Abortion](#), citing the Source: 2008 Democratic Compassion Forum at Messiah College, dated: April 13, 2008]

Clinton was also once pro-Marriage, and *The Washington Post* quoted her as follows: 'Clinton said in January 2000 that marriage does not include gay unions: "Marriage has got historic, religious and moral content that goes back to the beginning of time and I think a marriage is as a marriage has always been, between a man and a woman." She said she would have voted for the 1996 Defense of Marriage Act, but again said she supported partnership benefits for same-sex couples. Gay groups expressed disappointment in her position.' [sources: "[How Hillary Clinton evolved on gay marriage](#), By Rachel Weiner, *The Washington Post*, March 18, 2013 ; [Hillary Clinton's Gay-Marriage Problem: Until 2013, she held a position that lots of Democratic voters now regard as deeply wrongheaded.](#), by Conor Friedersdorf, *The Atlantic*, June 13, 2014 ; and, "[Hillary Clinton on Abortion](#), which lists her as "Previously opposed; now supports" on "Gay marriage," in the "Issues where Jeb Bush disagrees with Hillary" subheader]

While "Gay groups expressed disappointment in her position," I do not: Hillary Clinton was correct on both points. First, marriage has historically been defined as 1-man & 1-woman for over 6,000 years. Secondly, Clinton said that "she supported partnership benefits for same-sex couples." She is correct again: While I do not support the Government giving formal 'approval' of *any* nontraditional marriage (plural marriages in polygamy, child-marriage, Same-Sex marriage, or, even [that guy](#) who [wants to marry his own computer!](#)), nonetheless, I feel that a person should be able to have "partnership benefits for same-sex couples," and, for that matter, any person, gay or straight: In fact, when the government gives 'benefits' or 'perks' to straight couples, this encourages men & women to marry for purely financial reasons, so, let's do like Clinton suggests here, but let's expand it to *all* people, and give *everyone* a tax-break. (We are over-taxed, and this would be an appropriate solution to "protect gays," while making sure to not put the Government's 'stamp of approval' on any behaviour that is less than ideal, be it being obese, committing adultery & cheating on your spouse, or any non-historic definition of marriage).

Clinton shines

Perhaps, Clinton's most impressive accomplishment was a legislative proposal that she advanced when she introduced [S.3255 - Student Borrower Bill of Rights Act of 2006](#), in the 109th Congress (2005-2006), while she was the junior Senator from New York (Sen. Chuck Schumer was the senior Senator). While far from perfect, Clinton's bill was a huge step in the "right direction," as it required the Dept. of Education to vigorously enforce lender verification certificates for borrowers seeking to consolidate loans, limits, on the basis of a borrower's income, monthly payments, additional notice regarding actual interest rates, and (probably, most-importantly) would have amended federal bankruptcy law to discharge certain educational benefit overpayments, repayments, and student loan debt. (What exactly would constitute "student loan debt" is unclear to me: Does this include all student debt, or only private loans? However, something is better than nothing.)

Hillary Clinton stood tall with honour, as she defended students who were victimised by Predatory Lending. In fact, my good friend, Alan M. Collinge, founder of [StudentLoanJustice.org](#), was a key player who participated in a Clinton conference call with other experts, in advocating reform on this head. However, every since then, things have gone downhill.

Clinton takes money from (and associates with) foreign interests that persecute women and gays (which should outrage 'Liberals'), and she has "flip-flopped" on abortion and so-called 'Gay Marriage', now supporting both abortion and Same-Sex Marriage (which should outrage 'Conservatives', such as myself), but if she defended the weak, powerless, and helpless "Debt Slaves," perhaps she could retain some respect. However, Clinton - once an ardent supporter of reform in the highly-profitable Predatory Lending system of Higher Ed loans - has now abandoned weak & helpless College Students: **Clinton has "talked a good game," yes, but Word: She has not so much as done a thing to actually "help" college students (whether in the Senate or elsewhere - and if you disagree, then show me where I'm wrong).** While she is *now* offering "Free College," I doubt that she is being genuine. I admit that Bernie Sanders' claims that we once had free and/or very-low-cost college are correct, and a good argument: The "Liberals" are right on this point, but we frankly can not afford Free College at this time, since taxpayers guarantee these toxic, predatory loans. Some level of Loan Forgiveness is owed to victims, due to the damages suffered from illegal Predatory Lending schemes & resultant overpayments. Therefore, Loan Forgiveness (or, at the very least, a restoration of bankruptcy rights) -- and then a quick end to the 'College Loan' program -- would probably be more appropriate, and we could go back to low-cost college, DEBT FREE, like we had before the Government "forced" loans onto unsuspecting students.)

Clinton has abandoned college students -- and I suspect that she was "bought off" by the Big Banks (legally, that is: By Campaign Contributions) - in the same manner that access to the 'Clinton Foundation' was "bought off" by foreign interests, seeking favours & access. **Now that I've angered Liberals, I will surely do the same with my right-wing Conservative colleagues, so here goes nothing...**

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The Tue. Aug. 30, 2016 primary for U.S. Representative (Dist. 9) will feature 4 democrats: Kissimmee businesswoman & college instructor, Valleri Crabtree; Dr. Dena Grayson (the wife of Rep. Alan Grayson, D-FL-9th, who just recently concluded a lengthy and ugly divorce to Lolita Grayson); anti-gov-Rick-Scott grassroots activist, Susannah Randolph; and Fla. State Senator, Darren Soto. All 4 seem to be intelligent and well-intentioned, but Dr. Grayson seems to have the slight edge on intangible, but real, abilities to actually fix the problems for the middle-class. The "coat-tails" effect works in her favour, as we have already endorsed her husband, Rep. Alan Grayson, who is a solid advocate for the middle-class and college student. Moreover, [Heavy.com](#) reports that: "[Alan] Grayson Was Married to His First Wife for 25 Years; the Couple Had 5 Children Together." This obvious integrity on his part only helps the coattails effect for his new wife. While they are both surely not as Conservative as we would like, nonetheless, ***The Register endorses Dr. Dena Grayson for the Democratic nomination in this primary.***

This primary also features 2 Republicans: St. Cloud FL businessman, Wayne Liebnitzky; and, Kissimmee FL, vice-mayor, Wanda Y. Rentas. The campaign websites of both candidates seem vague regarding Higher Education, and this is troubling, as Higher Education is the "backbone of America." (America presently has a "broken back," by this definition.) Both candidates seem to be genuine Conservatives and responsible neighbours; however, this writer, when attending the recent "Puerto Rican" political hobnob (hosted by the Puerto Rican Hispanic Chamber of Polk County), saw Rentas in attendance (and Democratic primary opponent, Soto, discussed above), but Liebnitzky was absent. This writer also spoke with Rentas, and while we did not have a chance to go into great detail, she seemed amenable to responsible economic policies in higher education. ***The Register endorses Wanda Rentas for the Republican nomination in this primary, which is slated for Tue. Aug. 30, 2016, the same day as the above.***

U.S. Representative (Dist. 12)

Rep. Gus Michael Bilirakis (R-FL-12th), the incumbent Republican congressman; and, criminal defense attorney, Robert Matthew Tager, are the only 2 candidates in this race, slated to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, in the GENERAL ELECTION; since, in the Primary Race, both candidates "Qualified" and also were "Unopposed" in the Primary. - Atty. Tager opposes H.R.25, the Fair Tax bill, which Bilirakis supports: This is troubling (since the Fair Tax would simplify the tax system, since the government would have to police only large retailers, and not every citizen), but Tager seems genuine in his attempt to see both sides of the bill: "Some how this just does not seem fairer. Not to mention, I see no tax on the purchase of investments and none on the sale so this is a freebie for the super rich...Anyone who reads this different and interprets it differently, let me know." Source: ["Tagerforcongress" on FACEBOOK post](#) This writer is not an expert on the Fair Tax, but one rebuttal to this argument has been that Big Business already gets tax breaks, and so this would do little, if anything, to give the rich additional breaks. Also, neither candidate is clear on HigherEd economic policy. Republicans are traditionally more reluctant to support bankruptcy for college loans (which is bad, since Bankruptcy is a 'Conservative Free Market' check against predatory lending), but Democrats are typically more willing to allow huge College Loan Limits to increase (which is dangerous, as this induces skyrocketing tuition inflation). ***The Register withholds endorsement of either candidate pending further investigation of both the Fair Tax and the HigherEd issues. NOTE: This race will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, in the GENERAL ELECTION, since, in the Primary Race, both candidates "Qualified" and also were "Unopposed" in the Primary.***

UPDATE on Wed. 24 Aug. 2016 - Mr. Tager provided The Register with a detailed answer to clarify his views on the "Fair Tax" matter, yesterday, and I'm just now updating this news item. Click here to see his reply, corrected only for spelling, format, etc., and with minimal editorial comments to define terms. He has said he needs more time to study the HigherEd matter. Rep. Bilirakis' office was good enough to take our questions, but they have not replied as of press time. ~Editor, Gordon W. Watts

U.S. Representative (Dist. 13)

This race features 2 Republicans [Mark Bircher and incumbent Congressman, Rep. David W. Jolly (R-FL-13th)] in a primary, held Tue. Aug. 30, 2016. The winner will face former Gov. Charlie Crist, the Democratic nominee, in the general election on Tue. Nov. 8, 2016.

U.S. Representative (Dist. 14)

Darrell L. Castle / Dr. Scott N. Bradley (CPF)

Next up - beyond all shadow of doubt - the most 'Conservative' ticket is unarguably Atty. Darrell L. Castle, and his running mate, Dr. Scott N. Bradley (CPF), representing the Constitution Party. (The 'CPF' denotation on Florida ballots stands for 'Constitution Party of Florida.)

