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## The 2020 Election: All Lawyered Up and Readying for War

Since the 2000 contest between George Bush, Jr. and Al Gore, American elections have become increasingly bitter winnertake-all slugfests, with this year's looking to rival Abraham Lincoln's. Both Democrats and Republicans are preparing for it by recruiting lawyers on a previously unimaginable level.

In early June, Joe Biden ratcheted up his campaign on Comedy Central's The Daily Show, stating that his deepest fear was that President Trump was going to try to "steal" the election. Further, he chastised Trump for casting doubt on the integrity of mail-in ballots, and he disparaged states that, according to him, are making it harder for people to vote. Biden later bragged that his campaign had gathered a group of 600 lawyers and over 10,000 volunteers to combat voter suppression. When asked about the possibility of Trump refusing to leave office should he lose the election, Biden responded, "I am absolutely convinced they [the military] will escort him from the White House with great dispatch."



In the face of such a threat, the Trump campaign launched the "<u>Lawyers for Trump</u>" alliance to "<u>mobilize support</u>" for President Donald Trump's reelection. Its advisory board includes 11 current or former attorneys general, one <u>Am Law 200 attorney</u>, and Rudy Giuliani, in what is poised to be the most litigated U.S. election in decades.

In a recent interview with the <u>Washington Times</u>, Michael Toner, former chairman of the Federal Election Commission, stated, "The 2020 election might be Bush v. Gore on steroids." In the same article, Hans von Spakovsky, manager of the Election Law Reform Initiative at the Heritage Foundation, commented that while the hiring of lawyers for close elections is common, Biden's reported hiring of 600 lawyers is unprecedented. Spakovsky estimates that already over 150 <u>lawsuits</u> have been <u>filed</u> this year, with the majority of them from liberal advocacy groups or the Democratic Party. "It's a sign that Biden wants to litigate his way into the presidency."

Both sides of the political aisle have questioned the integrity of this upcoming election, with <u>President</u> <u>Trump</u> stating, "What they're doing is using COVID to steal an election. They're using COVID to defraud the American people, all of our people, of a fair and free election." <u>Hillary Clinton</u> stated on Showtime's *The Circus*, "Joe Biden should not concede under any circumstances because I think this is going to drag out, and eventually I do believe he will win if we don't give an inch," in an interview for Further

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fanning the flames, <u>Al Gore</u> called Trump's statements, "put(ting) his knee on the neck of democracy." Adding "Trump is trying to rip apart the social fabric and the political equilibrium of the American people, and he's strategically planting doubts in advance to try to undermine people's confidence in the election."

In case the Democrats lose the election, they are already stirring up their radical followers to fight the results. Perhaps the most despicable move in this effort to create division was the statement of perennial flamethrower <u>Nancy Pelosi</u>, calling President Trump and Republicans in Congress "<u>enemies</u> <u>of the state</u>."

The Left uses Trump's <u>refusal</u> to confirm his willingness to step down if he loses to Biden to enflame an already unhinged base. At the same time, the Right is becoming upset because of the underhandedness of the Democrats: The Left plans to use the influence of millions of <u>votes</u> by illegal aliens, use the MSM to censor <u>conservative</u> thoughts, and benefit from the help of lackeys of the <u>Chinese Communist Party</u>, which has been accused of hiring a million or more people to influence Internet comments on the election.

But some of the Left's actions may be backfiring, such as backing the now-daily riots (which initially caused even big-name corporations to get on board leftist efforts). The lawlessness displayed on the streets of America today are angering Americans. The billion-dollar <u>cost</u> of these riots will exceed that of the 1992 Rodney King riots. The death toll, already above 30 by mid-August, took a leap upward after <u>Kyle Rittenhouse</u> used deadly force to defend himself from rioters who were attacking him in Kenosha, Wisconsin, and the gunning-down of Aaron Danielson, a Trump <u>supporter</u> in Portland, Oregon, by a self-described <u>Antifa</u> enforcer.

Until the rampaging of Antifa and BLM began to affect Democrats' support in the <u>polls</u>, the Left had been extremely vocal in their backing. But as Democrats see their lead in polls drop — and see Trump's stance on law and order garner more American support — the Left is trying to blame the unrest on Trump and even claiming the <u>Russians are helping Trump exploit BLM</u>.

With the threat of <u>civil war</u> escalating daily, there has not been a more critical election in our lifetime. Standing on the sideline is no longer an option as the violence spirals into anarchy, and those seeking to destroy our constitutional Republic turn their gaze onto those <u>defending</u> it.

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