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The story of the second suspect, six years younger than Adebolajo, was also instructive, though in a slightly different way. Michael Adebowale was also the son of Christian Nigerian immigrants. At 16, he was smoking crack in a crack house with two friends. A white psychopath and drug addict named Lee James, aged 32, entered, looking for drugs and probably planning to steal them from others. In a state of drug-induced psychosis, James accused Adebowale and his friends of being members of al-Qaida. He shouted, “You fucking Somalis, you want to ruin my country, you want to blow up my country, you want to sell drugs in my country!” He stabbed Adebowale in the hand and shoulder, stabbed one of his friends in the neck so violently that he fractured one of his vertebrae, and killed a third, Faridon Alizada, son of a refugee from Afghanistan who had come to Britain for safety. On recovering from his injuries, Adebowale abandoned the criminal youth gang of which he and his two friends were members, and converted to Islam.

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Obama's Dorothy Doctrine

by Charles Krauthammer

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— Barack Obama, May 23

Nice thought. But much as Obama would like to close his eyes, click his heels three times and declare the war on terror over, war is a two-way street.

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John F. Kennedy summoned the nation to bear the burdens of the long twilight struggle. Obama, agonizing publicly about the awful burdens of command — his command, which he twice sought in election — wants out. For him and for us.

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Perez told St. Paul that the Justice Department would stay out of the False Claims Act case if the city withdrew the *Magner* case that the Supreme Court had agreed to hear. The city jumped at the deal.

A report from the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee later concluded that Perez "sought, facilitated, and consummated this deal because he feared that the Court would find disparate impact unsupported by the text of the Fair Housing Act." According to the same report, Perez also attempted to hide both the deal and his involvement in it.

He even called a key lawyer in the U.S. Attorney's Office in Minnesota and told him to make sure there wasn't "any mention of the *Magner* case" in the False Claims Act case files.

Fast forward to the new claim involving Mount Holly: although the U.S. is, again, not a party to the case, the Supreme Court last October asked the Justice Department to file a brief advising whether it thought the Court should accept the case for review.

To no one's surprise, the brief that Justice recently filed told the Court it should not take the case. The question of whether disparate impact claims are available under the FHA "does not warrant review," it declared. The brief was filed by Solicitor General Donald B. Verrilli, Jr., and right under his name is that of Thomas E. Perez.

Verrilli and Perez argue that disparate impact claims are a "reasonable construction of the statute's text, structure, and history" and that there is no conflict in the courts of appeal on this issue. But the brief ends with an argument you wouldn't expect from Justice, given Perez's *sub rosa* involvement in getting the *Magner* case dismissed — especially in light of recent revelations that he violated federal law and Justice Department rules by using his personal email account to facilitate the deal.

Verrilli and Perez fault Mount Holly for even raising the issue of whether disparate impact claims are valid under the FHA. Mount Holly, they write, had the "opportunity to raise both questions" in the lower courts when the *Magner* case was before the Supreme Court," and therefore can't bring it up now.

With stunning chutzpah, the government is arguing that Mount Holly should have been aware that disparate impact was a live issue when review was granted in *Magner v. Gallagher* and should have raised the issue in its own case.

This is wrong for two reasons. First, the timeliness of Mount Holly's claim that disparate impact does not constitute a violation of the FHA has no relation whatsoever to someone ***else's*** lawsuit, such as the *Magner* case. Second, even if Mount Holly mistakenly thought disparate impact was not a live legal issue when *Magner* was before the Supreme Court, Mount Holly would have learned it was a live issue when the scandal became public over the government's *quid pro quo* deal that bought off St. Paul and caused the city to dismiss the *Magner* case. Therefore, the government's very actions in *Magner* make the Mount Holly disparate impact claims in the current case timely.

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Should we be surprised by any of these convoluted machinations?

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The Supreme Court should accept the *Mount Holly* case. And if Justice approaches Mount Holly with a Magner-esque deal, the city should reject it so the Court can finally rule on the validity of disparate impact claims.

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Professor of Constitution goes to war against it

The president, who first campaigned on a claim to constitutional expertise, is now the document's biggest threat.

by A. Barton Hinkle

A physician's expertise makes him capable of inflicting great harm, noted Plato a couple thousand years ago, and no one is better positioned to steal than a guard. So perhaps we should not be surprised that the most conspicuous foe of liberty and the Bill of Rights turns out to be a former professor of constitutional law.

As a general rule, politicians tend to whipsaw between two poles. Conservatives try to increase economic liberty but show less regard for civil liberties. Liberals care deeply about civil liberties while trying to restrict the economic kind.

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The president's principal first-term achievement was the passage of the Affordable Care Act. The law greatly increases government's role in health care and includes an expansion of government power unprecedented in American history: a requirement that all citizens purchase a consumer good irrespective of their personal behavior.

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While trends like these drive conservatives nuts, they gladden liberal hearts. Yet liberals are not happy with the Obama administration these days — for exceptionally good reasons.

Most saliently, the Justice Department has been trolling through the phone records of reporters for The Associated Press and, even worse, has accused a reporter (Fox News' James Rosen) of acting as an unindicted co-conspirator in the unlawful leaking of classified materials. Rosen's offense was to do what reporters are supposed to do: break a story. This, too, is unprecedented, and it goes too far even for Obama's most knee-jerk defenders. The New York Times views the investigation as "threatening fundamental freedoms of the press."

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"There's a host of other broadcast regulations that Obama has not foresworn. In the worst-case scenario, they suggest a world where the FCC creates intrusive new rules by fiat, meddles more with the content of stations' programs, and uses the pending extensions of broadband access as an opportunity to put its paws on the Internet. At a time when cultural production has been exploding, fueled by increasingly diverse and participatory new media, we would be stepping back toward the days when the broadcast media were a centralized and cozy public-private partnership."

The conservative non-profit and think tank communities will also be targeted. The Clinton administration used IRS investigations of trumped-up charges of tax exemption abuse to force The Heritage Foundation, Cato Institute and other other major conservative tanks to spend millions of dollars and countless man-hours defending themselves and their donors. That diverted millions of dollars worth of resources that could have otherwise been devoted to making the case against Slick Willie's liberal policies.

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And business community organizations like the Chamber of Commerce and National Federation of Independent Business shouldn't think they will be exempt, either. The same exemption

regulation that will be used to throw Heritage and Cato back onto the defensive will be deployed against business associations.

Ditto for defense and other firms doing business with the government. Expect massive increases in regulatory interference in the way these companies do business, including particularly their hiring and firing processes. Davis-Bacon's "prevailing wage" requirements on federal contractors are a mere taste of what an Obama administration will do to insure company executives think twice before criticizing Obama policies in internal communications or in comments to the media.

Won't the First Amendment prevent the creation of this Caracas on the Potomac? Well, ask yourself this: How effective was it in preventing the imposition of speech codes that effectively silence so much dissent from the liberal orthodoxy on the typical American campus?

Democrats had a field day criticizing President Bush because he waited 7 minutes before giving a response to the 9/11 attacks.

Democrats keep their mouths shut when Obama and Hillary DID NOTHING for 7 HOURS while Ambassador Stevens and Navy Seals pleaded for help when they were under attack!


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