The [Constitution Party](#) has a VERY 'conservative' [key issues](#) platform and set of [principles](#):

They are pro-life, support 1-man & 1-woman as the definition of marriage, pro-2nd Amendment, against governmental intrusion via 'Common Core,' and adamantly opposed to amnesty for illegal aliens, and proclaim that "The Constitution Party opposes any extension of amnesty to illegal aliens," and that "The Constitution Party calls for the use of U.S. troops to protect the states against invasion." Their official website quotes the current presidential nominee in a past statement, as follows:

"The Constitution Party has always been the only national political party to stand firmly against the proposals for a "Pathway to Citizenship/Comprehensive Immigration Reform/Amnesty" that come out of Washington. While many of these schemes by all shades of Republicans and Democrats seek to address the out of control situation of illegal immigration, all fail to address the Rule of Law. [line-break] They [Republicans and Democrats] ignore the fact that illegal immigration is just that: illegal. "It is somewhat analogous to redefining laws against breaking and entering so that those engaging in such conduct would no longer be treated as criminals", noted Darrell Castle, Constitution Party 2008 Vice Presidential Candidate."

They also state in their [Foreign Policy](#) policy statement, that they oppose not only "UNCONSTITUTIONAL, UNDECLARED WARS," but also "steadfastly oppose American participation in any form of world government organization, including any world court under United Nations auspices." - This is about as Conservative as you can get, right? Wrong...

However, where the Constitution Party stands truly shines is in its [Higher Education policy](#), which states, in part, the following: "All teaching is related to basic assumptions about God and man. Education as a whole, therefore, cannot be separated from religious faith. The law of our Creator assigns the authority and responsibility of educating children to their parents. **Education should be free from all federal government subsidies, including vouchers, tax incentives, and loans**, except with respect to veterans." [Emphasis added in bold-face for clarity; not in original] They state this axiom in their introduction:

"Since the Constitution grants the Federal Government no authority over Education, the 10th Amendment applies:

"The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people." [Line-break and italics are in original, and copied verbatim in this small, Fair Use, quote]

Since the Constitution Party opposes any use of Federal tax dollars for Higher Ed loans, in the first place, their method, if used, would have prevented the Higher Ed Debt Bubble that we presently see -and is similar to the Mortgage Crisis of 2008-2009, except that the housing bubble was mitigated - slowed down - by borrowers who could file bankruptcy, and thus serve as a 'Conservative Free Market' check/balance against runaway Predatory Lending. This "check" was not present in the Higher Ed mess.

This is, on paper, a "perfect" platform, with absolutely no flaws, in my mind, so I will be voting "Constitution Party," this November, right? Not so quick...

QUESTION: "Why not?" -- ANSWER: The short answer is the "vote for a 3rd-party" argument, but that does not do the reader justice. The actual TRUTH is very strange: This qualifies as "TRUTH is *stranger* than FICTION," so here goes nothing...

In the 2008 presidential election, I was disgusted with both Sen. Barack Obama (DEM) and Sen. John McCain (REP), as both appeared to be tax-and-spend liberals, and so I was going to vote for Dr. Chuck Baldwin, for who was the Constitution Party candidate for president that year. My father told me that "a vote for a 3rd party is a wasted vote." (Not, not even a vote for the opposing candidate, just a wasted vote.) Also, my cousin, Jason Lee Mattiar, of Plant City, Fla., who was born in 1987, had just begun plans to vote in his 1st Presidential Election. While he considers himself a 'Democrat,' he is pro-life, like me, and urged me to vote for McCain, as no 3rd party "had a chance" of winning. But, I was determined to vote for Dr. Baldwin (whose running mate, that year, was Mr. Castle, the current presidential nominee). However, things just got real: While I was at home, minding my own business, my cousin, Jason, called me on my cell phone. Just as it was ringing, one of my other cell phones (one without "minutes" or any "plan") started going crazy, and "ringing." This freaked me out, and I was very angry at both Jason and my crazy cell phone. (I had "extra" cell phones, which I used to tell time, store my contacts, or, even, in case I needed to dial 911, which is possible from phones, regardless of whether they're on a plan or not.) After I inspected the "non-working" cell phone to see why it was even "able" to ring, it appeared (but I am still not sure) that an alarm had somehow been set, and then gone off. This was bizarre, since I did not even know how to set the alarm on that old "backup" phone, nor do I even remember doing anything with it, other than occasionally looking at it for the time, day, & date. So, why is this all even relevant?...

ANSWER: Since the phone was not "able" to ring, any 'ringing' of it (phone call, text, alarm, etc.) was impossible - hence, a miracle. Now, the task becomes: If God Almighty is trying to send me "a message," what, precisely, is that message? Well, since both my father and my cousin, whom I trust, said that I would waste my vote on a 3rd-party candidate, then the miracle, if it was one, would only be God "pointing to" someone (or some thing). The only proximal person/place was Jason, as his call and the "angel call" both came in within seconds of one another. So, I inferred the "message from God" to mean: *'Listen to your cousin, Jason.'* That I did, and I am still, to this day. Attorney Castle, and Dr. Bradley,

This race had no primary challenges, and thus, incumbent Congresswoman, Rep. Kathy Castor (D-FL-14th) will face Republican challenger, Christine Quinn, the Democratic nominee, in the general election on Tue. Nov. 8, 2016.

U.S. Representative (Dist. 15)

In District 15, there this writer lives, Lutz businessman, Jim Lange, a Democrat, is challenging incumbent Republican Congressman, Rep. Dennis A. Ross (R-FL-15th). Since neither drew primary challengers, they both get a first-round "bye" and sit out the primaries. They are on the general election ballot, scheduled for Tue. Nov. 8, 2016. Both are fairly conservative on key issues, with Lange being vehemently opposed to partial birth abortion, even if a bit less opposed to abortion as a legal right. Lange, an expert consultant in the private sector, is also fiscally conservative, and supports the aforementioned Conservative solutions to the higher education Bubble mess, including bankruptcy for college loans. Lange is also very concerned with excess spending in our budget, which makes him a tough challenger for Ross, in POLK County's District 15, a 'Red State' right-leaning Conservative district. Ross, while he has espoused support for bankruptcy options for college loans (curative) and reducing obscene college loan limits (preventative), has yet to act upon these beliefs by introducing or cosponsoring bills to this effect. Both candidates appear very Conservative to this writer on many key issues. Both men are truly men of integrity with excellent listening skills, genuine integrity, and decent respect for all persons, whether poor or rich, straight or gay, and either would be responsive to their constituents; but, in a 1-position race, only 1 person can win the office: While Lange is not as 'Conservative' as this writer would like him, he is close enough to Ross that the higher-ed issue will be a referendum (read: tie-breaker) as to which way this writer will vote come November, and regarding editorial endorsements whereof. See the front-page news of *The Register* for further details on this issue.

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State Attorney (Cir. 10)

Brian Haas, a Republican candidate for this partisan office, to replace POLK County, State Attorney, Jerry Hill, who is retiring, ran unopposed, and is considered "automatically elected" by Florida State Election Law.

State Attorney (Cir. 13)

State Atty. Mark Ober, the Republican incumbent in this race, will face Andrew Warren, the Democratic challenger in the November general election, as neither drew primary challengers.

Public Defender (Cir. 10)

Public Defender, Rex Dimming, the Republican incumbent in this race, will face Democratic challenger, Flora "Tonya" Stewart, in the November general election.

Public Defender (Cir. 13)

State Atty. Julianne M. Holt, the incumbent Democrat, was unchallenged in her bid for reelection as 13th Circuit Public Defender.

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Fla. State Senator (Dist. 10)

The Aug. 30, 2016 primary for this race features 4 Democratic challengers, Edwin "Ed" Narain; Betty Reed; Augie Ribeiro; and, Darryl Ervin Rouson. The winner of that race will face John "Mr. Manners" Houman, the Republican candidate, in November.

Fla. State Senator (Districts 20, 21, and 26)

Republicans, Tom Lee, Bill Galvano, and Denise Grimsley all ran unopposed in these races, respectively, and are considered automatically elected to office.

Fla. State Senator (Dist. 22)

Republican incumbent, Sen. Kelli Stargel, will face Democratic challenger, Debra S. Wright, in the November election, and both will sit out the primaries next week, as neither drew a primary challenger. This writer has known Senator Stargel for years, since he lives in her Senatorial district, and was also a constituent when she was in the State House of Representatives. This writer also got to speak with Ms. Wright at the recent "Puerto Rican" political hobnob (hosted by the Puerto Rican Hispanic Chamber of Polk County), and Wright was kind enough to confirm that she was not only totally pro-life but also totally pro-marriage. (I.e., while we most certainly don't hate gays, many of us are against so-called 'Gay Marriage'.) I add this to clarify a popular misconception: Many Democrats are, indeed, very, very Conservative, and this is important for them to share with voters,

with all due respect, unless you have a chance of winning (or, unless I get additional Divine directives to the contrary), I can not waste my vote on your candidacy, but I wish you all the best. OK, I surely angered all my 3rd-party friends (who think we must vote 3rd-party, simply to 'send a message' that Democrats & Republicans must not have a monopoly on elections), and I surely angered my Constitutional right-wing colleagues. Good progress! Moving on...

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Dr. Jill Stein / Mr. Ajamu Baraka (GRE)

My good friend, [Alan Collinge](#) supports Dr. Jill Stein, of the GREEN PARTY, as an 'Interest' on [his Facebook page](#), and has said that "@RanaFeroohar @FT @rooseveltinst @Demos_Org Honestly, @DrJillStein is the only candidate even close to understanding #StudentLoans crises." [source: <https://twitter.com/alanslj/status/760082847449354241>]

In all fairness, she does better than both Hillary Clinton and even business expert, Donald Trump - combined. She supports:

"Abolishing ALL student loan debt (and free college tuition)" [source: https://www.jill2016.com/fb_ad_student_loans]

But is this really so good? Well, while there is a good 'historical' argument (America had free college in its past, and the best in the world, to boot), and a good 'comparative' argument (Germany, and other advanced nations have free college), we can't afford it right now. But the "bigger" problem is her means of achieving this:

"Our campaign is the only one that will cancel student debt by creating quantitative easing packages." [source: https://www.jill2016.com/jill_talks_with_connecticut_newspaper]

Did you catch that? "Quantitative Easing" is simply printing up more U.S. Dollars to pay for any new toys. While Dr. Jill Stein's proposed "bailout" of all higher-ed debt would probably be a much better investment than continual "bailing out" of "loser" banks (that keep filing bankruptcy, and begging for more corporate handouts, bailouts, etc.), or "endless wars," Stein's plain is very, very stupid: Endless printing of money devalues the dollar. (Think: If the Fed printed a Million Dollars for ever American, then a Million Dollars would not be worth much, now would it?)

