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## Inside Track

### Glenn Beck Withdraws Support for Constitutional Convention



Glenn Beck (AP Images)

Popular talk-show host Glenn Beck announced on September 15 on his show that he no longer supports an Article V Convention to amend the Constitution.

“I have been a supporter of the Article V Convention of States. I’ve been a pretty big supporter, vocal supporter. I’m reversing that today,” he said during the episode titled “Media Praises Biden for Solving a Problem He Created.”

Convention of States (COS), the leading organization lobbying for this dangerous ploy — a group members of The John Birch Society have encountered in state legislatures across the nation and have recently defeated in Ohio, Iowa, Utah, and South Dakota — benefited from Beck’s prior support.

The John Birch Society, the parent organization of *The New American* magazine, has not only long opposed calling a modern-day constitutional convention (Con-Con), but has also played a major role in preventing such a convention from coming about. In his remarks, Beck echoed as a reason for his reversal a major JBS talking point — that we are currently in no position as a populace to open up our Constitution for possible revisions.

“We are not the people to open up this sacred document. We are not the people — that was a God-inspired document,” Beck said. “I withdraw my support. And I’m sorry to say that, but I withdraw my support.... This Constitution is wholly inadequate for anyone other than a religious and moral people. We are not those people.”

This comes on the heels of Dr. Robert Malone sharing with his large Substack audience an article by JBS research project manager Christian Gomez on the dangers of a Con-Con. That got COS’s attention, and they quickly fired off two posts on their website to contain the damage.

— Paul Dragu



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## Poll: Americans Think Civil War Likely in Next 10 Years



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The country is sharply divided today, with growing political tension, partisan rhetoric, economic duress, and woke policies invading everyday life. Now comes an August 24 poll from YouGov and *The Economist* showing that, with the political tension and division, about 43 percent of Americans believe a civil war is at least somewhat likely in the next decade. Only 35 percent of the 1,500 people surveyed said civil war was not likely or not very likely.

According to the survey,

Two-thirds of Americans (66%) believe that political divisions in this country have gotten worse since the beginning of 2021, compared to only 8% who say the country has grown less divided. Few see things improving in the coming years: 62% expect an increase in political divisions.

A similar share (63%) to the proportion who say political divisions have worsened (66%) say political violence has increased since the start of 2021. Three in five Americans (60%) anticipate an increase in political violence in the next few years and only 9% expect political violence to decline.

The poll then compared Democrats and Republicans on political division in the country. Republicans were more likely to say political division has worsened lately and expect the political divide to widen.

It's obvious to anyone who has a pulse that the nation is going through some serious political upheaval. Every day, Americans are bombarded with woke, agenda-driven government actions that can only widen the ever-growing political divide that the poll accurately captured.

However you view the results of the poll, the heightened political divisiveness can only mean that more good people are getting active and standing up for what they know is best for our Republic.

— David Kelly



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## New York Governor Tells Opponents to “Head Down to Florida”



Kathy Hochul (AP Images)

New York Democrat Kathy Hochul, the plastic politician elevated to the governorship after her predecessor resigned in disgrace, has a message for political opponents: Leave the state and relocate to Florida.

At an August 29 evening rally in Kingston, Hochul said that she’s “fighting to bring government back to the people and out of the hands of dictators.” Now there’s a campaign slogan — for her gubernatorial opponent Lee Zeldin (R). New York has been controlled by Democrats for decades.

As for the governor threatening her opponents with a good time, she referenced not just Donald Trump and Zeldin, but also Dutchess County executive Marc Molinaro, saying, “Trump and Zeldin and Molinaro — just jump on a bus and head down to Florida where you belong, okay? Get out of town. Because you don’t represent our values.”

Whether those “values” include lying about Covid data for political reasons, which New York’s government did, was not reported.

Hochul’s predecessor, Andrew Cuomo, had opined likewise, saying that conservatives “who are right-to-life, pro-assault-weapon, [and] anti-gay ... have no place in the state of New York, because that’s not who New Yorkers are.”

This was in 2014 — before Cuomo learned he had no place in the governor’s mansion.

A couple of Hochul’s targets were quick to respond, with Zeldin tweeting, “You’re losing your marbles lady,” and Molinaro calling her statement “shameful.”

Many interpreted the governor’s comments as meaning she wanted all her state’s 5.4 million Republicans to depart; for Hochul’s part, she might say her unwelcome mat only applies to the few politicians mentioned. Yet the former interpretation is understandable; after all, if *persona non grata* status applies to the “moderate” Zeldin and Molinaro, why wouldn’t millions of their co-ideologists be included?

Of course, this wouldn’t exactly work wonders for the Empire State’s tax base, already eroded by the



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departure of 1.5 million residents during the last decade. On the plus side, though, New York is getting some new arrivals from Texas — regular busloads of them.

— Selwyn Duke

## **FBI Agents Claim Wray Has “Lost Control” of the Agency**



Christopher Wray (AP Images)

Kurt Siuzdak, a lawyer and former FBI agent who now represents several current FBI “whistleblowers,” told *The Washington Times* on August 31 that “they’re saying, ‘How does this guy [FBI Director Christopher Wray] survive? ... He’s got to leave.’”

Siuzdak, a 25-year veteran of the agency, left in March due to what he perceived to be a strong partisan political bias at the very top of the FBI.

At the “very top” sits a Trump appointee, Christopher Wray, who replaced Jim Comey as head of the agency after Trump fired Comey in May 2017. As Wray is a Yale law graduate and a member of the prestigious Federalist Society, with a long history in both public service and private practice, Trump thought he was appointing someone who would clean house.

Instead, the man he chose turned out to be part of the problem instead of the solution.

Thanks to numerous FBI whistleblowers, Senator Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa) has brought the situation to light. Serving as the top Republican on the Senate Judiciary Committee, he has been privy to numerous agents’ complaints about that bias and has written repeatedly to Wray asking for explanations.

Grassley mentioned specifically the actions of FBI Assistant Agent in Charge Timothy Thibault, noting that he exhibited a “pattern of active public partisanship” and requesting an investigation into that “pattern.” Thibault exhibited his bias against Donald Trump in a series of social-media posts, which, when Grassley’s letter became public, were deleted.

Thibault also had a hand in dismissing demands that Hunter Biden’s laptop information be investigated, calling any such evidence “disinformation.” Thibault was put on temporary leave following Grassley’s claims, and that temporary leave became permanent when Thibault announced his retirement from the agency in late August.

Sending Thibault off into retirement isn’t going to end the corruption at the very top of the FBI, though.





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Hopefully he will serve not as the scapegoat, but as the first of many at the top to be exposed.

— Bob Adelman



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