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Bob Harris is the Executive Director of Gold Coast Veterans Foundation, the region's leading nonprofit organization on an extraordinary mission to end homelessness and suffering for American military veterans.

The son of a US Army veteran who suffered (and eventually died) from long-term PTSD, Harris had five family

International, the organization that pioneered a successful cure for certain types of degenerative blindness.

The only member of his family who did not go blind from Retinitis Pigmentosa, Bob's career in philanthropy and community service began at age 13 and continues to this day 50 years later. Bob Harris has held every job in the nonprofit sector, from the mailroom to the boardroom.

Bob's approach to ending veteran suffering and homelessness can be summarized in these 15 words...

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PRESIDENT PAMELA FAULKNER 2022-2023

WELCOME BACK!

Greetings Lovely Ladies! I hope your summer was restful, relaxing and filled with new adventures. We are excited to share with you, as we move into the Fall, some educational and insightful events we have in store for you. I am looking forward to our times together!



Pamela Faulkner

CAMARILLO RWF PRESIDENT
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HAPPY LABOR DAY!

VENTURA GOP STATEMENT ON ASSEMBLY DEMS REFUSAL TO TAKE FLOOR VOTE ON CHILD TRAFFICKING BILL

July 13, 2023

It's time for Ventura County to fire these do-nothing legislators.

Thousand Oaks, Calif. – This morning, Assembly Democrats refused to allow Senate Bill 14 to be voted on. It's the second time in three days that Assembly Democrats have stalled the bill which would increase penalties for child sex trafficking.

On Tuesday, the Assembly Public Safety Committee voted 2-6 on a party-line vote, shooting the bill down.

Again, the Democratic majority in Sacramento is refusing to protect our kids," Ventura County Republican Party Chairman John Andersen said.

"This is another example of how out of touch our Democrat legislators are," Andersen said. "Even Governor Gavin Newsom supports this bill."

"Assemblywoman Jacqui Irwin and Assemblyman Jesse Gabriel couldn't even be bothered to do the job we pay them to do as neither of them voted on the motion to bring the bill to the Assembly floor for a vote," Andersen continued. "Meanwhile, Assemblyman Steve Bennett voted to delay this important bill longer by sending the bill to be re-heard by the same committee who shot it down two days ago. That's not acceptable."

"This is the latest in a string of bills meant to keep our kids safe that Irwin, Bennett, and Gabriel have refused to support," Andersen added. "It's time for Ventura County to fire these do-nothing legislators."



ATTENTION ALL CRWF MEMBERS: THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE IS SEEKING CANDIDATES FOR THE FOLLOWING ELECTED BOARD POSITIONS FOR 2024

It is time to put a roster together of potential Candidates for four key Board positions for 2024. The Nominating Committee is seeking candidates and/or recommendations. Each candidate must be a primary Member in good standing of the Club or transferring as a Member in good standing form another Republican Women's Club. Please contact one of the Nominating Committee Members if you are interested in serving on the Elected Board. (Contact information is provided at the end of this article.)

1. President: OPEN

- a. Key position....you cannot have a Club without a President.
- b. Call and preside over all meetings of the Club and the executive Committee.
- c. Represent the organization at all times, or designate someone as proxy in her absence.
- d. Prepare a program of action in consultations with the Chairmen of the Standing Committee and approved by the Executive Committee.
- e. Submit an annual budget for approval by membership; in conjunction with the Budget committee.
- f. Make Committee appointments as necessary to conduct the business of the Club.
- g. Be an ex-officio member of all Committees except the Financial Review and Nominating Committee.
- h. Represent the Club in all Republican Party activities.
- i. Represent the organization at all California Federated Republican Women (CA FRW) Conventions/Events/Workshops. Prepare and submit reports as requires by the CA FRW and the National Federation of Republican Women.

2. 2nd VP Membership: OPEN Co-VP's are acceptable.