Besides, while she is to be admired for protecting the environment and animals, she does not care to follow the Hippocratic Oath she took as a doctor, to "do no harm" to unborn babies, nor does she respect the 6,000-years-plus+ of history on the definition of family and marriage. One CAN be "pro-marriage" without hating gays. (In fact, almost ALL right-wingers do NOT hate gays.) I think that I will share this new find (about the Constitution Party as an alternative to the Green Party for Higher Ed solutions) with my good friend, Mr. Alan Michael Collinge, and see what he thinks. (It's not 'rocket science,' but, for what it's worth, Collinge is, indeed, a 'Rocket Scientist,' at least, according to his deep education - which put him deep into debt. Alan is, all joking aside, very smart, and a dedicated warrior in the fight against Debt Slavery.) **Dr. Stein, and her running mate, are nice people, but they aren't getting my vote, this cycle.**

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Gov. Gary Johnson / Gov. William Floyd "Bill" Weld (LPF)

Next "up to bat" are Gov. Gary Johnson and Gov. William Weld of the LIBERTARIAN PARTY. While the Libertarian Party is a "3rd-party," this party actually "has a chance" of winning in the general election, as it is "inching up" in the polls. - And, as I self-identify & lean VERY STRONGLY 'Libertarian,' this is a "match made in heaven," right? Let's take a look-see...

While they cherish the 9th and 10th Amendments, of the U.S. Constitution, regarding "States' Rights" and "personal liberty," nonetheless, a closer look is needed:

[Their platform](#) clearly states, in point 1.5, that: "Recognizing that abortion is a sensitive issue and that people can hold good-faith views on all sides, we believe that government should be kept out of the matter, leaving the question to each person for their conscientious consideration." Oh, really?

First off, this contradicts 'Conservative' gut feeling: How would they like it if "States' Rights" were used to make them a slave - or, more to the point, to "abort" them or their loved ones? Would *they* like it? Of course not. (And, rightly so!)

However, this even contradicts their own platform, which, at [1.9 Self-Defense](#), clearly states that: "The only legitimate use of force is in defense of individual rights—life, liberty, and justly acquired property—against aggression. This right inheres in the individual, who may agree to be aided by any other individual or group."

Did you catch that? Their own platform says that self-defense or "defense of individual rights," such as "life," are OK. Since Gov. Johnson has told the press repeatedly that he is "personally" pro-life, he should accept the biological and legal truth, namely that the unborn baby's life begins at conception, when the sperm and egg unite. Thus, 1.9 supports the use of Governmental (or private) force to defend an unborn child's life, and thus contradicts, annuls, and abrogates section 1.5. (*Let me remind the reader that the Constitution Party statement, quoted above, says in relevant part: "who may agree to be aided by any other individual or group," which - of course - would include the Government, key word 'any' to be clear.*)

Also, while I agree with 1.4's statement that "Sexual orientation, preference, gender, or gender identity should have no impact on the government's treatment of individuals," meaning I do NOT support mistreatment of gays - or anyone - nonetheless, taken to its extreme, The Libertarian Party's position would mandate that the government allow this and thus, tacitly and implicitly support) plural marriage (polygamy),

especially in the right-leaning Polk County region of child-marriage, so-called Gay Marriage, and even [that guy](#) who [wants to marry his own computer](#)!. Oh, really?..

Does this mean that the Libertarian Party is OK with Muslims and Mormons (and other groups) having men be able to marry, say, ten (10) wives? This, if taken to its logical end, is bizarre. I like Govs. Johnson and Weld, and they would be better than most other candidates (especially regarding fiscal restraint, avoiding endless wars, etc.). - Also, this book ([Libertarians Working For You show, on ending college subsidies with Anton Chamberlin](#)) suggests that they are almost as good as the

NOTE: *The Register* is not providing details or endorsements in all races, as a practical matter of [Education' section](#) applies not just to Public Ed, but also to Higher Ed limited time/money/energy resources, for the sake of (college) debt matters, where it says: "Education is best provided by the free market..." (*Note to self: Include this little fact when speaking with my friend, Alan, and expert in this area, and see what he says about it.*) **But, for the reasons mentioned above, Gov. Johnson, and the Libertarian Party, are most assuredly not getting my vote this election cycle.**

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Fla. State Representative (Dist. 39)

Incumbent Republican, Rep. Neil Combee, will face Democratic challenger, Victor Sims, in the general election in November, as neither drew a primary challenger.

Fla. State Representative (Dist. 40)

Republican incumbent, Rep. Colleen Burton, will face Democratic challenger, Dr. Shandale Terrell, in the November election, and both will sit out the primaries next week, as neither drew a primary challenger. This writer has known Representative Burton for years, since he lives in her state house district, and is, therefore, a constituent. This writer got to speak with Dr. Terrell, who has a Doctoral Degree in Education, at the recent "Puerto Rican" political hobnob (hosted by the Puerto Rican Hispanic Chamber of Polk County), and he was kind enough to confirm that he was not only totally pro-life but also totally pro-marriage. (I.e., while we most certainly don't hate gays, many of us are against so-called 'Gay Marriage.'). However, unlike Ms. Wright, Dr. Terrell informed me that he reluctantly supported the so-called "Gay Marriage" ruling which the Supreme Court recently handed down, even though Dr. Terrell was adamantly against the moral concept of 'Gay Marriage,' itself. When I asked him why he supported so-called 'Gay Marriage,' even against his moral beliefs, Terrell he said that he felt that, in this political climate, this was the only way to prevent gays from being mistreated. While I would have taken a different route (one that did not formally offer Government endorsement of gay marriage), in nonetheless, I whole-heartedly agree that we must fight tooth-and-nail to prevent gays (and, for that matter, anyone) from mistreatment, bias, or hatred. I add this to clarify a popular misconception: Many Democrats are, indeed, very, very Conservative, and this is important for them to share with voters, especially in the right-leaning Polk County region of Central Florida. This writer found both Burton and Terrell to have excellent communication skills and willingness to listen and act.

Both candidates seem qualified to represent Polk County in the Fla. State House, and so *The Register* will withhold formal endorsement in this race.

Fla. State Representative (Dist. 41)

Bob Doyel faces Nicolas Garcia in the Democratic Primary for this race. Charles Davis faces Sam Killebrew in the Republican Primary for this race. The winner of each primary will face off in the November general election.

Fla. State Representative (Dist. 42)

Mike LaRosa (REP) and Benny Valentin (DEM) were both 'Unopposed' in their primaries, and they will sit it out until they face off, in the November general election.

Fla. State Representative (Dist. 56)

Rep. Ben Albritton, the Republican incumbent, will face David C. Poulin, the Democratic challenger, in the November general election, as they both were unopposed in the Primaries.

Fla. State Representative (Dist. 57)

Jake Raburn (REP), the incumbent, was unopposed and is considered automatically reelected.

Fla. State Representative (Dist. 58)

Republican incumbent, Rep. Daniel D. Raulerson, representing Plant City, FLA, in the state house, will face Democratic challenger, Jose N. Vazquez-Figueroa, in the November general election, as neither drew primary challengers.

Fla. State Representative (Dist. 59)

Rep. Ross Spano, the Republican incumbent, who had no primary challenger, will face the winner of the

That is 4 down, and 1 to go... and this just leaves "one man standing," but should I really vote for Donald Trump, who has a good number of controversial controversies swirling around him at any one time?..

Well, for one thing, Trump has not clarified precisely how he would eliminate runaway college tuition? Does he support bankruptcy options for college students (as his companies were able to do, even if not himself, personally)? Does he support caps on Student Loan limits, and eventual elimination of the predatory and misguided College Loan "debt slavery" system, as Mr. Castle (and the Constitution Party) would? All this, I do not know... But, I shall try and take a guess.

First off, let's call it the 'Jason Rule' (see above)... by the Jason Rule, I've proven that God Almighty, Himself, opposes me voting in a 3rd-party race for president (*unless they have a chance of winning and are the best choice*). - At this time, no 3rd-party has a snowball's chance in Hades of the presidential race. - Also, excepting the Constitution Party, which is VERY low in the polls, no 3rd-party is really the 'best' choice, even assuming *arguendo* that they **did** have a "fair chance" at winning. - So, this eliminates all parties/candidates, excepting Trump and Clinton. I've already shown Clinton to be a traitor to the middle-class with regard to her abandonment of the College Debt matter. (Translation: SHE wants to be able to qualify for bankruptcy if *she* needs it, but the 99%, the poor student, can just 'go to hell' as far as she's concerned.) Also, recent revelations show that both Clinton and the Democratic Party are not good at protecting American secrets from hackers (be they accidental errors where Russian hackers get in, due to technological weaknesses, or be they unforced "careless" errors, such as Hillary Clinton using an unsecured private email server). - Trump, Pence, and the republican party, by contrast, have *had* no such breaches of security. (But, to be fair, Republicans, as a whole, also do not care for student borrower rights to bankruptcy, as the U.S. Constitution's 'uniformity clause,' requires, in Art.I, Sec.8., Cl.4, which states, in relevant part: "To establish...**uniform** Laws on the subject of Bankruptcies throughout the United States." [Emphasis added in bold, for clarity; not in original]) -- *Would Trump be any different?*

Moreover, most people who have known Trump personally, for years, such as [Lynn Patton](#), a middle-aged African American executive, who had very difficult times, recalls how Mr. Trump, and his family, stood by her, and [has not changed her story](#) on Trump's character - or his genuine desire to help both minorities, gays, and national security. Also, NY Mayor, [Rudy Giuliani](#), who has known Trump for years, when Trump rebuilt many sections of New York, speaks well of him. By contrast, many people (longtime Clinton friend, Dick Morris, comes to mind) who have known the Clintons for years, do not speak well of Hillary Clinton.

