



The Shadow Cabinet Obama's Dance Around the U.S. Constitution

One of the most popular radio dramas of the 1930's was *The Shadow*, which asked the question *who knows what evil lurks in the heart of men? The Shadow knows!* The Shadow's greatest power was his ability to cloud men's minds, so they could not know where he was or what he was doing. Perhaps this is the kind of power President Barack Obama wants so that the American people will never know what he is actually up to in the White House.

More Czars Than Russia

The most formidable legal obstacle to Obama's dark socialist agenda is the United States Constitution. To neutralize its restrictive impact on his plans, the President has enlisted a den of extra-legal advisors or *super-aides* who can implement policy, independent of his official cabinet members. Their very presence according to Michelle Malkin's 2009 book, *The Culture of Corruption*, will serve as a useful smokescreen to obscure the true source of decision-making.

His appointment of an ever-changing number of *czars* to help him deliver on campaign pledges as varied as health care reform, energy independence, climate change and cyber-terrorism have kindled a firestorm of protests on Capitol Hill. Pundits have mockingly pointed out that Obama has had more czars in ten short months than the Romanovs had in over 300 years of rule in Imperial Russia.

Most of Obama's czars are in newly created positions. They range from the pedestrian such as Kenneth Feinberg-the *Pay Czar*, Ashton Carter-the *Weapons Czar*, and Earl Devaney-the *Stimulus Accountability Czar*, to the bizarre, such as Cameron Davis-the *Great Lakes Czar* and J. Scott Gratio-the *Sudan Czar*. Many of Obama's czars came with more than a hint of scandal. Adolfo Carrion, according to Malkin, is the ethically challenged *Urban Czar*, who was involved in so many *pay-for-play* schemes that even Obama's Chicago crony Tony Rezko would be impressed. Nancy DeParle, his *Health Czar*, comes to her office with conflict of interest corporate ties, while *Auto Czar* Steve Rattner has a questionable

background in what Malkin calls his *Shady Tinseltown Trade*. More recently the conservative media has exposed the aggressive homosexual advocacy of Kevin Jennings, Obama's *Safe Schools Czar*.

The Czar System

Obama is not the first President to rely on unofficial advisors. What makes the Obama administration different from its predecessors is the sheer numbers of czars and the broad spectrum of their operations. As with his *Afghan Czar* Robert Holbrooke, nicknamed *the Bulldozer*, and the *Mid East Peace Czar* George Mitchell, the State Department already has ambassadors and peace negotiators for this region. Obama's czars often wield powers greater than those of Cabinet Secretaries but unlike Cabinet Secretaries and other high-ranking executive officers who had to undergo Senate confirmation, most of Obama's have not had to do so.

This violates Congress' constitutional duty to review, confirm, or reject any Cabinet appointees from the Executive branch. Cabinet Secretaries and heads of agencies are accountable to Congress as well as to the President. Obama's circumvention of the standard confirmation process eliminates any pretense that "his administration will be the most transparent in history." Virtually all of Obama's czars cannot be impeached or removed because they do not hold a formal office.

America's founding fathers believed that the separation of executive, legislative and judicial powers is the cornerstone of the American Constitution. Congressional leaders from both parties fault the President for stripping them of their constitutional prerogatives. California Republican Congressman Darrell Issa believes that Obama has created a *shadow cabinet that is a danger to the very question of who is advising the president and on what basis*.

Out of Step

One need only look at the type of individuals who make-up the list of White House czars to determine how out of step with traditional America is the President. The most notorious of the

Obama appointees has been Van Jones who was designated as the Green Czar and brought with him a legacy of extremism that would have delighted Obama's radical mentor Saul Alinsky.

Jones is not only a Black *Nationalist* but is a self-admitted Marxist-Leninist-Maoist who regards the police as the enemy of black people.

Glenn Beck and other conservative media exposed Jones' radical past, replete with film clips of several vulgar and bigoted statements that warranted his being forced to resign.

The Science Czar

Another lightening rod on the Obama czar list is *Science Czar* John Holdren. He holds MS and PhD degrees in aerospace engineering and plasma physics from MIT and Stanford and he is a "specialist" in global climate change, nuclear arms control and science and technology policy. Holdren barely escaped public scrutiny because excerpts from his past writings and speeches painted him as no friend to human life or American capitalism. In 1969 he teamed up with anti-population activist Paul Ehrlich to attack capitalism, which they felt was inherently harmful to the natural environment. They also called for *a massive campaign ... to de-develop the United States and other Western nations...*, which to them meant *lower per-capita energy consumption, fewer gadgets, and the abolition of planned obsolescence*. To prevent the "destruction of the planet by carbon emissions," they advocated the implementation of the misanthropic formula, succinctly named I-PAT, which Stephen Milloy's 2009 book *Green Hell* defined as reducing the product of a nation's population, affluence and technology in order to lessen the "carbon footprint" of man on the earth.

