

DON'T GAG MA BELL

Congressman Dingell notes that the government continues to gag Ma Bell. Why should we give her immunity so long as Dick Cheney won't let her talk.

IS DEM TURNOUT SO HIGH BECAUSE THEY LIKE US ... OR BECAUSE WE'RE SPENDING MONEY?

Why is Democratic turnout swamping Republican turnout?

WHY BUSH IS SO DESPERATE TO GET BRADBURY APPROVED

Bush has traded 84 nominations in lieu of getting Steven Bradbury approved. But few people seem to understand why Bush is so desperate: So long as Bradbury remains at OLC, two things will happen. Bradbury effectively gives the Bush Administration carte blanche to break the law—and protection for having broken the law in the past. Since AG Mukasey won't prosecute anything that OLC (and therefore Steven Bradbury) has sanctioned, the Administration is guaranteed it can do what it wants so long as Bradbury is there.

THE NRCC MELTDOWN: AN INTRODUCTION

I haven't commented on the FBI investigation of the NRCC treasurer, Christopher Ward yet because, well, because this damn FISA bill is taking all my time.

Top House Republicans were told in recent days that a former employee of their campaign committee may have forged an official audit during the contentious 2006 election cycle and that they should brace for the possibility that an unfolding investigation could uncover financial improprieties stretching back

FISA DEBATE AND VOTES

Votes on two Feingold amendments.

WORKING EXTRA HOURS IS EXTRA- CONSTITUTIONAL

I guess I shouldn't be surprised that, according to the Tuesday through Thursday Republicans and the Most-Vacation-Ever President, working extra days is extra-constitutional.

MUKASEY OVERSIGHT: HJC EDITION, PART TWO

Mukasey on deferred prosecutions, torture, and contempt.

MUKASEY REFUSES TO SAY WHETHER HE WAS INSTRUCTED NOT TO ENFORCE SUBPOENAS

Michael Mukasey just refused to respond to Robert Wexler's question of whether he "had been instructed" not to enforce the subpoenas on Miers and Bolten.

MUKASEY OVERSIGHT: HJC EDITION

Michael Mukasey once again answers for Dick's lawbreaking.

ARLEN "SCOTTISH

HAGGIS" SPECTER ENUMERATES BUSH'S LAW-BREAKING

Scottish Haggis started making a list yesterday
of the statutes