Furthermore, a Historically Black, Charlotte, NC church, just now endorsed Donald Trump, [and went on to say](#) that "Supporting Hillary is like being with an abusive ex, one that you already know left you broken and wounded. At this point, give the new guy a chance." (Quote: "Her past track record is a great indication that, I don't think she's fit to lead this country - and no other country.") [source: "[Historically black Charlotte church backs Donald Trump](#)", by: Jenna Deery, Elsa Gillis, *WSOCtv*, Updated: Aug 8, 2016 - 9:56 AM]

In [Donald Trump Asks Black Voters "What The Hell Do You Have To Lose?" REACTION FROM A Black Guy](#), Anthony Brian Logan, who is Black, asks the same question that Donald Trump asks: "What The Hell Do You Have To Lose" by voting for Donald Trump, after Trump's claims that Democrats have repeatedly failed the African American community.

For further reading, here are selected Facebook notes, where you can, if you like, weigh in and share your opinion:

* [NORTH CAROLINA: Historic Black church says "Supporting Hillary Clinton is like being with an abusive ex-spouse"](#)

* [Pres. Obama's brother says he's voting for Trump in November](#) Pres. Obama's own brother, Malik Obama, is voting for Donald Trump - And Malik is a Muslim, so if a Muslim is not offended by the so-called anti-Muslim rhetoric from Mr. Trump, why should we be? Besides: Malik is the president's brother, and knows him, and still doesn't trust his brother's request to vote against Donald Trump.

* [Trump has problems, but 10 reasons he'll probably get my vote... \(Actually, far more than 10, but at least 10\)](#)

Besides, Trump may be a bit nutty, but he is NOT dishonest (he tells the truth, even if he hurts your feelings), and, as a rich person who has financed much of his campaign, he is not likely to be "bought off" (in the same manner as the Clinton Foundation took 'donations' from numerous ill foreign interests, seeking access to Sec. of State Hillary Clinton).

Democratic primary race between Democrats, Rena Frazier and Naze Sahebzamani.

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(Fla. State) Supreme Court Justice

Florida State Supreme Court Justices, Charles T. Canady; Jorge Labarga; and, Ricky L. Polston, will be up for a "retention" vote in this nonpartisan race, as will numerous state appellate court judges, in the 5 State Appellate Courts.

County Judge Group 4 (Cir. 10)

Incumbent Judge, Mary Catherine Green; and, Polk Attorney, L. Mark Kaylor, were set to face off in this race, but Kaylor dropped out, making Green the automatic winner. You will receive the following notice if you try to vote: "NOTICE: A candidate in the race for the office of County Judge Group 4 has withdrawn. A vote cast in this race will not change the outcome."

County Judge Group 8 (Cir. 10)

Long-time, incumbent Judge, Susan Lee Barber-Flood faces former assistant state attorney, Carson Bassett, who currently is a Geico (insurance company) lawyer, in the civil litigation division. This may prove to be the most interesting race of the election. *The Ledger* had [previously reported](#) that "The Florida Supreme Court has ruled that Polk County Judge Susan Barber Flood should receive a public reprimand for her relationship with her courtroom bailiff, James "Bubba" Maxcy III." [source: 'Court: Publicly Reprimand Polk County's Judge Susan Barber Flood: Justices call Flood's "inappropriate relationship" with bailiff "unacceptable",' By John Chambliss, *THE LEDGER*,

CHILD: "Mommy, why is this happening?" (referencing Nazi shooting them dead?)

MOTHER: "I was too proud to vote for Trump." ... proud.... pride... eh?..

PS: "Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall." [[Proverbs 16:18 (KJV) Holy Bible]]

ELECTION 2016

Atty. Darrell L. Castle / Dr. Scott N. Bradley (CPF)
Sec. St. Hillary Rodham Clinton / Sen. Timothy Michael "Tim" Kaine (DEM)
Gov. Gary Johnson / Gov. William Floyd "Bill" Weld (LPF)
Dr. Jill Stein / Mr. Ajamu Baraka (GRE)
Mr. Donald John Trump / Gov. Michael R. "Mike" Pence (REP)

For the reasons outlined above, *The Register* endorses Donald Trump and Mike Pence, for President and Vice President, in the general election, which will be held on Tuesday, November 08, 2016.

Gordon Wayne Watts, Editor-in-Chief, *The Register*

"MOMMY, WHY IS THIS HAPPENING?"



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Atty. Robert M. Tager Rep. Gus Bilirakis



Alan Grayson



Dwight Mark Anthony Young



Jim Lange (DEM) Rep. Dennis Ross (REP)

Published: Thursday, November 6, 2014 at 11:26 p.m.]

While a close friendship (in this case, a romantic relationship) with an employee-over whom the judge exercises supervisory authority- is clearly inappropriate, nonetheless: it would not be a "Federal Matter" (or preclude her from serving) if the judge avoided ruling on any case where the employee was in court. And, while "bias" is a legitimate complaint, it was a one-time offense; therefore, so long as judge removed herself from being his boss (one of them would have to 'transfer' or quit), and if she then apologised (which she did in her Supreme Court review), we don't see why she should be fired or forced to step down.



Rep. Colleen Burton Dr. Shandale Terrell



Debra Wright Kelli Stargel

However, *The Ledger* went on to report that "Maxcy retired from his job with the Polk County Sheriff's Office in November 2013, citing a medical condition," and that "[Circuit Judge Beth] Harlan [who was accused of approving false time cards for her judicial assistant, Alisha Rupp, who had reported the romantic relationship between Barber and Maxcy] retired March 26 in exchange for prosecutors dropping criminal charges against her."



Atty. Carson Bassett Judge Susan Lee Barber-Flood

It gets worse: *The Ledger* also [reported that](#) "A complaint filed with the Florida Elections Commission states that county judge candidate Carson Bassett violated state statutes when his wife attended a fundraiser for State Attorney candidate Brian Haas in April," in what some called a disguised attempt to evade Florida Statute 105.071, which prohibits partisan political activities from judicial candidates, but Brock Mikosky, Bassett's campaign manager disputed this, claiming that Carson wasn't even a "filed candidate" for this position when the invitation went out and that "He had nothing to do with the formation of the host committee or the distribution of the invitation." [source: 'Complaint filed against Polk judge candidate with the state elections commission,' By John Chambliss, *The Ledger*, Published: Wednesday, June 15, 2016 at 9:59 p.m.] Nothing sustentative ever came of this, and the campaign progresses: *The Ledger* just [reported that](#): "The Florida Elections Commission has rejected a complaint that county judge candidate Carson Bassett violated state statutes when his wife attended a fundraiser for state attorney candidate Brian Haas in April." [source: 'Election 2016: County Judge — Complaint against Bassett rejected: Elections Commission says it does not have jurisdiction over judge's races,' By John Chambliss, *The Ledger*, Published: Tuesday, August 9, 2016 at 9:26 p.m.]

To further complicate matters, "A prominent Lakeland lawyer [Ron Clark, a founding partner of Clark, Campbell, Lancaster & Munson] has sent a letter to some circuit and county judges in Bartow asking them to contribute money to the campaign of Carson Bassett, a candidate for county judge," according to *The Ledger*: "[Lakeland lawyer mistakenly sends letter asking for campaign donations to judges.](#)" By John Chambliss, *The Ledger*, Published: Friday, August 5, 2016 at 10:33 p.m. This was a mistake on the

part of Clark, and all parties admitted that Bassett had nothing to do with this: Clark reported that he instructed an assistant to send "the letter to 1,000 friends whose addresses he has saved for events he may hold, such as barbecues," but which should not have included judges, who are not allowed to participate in political events or give endorsements, such as to Bassett's candidacy.

But the alleged misconduct didn't stop there: While the final investigation did not prove any sexual relationship had occurred, as some accusers had alleged, nonetheless, Judge Susan Barber-Flood almost certainly lied to investigators about alleged conversations with four (4) other judges:

"Several circuit judges recalled speaking to Flood because they were concerned about her behavior, investigators wrote, but Flood denied any judge had come to her with concerns. [line-break] "Either Judge Flood is being dishonest or four circuit judges conspired to concoct a story that they were each concerned about Flood's behavior — something that is just not believable," the report states.' [source: "[State Attorney Criticizes Polk Judges After Investigation](#)," By JASON GEARY, *THE LEDGER*, Published: Friday, September 13, 2013 at 10:17 p.m.

Barber-Flood also took a peek into confidential files, an action that may constitute a violation of State Laws and/or professional codes of conduct:

"Flood was unaware she was being video-recorded in her interview, and the report states she was recorded getting up during a break and looking at the "confidential case files" of an investigator who had been questioning her," *The Ledger* reports. "It has often been said that character is what we do when we think no one is looking. ... The judge's actions speak volumes about her character and it exemplifies how she handled the issues surrounding the investigation," the report states. [line-break] "She ignorantly thought that as a judge, she was free to do what she wanted, when she wanted and believed that others should not be concerned with her conduct and actions. She seemed unconcerned and indifferent about the respectability of her behavior." *Ibid*.

These allegations were backed up by Tampa Bay's WFTS-TV-28, *ABC Action News*: "At one point during the interview with investigators, Judge Flood is caught on camera looking at confidential documents when the others leave the room. [line-break] "She ignorantly thought that as a judge, she was free to do what she wanted, when she wanted and believed that others should not be concerned with her conduct and actions," [POLK COUNTY, State Attorney, Jerry] Hill wrote.' [source: "[Polk judge arrested, while another is accused of "inappropriate behavior" with bailiff: Judge Susan Flood admits to kissing bailiff](#)," by Ryan Raiche, *ABC Action News (WFTS-TV-28)*, POSTED: 7:37 PM, Sep 16, 2013; UPDATED: 4:24 PM, Mar 4, 2015. Copyright 2013 Scripps Media, Inc. All rights reserved. This material may not be published, broadcast, rewritten, or redistributed -except as permitted by FAIR USE, for research, commentary, etc.]

In all seriousness, this writer thinks both candidates are probably qualified to be a judge, and, indeed, the 'experience' argument is bandied about by some to support Barber-Flood's candidacy for reelection in a rare challenge to her seat. However, some critics have a point being concerned about this argument: Should we have left Pres. Nixon in office (during the infamous 'Watergate' scandal) due to his "experience?" - Oh, really?