In a book Holdren co-authored in 1977 entitled *Conscience: Population, Resources, and Environment*, he argued for *population-control laws, even including laws requiring compulsory abortion*. He also suggested infusing infertility drugs into the nation's drinking water or in food--all views he now denies. His hope was that this would eventually lead to a *Planetary Regime* with the power to enforce human reproduction restrictions that would relieve the world's *population crisis*.

The Green Quarterback

Carol Browner, Obama's *Global Warming Czar* was the director of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) during the Clinton Administration. While at the EPA her draconian regulations were a thorn in the side of American industry. According to Browner her ambitious agenda involves the creation of jobs while curbing greenhouse-gas emissions, reducing the country's dependence on foreign oil with America leading the way for *an environmentally sustainable world economy*.

What appears to be causing more concern regarding her appointment is what exactly her newly created position as *Energy Coordinator* will entail. Obama defines her role as that of an overseer to promote a smooth cooperation among five or six different

energy and climate entities. In football parlance, Browner is Coach Obama's *green quarterback*, who will be running plays from his climate change playbook with the goal of reducing America's carbon emissions, most likely at the expense of its population and industrial prowess.

No one can discount Browner's radical past. She belonged to Socialist International (SI) until 2008 according to the Washington Times. SI is an umbrella group of global socialist organizations that work for *global governance* while demanding that rich countries shrink their economies to reduce climate change. These are the very same anti-business and misanthropic groups that have been hounding American business from the government periphery. Now they are inside the system where they can change it into an unrecognizable distortion of the American way of life.

Browner also brings some heavy ethical and administrative baggage to her new post. According to author Michelle Malkin, an ethical cloud still hangs over Browner's EPA legacy. While she was linked with many lobbying scams of dubious legality, her most serious offense was her involvement in the destruction of computer files in violation of a federal judge's order requiring the EPA to preserve its records. While the judge later held the EPA in contempt of court, she was surprisingly not mentioned.

The Diversity Czar

Mark Lloyd is Obama's *Diversity Czar*. He is not only a Saul Alinsky disciple, but has also praised Communist Hugo Chavez's *incredible revolution* in Venezuela and the way Chavez imposed *restraints on cable TV and revoked the licenses of more than 200 radio stations* that failed to follow the Chavez party line.

Since his July 29th appointment, Lloyd has been a lightning rod for conservatives, who are worried about his deep-seated vendetta against conservative talk radio and cable news. In his 2006 book *Prologue to a Farce: Communications and Democracy in America* he wrote: *my focus here is not freedom of speech or the press... This freedom is all too often an exaggeration.... blind references to freedom of speech or the press serve as a distraction from the critical examination of other communications policies*.

It is obvious that Lloyd will use the cover of *diversity* as a surreptitious means of imposing Fairness Doctrine-like regulations to silence conservative and religious talk radio. He proposes using the proposed FCC *localism* requirement, which can mean anything from running more public service announcements to putting strident comedian Janeane Garofalo on the air after Rush Limbaugh. Lloyd also wants to restore local and national caps on the ownership of commercial radio stations. He wants to ensure greater local accountability over radio licensing, while requiring commercial owners who fail to abide by enforceable public interest obligations to pay a fee to support public (government) broadcasting.

Local community organizers would be encouraged to harass conservative stations by filing complaints with the FCC, which could then revoke a station's license if it didn't comply or pay a large fee. Lloyd plans to extort money from broadcasters who air the likes of Glenn Beck, Rush Limbaugh and Laura Ingraham, all of whom have successfully competed in the marketplace of ideas, and then the extorted money would be used to underwrite left-wing talk radio, which nobody wants to listen to — such as the moribund Air America.

The Herd Mentality

Obama chose Cass Sunstein as the administrator of the White House Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs in the Office of Management and Budget. Though technically not a covert czar because he had to undergo the confirmation process, Sunstein's power to effectively decide what all of Congress' new laws legally mean warrants his inclusion in Obama's collection of unvetted advisers. Sunstein's nomination went to the Senate in April but was not approved until September. This delay explains why Obama implemented his *czar system*.

While the former Harvard Law School professor's academic background is in constitutional and administrative law, as well as regulatory policy, he is more widely known for his studies in *law and behavioral economics*. Since he oversees the federal government's regulatory apparatus, Sunstein will likely try to shape law and policy based on how people behave, especially their *herd mentality*.

