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No Deadline to Investigate the Fraudulent Election

Liberals should not be allowed to run out the clock to prevent a thorough investigation of the election fraud. When the weak Attorney General Bill Barr said he has not seen enough evidence of election fraud, the translation is that he has not yet thoroughly investigated it.

Robert Mueller spent more than \$30 million and nearly two years investigating frivolous accusations about the 2016 election, so it is silly to expect sophisticated fraud in this election to be proven in 35 days. Yet partisan deniers of wrongdoing try to misuse deadlines found nowhere in the Constitution to certify an unconstitutional election.

There is only one deadline in the Constitution for filling the office of president: January 20, every four years. Plenty of time remains to consider the mounting evidence of how this election was stolen, and for key state legislatures to choose an untainted set of Electoral College members.

The Constitution does not require a vote of the Electoral College on December 14. Between 1888 and 1932 – a span of 12 presidential elections – the members of the Electoral College cast their votes on the second Monday in January.

The 20th Amendment advanced the Inauguration from March 4 to January 20, but until then it is appropriate to ferret out election fraud to make sure the right person is sworn into office. Indeed, Biden and Democrats should welcome the investigations as enthusiastically as they pushed the Mueller one.

The timetable set by federal statutes has already been violated by Democrats. Federal law dictates that “The electors of President and Vice President shall be appointed, in each State, on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, in every fourth year.”

If that law had been complied with, Trump clearly won the election, because more than enough votes were cast on November 3 to give Trump a solid majority of the Electoral College. Trump’s opponents want to ignore that federal statute in order to include hundreds of thousands of improper mailed-in ballots.

In Michigan, less than one-half of one percent of the 3.3 million absentee or mail-in ballots received were rejected,

which is an implausibly high rate of success for millions of people performing a tricky and unfamiliar task. A study by ABC News of the 2016 and 2018 elections showed that an average of 1.2% of those ballots were disallowed.

Mail-in ballots have been counted in implausibly high percentages of up to 100% for Biden. By reducing the rejection rate to nearly zero, Biden received an unfair boost in the close states, tipping the result in Georgia.

Yet Georgia refused to do a full signature audit of the mail-in ballots, even after its weak Republican Governor Brian Kemp said that such an audit should be done. Kemp claims he lacks the authority to order this basic review of election integrity.

“Your people are refusing to do what you ask. What are they hiding?” Trump tweeted in response. He held a massive rally in Georgia on December 5 at which he observed, “We just need somebody with courage to do what they have to do.”

Governor Kemp admitted that he has the authority to call a special session of the legislature, which could immediately select an untainted slate of electors. Yet he refuses to do that, too, and legislators fail to convene on their own as they could under the U.S. Constitution.

Texas filed a massive lawsuit against Pennsylvania, Georgia, Michigan, and Wisconsin for conducting an unconstitutional election in which hundreds of thousands of ballots were illegally counted. Six states, led by Missouri, moved to intervene on the side of Texas, and a dozen others supported Texas with an amicus brief.

“A dark cloud hangs over the 2020 Presidential election,” Texas pointed out in its filing. The dark cloud results from Democrats’ own actions, as they improperly changed election rules in swing states without approval of the state legislatures, as the Constitution requires.

The Supreme Court rejected Texas’ lawsuit in a single sentence: “Texas has not demonstrated a judicially cognizable interest in the manner in which another state conducts its elections.” The effect was to rob all Americans of an honest presidential election.

Pollster Patrick Basham confirms what most Republican voters know: it is statistically unlikely that Trump would have lost a fair vote count. “Donald Trump did very well, even better than four years earlier, with the white working class,” Basham points out.

“He held his own with women and suburban voters against all or most of the polling expectations, did very well with Catholics, improved his vote among Jewish voters.” Basham added that Trump “had the best minority performance for a Republican since Richard Nixon in 1960, doing so well with African-Americans, and importantly with Hispanics.”

The Supreme Court itself has held, in *Burson v. Freeman* (1992), that election fraud is “successful precisely because” it is “difficult to detect.” Americans are entitled to an honest election result and any delay that may be necessary to fully uncover the fraud.

