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A Shrouded Victory

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In 1536, Henry VIII of England ordered his then-wife Anne Boleyn executed on charges of treason, adultery, and incest. Why? Because she wasn't able to give him a son, so Henry came up with these baseless allegations out of thin air as an excuse to get rid of her. Were the charges true? Of course not. So why was Boleyn's sentence ultimately carried out? Because even though the evidence was all trumped up, the masses ate it up because it was King Henry's "divine right to rule".

Do the baseless false charges and ulterior motives ring a bell at all? They should. We have just reached the end of a weeks-long crisis in which the very intrinsic value of truth and due process were up in the air. But the key difference between Justice Brett Kavanaugh's confirmation process and the "trial" of Anne Boleyn is that, in the former, the truth won out.

It's no secret that during the saga of sexual assault allegations brought against the newest Supreme Court Justice, the values most precious to democracy were thrown out the window by senators on the left. Christine Ford's allegations were deemed "credible" the instant that they were leaked, corroborative evidence or innocence until proven guilty be damned. This led radical leftists to demand that this standard now be applied to all sexual assault cases, saying we should "believe all women." What happens if you disagree? You're automatically a rape apologist for believing that each case should be

judged on its own merits, and that Dr. Ford's case had no merit.

The political hit job didn't stop there. Senate Judiciary Democrats said that while Ford's emotion during testimony affirmed her version of events, Kavanaugh's own emotion somehow discredited his testimony. Scumbag liar Michael Avenatti decided it was his destiny to spearhead this smear campaign, so he released a stream of anonymous, baseless accusations that Justice Kavanaugh did everything from spiked punch with Quaaludes to participated in multiple gang rapes. Not a single allegation was corroborated, but hey, we're supposed to believe women, so who cares about that pesky due process BS anymore?

But none of that matters any longer. Brett Kavanaugh has taken his rightful seat on the bench, as innocent of any of these fantastical charges as the day he was born. It was a victory for truth, for due process, for presumption of innocence. It was a victory over those on the left who believe it's their God-given right to deny the people their voice, and to assassinate the character of a strikingly exemplary judge, without any consequence.

Though this battle may be over, there are still more to come. Many will continue to protest and call for Justice Kavanaugh's impeachment before he even has the opportunity to do something wrong. There could be more like Jackson Cosko, who decided that Republican senators should have their home addresses, personal phone numbers, and their children's health records made public because they are so evil that they dare to go against the left.

There will be more Soros-funded protests. There will be more like Ana Maria Archila and Maria Gallagher, the Jeff Flake confronters who were both exposed as being operatives with the Center for Popular Democracy, a progressive organization funded by George Soros. (I will not apologize for saying that, as it is neither a wild conspiracy theory, nor an anti-Semitic remark)

There will be more rallies-bordering-on-riots, featuring protestors who are so obviously emotionally stable and hinged that they're banging on the doors of the Supreme Court and shouting nonsense because they didn't get their way with Justice Kavanaugh.

There will be more vile threats on social media. More like Kat Calvin will encourage to "Never let [Susan] Collins have a moment of peace in public again." More like Emily Best will encourage riots. More like Andy Haynes will encourage liberals to make family gatherings awkward by killing any conservative relatives.

Amidst all of this partisanship, however, we can find a way to come together. Lisa Murkowski can serve as an example of this; she paired her "no" vote with Steve Daines' "aye" so that he could walk his daughter down the aisle that day. Civil discourse is still possible. It's just as possible as listening to someone's opinion that's different from your own while not being completely indoctrinated to it. As Milo Yiannopoulos (who I don't completely agree with) put it, we should conduct ourselves with a kind of intellectual humility that says that each person we meet, whether we agree with them or not, may have something to add to our view of the world.

I say this now, as I haven't personally experi-

enced the ripple effects of a political event as much as I did with this. Several of my hard-line liberal friends, who are very nice people, were at UTSA when they came across a small crowd of male Kavanaugh supporters expressing their opinions. My friends expressed their distaste through both Snapchat and Twitter, where they and others called the gathering "unacceptable", took pictures of the "rape apologists, so that you know who to avoid", and resorted to personal attacks such as holding up signs with messages like "small d**k energy here".

I also had a long-time friend unfollow me on Twitter because I had retweeted several innocent pro-Kavanaugh tweets. We have communicated on other matters since then, and she seems to carry no personal grudge against me, and I have none for her, but I still find it unfortunate that there are perfectly normal Americans who would rather shut out opposing opinions than consider them.

One last thing: if you've read my past pieces, you know that I have a knack for criticizing those I don't agree with, but I will never hate any of them. I simply believe in calling out questionable practices (of which there are unfortunately many) when more influential sources fail to do it. I will never imply that their actual policies are "incorrect" or that mine are superior. I just think it's unfortunate that that notion is not entirely endorsed on the other side nowadays.

But for now, let's enjoy this victory. Have a beer. (don't worry, it doesn't make you a rapist) But then let's gear up for November, so that the people can truly make their will known at such a pivotal time in American politics.

