

THE METHOD TO BLAGOJEVICH'S SAM ADAM'S MADNESS

On reflection, it's just really neat the way the Blagojevich offer to Burris ended up in an offer—certainly picked up by wiretaps—that emphasized Burris' qualifications for the office.

LON MONK AND ROLAND BURRIS

Roland Burris' admission that he spoke with Lon Monk about the Senate seat is interesting for several reasons—not least because Monk is centrally tied to the allegations against Blago.

OH, NOW THEY'RE TRYING TO INSIST ON THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO ARCHIVE

Sounds like John Bates wants to make sure his order giving HJC the documents pertaining to the US Attorney firings goes into effect sooner rather than later.

BLAGOJEVICH IMPEACHED

When it became clear that Nixon would be impeached, he had the good sense to step down. Not so Blago, who vowed today to remain governor in spite of the 114-1 vote in the IL House favor of impeaching him today.

In a historic vote, the Illinois House has impeached Gov. Rod Blagojevich, directing the Senate to put the state's 40th chief executive on trial with the goal of removing him from

STEVEN RATTNER?!?!?!?

Obama's thinking of appointing someone with no apparent qualifications—though lots of finance success—to be the auto czar.

BURRIS DOING VERY BADLY BEFORE THE IMPEACHMENT COMMITTEE

On CSPAN now.

Burris is doing terribly in his testimony before the Blago impeachment Committee.

He was asked whether he talked to Lon Monk about the Senate seat. He said yes. Lon Monk is Lobbyist 1 in the Complaint.

And now Durkin, the Republican, has noted that a \$1.2 million donor to Burris has only given to

one other politician:

FIVE YEARS AFTER PAY-TO-PLAY GANG TRIED TO GET FITZ FIRED, BLAGOJEVICH TRIES AGAIN

Five years ago, Blago's alleged accomplices tried to get Fitz fired. Now, he's apparently trying again.

THE WSJ'S CURIOUS PICTURE OF CONGRESS AND TORTURE

The WSJ is warning Congressional Democrats not to investigate Bush's torture policies. But there are holes in its case.

DRAFT BLAGOJEVICH IMPEACHMENT REPORT RELEASED

Read the draft Blagojevich impeachment report [here](#).

IRAQ WAR MEMOS RELEASED: WORKING THREAD

More OLC memos get liberated.