Rampant Election Fraud Continues

“Voting in Georgia when you are not a resident of Georgia is a felony,” blustered the ineffective Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger on November 30, as he denounced well-publicized efforts to enlist temporary residents to vote in the January 5 election for two seats in the U.S. Senate. “Third-party groups have a responsibility to not encourage illegal voting.”

But he and other Republican state officials have the responsibility not to use a voting system that allows fraud in the first place. Occasionally urging people to behave, and not to exploit a system rife with vulnerabilities, does not prevent fraud when the political stakes are so high.

Of the 4.9 million ballots counted in Georgia in the recent presidential election, some 3.9 million were cast by the Friday before election day, and many of those ballots were mailed in without verifiable proof of their legality. Yet Joe Biden insists he won the Peach State by just 12,670 votes, or only one-fourth of 1% of ballots cast.

President Trump properly said he is “ashamed” of ever having endorsed Georgia’s do-nothing governor, Brian Kemp, who continues to fail to protect election integrity there while control of the U.S. Senate hangs in the balance with the upcoming runoff election.

As of more than a month prior to the special election, a whopping 900,000 Georgians had already reportedly requested mail-in ballots, many of which will probably be filled in or returned by Democrat operatives paid to boost the numbers for Democrat candidates, as they did for Biden. Unlike in-person voting, there is no meaningful way to protect against fraud in filling out and returning mail-in ballots.

Raffensperger announced that the New Georgia Project had “sent voter registration applications to New York City,” which is a potential violation of Georgia law. He

declared that NGP, recently headed by Democrat U.S. Senate candidate Rev. Raphael Warnock and before that by Democrat gubernatorial candidate Stacey Abrams, is under investigation as are three other groups.

Such investigations should have been done long before now, of course. And since election fraud by Democrats is rarely prosecuted, no one is holding his breath that any real prosecutions will ever happen.

Way back in 2014, the office of the Georgia Secretary of State, which was then headed by now-Governor Kemp, had investigated the same group, yet delayed three years before referring that case to law enforcement. Charges were never brought, which is typical when the accused are liberals.

Other Georgia groups now being investigated include one which allegedly mailed “absentee ballot applications to people at addresses where they have not lived since 1994,” another which purportedly registered a dead Alabaman to cast a ballot in Georgia, and a third which urged college students to change residency to vote.

Elections should not rely on begging people not to cheat. Kemp, Raffensperger, and the GOP-controlled Georgia legislature should be installing safeguards to ensure that fraudulent ballots are caught and rejected before they are counted.

Georgia law requires voter ID for casting a ballot in person, and yet permits mailing in ballots by anyone and everyone. There is no justification for permitting massive stuffing of the ballot box by unverified voters.

In Pennsylvania, Commonwealth Court Judge Patricia McCullough suspended mailed-in ballots as a violation of that state’s constitution, in a case brought by newly reelected U.S. Representative Mike Kelly of Erie. Judge McCullough properly questioned the 2.6 million mailed-in ballots which erased the landslide victory earned by President Trump on Election Day, when he won among in-person voters by nearly 700,000 votes.

The Democrat-controlled Pennsylvania Supreme Court, which had already allowed mail-in ballots to trickle in for days after Election Day in violation of state law, quickly reversed the good ruling by the lower court. The Pennsylvania Supreme Court did not express any doubt that the mail-in voting violated its constitution, but permitted it anyway by saying plaintiffs should have sued earlier.

The Pennsylvania Senate held a post-election hearing about fraud but then failed to take action as authorized by Article II, Section 1 of the U.S. Constitution to pick electors for the Electoral College. Republicans improved their majority in the Pennsylvania legislature this election, but Democrats insist Biden won the state based on an implausible imbalance in mailed-in ballots.

Neither mailed-in ballots nor electronic voting machines can be properly audited to ensure the same level of integrity associated with traditional in-person voting. To restore confidence in the process, states should return to

traditional paper ballots, marked in person by each voter on Election Day.