Many conservatives have applauded this choice because of Sunstein's libertarian views, yet his brand of libertarianism seems to be one that has little or no connection with the traditional principles of Western Civilization. He has consistently stated or written that the 2nd Amendment does not grant an absolute right to keep and bear arms. In a 2007 speech he called for banning hunting in the U.S.

By far his most damaging views relate to his advocacy of *rights* for animals. In his 2004 book, *Animal Rights*, Sunstein suggested that animals ought to be able to bring suit, with private citizens acting as their representatives, to ensure that their treatment does not violate current law. The trouble with animal rights activists is that you can never raise animals up to the human level but only lower humans to their level. With every right there is a responsibility. What responsibility can an animal assume? Sunstein's radicalism seems to be in the same league with those of Peter Singer, the Princeton

University ethicist who favors the killing of disabled infants if it were *in the best interests of the baby and of the family as a whole*.

Witch Doctor Cures

Media Research Center Director of Communications Seton Motley has joined Beck and Limbaugh as a resounding voice against Obama's radical departure from traditional American politics and government. Motley says revelations about Jones, Lloyd and others are changing Obama's public perception. *What Americans are beginning to realize is that Barack Obama comes across as a reasonable guy and yet he keeps choosing very unreasonable people to serve in these unaccountable positions...*

After Jones' swift departure, the country finally has awakened from its reverential slumber and realized that its new President has been trying to consolidate his power, ala FDR, with his Alinskyesque introduction of radicals into his administration. It was the conservative media that lifted the cover from the Obama regime. The country now sees that the extremists in Obama's *Shadow Cabinet* have just one thing in common and it is their disdain for traditional American life, especially its free enterprise.

The public will realize that Obama's czars were not properly scrutinized because their ideas deviated from those of the vast majority of the American people. They will understand that most of his czars favor power over policy and that they are the embodiment of Saul Alinsky's axiom of subverting an institution from within. The American people will realize what kind of change it was that Obama promised during his 2008 campaign. They will clearly see that this President has a much more sinister medicine for them than his grab bag of socialist elixirs and witch doctor economic cures. As Michelle Malkin said in an interview on Dangers of Apathy, "Obama should put the U.S. Constitution on his teleprompter!"

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Our Lady of Guadalupe Patroness of the Americas Patroness of the Unborn

Feast Day December 12th

In 1531 a “Lady from Heaven” appeared to a humble Native American at Tepeyac, a hill northwest of what is now Mexico City. She identified herself as the ever virgin Holy Mary, Mother of the True God for whom we live, the Creator of all things, Lord of heaven and the earth.

She made a request for a church to be built on the site, and submitted her wish to the local Bishop. When the Bishop hesitated, and requested from her a sign, the Mother of God sent her native messenger to the top of the hill in mid-December to gather an assortment of roses for the Bishop.



After complying to the Bishop’s request for a sign, she left for us an image of herself imprinted miraculously on the native’s tilma, a poor quality cactus-cloth, which should have deteriorated in 20 years but shows no sign of decay 477 years later and still defies all scientific explanations of its origin.

Altogether 25 Popes have officially honored Our Lady of Guadalupe. His Holiness John Paul II visited her sanctuary four times.

In 1999, Pope John Paul II entrusted the cause of life to her loving protection, and placed under her motherly care the innocent lives of children, especially those who are in danger of not being born.

Storm Heaven with Prayers to our Lady of Guadalupe

This year, between Thanksgiving and Christmas, consider praying an extra family rosary each day for our country and for our unborn brothers and sisters who are denied the right to life.

Remember our Veterans

November is a month when we especially remember our veterans. In a 1985 speech at Arlington National Cemetery, Pres. Ronald Reagan said: “. . .most of them were boys when they died, and they gave up two lives- the one they were living and the one they would have lived. When they died, they gave up their chance to be husbands and fathers and grandfathers. They gave up their chance to be revered old men. They gave up everything for our country, for us. And all we can do is remember.”

News & Notes

THANKSGIVING TO GOD

Washington advised Americans to set aside a day of public Thanksgiving to God for the great favors He has bestowed on our nation. On October 3, 1789, Washington proclaimed the first Thanksgiving Day—the first of a long series of presidential orders that have remained part of American life down to the present:

“Whereas it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the Providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor, and whereas both Houses of Congress have by their joint committee requested me ‘to commend to the people of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God, especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness,’ now therefore I do recommend and assign Thursday the 26th day of November next, to be devoted to the service of that great and glorious Being, Who is the beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or will be.

George Washington

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