- a. One of the positions handles the required Membership Monthly Reports (Per-Cap Reports) as required by the CA Federated Republican Women and the CRWF Membership Data Master.

Working knowledge of excel require.

- b. The other position is responsible for Membership Campaigns throughout the year; scheduling and leading New Member Meetings; and development and distribution of the Annual Membership Directory.
- c. Both positions prepare informational reports for the Newsletter.

3. 3rd VP Reservations: OPEN Co-VP's are acceptable.

- a. One of the positions handles the on-line reservation system, and the various reports/reporting of the Number of Reservations and Meals for scheduled luncheons/dinners. And makes the necessary arrangements with the Venue representative.
- b. The other position coordinates with Hospitality Chair, Membership Chair, Greeters, and the Chair of the Telephone Team. This position also coordinates reservations lists for check in to include menu choice and the check in team for each luncheon/dinner. serves

4. Secretary: OPEN

- a. Draft minutes at all Club meetings and Executive Committee meetings. Submit a copy to the President within 10 days after each meeting. Maintain a copy of all approved minutes.
- b. Keep an up-to-date file of ByLaws and Standing Rules of the Club. Update ByLaws and Standing Rules as required by the CA Federated Republican Women; submit to CA RWF for Approval; provide printed updates as required.
- c. Maintain all Club records and historial items.

Nominating Committee 2024:

1. Pam Lindeman, Chair, plindeman51@gmail.com
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3. Barbara Ito, bito.fsb@gmail.com
4. Gloria McComb, gloriarmacomb@verizon.net



MARCH 5, 2024, STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURES

Senate Constitutional Amendment

No. 2 RESOLUTION CHAPTER 182 Senate Constitutional Amendment

No. 2—A resolution to propose to the people of the State of California an amendment to the Constitution of the State, by repealing Article XXXIV thereof, relating to public housing projects. [Filed with Secretary of State September 13, 2022.] legislative counsel's digest SCA 2, Allen. Public housing projects. The California Constitution prohibits the development, construction, or acquisition of a low-rent housing project, as defined, in any manner by any state public body until a majority of the qualified electors of the city, town, or county in which the development, construction, or acquisition of the low-rent housing project is proposed approve the project by voting in favor at an election, as specified. This measure would repeal these provisions. Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, That the Legislature of the State of California at its 2021–22 Regular Session commencing on the seventh day of December 2020, two-thirds of the membership of each house concurring, hereby proposes to the people of the State of California, that the Constitution of the State be amended as follows: That Article XXXIV thereof is repealed.

Assembly Constitutional Amendment No. 5

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 125 Assembly Constitutional Amendment

No. 5—A resolution to propose to the people of the State of California an amendment to the Constitution of the State, by repealing and adding Section 7.5 of

Article I thereof, relating to rights. [Filed with Secretary of State July 20, 2023.] legislative counsel's digest ACA 5, Low. Marriage equality. The California Constitution provides that only a marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California, and federal law permanently enjoins the state from enforcing this constitutional provision. This measure would repeal this unenforceable constitutional provision and would instead provide that the right to marry is a fundamental right, as specified. WHEREAS, Courts have recognized that same-sex couples and interracial couples have the right to marry; and WHEREAS, This measure, if approved by the voters, would repeal language in the California Constitution stating marriage is only between a man and woman; and WHEREAS, This measure, if approved by the voters, would amend the California Constitution to include the fundamental right to marry as furthering the rights to enjoy life, liberty, safety, happiness, and privacy, and the rights to equal protection and due process; now, therefore, be it Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the Legislature of the State of California at its 2023–24 Regular Session commencing on the fifth day of December 2022, two-thirds of the membership of each house concurring, hereby proposes to the people of the State of California, that the Constitution of the State be amended as follows: First—That Section 7.5 of Article I thereof is repealed. Second—That Section 7.5 is added to Article I thereof, to read: SEC. 7.5. (a) The right to marry is a fundamental right. (b) This section is in furtherance of both of the following: (1) The inalienable rights to enjoy life and liberty and to pursue and obtain safety, happiness, and privacy guaranteed by Section 1. (2) The rights to due process and equal protection guaranteed by Section 7.





