

MID-TERM ELECTION 2022: AUGUST 2 PRIMARY, ARIZONA EDITION [UPDATE-2]

Post dedicated to Arizona's primary election results. What's going on in the Grand Canyon State?

THE SUSSMAN TRIAL

Here is the Sussmann indictment as filed by Durham. It is an absurd 27 pages long. I could have written it in 2-3 pages, including signature page.

As you can see, excepting all the run on horse manure Durham penned, the indictment is for a single count of false statement under 18 USC §1001. That is it. One lousy count. That is it.

I will save you the niceties and simply quote you the DOJ guidance on §1001, and here it is:

Section 1001's statutory terms are violated if someone:

"falsifies, conceals or covers up by any trick, scheme or device a material fact,"

"makes any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations,"

"makes or uses any false writing or document knowing the same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or entry"

and, for cases arising after the 1996 amendments, the item at issue was material.

Whether the above acts are criminal

depends on whether there is an affirmative response to each of the following questions:

Was the act or statement material?

Was the act within the jurisdiction of a department or agency of the United States? and

Was the act done knowingly and willfully?

[cited in JM 9-42.001]

907. Statements Warranting Prosecution.

False Statement >

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We all think this trial is a cutout for Trump and Trumpism. It is not. Sussman's ass lies in the lurch. There is a live defendant. Actual jury trials are about what is charged. One count of §1001 is charged here. Keep your eye on that ball. Criminal trials are about crimes, and elements of crimes. This one will be too.

BULLSHIT BRIGADE: NOW WITH MORE NYT BULLSHIT [ACTION ITEM INCLUDED]

The New York Times editorial board pumped out another "Dems in disarray" piece, just in time to cover for some obstructive and intransigent centrists. This is my unending surprised face.

THIS IS THE MORNING AFTER: VIRGINIA ISN'T THE WHOLE STORY

Snap out of it. Pity parties don't do anything constructive except sell facial tissues. Far more happened yesterday than Virginia's gubernatorial race.

BULLSHIT BRIGADE: STATE AND LOCAL ELECTION DAY EDITION [UPDATE-1]

It's election day across the country with lots of local and state elections still underway. Take a look at some bullshit while waiting for the polls to close and votes to be counted.

BULLSHIT BRIGADE - BOOK BURNER EDITION

This week has been rife with bullshit. Here are three egregious examples including a contemporary "book burner."

ADVANCING OUR COUNTRY FORWARD, A SECURITY PERSPECTIVE

A person who knows large event security has some thoughts about the lack of preparation and execution of security on January 6, 2021 at the Capitol.

AFTER YEARS OF SQUEALING ABOUT “FISA ABUSE,” TRUMP’S DNI NOMINEE WON’T RULE OUT WARRANTLESS WIRETAPPING

John Ratcliffe is an appalling choice to be Director of National Intelligence. But there’s the clear sense that SSCI is so anxious to replace Ric Grenell that they’d prefer him.

SUPPORT AND ELECT MOE DAVIS FOR CONGRESS

It is always the right time to do the right thing. The right thing is Moe Davis for Congress in NC-11. The time is now. Support and vote.

JOHN LEWIS WAS NOT ALWAYS OLD

John Lewis has been a fighter his whole life long. He is the last living member of the Big Six, the speakers at the 1963 March on Washington for civil rights, and now is a senior member of Congress fighting pancreatic cancer. But it's important to remember that John Lewis was not always old.