Lastly, when I (political writer, Gordon Watts) got a chance to interview both candidates at the recent "Puerto Rican" political hobnob (hosted by the Puerto Rican Hispanic Chamber of Polk County), I asked Bassett why I should vote for him, and he informed me that Barber peeked at confidential files, apparently not enough to get her arrested, but certainly enough to raise the ire of State Atty., Jerry Hill, whom I've almost never known to go after the 'Establishment' types (as is sitting-judge, Susan Barber). However, I had not had the benefit of seeing the *ABC* or *Ledger* news reports. When I asked Barber about the allegation that Bassett made regarding her peeking into the files, she informed me that I was misinformed. Later investigation found that she had tried to deceive me with her answer. Granted, it is possible she may have misunderstood me - but I did *not* misunderstand **her**: she could have as easily admitted the truth. That she did not.



Bassett and family

Barber-Flood and friends

Am I making too much hay over being lied to once? I don't know, but how would you like to be lied to? She was on shaky ground after calling four (4) sitting judges liars, and this after the courthouse affair (which I think has been overblown by nosy outsiders - a mistake on her part, but not necessarily a disqualifying mistake). She made repeated mistakes, four (4) mistakes, by my last count (1.inappropriate relationship ; 2.calling four judges liars ; 3.peeking into confidential files ; and, lastly: 4.herself lying to my face: This sitting judge lied to my face when she said that I had been misinformed in response to

my question about Bassett's comments to me that she peeked into a file. - I have my doubts, it's safe to say, about her qualifications.

Based on the foregoing, *The Register* endorses Carson Bassett for the 10th Judicial Circuit (Polk County), County Judge Group 8. But, as human as Judge Barber is, many of us might have 'peeked' into a file that had our name on it; and, so we should not be too harsh on her, in our thoughts, words, or deeds. "However, a line was crossed when she lied about 4 other sitting judges, and then lied to my face about about her curiosity to peek into the forbidden file." (Editor, Gordon W. Watts, speaking for himself)

County Judge Group 3 (Cir. 13)

In the 13th Judicial Circuit (Hillsborough County), another nonpartisan race to elect circuit judges, Robin Fernandez Fuson and Carl Hinson face off in the primary election.

County Judge Group 24 (Cir. 13)

In Group 24, another 13th Circuit judicial race, Isabel "Cissy" Boza-Sevelin; Gary Dolgin; Melissa Polo; and, Lanell Williams-Yulee compete for your vote this primary election.

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Sheriff (Polk County)

In the nonpartisan race for Sheriff in Polk County, Fla., Sheriff Grady Judd, the incumbent, faces, Michael Lashman, who qualified as a Write-In candidate. Both men have work experience in Law Enforcement.

Sheriff (Hillsborough County)

In the nonpartisan race for Sheriff in Hillsborough County, Fla., Sheriff David Gee, the incumbent, will apparently be reelected automatically: As of press time, his only potential opponent, Kevin S. Carrier, appears to have not qualified to run.

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POLK County Commissioner District 3

Bill Braswell and J.C. Martin, both Republicans, face each other in a Primary, which will be held on Tue. Aug. 30, 2016, but, unlike most other primary races this day, all voters will be allowed to vote: since no other parties put forth a candidate, this will be a "Universal Primary Contest," and open to all registered voters in this district. Due to a recent change in the Fla. State Constitution, Florida, which is normally a "closed-primary state," will allows all voters to participate in this primary. Both candidates are genuine Conservative Republicans and appear qualified, but J.C. Martin gets the nod, as there is an intangible outsider, anti-establishment quality. *The Register* endorses **J.C. Martin for County Commissioner.**

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POLK School Board Member District 1

Hunt Berryman, the incumbent; Dr. Franklin Edward "Mr. Ed" Shoemaker; and, Billy Townsend, a former *Ledger* assistant News Editor, are vying for this school board position. All 3 candidates seem qualified, but Townsend takes issue with the incumbent for alleged lack of oversight in the recent incidents related to former Superintendent, Kathryn LeRoy, which eventually resulted in her being replaced. Moreover, Townsend's campaign was recently seen with a huge banner sign on S. Fla. Avenue in south Lakeland, and then this writer discovered a small business card on his vehicle after a trip to the local southside Wal-Mart. While some may find this annoying, I (speaking only for myself) was impressed with the efforts that Townsend has put into his campaign. (And, he had a huge billboard to explain various tests that he claimed were excessive, in his speech at the Polk hobnob, discussed above.)



Hunt Berryman Dr. Ed Shoemaker Billy Townsend

Townsend has an intangible extra quality of effort & momentum, and would no doubt keep a watchful eye on the district (and has said he is OK with testing, so long as it is productive and not overdone), but Dr. Shoemaker, who has just recently completed his Ph.D in Psychology, and is a well-liked counselor, gets the nod: Ed has been a veteran of many political races, often running as an underdog or 3rd-party candidate. Not only has he, too, put in an impressive effort, but he has paid his dues, and gained much-needed experience for this often difficult job. ***The Register* endorses Dr. Franklin Shoemaker, Ph.D. (aka Mr. Ed) for this school board position.**

POLK School Board Member District 2



Rev. Ronnie L. Clark, Hurst Chapel AME Church Incumbent, Lori Cunningham Dr. Tim James, superintendent at New Direction Academy Dundee, Fla. businessman Kevin J. Kitto

Rev. Ronnie L. Clark; incumbent, Lori Cunningham; Dr. Tim James; and, Dundee, Fla. businessman, Kevin J. Kitto, are all 4 competing for this position. All

four seem very qualified. Cunningham, the incumbent, has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from USF, among other accomplishments. Dr. James, superintendent at New Direction Academy, a state-certified private school in Haines City, Fla., has his doctoral degree in education from Northcentral University. Kitto feels that he can use his business skills to keep the Polk School system running smoothly. However, Rev. Clark, who presides over Hurst Chapel AME Church, in Winter Haven, Fla., gets our endorsement: Not only has Clark previously been a school board member, but he seems to have the most compelling case: He has his Bachelor of Science in Education from FAMU, and he is working on his Masters in Theology at Payne Theological Seminary. More-importantly, Clark, who spoke with this writer, has excellent speaking & listening skills, and a solid grasp on deep theological subjects. But the most impressive things was the fact that Clark didn't mind discussing subjects (such as theological issues) that were undoubtedly a bit off-topic. He also has an impressively good grasp on the predatory lending system that will face his Polk School students once they reach higher education. As stated earlier, all the candidates seemed motivated & talented, but there can be only one: ***The Register* endorses Rev. Ronnie Clark for this school board position.**

POLK School Board Member District 4



Sara Beth Reynolds Rebekah Ricks County Commissioner, Ed Smith Becky Troutman

The POLK County, Fla., Dist. 4 School Board races features 4 qualified candidates: Sara Beth Reynolds; Rebekah Ricks; County Commissioner, Ed Smith; and, Becky Troutman. That seat is being

vacated by Dick Mullenax, who is currently serving his second four-year term (which expires 11/14/16) and is unable to run again because of term limits. Reynolds is a recent graduate from U.F.'s College of Journalism and Communications, has participated in many civic activities related to public education, and seems motivated & sincere. Ricks is a homeschool teacher and founder of The Homeschool Connection, which provided a physical location for teachers to tutor students. Troutman, a local businesswoman, is a school psychologist, and has public-ed experience, as a teacher and guidance counselor. Smith is a current Polk County Commissioner, and would no doubt try to "streamline government, create efficiencies and consolidate efforts without comprising service," in the school system, like tries to do in his current job. All 4 candidates are qualified, and a slight edge might go to Smith, who will have free time when his current job ends this November. However, Ricks' appearance as a higher-ed advocate is bolstered by her husband, whom this writer knows somewhat: Since he is known to be a genuine Conservative in all regards, the "coat tails" effect, here, effectively breaks the tie. This "non-traditional" means of breaking a tie is not without support from the actual record: Rebecca Ricks not only tutors students, but has also been a therapy aid to special needs children; has also done volunteer work for a local juvenile detention centre; and, with 15 years of experience as a teacher, Ricks has a solid Public Education record. All 4 candidates are solidly qualified, but the edge goes to Ricks: ***The Register* endorses Rebekah Ricks for this school board position.**

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Lake Region Lakes, Management District Seat 2

L. Tracy Mercer and Mark Rimmel are competing for this nonpartisan position. [Note: Only voters who live in the Lake Region Lakes Management District can vote in this race.]

**"Constitutional Amendment:
Article VII, Sections 3 And 4
Article XII, Section 34"**

Yes
No

Solar Devices or Renewable Energy Source Devices; Exemption From Certain Taxation and Assessment Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to authorize the Legislature, by general law, to exempt from ad valorem taxation the assessed value of solar or renewable energy source devices subject to tangible personal property tax, and to authorize the Legislature, by general law, to prohibit consideration of such devices in assessing the value of real property for ad valorem taxation purposes. This amendment takes effect January 1, 2018, and expires on December 31, 2037.