THE ADOLESCENT CITIZEN

From the Desk of Mary Ervin, CFRW President
Submitted by Jeanne Solnordal, Legislative Analyst
August 17, 2023

The State legislature has gone back to work this week

What is our Governor up to?

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT: GOVERNOR'S BEHAVIORAL HEALTH MODERNIZATION PROPOSAL

Impact of Governor's Proposal on Funding for Children and Youth

Summary. This post is one in a series of analyses on the various components of the Governor's Behavioral Health Modernization proposal. The Governor's proposal is reflected in (1) SB 326 (Eggman), as amended on July 13, 2023, which would make far-reaching changes to the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), and (2) AB 531 (Irwin), as amended June 19, 2023, which proposes a \$4.7 billion bond for behavioral health facilities and housing for veterans. As we discussed in a previous post, the Governor's proposal would change the funding categories under the MHSA, requiring counties to allocate more MHSA funding towards Full-Service Partnerships (FSPs) and housing interventions. This post assesses the potential impact of this aspect of the Governor's proposal on county spending for children and youth mental health services. We find that, on net, whether the current level of county spending on children and youth services would be maintained within MHSA is uncertain. While counties would have less flexibility to spend funds on some children and youth services, counties

likely would be able to increase spending of FSPs for children under 18. Consequently, and because there is no funding requirement for children and youth, the net effect on spending is unclear.

-Recommend Rejection of Governor's Proposal to Reduce Allowable County Reserves. In light of extreme Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) revenue volatility, allowable county reserves would have to be around two-thirds higher than their current levels to provide reasonable protection against declines in revenue. The Governor's proposal would therefore move allowable reserves in the wrong direction. In addition, we think counties should generally have more flexibility in how they can deposit and use reserves and offer suggestions for how to improve the overall MHSA reserve policy.

-Recommend Addressing MHSA Revenue Volatility Head On. The volatile MHSA tax is not suited to supporting ongoing mental health services and sufficiently mitigating MHSA revenue volatility with a reserve policy alone would be challenging. A more straightforward approach would be to change the MHSA revenue source. We offer an option that we think has little downside from either the state's or counties' perspectives.

-The governor said to look for amendments Tuesday to the Mental Health Services Reform Act, a proposal to redirect money from the state's millionaire's tax towards housing assistance. The amendments aim to address concerns raised by advocates and an analysis from the Legislative Analyst's Office that some county-run mental health programs could lose out. Asked about criticism that the program may not include enough local flexibility, Newsom replied: "I'm not interested in failing more efficiently."

For a complete detailed analysis go here:
Legislative Analyst office: <https://lao.ca.gov/Publications/Series/3>





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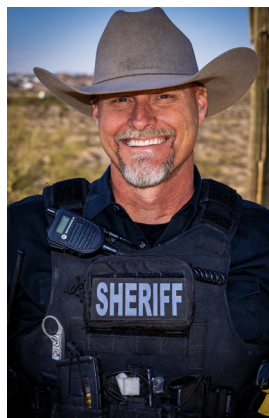
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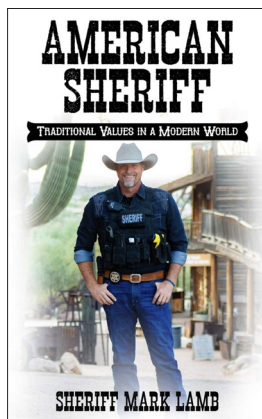
Sheriff Mark Lamb was born and raised in Hawaii, but his original roots are firmly planted in Chandler, AZ where he went to Junior High and graduated

from Chandler High School in 1990. After owning several businesses and moving back to his hometown of Chandler, he became a police officer for the Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Reservation.

