

# Stolen Election, Enrongoate, 9/11 Failures: Is The Bush Administration Above The Law?

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In some ways, I am awestruck by their audacity and aplomb. Bush ran promising to “trust the people,” but when the people elected Al Gore, Bush’s people sued the people. He lost, because we have laws that say votes not judges decide elections.

Bush sued again, but since we have laws saying for votes to count, we have to count the votes, he lost again. Bush sued all the way to the Supreme Court, where he lost, again. At first. But because Sandra O’Connor wants to retire while a Republican occupies the Oval Office and Anthony Kennedy wants to overturn *Roe v. Wade*, Bush won in the courts what he lost at the ballot box in Florida and nationwide.

It didn’t matter that five “Justices” shamelessly violated their oath to uphold the Constitution — which makes no provision for a court blocking a vote count. They embraced Scalia, Rehnquist and Thomas’ extreme right wing partisan view. *Bush v. Gore* is a unique case in that it cannot apply to any other state, election, or person other than Bush. It simply says Bush wins because we say so. That’s it.

Like magic! At a stroke, the highest court in the land changed from against judicial activism to the height of “results based” judging. From pro- to anti-states’ rights. From sniggering at Equal Protection cases to blowing up that doctrine like a party balloon — a Republican Party balloon.

These “conservatives” legislated from the bench, threw out the well-established law, and wove new, unfounded

“doctrine” from whole cloth. Everything conservatives ever complained about regarding “liberal” judges — and worse.

No less authority than Manson Family prosecutor Vincent Bugliosi called this treason. It clearly repudiated everything Bush said he stood for, but Bush got away with it. Presto! Chango! Counting votes is \*bad\* for our republic — or is that bad for Republicans?

The hand is quicker than the eye! Bush’s close personal friend “Kenny Boy” Lay rips off the entire State of California thanks to special favors directly from Bush himself.

Lay operates offshore dummy corporations in clear violation of accepted accounting practices, and walks away with \$millions while 1000s of employees see their jobs and retirement funds evaporate.

Now you see it, now you don’t. When the writ hits the fan, suddenly it’s “Ken who?” And Bush gets away with it! His clever spinmeisters wave a magic wand and — Presto! Chango! — Enrongoate is a “business scandal.” It’s sad, yes, but Bush knew nothing, and did nothing wrong. After all, he “let” Enron go bust.

Pay no attention to the hundreds of \$millions Bush tried to give Enron at your expense. Pay no attention to the fact Bush’s loyalty is to Lay and other corporate titans, more than to Enron stockholders and employees who took the real hit.

Most of all, forget Bush enriched and empowered Enron. His pal Lay made off with \$millions even as Enron crashed and burned.

Former Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Chairman Hebert tried to tell us. What fun are facts when we can watch a magician pull a fast one out of his hat?

Like any arch magician, these Bush people know their next trick must always top their last trick, and here it is. Bush says he had no idea terrorists might attack our buildings. He wants us to believe that despite specific warnings from a dozen other countries, FBI field agents, and others he knew nothing.

I don't know what's worse. That Bush is lying and he knew, or he's telling the truth and was asleep at the switch. While we wait for more information which will answer this question — a process Bush and Cheney are struggling to prevent — we have to pay close attention. The Bush team is about to top itself.

Bush's catastrophic failure as commander in chief let 1000s of people die on 9/11. How to make disaster into a positive? How to use Bush's incompetence as an excuse to crack down on criticism and an opportunity to build a pipeline through Afghanistan, while escaping blame?

They warmed up by changing Senators' questions into treason. A neat trick, but Joe McCarthy already did that on TV back in the 50s. John Adams had an act in which he changed dissent into Sedition way back in the day.

Bush and Bush stole the "steal an election from a guy from Tennessee for your unelected son via a corrupt bargain trick" from Adams and Adams.... If only James Madison found some way to blame the British 1812 attack on the minute men.... That's it! Find a fall guy! In this case, a fall bureau will do.

The Bush magical misery crew is turning FBI from the Federal Bureau of Investigation into "Forget Bush's Involvement." It's an amazing gambit which requires tricking us in several ways.

We have to ignore the warnings Bush claims he ignored. We have to forget the dangers Bush claims he forget. We can't ask the questions Bush hopes we won't ask. And here's the really hard part: We have to believe Bush didn't undermine our security when he ordered two attack submarines, our FBI and CIA to "back off" the bin Laden terrorists and the Taliban.

To recap: Bush stole the election in a crooked lawsuit. He unleashed his pal "Kenny Boy" and Enron who looted California and their own investors and employees. Bush got away with all this.

If Bush's magicians get away with blaming 9/11 on the FBI — which did its job and warned them about the terrorists — I can't imagine anything they can't get away with. Can you? If you listen carefully, you can almost hear Dick Cheney say, "Nothing up my sleeve...."

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