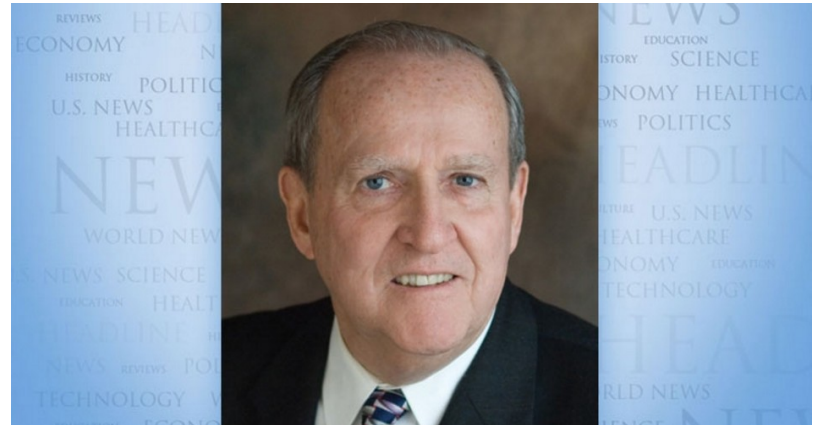


Weld Challenges Trump Reelection





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end of the 2016 campaign, he heaped praise on Hillary Clinton by declaring in a television appearance, "I'm here vouching for Mrs. Clinton."

Back into the Republican Party in early 2019, Weld seems determined to use his latest political adventure simply to hurt Trump. In a video made for use by his partisans, viewers will find footage showing the president ridiculing John McCain, mocking a man with physical disabilities, and insisting that "Mexico will pay for the wall." The video also reminds viewers of the former libertarian's fiscal conservatism.

While seeking to diminish support for the Trump reelection effort, Weld will make the "Make America Great Again" president the first GOP incumbent to face a primary challenge since George H.W. Bush had to deal with one mounted by Pat Buchanan in 1992. Expecting to receive criticism for his having quit the GOP and run with Gary Johnson as a candidate of the Libertarian Party, the in-again-out-again Republican plans to remind voters that Donald Trump spent most his adult years as a Democrat before deciding to run as a Republican in 2016.

William Weld hopes he can get numerous anti-Trump sparks to fly as he challenges the president. Whether he can derail the Trump reelection, an unlikely development, remains to be seen. But his goal is clear: Hurt Trump. And he will likely receive an inordinate amount of media attention in the months ahead from its many CFR and Deep State partisans.

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