During Academy, Lamb was valedictorian of his Academy class. Then, Lamb went on to become Rookie of the year as an officer. In the subsequent years, Lamb was named Officer of the year

and then Detective of the year. Lamb served on the SWAT Team and was a very successful gang and drug detective who, alongside federal and local partners, took down some of the most dangerous gangs operating off of the reservation.

Lamb later moved to the Pinal County Sheriff's Office as a deputy. His love for his country, the constitution, and the people of Arizona compelled him to run for Sheriff, which he did successfully in 2016, and he loves every minute of it.



During his first term, Sheriff Lamb has been able to do all he set out to do and more, due to cooperation with the other County leaders, command staff, and fantastic deputies. He is a proven advocate and proud supporter of our Constitution and will continue to publicly defend it.

Books for sale!



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MEAL CHOICE #1 — SLICED GRILLED TRI TIP — with Shallot bourbon Demi Glace, garlic mashed potatoes and haricot vert baby carrot medley starting with Arcadian mixed greens salad and cheesecake for dessert.

MEAL CHOICE #2 — BUTTERNUT SQUASH RAVIOLI — served with cranberries, wild mushroom, spinach and sage brown butter sauce, starting with Granny Smith apple, cucumbers, baby heirloom tomatoes, goat cheese, balsamic vinaigrette and cheesecake for dessert.

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MORE GUN RESTRICTIONS

For years, Gov. Gavin Newsom has signed law after law layering on bans, restrictions and limitations on guns in California, only to see those laws swatted down by conservative judges for violating the U.S. Constitution's right to keep and bear arms.

Now Newsom has a new idea: Change the Constitution itself.

Today the governor, who has become one of the country's most outspoken advocates for tighter gun laws, proposed adding a 28th amendment to the U.S. Constitution to place new age limits, background check requirements and mandatory waiting periods for gun purchasers. His proposed amendment would also ban the civilian ownership of so-called assault weapons.

The governor plans to keep pushing his proposal to amend the U.S. Constitution on gun control. Today, Assembly Public Safety Chairperson Reggie Jones-Sawyer and Senate Public Safety.

Chairperson Aisha Wahab are to highlight a joint resolution that would call for a constitutional convention. The amendment, which Newsom is pursuing through his Campaign for Democracy PAC, would ban assault rifles, raise the federal minimum age to buy a firearm to 21 from 18 and mandate universal background checks, as well as institute a "reasonable" waiting period.

Also see:

AB-28 Firearms and ammunition: excise tax.

AB-1089 Firearms. (licensing)

AB-1133 Firearms: concealed carry licenses.

CALIFORNIA TO FINE SCHOOL DISTRICT \$1.5M FOR REJECTING TEXTBOOKS

Author: Staff (ABC10)

Published: 9:18 PM PDT July 19, 2023

Updated: 9:18 PM PDT July 19, 2023

CALIFORNIA, USA — The Temecula Valley Unified School District is getting new textbooks from the state along with the bill and a \$1.5 million fine.

In a news release from Governor Gavin Newsom, he said the board's decision to reject textbooks will leave them without proper instruction materials for the new school year.

The governor said the state is entering into a contract for textbooks to provide students.

"The three political activists on the school board have yet again proven they are more interested in breaking the law than doing their jobs of educating students — so the state will do their job for them," said Governor Newsom. "California will ensure students in Temecula begin the school year with access to materials reviewed by parents and recommended by teachers across the district. After we deliver the textbooks into the hands of students and their parents, the state will deliver the bill — along with a \$1.5 million fine — to the school board for its decision to willfully violate the law, subvert the will of parents, and force children to use an out-of-print textbook from 17 years ago."

Officials said district students are using a textbook that was published in 2006. According to a news release, the





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district is out of compliance with at least three separate state laws and frameworks with its current curriculum.

Despite state officials calling on the school district adopt updated curriculum, the school board voted to reject the adoption of a new social studies curriculum on July 18. The curriculum was recommended by teachers in the district and reviewed by parents. Citing the school district, Newsom's office said the 98.8% of parents, educators and community members were supportive or impartial to the curriculum.