This would add a section to the Florida State Constitution to exempt taxation on the increased value that solar devices would add to personal property. (In other words, the tax assessor would have to treat the assessment as if the device did not exist.) This is good in 2 ways: First, it removes a penalty from those who would 'go solar' to protect the environment. Secondly, we are taxed way too much, as it is. ***The Register* strongly recommends a 'Yes' vote on this popular proposed amendment.**

REPUBLICAN State Committeewoman

Debbie Hannifan; Linda DeLozier Ivell; and, Tonya A. Sharrett-Shoemaker are running for this partisan position. Only registered Republicans can vote in this race. All three (3) candidates seem very qualified and genuine Conservatives. Hannifan's online posts suggest that she is strongly supportive of Conservative and Republican candidates, and is, herself, a true-North conservative. This writer personally knows Ivell, a local realtor, and knows of her dedication and commitment to making sure we do our job down to the fine details. I do not know Sharrett-Shoemaker, but I do know her husband, Dr. Ed Shoemaker. While Shoemaker may lack a bit of experience in political matters, I trust that she is a genuine Conservative. This is yet another example of the "coat-tails"

effect, reputation by association, where Shoemaker benefits from her husband's good name & reputation. Shoemaker also has public-ed experience as a school teacher, which suggests that the coat-tails-effect tie-breaker is not without justification. **While all 3 candidates are qualified, there can be only 1: NOTE: This race, and the one below, will both be on the Primary, not the general, election ballot. The Register endorses Tonya A. Sharrett-Shoemaker for REPUBLICAN State Committeewoman.**

REPUBLICAN State Committeeman

J.C. Martin and Dr. Ed Shoemaker, both of whom are concurrently running for other positions (risky in the view of some, as it may be too much work) are also running for this partisan position. While both are certainly qualified, Dr. Shoemaker has the slight intangible edge in outsider, anti-establishment quality. The fact that his wife, Tonya, is also politically-involved, has a 'coat-tails' effect on his reputation, as well, giving him another slight, additional edge. **The Register endorses Dr. Ed Shoemaker for REPUBLICAN State Committeewoman.**

NOTE: In "Primary" day races in which there are 3 or more candidates seeking a nonpartisan position, the winner will be the person who gets a majority (at least 50% 'plus 1') of the vote. If no candidate receives the required "50% + 1 vote," a runoff election will be held on the General Election ballot. - Now, study the candidates, the issues, get plenty of sleep, and then go out and vote: Someone paid the price for this privilege. ~ Gordon Wayne Watts, Editor-in-Chief, The Register

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ADDENDUMS:

Below is Mr. Tager's response to my press inquiry about his views on the 'Fair Tax' and on the Higher-Ed issues discussed herein regarding his race for U.S. Representative (Dist. 12) against incumbent, Rep. Gus Bilirakis:

In a message dated 8/23/2016 11:41:54 A.M. Eastern Daylight Time, {Robert Tager} writes:

When do you need a response by? I appreciate your credentials and your openness on your conservative views. I am asking about when you need my response by because I would like to provide you with a full answer and why the rationale, that businesses already get all the tax breaks, is incorrect. I am not against the entire bill. I can see the benefits of a flat tax, one that is fair. Please let me know when you need my response.

Thank you
Tager

In an undated response by Facebook, he clarified as follows:

[Gordon Wayne Watts](#) I understood that was not *your* rebuttal, but rather the rebuttal of the supporters [of the fair tax]. Just because it cuts red tape, does not make it good. I can find a way to cut the red tape from the IRS, simplify the tax code, and make it so the government collects the revenues it needs. It is not hard but there must be courage enough by everyone else to stand up to the special interests.

And, he followed up with a "regular" email:

In a message dated 8/23/2016 1:47:34 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time, {Robert Tager} writes:

First let me say I do not oppose modifying our tax system, and I am not opposed to a flat tax. My objections to this bill are several. First, In response to the following , "This writer is not an expert on the Fair Tax, but one rebuttal to this argument has been that Big Business already gets tax breaks, and so this would do little, if anything, to give the rich additional breaks" I say this: The rebuttal fails because it presupposes that the Big Tax breaks given to "Big Business" and the "rich" are good for the economy, middle class, and the Country. If big tax breaks for Big Business and the Rich created jobs, as supply side economics, (a/k/a trickle down economics, voodoo economics), claims, [then] we would be a booming country right now. Look at where we are. Profits are at all time highs, Profit margins at all times high, CEO and Executive Salaries at all time highs, big business's are sitting on the largest pile of cash on hand as any time in history. Tax breaks are not needed for corporations to create jobs. They have plenty of cash. Interest rates are the lowest in history, and financing expansion is easily affordable. Financing is great because debt on company books has traditionally been seen as good and as a means of cash flow control, maximizing profits, as the interest is deductible, and they can keep their cash on hand to take advantage of new opportunities. Rather than borrow money, at no real expense, to expand and/or hire, Big Corporations with their activist Rich board members choose instead to borrow money for stock buyback. This does not create jobs, but it increases the Rich and Institutional Investors positions in companies without having to spend their own money. Anyway, the idea that by giving huge tax breaks, or allowing them to not pay any taxes at all or minimum taxes, is absurd and is one of the big drivers of our huge deficit. Aside from supply side economics, this position is fostered by the mistaken belief that taxes are punishment. If I hear one more time, "We should reward success and not punish it," I will puke. The reward from success is 1) the satisfaction of the accomplishment, and 2) the rewards wealth brings including multiple homes, homes on other continents, multiple vacations, private jets, the best food, medical care, best education for children, ability to leave in death security for your family, the ability to allow money to work for them for income so they can pursue other interests, influence, and all the other things wealth brings. I am very successful and wealthy. I am alive, have great family, great kids, I love and am loved, and enjoy life, and I usually make enough to pay my bills and have some savings. I would argue that I am as successful as a billionaire that is miserable, but I still have to pay taxes. Tax avoidance or forgiveness is not a reward for success; it is the product of being rich and buying politicians. It is the product of bribery. So, the presumption that because they are now able to pay almost no taxes or minimal taxes because of the their influence, does not mean this supply side economic nightmare should continue or survive a new tax plan.

As to what I dislike about the Fair Tax Plan I answer this way. It is not fair and is very, very dangerous. It eliminates Payroll tax, which means that social security and medicare is over. Now the plan that businesses report income and the amount for social security will be set aside from the consumption tax, is a joke. First hiccup in the economy, and consumption slows, social security will end, or the EPA and OSHA will end or other necessary programs, such as military spending will be affected. I can not help but wonder, if in 2008, when our economy tanked, if we were on such a plan, what would have happened? Tens of Millions lost their jobs, consumption shrank, and we crashed. Republican leadership voted against jobs bills which would have immediately kick-started the economy. On a flat tax, there would be no money for this in case of an emergency or unemployment extensions, and our deficit would explode. It also ends medicare. The Rich currently have to pay taxes on interest, capital gains, and dividends. This necessary income to the Government would end. I object to the Rich and Powerful, who make huge amounts of money from interest, dividends, and capital gains would pay ZERO taxes on that income, that currently they pay. There is no consumption tax on purchasing stocks, bonds, options, commodities, rental, and commercial real estate. The rich and powerful would be completely excluded from having to pay any taxes on their investment vehicles of choice. The only cost they would have would be the few dollars, (\$5.00 at E-Trade), and, for this, they get a \$10,000 credit. **Now lets look at what everyone will be taxed on.** Purchase of personal residence, (imagine 23% being added to the cost of a home). If they don't buy they, get to pay 23% tax on rent. There will be 23% tax on groceries, medicine, cars, gasoline, insurance (including health insurance), bus, taxi, trains, mass transit, plane tickets. Also electric, cable, water, gas, heating oil, propane, and all the necessities of life will be taxed at 23%. Imagine, each and every single thing that is bought day to day by the bottom 98% being taxed at 23%. We can barely make ends meet now, and now we are expected to pay 23% on top of everything. Who do you think this negatively effects more? Rich or Middle Class? This will also destroy the restaurant and entertainment industry. A meal at Chick Filet costs around \$20.00 now. After this, it will cost \$24.60. Oh, and lets not forget the extra taxes added to almost everything from Florida, and the extra penny here and penny there tax each county has. This 23% tax combined with Florida's 7% sale tax brings the actual tax to 30%, without including any of the other taxes. I also object to this plan because there are no caps in spending, so Congress can just keep spending, our rates just increase, and the rich only pay on what they buy. This is as regressive a tax as can be.

[[Editor's Note: An EpiPen®, described below, is an auto-injector of epinephrine, used by people with certain medical condition, and, for the emergency treatment of anaphylaxis, a severe, potentially life-threatening allergic reaction, and, severe allergies , etc. – And, the 'CBO,' also mentioned below, is the Congressional Budget Office, a nonpartisan Federal agency within the Legislative branch of the United States government that provides budget and economic information to Congress.]]

The CBO has not scored this because the Republicans have not requested it be scored. Why don't you ask Bilirakis, who supports this to request his leadership have the CBO score it. Let's look at the business side. I will use the EpiPen as an example. It costs the company \$1.00 to make. They gouge us with a price tag of \$300.00. Currently they are

supposed to pay tax on the profit, which considering nothing else would be taxable income of \$299.00. Even at a 10% tax rate, that is \$22.90 in taxes for the pen. Compare this with the consumption tax. [E.g., the Fair Tax] Under the consumption tax, the corporation would have to pay 23% on the \$1.00 of consumables purchased to make the pen. (This assumes the consumables cost that much.) That is \$0.23 per pen. Their profits are now \$299.77, and that is after taxes. They still will not create new jobs or new industry. Let's look at the consumer side. Lets see, a house with two school age children. One pen for each, (300 x 2) \$600.00 plus one pen for each to have at school, (300 x 2) another \$600 for a grand total of \$1,200.00. Now, let's add on the consumption tax. \$1,200.00 (Four pens) plus \$276.00 (23% tax equals \$1476.00 total. That extra \$276.00 in tax, keeps that family from saving, paying a bill, eating out, consuming. This family with two kids gets to pay an extra \$276.00 for the pens so their kids won't die from an allergic reaction, but meanwhile the rich pay nothing on their earnings, and the corporation that made the pens paid \$0.23 cents. Who does this tax plan benefit? Does it benefit the rich family, where an extra \$276.00 in taxes for medicine will not effect their life style, or the middle class, where this tax of \$276 is the equivalent of 27.6 hours of work at \$10.00?

It is just one more scam in a long line of scams, compliments of our congressman and the rest of the Party elites, who just do what they are told by their special interests rather than actually looking at the consequences. I am all for a simpler IRS code, and favor making it so small it can be billed by post card. But this is not the way to do it. This will destroy our economy, will destroy social security, medicare, the VA, and many of our necessary programs.

I hope this answered you, and if not, please feel free to ask any more questions. There are many other problems with this bill, but this is just a snapshot. I am curious to see what your thoughts are. Oh, I am also not a tax expert, but it is obvious what this bill does, who it benefits, who it harms, and some of the many consequences.

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Editor's Note: Since Mr. Tager was kind enough to give The Register such a detailed answer, I owe him my analyses, thoughts, and feedback/suggestions as to what (if anything) should be done.