I close with a portion of a Bible verse, first

first shown to me by that long-time friend: Psalms 37:7, “do not fret when people succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes.”

What a Lack of Facts Does to the Economy

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We were in class, using the efficient market theory to calculate the value of stocks. We were using standard calculations to arrive at the stock prices. The only thing I took away is that these models are not getting us to the stock’s price, not even close. We looked at the Beta of several stocks, and even though there was extreme fluctuations and trends opposite the market, their Beta’s were somehow half that of the markets. How can this be? One answer, the market is not efficient. While I believe in the inefficient market hypothesis, I would go further, suggesting that societies move away from facts is taking us away from reality.

We live in a world where facts don’t matter to the Democrats. This was blatantly obvious in Kavanaugh’s trial. While neither side

has been proven right, Kavanaugh used facts to argue his side. Ford had no corroborative evidence, yet the left was outraged that the Senate did not immediately terminated Kavanaugh’s nomination. This birthed the #Ibelieveher movement, which is extremely dangerous. I know for a fact that sexual assaults happen, I’ve seen the aftermath of several. But that’s not why this movement started. This movement began because “we need to believe statements, even if not a single fact backs it up.” I use this example because it is the most recent and obvious, but this ideology has been going on for years with Democrats.

Flash forward a few days later. I was having a conversation about taxes and how the tax system is broken and the rich don’t pay enough taxes. My favorite argument was brought up: “Warren Buffet’s secretary pays more in taxes than Warren Buffet does.” I love this argument because it is simply not true. The first part of this that Democrats, and most of society, gets wrong is that the argument actually states the Warren’s effective tax rate is lower than his secretary’s. The second point is that Warren pays a ridiculous amount in taxes, but capital gains is taxed at a much lower rate than income is. Which brings up the third point, Warren does not pay much in income taxes, but his

capital gains is taxed at a much lower rate than income is. Which brings up the third point, Warren does not pay much in income taxes, but his secretary does. While I do not want any taxes raised, I am going to answer the Democrats plea for higher taxes: raise the capital gains tax. The wealthiest CEO's and individuals do not take a salary, they get paid through dividends. Why? Personal income can be taxed at 37%, while capital gains are taxed at a maximum of 20% (2018 numbers). The rich aren't cheating the system, they are smart enough to look at their options and pick the best one. Democrats will argue that raising the personal income tax rate will hurt the rich, but, in reality, all it hurts is the poor and middle class.

This kind of thinking is what is present in our economy. Especially in the stock market, we see that there is irrational behavior behind most trades. People will speculate on which stock will appreciate, rather than looking into the stocks true value. This is one of the reasons we have bull and bear markets. There are also many people who have no idea how the healthcare system truly works, and make these crazy, almost communist suggestions. As someone who works in healthcare, I know that most of the ideas the Democrats push out will not work in our free market. The scariest thing is that these people, who don't use facts, have power in our government. I'm terrified to see what happens if the left actually gains majority control of the government. We saw what happened with Obama, where he forced individuals in a free country to sign up for bogus healthcare or face penalties. Imagine what chaos they would bring to this great country if they regain control and force socialist ideas with no facts on this world...

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HISTORY MADE: Judge Kavanaugh's First Bold Move

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Following a tumultuous two week confirmation process to appoint the Honorable Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court, the left's dirty works once again backfired! After accusations of raping Dr. Christine Blasey Ford, drunken banter, gang raping other women, lying under oath, and loads of other uncorroborated claims, millions of Americans cheered in joy for one of the most honorable men to escape the hysterical vindication of leftist Senators and Soros-paid protesters. Despite Jeff Flake's call for waiting on a hasty FBI report, Susan Collins' record of inconsistent voting, and Lisa Murkowski's NO vote on cloture, many feared that all the hell Kavanaugh endured would go in vain. However, in a 50-48 Senate vote

(including Democratic Senator Joe Manchin), the Honorable Brett Kavanaugh transformed into Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh.

In addition to the bruising yet relieving confirmation, good news arose. Dr. Ford, as many assumed, backed off allegations and stated that she will seek no further legal action against Justice Kavanaugh. Following this hearing, some Americans moderately involved in politics may believe that Mr. Kavanaugh holds misogynistic views. Despite this presumption that many may hold, his first action as a Supreme Court Justice will shock the non-believers: For the first time in history, a Supreme Court Justice appointed only women to work as his clerks, a move no other Justice ever performed.

America will rest at peace for yet another day, as the Supreme Court remains under the control of five Constitutionals. While protecting the Constitutionality of our Republic's highest court remains at stake, one can wipe their brow that President Trump delivered on another key promise by promoting a second conservative Supreme Court Justice in under two years. Despite this relief, one must remember: get out to vote for conservative Republicans on November 6th! 50-48 should not count as a comfortable margin of victory in the Senate!

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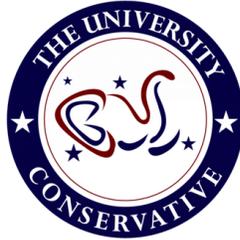
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