Newsom is also working with the legislators and the Superintendent of Public Instruction to fine school districts that don't provide "adequate instructional materials" to students.

Newsom will be visiting schools and high school career academies around the state — including today in Elk Grove — to emphasize career pathways. The governor, who is helping lead recent efforts against book bans, also pushed back on the narrative from “outside agitators” on classroom culture wars, saying that parents are involved in the educational process.

A parental rights rally, led by board members in school districts that have sought to limit classroom materials, is set for the Capitol today.
ABC News 10

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OCTOBER 13-14, 2023

FOUR POINTS BY SHERATON-SACRAMENTO AIRPORT





NOVEMBER 2024 ELIGIBLE STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURES

EXPANDS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS' AUTHORITY TO ENACT RENT CONTROL ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. INITIATIVE STATUTE.

Summary Date: 02/27/23 (PDF)

Final Random Sample Count: 07/26/23 (PDF)

ELIGIBLE: 07/26/23 (PDF)

Signatures Required: 601,317

Proponent(s): Ashoke Talukdar

Current state law (the Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act of 1995) generally prevents cities and counties from limiting the initial rental rate that landlords may charge to new tenants in all types of housing, and from limiting rent increases for existing tenants in (1) residential properties that were first occupied after February 1, 1995; (2) single-family homes; and (3) condominiums. This measure would repeal that state law and would prohibit the state from limiting the right of cities and counties to maintain, enact, or expand residential rent-control ordinances.

Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on the state and local governments: Overall, a potential reduction in state and local revenues in the high tens of millions of dollars per year over time. Depending on actions by local communities, revenue losses could be less or more. (22-0008.)

PROVIDES FUNDING FOR PANDEMIC DETECTION AND PREVENTION BY INCREASING TAX ON PERSONAL INCOME OVER \$5 MILLION.

INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.

Summary Date: 11/22/21

Final Random Sample Count: 7/05/22 (PDF)

ELIGIBLE: 07/05/22 (PDF)

Signatures Required: 997,139

Proponent(s): Max Henderson, Anna Maybach

Increases tax on personal income over \$5 million by 0.75% for 10 years, and allocates new tax revenues as follows: 50% to the California Institute for Pandemic Prevention (established by this measure), to award grants for research and development of technologies to detect and prevent future pandemics; 25% for public health programs for pandemic preparedness; and 25% for improvements to school facilities to limit disease transmission. Creates Independent Scientific Governing Board to administer the Institute; requires board members have specified medical, technological, or public-health expertise. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local governments: Increased state tax revenues that likely would range from around \$500 million to \$1.5 billion annually for the ten-year period the new tax would be in effect. Revenues entirely would support activities related to infectious disease control and pandemic prevention. (21-0022A1.)



WATERGATE REDUX: THOSE DEFENDING THE BIDEN CRIME FAMILY WILL EVENTUALLY LOOK LIKE FOOLS

By Richard W. Rahn

Many bright young people come to Washington — to do good. Some do right well. A few others go to jail. But most eventually end up feeling various degrees of disgust.

In 1973, recently out of graduate school and immediately following a stint as the New York director of research for President Richard Nixon's reelection campaign, I arrived in Washington to oversee an organization of young Republican professionals — giving me a front-row seat to the Watergate scandal. All scandals are different, but many of those caught up in them act in the same predictable ways. The increasingly unwilling participants in the Biden crime family scandal are acting in much the same way as those in or around the Nixon administration did during Watergate.