While the Leftist ground game steals elections, Republican campaigns continue to be dominated by ineffective, highly paid consultants who enrich themselves with commissions for placing television ads. The result could make the January 5th Senate runoff election in Georgia a pathetic television rerun of the recently stolen presidential election.

Leftists Marching through Georgia

As our nation waited for Georgia to complete its second recount of ballots cast in the 2020 presidential election, it's worth reviewing what previously happened in the same state where General William Tecumseh Sherman marched destructively to the sea after the 1864 presidential election.

In the 2018 race for governor of Georgia, the Republican candidate, then secretary of state Brian Kemp, defeated Democrat Stacey Abrams by about 50,000 votes, or 1.4 percent of the 3.9 million votes cast. But Abrams did not concede on election night, or the next day, or the day after that.

Instead, Stacey Abrams pursued every possible avenue to overturn governor-elect Brian Kemp's apparent victory. Her campaign examined absentee and provisional ballots in search of additional votes, and even filed a federal lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of Georgia's election procedures.

After that election Stacey Abrams called a news conference in which she announced: "to be clear, this is not a speech of concession. ... As a woman of conscience and faith, I cannot concede."

Her non-concession was supported by other Democrats such as Senator Cory Booker of New Jersey, who said, "I think that Stacey Abrams's election is being stolen from her, using what I think are insidious measures to disenfranchise certain groups of people."

Five months later, in April 2019, Senator Elizabeth Warren insisted that "massive voter suppression prevented Stacey Abrams from becoming the rightful governor of Georgia." Later, in August, Stacey told an audience, "I will say something that seems to anger people when I say it: We won. We won that election."

Liberal publications and cable networks indulged Stacey's claim that she really won the election, or would have won if the vote had been fair. She was not censored by Twitter, Facebook, or YouTube for spreading disinformation, and her posts were not slapped with a label warning that her claims were disputed.

The 2018 election in Georgia is worth revisiting because of the new approach that Stacey Abrams brought to politics. Her efforts sought to outnumber traditional Georgia voters with a new, more progressive electorate.

Her New Georgia Project, which she co-founded in 2014, targeted the "New American Majority – people of color, those 18 to 29 years of age, and unmarried women." The group, which raised over \$10 million from undisclosed donors, claims it registered 500,000 new voters from groups more likely to vote for progressive candidates.

Stacey's strategy was revealed by a *New York Times* columnist named Michelle Goldberg, whose column entitled "We can replace them" caused a stir just before the 2018 election. Goldberg's column depicted Georgia as a state in which "an embittered white conservative minority clings to power, terrified at being swamped by a new multiracial polyglot majority."

Immediately after she lost, Stacey Abrams and her campaign manager started a new group to continue the fight against "voter suppression." The new group, Fair Fight (with Fair Fight Action and Fair Fight PAC), filed a lawsuit against the secretary of state, claiming defects in Georgia's voting machines.

Georgia's new secretary of state, Brad Raffensperger, then capitulated by replacing all the old voting equipment with new machines from Dominion Voting System at a cost of \$100 million. Dominion voting machines are suspected of using Venezuelan software that enabled system administrators to switch thousands of ballots from Trump to Biden.

If Joe Biden ends up winning Georgia's 16 electoral votes for president, he will owe a large debt to Stacey Abrams for inducing hapless Republican state leaders to purchase and install insecure voting machines, and otherwise rolling over for the Left.

But Stacey is not done. She has now focused her well-honed efforts toward replacing Georgia's two Republican U.S. Senators with radical leftist challengers. Both contests will be decided in a runoff election to be held on January 5.

If Stacey succeeds in this political hat trick while Georgia Republican officials sit idly by, then the Senate in addition to the White House could fall into the hands of the radical Left. The GOP-majority Georgia legislature should exercise its responsibilities under the Constitution, Article II, section 1, to choose Electors based on the in-person voting, but instead they have cowered in fear of Stacey.

The Georgia legislature should also restore integrity to elections there by limiting mail-in voting to those who solicited ballots and have verified signatures on them. Better yet, the Georgia legislature should eliminate most mail-in voting altogether to stop the travesty of ballot harvesting, by which ballots are cast in the names of people who did not genuinely vote by secret ballot.