* 1) First off, he made a superb effort, and this is impressive in light of the fact that he is busy working as an attorney (to pay bills) and running a campaign (which deals with more than just one press inquiry).

* 2) Secondly, while he is an avowed liberal in many areas, Atty. Tager is willing to listen to other views, and work with us Conservatives, such as his willingness to admit that the Tax Code needs to be greatly simplified. He admitted that he is not entirely against H.R.25, the 'Fair Tax' bill, and admitted he "can see the benefits of a flat tax," a similar, if distinct topic, but another preference of many Conservatives. [The "Fair Tax" is a tax on consumption aka spending, whereas a "Flat Tax" is a flat-rate Federal Income tax, with the aim to make the I.R.S. much less complicated.]

* 3) Now, let's look at the merits of what he says:

a) He claims that it is false to assume that tax-breaks on Big Business & the rich are good things. While I am not a big fan of increasing taxes, he does make a good point. Even tho I am an avowed 'Conservative,' I do know for a fact that there is a widening wealth-gap, that is, the rich really are getting richer, and the poor really are getting poorer. So, is correct that a small increase in tax would not necessarily be deadly for the economy. However, my main beef (complaint) is not with the **taxation**, but rather with both **spending excesses**, as well as the protection the rich have. (They can repeatedly file for bankruptcy, get corporate welfare, aka bailouts, and then file for bankruptcy again, whereas the poor college student can not obtain bankruptcy discharge for an already-inflated principle cost of Tuition, not even counting interest & any late fees, except via "Undue Hardship," a nearly impossible standard.) I contend that if we reduce spending; reduce 'loan limits' for taxpayer-dollar-backed College Loans; and, finally, allow college borrowers to wield the 'Economic 2nd Amendment,' the sword of bankruptcy, a Conservative Free Market ***check*** against Predatory Lending, **then -without a shadow of doubt- college tuition will drop to values that the Conservative Free Market can sustain.**

b) He says: "Tax avoidance or forgiveness is not a reward for success; it is the product of being rich and buying politicians." CORRECT, and the poor and unconnected College Student can not "buy" Loan Forgiveness, or even Bankruptcy rights that any drug-using Credit Card holder can enjoy! This is messed up.

c) He then voices this concern: "First hiccup in the economy, and consumption slows, social security will end, or the EPA and OSHA will end or other necessary programs, such as military spending will be affected." ** This seems to be a valid point, but I would ask, is it not possible that a "hiccup" in the economy would not likewise affect income? (Consumption, e.g., spending, and income are tied together; since one must earn income in order to spend it.) Since both spending and earnings may "fluctuate" in different ways, it makes sense to me to have a combination of these 2 forms of taxes; therefore, maybe a combination 'Fair Tax' and 'Flat Tax' would be simpler and require less Bureaucratic Red Tape?

d) Mr. Tager complains of 'added' taxation: "A meal at Chick Filet costs around \$20.00 now. After this, it will cost \$24.60," he says. Actually, I believe that H.R.25 has a sunset clause, in which it will "sunset" (cease to be law) if the 16th Amendment is not repealed to stop Income Tax. So, I respectfully dissent from Atty. Tager: The Fair Tax would ***replace*** (not supplement) the income tax. See also point 'c' just above: perhaps both Flat and Fair taxes could be used, but with each one being cut in half, so as to avoid overtaxing us. (Better yet, reduce spending, and be less greedy, all you rich, Establishment "fat cats" in both Democracies & Republican parties!!)

e) Next, however, he raises a valid point about an illegal monopoly on the EpiPen, which is not unlike some prescription medications being sold at huge (obscene) profits, simply because the company holds a monopoly on the product. I have 2 things to say: First off, whether or not a company engages in an illegal monopoly (like U.S. Colleges are doing, in an unrelated higher-ed matter), what has this to do with the method or means of taxation? Secondly, last time I checked, U.S. Case Law held that a monopoly was quite illegal, and so this needs to be checked into.

f) Lastly, he is honest enough to admit that he's not a tax expert (and neither am I). I appreciate his honesty, humility, & proper respect. But, it is possible that the Fair Tax might possibly be rather 'neutral' on changing the tax rates of the super rich and/or Big Business. (Perhaps, we should consult Tax Experts -on both sides of the issue- to get to the bottom of these concerns: Do the 'Fair Tax' or 'Flat Tax' benefit the rich any any extraordinary way)

g) Mr. Tager is quite intelligent, and I'm surprised he doesn't have many thoughts on the higher ed mess; however, I admit that it took Alan Collinge several tries before I could "get" the concept that removal of bankruptcy for college loans resulted in higher tuition. (It does, since lenders prey on the weak, helpless, & defenseless, and price-gouge college students just trying to better ourselves -just trying to avoid being a McD burger flipper for the rest of their life.) I am interested to see Mr. Tager's thoughts on my replies above; and, I also hope Mr. Bilirakis replies; as well, I hope my own Congressman, Rep. Dennis A. Ross (R-FL-15th), acts on his stated beliefs, as described in the other, related, news story in the links below:

* "[A Polk Perspective: Fix our bankrupt policy on student debt](#)," By Gordon Wayne Watts, Guest columnist, The Ledger, August 04, 2016 [Scanned image of print version: [PDF](#) * [*.jpg_image](#) * Screenshot: [PDF](#) * [*.png_image](#) * Cache: [*.html_webpage](#) * [PDF](#)]

* "[Republican Congressman breaks with party, admits college loans deserve bankruptcy](#)," By Gordon Wayne Watts, The Register, Published: Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 12:34 p.m., -UPDATED: Wednesday, July 27, 2016 at 07:41 a.m. (EST-EDT) * [mirror 1 cache](#) * [mirror 2 cache](#) * [mirror 3 cache](#) * [mirror 4 cache](#)

~Editor, Gordon W. Watts

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*** BREAKING:** (Mon.15 July 2019) Lakeland (Fla.) Police have been "call-blocking" phones for decades: We've now learned they've even been blocking 911 calls if they "get annoyed" at callers. **DOCUMENTED: Damning Proof**

By Gordon Wayne Watts, Editor-in-Chief, *The Register*, Monday, 15 July 2019 *Last Updated: Monday, 16 September 2019

-- Readers of *The Register* know us for delivering stories you won't find elsewhere, and this certainly qualifies as "bizarre" even by the standards of the Lakeland Police Department, legendary for being in the news for infamous corruption. If you didn't get the note: [Google: Lakeland Florida Police Department corruption](#) *** [Or Yahoo! them](#). Without any further ado, here are details and documented proof:

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• "Video #1": A compilation of nine (9) shorter videos documenting the illegal call-blocking.

* THE PROOF * Nine (9) annotated videos documenting illegal call-blocking by LPD:

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• * THE Intimidation / DELAY * Readers might wonder why there was a delay in reporting this when it happened. The short answer is that when it initially happened, LPD sent a message that they would (falsely) accuse me of making "harassing phone calls," as some sort of justification for the illegal call-blocking. In that corrupt era, one was "guilty until proven innocent," and so, to prove 'false' this claim, I asked for a copy of the last call to LPD, immediately before I got blocked, in which I asked to speak to the chief, to report documented perjury in a report. The dispatcher insisted that I call I.A. (Internal Affairs), but I had already tried to report a public defender being illegally denied an exculpatory call-record, and they were very threatening, and I told the dispatcher that I did *not* feel comfortable calling them. But she insisted, and so, I called and left a message. Then, a few days later, when I tried to report a bus parked dangerously close to the roadside, my call was blocked (as documented by the phone company, numerous witnesses--see video--and even admitted to by LPD Detective Elisa Martin, in the presence of a witness, PSO Ryan Christopher Schuck). And, my attempts to get an audio copy (under Public Records laws) of my call, showing I was only following orders of the dispatcher to call I.A. (and not making "harassing calls") was illegally denied, and this went on for years of haggling back and forth to get those records, without which I would have no credibility were I to speak at, say, the city council to report these abuses. (Now, however, with LPD's [documented](#) LPD's documented refusal to comply with Public Records Law, in addition to the other fraud, and documented perjury that initiated this matter, I now feel I have sufficient 'credibility' to bring this matter to city elders, news media, and state & Federal agencies tasked with "policing the police.") The long story is documented below. ****UPDATE: NEW LINKS JUST ADDED--** You may now, also, click [this link](#) to show why there was "no way" around a delay. LINKS: ([Local Cache](#)) ** ([GoDaddy Cache](#)) ** ([HostGator Cache](#)) **

• * Other Corruption * Besides illegally blocking my phone (which we just recently found out was also 911-blocked, a very dangerous Civil Liberties violation of the 1st amendment rights of redress), and then trying to cover it up and intimidate me into not reporting it, by refusing to release the call to the dispatcher who asked me to call I.A., there was (as one might expect) other corruption, which we were finally able to document and bring to readers. Now that LPD has done something so bizarre as to block peoples' 911 calls (as well as 'regular' non-emergency number calls to dispatch), perhaps these other 'forgotten' crimes will now come to light under the heat of these shocking new allegations:

"Video #2": Documentation of illegal perjury by several members of the Lakeland (Fla.) Police Dept.