Nixon had a record landslide over George McGovern in 1972 because McGovern had been portrayed as soft on defense (the Soviet Union was viewed as a real threat by most people), incompetent on economic issues, and off in la-la land on social issues. Many feared that it would be the end of the American republic if McGovern were elected; therefore, no action to prevent his election was viewed as too extreme. In the same way, some of the never-Trumpers believe it is OK to violate the Constitution to prevent former President Donald Trump's reelection. The first reaction of a president's supporters is that the president knew nothing about it (i.e., the Watergate break-in or Hunter Biden's pay-for-play). In Nixon's case, the evidence is that he did not have prior knowledge or approve of the break-in, but when he learned that some of those involved did have connections to the White House, the reelection campaign, the FBI and the CIA, he helped organize the cover-up — big mistake.

As with Nixon, as more and more evidence of President Biden's knowledge of the crimes comes out and

his supporters look increasingly silly, fewer and fewer will remain loyalists. Rep. Dan Goldman of New York, a strong, knowledgeable and articulate Democratic defender of the president, tried to argue this past week that the 20 or so phone calls revealed by Devon Archer made to Mr. Biden during Hunter Biden's meetings with corrupt foreign parties might have been "about the weather." Mr. Goldman will forever be remembered for that comment. Visualize the movie: "Yeah, the phone call was only about the weather."

The people at the Justice Department, the FBI, or on the White House staff who in some way or another are trying to cover for the president do so out of personal and party loyalties. They unrealistically assume they will be protected by their higher-ups. It would be wise for them to read many of the books written by those who were convicted of Watergate-related crimes and hung out to dry. The books are instructive about how basically good people, with many regrets, got caught up in something and failed to extract themselves until it was too late.

In Watergate, 69 people were indicted, and 48 officials were convicted, including two U.S. attorneys general (John Mitchell and Richard Kleindienst). Mitchell was convicted of "conspiracy, obstruction of justice, and perjury" and served prison time as a result. Merrick Garland, the current attorney general, appears likely to have committed or is committing those same crimes. Mr. Garland, read history: You are not above the law, and the chances are, if you fail to come clean soon, you are likely to have the same fate as the late John Mitchell.

One of the ironies is that it is unlikely that any of those who were convicted in Watergate had any intention of doing wrong when they came to Washington (again, most wanted to do good), and none of them actually stole money. They fell on their swords for misplaced

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loyalties, feelings of invincibility, or just poor judgment. Members of Congress will behave in a predictable way. Democrats will be very unified in standing with their president. But as more and more evidence comes out (and it almost certainly will) about the Biden crime family, more Democrats will go their own way for self-preservation (particularly those in close races). The House Republicans will pass articles of impeachment, the Senate Democrats will split, and, as with Nixon, the senior Democrats in leadership will go to the president and tell him it is all over — and he can use a health excuse — but he must resign. (Perhaps some of them will even be creative enough to deal with the Kamala Harris problem.)

Initially, much of the press was skeptical about what turned out to be the Watergate scandal. Most bought into the line that it was just a third-rate burglary of little importance. The Washington Post was pretty much alone in claiming that Watergate was a big story (much

like the way the New York Post was treated when it first revealed the Hunter laptop story). Some major newspapers, like the Los Angeles Times, even ran stories trying to discredit The Washington Post's Watergate reporting. Other papers, like the Chicago Tribune and Philadelphia Inquirer, failed to report significant information, much like the major cable networks, other than Fox, have been doing with the Biden scandal. Eventually, the truth will come out, and all of those in the political and media establishment who have been in denial or part of the cover-up will once again, deservedly, look like fools or worse.

Richard W. Rahn is chairman of the Institute for Global Economic Growth and MCon LLC

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WHO WILL GO TO PRISON, BIDEN OR TRUMP?

By Richard W. Rahn
Published August 15, 2023

The Biden Democrats have made no secret that they are willing to do almost anything to put Mr. Trump behind bars. The necessity of locking up Mr. Trump for Mr. Biden and his family to remain free has become even more acute given the added evidence of wrongdoing by the Biden family. Mr. Biden has to be reelected to be certain that no member of his family, including himself, is convicted of any felony with prison time or, if convicted, pardoned. Mr. Trump has to be elected for him to be certain that the Biden Justice Department will not continue to pursue him until they have a conviction on some felony with jail time.

