

EDWARDS AND EASLEY PROSECUTOR BITCHING ABOUT OBAMA'S COURT APPOINTEES

Main Justice reports that US Attorney George Holding—who is currently investigating Governor Mike Easley and John Edwards—decided to speak out at the Federalist Society meeting to bitch about Obama's appointees to the Fourth Circuit.

Holding made his remarks during a question-and-answer period following a speech from Sen. **Jeff Sessions** (R-Ala.) last Thursday at the society's National Lawyer Convention. He identified himself as a "prosecutor from North Carolina," a C-Span video of event shows.

"I'm concerned about the changing makeup of the 4th Circuit," said Holding, who has served as U.S. Attorney since September 2006.

President **Barack Obama** tapped **James A. Wynn Jr.** and **Albert Diaz**, both of North Carolina, and Barbara **Milano Keenan** of Virginia for judgeships in the 4th Circuit.

Uh, Obama? I understand the wisdom of letting Bush's US Attorneys wind down investigations into Democrats to avoid any suggestion that you fired them to end those inquiries. (Speaking of which, today is Mary Beth Buchanan's last day.)

But this guy has to go—now.

So long as he is US Attorney working under a President Obama, he needs to respect the **Constitutional** function of the President and Senate. And that means the President—not the Federalist Society US Attorney—gets to nominate judges, and the Senate gets to confirm them. And if you don't like it as a dead-ender US Attorney

affiliated with a horribly politicized DOJ, you really ought not take the opportunity of a partisan convention to bitch about your boss' choices for those positions. Heck, as US Attorney, you probably ought not be speaking publicly about judicial appointees in your circuit at all.