** PERJURY in an official report: This is what started it all: After I was falsely arrested, perhaps to 'meet a quota', officers wrote an official report claiming that an LPD dispatcher told me to stay out of, or otherwise avoid, a certain area -- that there was police activity there. However, if you're going to be honest about it, you'll listen to the actual call, and compare it to the report -- and can come to your own conclusion as to whether these police made a false report, and then swore on oath (see the signature line of the report and who all signed it), thus making their lies official perjury under oath:

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• OTHER Corruption & Crimes by LPD:

** Illegally [denying my rights to free press](#)
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** Even after repeated warning, documented here, [the Lakeland Police Department continued](#) its illegal pattern of harassment against this gentleman:
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** Lastly [I was even able to get my public defender to admit that my "trial by jury" rights were denied me, as documented by the case-law governing this](#). (But he was in private practice, when I contacted him, and if I'm not rich -- or "famous" -- then my rights 'go by the wayside.' -- Perhaps, this news item will make me 'famous' enough to get justice elsewhere.)
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Conclusion: Of course, "harassing phone calls" do NOT justify illegal call-blocking by the Lakeland Police Department (either to their non-emergency dispatch or their 911-centre). Indeed, even if I was making harassing phone calls (to the non-emergency number) or abusing their 911 call-centre (also illegal), they could press charges for either "harassing phone calls" or "911 abuse" (but they didn't--proving I was never at fault in this regard). So, their documented illegal blocking was egregious--and dangerous: Indeed, had I not had my cell phone to report that huge wreck in front of my old Lakeland residence, I would not have been able to call 911 and report it. Moreover, if they only blocked "non-emergency" calls (as Detective Elisa Martin told me when she and PSO (Public Safety Officer) Schuck came out to meet me in the LPD lobby), that is still not only quite stupid (preventing citizens from reporting crimes until they become an emergency), but with a good lawyer, I might have a huge Federal Civil Rights case, in particular, both First Amendment Rights of Redress and also illegal punishment without proper Due Process. Speaking of which,... (Now hiring -- One tough lawyer. Contact: Gordon Watts.)

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NOTES: One unnamed lawyer friend suggested maybe a new trial could be had (based on STATE, not FEDERAL standards, saying Federal standards didn't apply here) since my trial by jury rights were denied. If that's so, he'll need a copy of my docket:

* ["/LPD/ArrestDocket.mht"](#) * ["/LPD/ArrestDocket.pdf"](#) * ["/LPD/ArrestDocket.html"](#) * Oh, and it might be helpful to get PROOF that my trial-by-jury rights were DENIED, so here's a link - -again -- to said proof from two (2) witnesses, with proper case-law commentary: * [/LPD-supplemental/TrialByJuryDenied/PublicDefenderAdmitsJuryTrialRightsDenied.pdf](#)

Plus, it might be good to review the following case-law: "The Ball Case, 163 U.S. 662, 41 L. ed. 300, 16 Sup. Ct. Rep. 1192, establishes that to try a man after a verdict of acquittal is to put him twice in jeopardy, although the verdict was not followed by judgment." *KEPNER v. United States*, 195 U.S. 100, at 133 (1904) Question-- does double jeopardy prevent a retrying of my case where, as my docket shows, a nolle prosequi (or: "NOLLE PROSSED" as they spell it for my 08/20/2003 entry) was done? --E.g., the plea deal, which got me off even if no innocent verdict was entered? Does that holding apply to me?

UPDATE:

* "Video #3": Much subsequent news coverage of this sordid "call-blocking" saga.

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* VIDEO #4 ** HUGE Wreck – can't call 911!

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Fair Use EXCERPT from July 17, 2014 news story from WTSP: "The city of Lakeland has paid a \$25,000 settlement to a woman ordered to shake out her bra during a traffic stop last year. [] A public records request by The Ledger shows a check dated July 7 to 29-year-old Zoe Brugger. [] Authorities say Brugger was pulled over by Lakeland police officer Dustin Fetz in May 2013 for a broken headlight. Silent video taken from the patrol car shows her being forced to shake out her bra multiple times in a search for drugs. The officer also searched her car over her objections. No drugs were found. [] Fetz has not been reprimanded for the search itself, but he served a one-day suspension for not having his microphone on. [] City officials say they're still waiting for an executed release, which will free them from a future lawsuit." – Source: "Lakeland pays \$25,000 in bra-shaking case: The city of Lakeland has paid a \$25,000 settlement to a woman ordered to shake out her bra during a traffic stop last year.," by Associated Press and AP staff writers, *WTSP*, July 17, 2014, LINK: <https://www.WTSP.com/article/news/local/lakeland-pays-25000-in-bra-shaking-case/67-300320420>

Point of Order: If this this woman, who had ONE DAY of discomfort got \$25,000.00, how much more am I owed when police illegally put a "call block" on my phone – not only for "regular" dispatch calls – but also, apparently, 911 calls – FOR DECADES (thus call-blocking MY ENTIRE FAMILY from calling police!!) – and threatened me with slandering my good name (falsely accusing me of harassing phone calls) if I reported it – and ILLEGALLY violating Public Records Laws when they continually refused to release my phone call to the station showing I was NOT making harassing phone calls – but rather "just following orders" when I called the Internal Affairs to report DOCUMENTED PERJURY. (That's also illegal.)

Fair Use EXCERPT from Aug 31, 2019 news story from BuzzFeed: "Debra Stevens, 47, was delivering newspapers for the Southwest Times Record early in the morning on Saturday, Aug. 24, when her car was swept away in a flash flood...Aric Mitchell, a spokesperson for the department, told BuzzFeed News the dispatcher who answered is named Donna Reneau." – Source: "A 911 Operator Is Being Accused Of Being "Rude" And "Condescending" To A Drowning Victim Before She Died: "You're not gonna die, I don't know why you're freaking out.",," by Stephanie McNeal, *BuzzFeed News Reporter*, *BuzzFeedNews*, August 31, 2019, LINK: <https://www.BuzzFeedNews.com/article/stephaniemcneal/911-call-arkansas-debbie-stevens-drowned>

Point of Order: If this this 911 dispatcher nearly got fired (and was taken to task by numerous news outlets), for merely being "rude," how much **MORE** should the Lakeland (Fla.) POLICE Department be taken to task, and possibly sued? (Answer: The drowning woman was at least able to call 911 and get help. In **my** case, it is documented—in excruciating detail—that both the non-emergency and 911 numbers were call-blocked for me--and my entire family--at our home number.)

CONCLUSION: Yes, the mayor and I DID "test out" the 911 (and also, at my request, the non-emergency dispatch aka the "main call-in" number to the police station). Both had **finally** unblocked me, no doubt because they knew that they were about to be caught red-handed violating the law, and publicly embarrassed, not to mention, possibly sued for egregious & gross Civil Rights violations. Some have suggested that since my phone is unblocked, I should just "let it drop." – Oh, really!?! – Let me ask YOU a question, OK? What if YOUR family was captured and held hostage for roughly THIRTEEN (13) YEARS, and not released except under exceptional duress, pressure, and threats of lawsuits & embarrassment, ok? Now, you might forgive them, so far as not being vindictive, hating them, or seeking revenge. Forgive, as my Christian faith instructs, ok? Forgive, yes, but forget? Let it drop? Would YOU just "drop it," if YOUR family was finally released? Hell no! And neither should I. – How many **other** victims will they bully? I think it should be looked into, addressed, and that we should never forget—never again. Craziess like these things (not just illegal call-blocking, but the illegal perjury, & other abuses) unnecessarily places lives in danger. Word.



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PS: Here are some key words for Search Engines to see:

• Gordon in Plant City Florida, Gordon in Plant City, Gordon in Lakeland Florida, Gordon in Lakeland, Gordon in Central Florida, Gordon in Florida, Coast To Coast: AM, Coast to Coast AM, Coast to Coast, CoastToCoastAM, CoastToCoast, Florida, State, Government, Terri, Schiavo, Terri Schiavo, Euthanasia, Mercy Killing, Assisted Suicide, Florida State, State Government, Florida state government, Fla, Fla State, Fla state government, State of Florida, Federal, Federal Government, Politics, Politic, political, party, parties, political party, political parties, committee, committees, political committee, political committees, Elections, Election, Florida Elections, Florida Election, Fla Elections, Fla Election, Florida vote, Fla vote, Florida votes, Fla votes, vote, votes, voted, voting, voter, Voter Registration, Election Rule, Election Rules, Florida election rule, Florida election rules, Fla election rule, Fla election rules, Rule of Law, Law, Laws, Election Law, Election Laws, Florida Election Law, Florida Election Laws, Fla Election Law, Fla Election Laws, Election Code, Election Codes, Florida election code, Florida election codes, Fla election code, Fla election codes, Elections commission, Elections commissions, Florida elections commission, Florida elections commissions, Fla elections commission, Fla elections commissions, Election commission, Election commissions, Florida election commission, Florida election commissions, Fla election commission, Fla election commissions, commissioners, commissioner, election decision, election decisions, elections decision, elections decisions, Florida election decision, Florida election decisions, Florida elections decision, Florida elections decisions, Fla election decision, Fla election decisions, Fla elections decision, Fla elections decisions, fraud, election fraud, Florida election fraud, Fla election fraud, elected, officials, elected officials, Florida Campaign Finance, Florida Campaign Finances, Fla Campaign Finance, Fla Campaign Finances, Campaign Finance, Campaign Finances, campaign finance information, Public Campaign Finance, candidate, candidates, executive committee, executive committees, major party, major parties, minor party, minor parties, qualifying, campaign, treasurer's reports, contributions, contribution, expenditures, expenditure, Initiatives, Initiative, Constitution, Florida Constitution, Fla Constitution, Constitutional Amendment, Constitutional Amendments, Governor, Governors, Jeb, Bush, Jeb Bush, Governor Bush, Governor Jeb Bush, Florida Governor, John Ellis Bush, Governor John Ellis Bush, President, Presidents, George, George Bush, President Bush, President George Bush, President George W. Bush, US President, U.S. President, US President, U.S. President, George Walker Bush, President George Walker Bush, Reno, Janet Reno, McBride, Bill McBride, William McBride, William Bill McBride, Jones, Daryl Jones, Gubernatorial, Primary, Gubernatorial Primary, Supreme Court, Florida Supreme Court, Fla Supreme Court, US Supreme Court, United States Supreme Court, U.S. Supreme Court, Administrative Code, Administrative Weekly, Div of Elections, Division of Elections, opinion, Opinions, Administrative Rule, Administrative Rules, Election Calendar, Election Calendars, whistle blower, whistle blowers, Register, The Register, gw, g w, gordon, wayne, watts, gordon watts, gordon wayne watts, gw watts g w watts, FDLE, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Law Enforcement, QRZ, ARRL, FCC, Star Trek, StarTrek, Roddenberry, Star, Trek, Kirk, Spock, McCoy, Enterprise, Mirror, Mirrors, Mirrors, Mirrors, Contract With America Part II, Contract With America: Part II, Contract With America Part 2, Contract With America: Part 2, Contract With America Part Two, Contract With America: Part Two

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