Mr. Trump already has three indictments against him, and he will likely have four in a matter of days. These indictments are in different jurisdictions for different alleged crimes, and each indictment carries multiple counts. The risk to Mr. Trump is that, if even most of these indictments are political and without real merit, a conviction of a few counts on any one of the charges could put him in the big house. To assume that his lawyers will be able to get all of the charges tossed or for Mr. Trump to be found innocent on all charges is a bet that most people would not want to make. (Again, remember that Mr. Trump will face different juries — some of which are likely to be hostile — for different charges in different places.) Assuming that any conviction can be dragged out in the appellate process for months or even a couple of years, Mr. Trump's only certain home-free card is winning the presidency with the ability to pardon himself.

Mr. Biden is in an equally difficult position if he does not win reelection. Mr. Trump is unlikely to forgive the hell he has been put through. When Mr. Trump was elected in 2016, he failed to fully understand how vicious the Washington swamp is and how important it was to have the right people on his team. He made a number of personnel mistakes when initially putting together his Cabinet — most notably by picking the weak and timid Attorney General Jeff Sessions, who failed to protect

him from the Russian hoax, etc. Mr. Trump is unlikely to make that mistake again if elected. He is likely to pick a smart and tough AG who will clean up Justice and the FBI and pursue the Biden family and other crooked Democrats until they are locked up.

It is already obvious that unbiased prosecutors will have many possible charges to bring against the Biden crime family, including bribery, money laundering, treason, tax evasion, etc. To date, many Democrats have been making absurd excuses for all of the obvious wrongdoing by the Bidens. As the Babylon Bee headlined in jest: "Democrats Say It'll Take A Lot More Than Eyewitness Testimony, Bank Records, Audio, Video, Complete Confessions, For Them To Believe Biden Did Anything Wrong." Fools in the press, who are incapable of seeing criminality by Democrats for either partisan reasons or because they are stupid, might continue to buy the "innocent" line for a bit longer until the evidence becomes so overwhelming that even the dimmest among them might notice that there is a problem.

Given that the stakes are so high, the contestants are likely to resort to almost anything to win — not a pleasant thought for our democracy. The loser will not be taking out the other guy for a beer the day after the election.

For those who are not old enough to remember, many of our presidential contests used to be highly civil. When President Ronald Reagan ran for reelection against former Vice President Walter Mondale, there were no personal attacks because both were nice and honest men. They argued over issues: defense, taxes, regulations, spending. The debates were good-humored. When questions arose about Reagan being too old (he was 73 at the time, seven years younger than Mr. Biden is now), Reagan responded to Mondale that he was "not going to exploit, for political purposes, [his] opponent's youth and inexperience." Everyone laughed, including Mondale.

Presidents George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton spent time together as friends after Mr. Clinton defeated Bush. The 41st president lost because of self-inflicted wounds — failure to stick with his "no new taxes" pledge and

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"flexible freeze" to control spending. It was ironic that Mr. Clinton in his second term and Speaker Newt Gingrich passed the last budget with a surplus.

At the moment, it is difficult to see a graceful exit from the current mess. For the country's sake, it would be best if both Messrs. Trump and Biden would walk away and allow a new generation of Republicans and Democrats to run against each other. For this to happen, there would need to be an ironclad agreement from the next president (Republican or Democratic) to pardon both Messrs. Trump and Biden.

There is a partial precedent. After President Richard Nixon resigned, President Gerald Ford pardoned him, causing a firestorm of criticism at the time, which quickly subsided. In retrospect, most agree that Ford did the right thing. It put the agony of Watergate in the past, and the nation almost immediately went back to normal. Ford understood that the continuation of the American republic was far more important than the fate of any president.

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Happy Fall to all - hope you had a wonderful restful summer. Look forward to seeing you at the next meeting and a reminder to bring along a friend to the next luncheon knowing how important these times are for us to be together for our country.

*Thank you and respectfully submitted,
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