Stacey will be the leading candidate for the next vacancy on the Supreme Court if Joe Biden is sworn into office, and he promised to name a black female to the high court. How does Justice Abrams sound?

'Dark Winter' Came Early to Shutdown States

The recent switch away from Daylight Savings Time marks the annual end of "summer time" for most Americans, and this year we turned back our clocks two days before the presidential election. For many this heralds the onset of so-called Seasonal Affective Disorder, or SAD.

This social affliction could be far worse this year as Democrats impose tyrannical control to essentially lock people in their homes. These new shutdowns interfere with Americans mingling with family and friends during the upcoming holidays.

The "dark winter" that Joe Biden promised in the final presidential debate will become a reality if he becomes president. "We're about to go into a dark winter," Biden declared in that October 22 debate, referring to the upcoming coronavirus lockdown. "A dark winter," he repeated for emphasis.

His phrase shocked President Trump, who responded that "We're opening up our country. We have no choice. We can't lock ourselves up in a basement like Joe does."

More recently Biden interrupted his phony "bring us together" message by telling a carefully screened audience in Wilmington, Delaware that "We're going into a very dark winter. Things are going to get much tougher."

Biden took softball questions from the friendly journalists who had been invited to attend what was advertised as a major policy speech. One reporter wanted to know about the Biden family's plans for Thanksgiving.

"I strongly urge that if, in fact, we're going to have Thanksgiving with anyone, that we limit it to a maximum — they suggest 5 people; a maximum of 10 people, socially distanced and wearing masks. ... There should be no group of more than 10 people inside the home."

With Biden setting a dictatorial tone, Democrat politicians across the country promptly fell into line. The Associated Press reported a few hours later that "Governors ratchet up restrictions ahead of Thanksgiving" — Democrat governors, that is, along with Democrat mayors and county executives.

"I must again pull back the reins," the AP quoted New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy, who declared that indoor gatherings would be limited to 10 people, down from 25. The Democrat governors of California, New Mexico and Washington State issued similar restrictions, as did the Democrat mayor of Chicago and county executive of St. Louis County, Missouri.

Family separation, anyone? These unreasonable new orders to separate American families during our holidays are coming from the same Democrat Party which has spent the last four years falsely accusing President Trump of separating families of illegal immigrants who showed up at our southwestern border demanding asylum to which they are not entitled.

The "family separation" charge against the Trump administration was mostly a fraud. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) identified 432 fake families in a 5-month period last year, where children had no relationship to the adults who smuggled them across the border.

California Democrat Governor Gavin Newsom updated the so-called guidance he issued in October, to nationwide ridicule. He prohibited gatherings from including more than three households, including the host and all guests, and these traditional get-togethers may not last more than two hours.

Face coverings must be worn by everyone at all times, the rules insist, except that "people may remove their face coverings briefly to eat or drink, as long as they stay at least 6 feet away from everyone outside their own household, and put their face covering back on as soon as they are done with the activity."

Newsom's original guidance specified that all Thanksgiving dinners be held outdoors throughout California. His updated rule flatly prohibits indoor gatherings in the more populous Purple Tier counties, and strongly discourages them in the more rural Red, Orange, and Yellow tiers of the Golden State.

The rules go on to say that "singing, chanting, shouting, and physical exertion" are strongly discouraged, but what Thanksgiving is complete without one or more of those activities? The playing of musical instruments is allowed, but only if the musicians are from one of the three households, and wind instruments are strongly discouraged.

Newsom ignored his own guidance when he attended a gathering of more than three households at the luxurious French Laundry restaurant in Napa, California, where meals cost around \$350 per person. The dinner was hosted by one of the state's most powerful lobbyists who, among his many clients, led the 2016 initiative that legalized recreational marijuana there.

Thanksgiving is not the only gathering for which liberal Democrat governors feel entitled to exempt themselves from the same rules they impose on the rest of us. It was recently disclosed that Gavin Newsom's own four children aged 4 to 11 have resumed in-person education at their private school in Sacramento, while public schools throughout the state remain closed.

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