### WHY THE HOUSE IS WAITING TO HOLD ROVE IN CONTEMPT

The reason the entire House isn't voting on contempt for Rove until after the recess is because what they do will be determined by Bates' initial ruling.

#### ROVE'S CONTEMPT: FOR ALL THE REASONS WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT

HJC voted to hold Rove in contempt, by a vote of 20-14. In doing so, they confirmed many of the points I've made about Rove's audacious claims to be immune from testifying.

# THE SMEARMONGERS WHO TOOK DOWN CHIARA AND HAGEN GOT PROMOTED TO MAIN JUSTICE

The attorneys who spread the rumor that Margaret Chiara and Leslie Hagen were having an inappropriate gay relationship got moved to jobs in DC.

#### MONICA DISCRIMINATED AGAINST MARGARET CHIARA'S PURPORTED LOVER, TOO

Today's DOJ report includes a denial from Margaret Chiara and Leslie Hagen that they were in a relationship. Yet that alleged affair was—by all accounts—the reason Chiara was fired. Was Chiara fired based on a false rumor?

## BUSH'S IDEA OF WORTHWHILE CANDIDATES TO BE IMMIGRATION JUDGES

Among the hacks the White House tried (unsuccessfully, thankfully) to hire through their politicized hiring process was a guy who swore in his interview and said his weakness was "blondes."

#### **MONICA'S JOB HISTORY**

It sure looks like they created positions solely to make it easy for Monica Goodling to politicize hiring in DOJ.

#### MONICA GOODLING HELPED THE TERRORISTS WIN

Apparently, Monica Goodling believes Democrats are more dangerous than terrorists. And George Bush doesn't seem to care.

#### THE MONICA GOODLING REPORT

The DOJ IG's "Monica Goodling" report documents what we already knew: Monica Goodling illegal politicized hiring in DOJ.

### THEY'VE COMPARTMENTALIZED MUKASEY FROM THE CORRUPTION

Scott Horton suggested that the political flacks in DOJ have kept Michael Mukasey from learning some details about Rove's politicized prosecutions. He may well be right.

#### SANCHEZ V. MUKASEY ON "EXECUTIVE PRIVILEGE"

I wanted to look closely at the exchange between Congresswoman Sanchez and Attorney General Mukasey to see if it gets us any closer to determining whether DOJ reviewed Bush's invocation of absolute immunity for Rove—and specifically whether he bought off on the claim that the matters in question pertained to Rove's "official duties." I can't tell. But I can tell you that Mukasey schooled Sanchez in the exchange.