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HILLARY TESTIMONY UNCOVERED COLLUSION WITH THE SPY STATE CARTEL

HILLARY REVEALED THAT HER ATTORNEY, DAVID KENDALL, STONEWALLED RELEASE OF STATE DEPARTMENT FACEBOOK FIELD **GUIDES**

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LETTER TO CONGRESS: Word Doc PDF Doc

(OCT 23, 2015)-

Former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton's Oct. 22, 2015 testimony to the House Select Committee on Benghazi testimony provided more

proof that the U.S. government acted unconstitutionally in the Leader v. Facebook patent infringement case.

THE AMERICAN SPY STATE HAS OVERTAKEN U.S. GOVERNMENT & DIGITAL NETWORKS

Albert Einstein warned us about the day that technology outstripped humanity's ability to control it. That day is upon us. Digital networks have been hijacked by morally-bankrupt

of interest likely breaches the lawyer Rules of Professional Conduct, certainly gives the appearance of impropriety, and fails to instill public confidence in the legal profession and the rule of law. The Rule of Clinton Professional Conduct appears to be: "Ethics rules are for saps." Photo Business Inside

FIG. 1— DAVID E. KENDALL. Hillary Clinton's personal lawyer in

the House Benghazi Hearings. Hillary revealed that

Kendall managed the stonewalling of subpoenaed

documents in collusion with the State Department-his former client at Williams & Connolly LLP. Kendall's conflict

individuals. For these warnings, even Einstein came under surveillance by U.S. secret services. [Lesson: Be brave. Do not be silenced by bullies.]

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FIG. 2—The evidence is unmistakable. A Cartel of private companies, in collusion with the NSA, collect ALL relationship data between American citizens and the federal government. Much of that data is stored overseas, e.g., Lulea, Sweden, outside the jurisdiction of the U.S. Constitution ("Inside the Artic Circle, Where Your Data Lives." Business Week).

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HILLARY'S ATTORNEY, DAVID KENDALL, TIES THE CLINTON'S TO THE THEFT OF LEADER TECHNOLOGIES' INVENTION



NEW, OCT. 29, 2015: FIG. 3—What in the world happened to the liberal arts? A degree in the humanities used to transmit the knowledge and wisdom imbued in the works of great Western artists, writers, musicians and thinkers like Shakespeare and Mozart. But today, that same degree stresses Western racism, sexism, imperialism, and other ills and sins that reinforce a sense of victimhood and narcissism. So, what happened? Heather Mac Donald of the Manhattan Institute explains. Source HTML.

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As troubling as the documents Hillary now effectively admits withholding, her attorney, David Kendall, helped make those decisions in coordination with the State Department—his former client.

Kendall's relationships, at minimum, have the appearance of impropriety and taint the Benghazi proceedings. His co-counsel on a Washington Post FOIA case was Paul Mogin, also a partner at Williams & Connolly LLP.

James P. Chandler's first prosecution of the Economic Espionage Act (EEA) in 1998 was lead by Paul Mogin and Williams & Connolly LLP, in coordination with then Assistant Attorney General Eric H. Holder, Jr. Chandler's close associations with: (1) Bill and Hillary Clinton, (2) Sidney Blumenthal, (3) then Assistant Attorney General Eric Holder, (4) the Department of Justice, as well as (5) Kendall and Mogin on their inaugural EEA trade secrets case, show motive and intent for Hillary to cooperate with Chandler to steal Leader's invention. Hillary's previously stonewalled

State Department Facebook field guides prove she did.

KENDALL HAD MOTIVE TO HIDE THE FACEBOOK FIELD GUIDES

Kendall's relationship to Mogin and Chandler gave him a strong motive to withhold the Facebook field guides. Those guides <u>proved</u> that the State Department had confiscated Leader's invention <u>during</u> the Leader v. Facebook trial. This is precisely why the ethics rules prohibit attorneys from future involvement in cases involving former clients. See <u>Rules of Professional Conduct 1.09</u>.

Tellingly, just one day before husband Bill Clinton left the Presidency on Jan. 19, 2001, he appointed Chandler to his National Infrastructure Protection Council (NIPC). Chandler used NIPC as a platform to make sweeping judicial ethics rules changes that paved the way for the current spy state. Included in these changes was the False Statement Accountability Act of 1996, Subsection (b) permitting litigants to lie.

THE CARTEL NEEDED THE ORWELLIAN NAMED "PATRIOT ACT" AND "AMERICA INVENTS ACT" TO LURE CITIZENS INTO THEIR "SOCIAL" SURVEILLANCE SCHEMES



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FIVE CRITICAL AFI POSTS ON JUDICIAL COMPROMISE

Fully updated Mar. 25, 2014 in the wake of the Scribd censorship:

1. HOW PATENT JUDGES GROW RICH ON THE BACKS OF AMERICAN INVENTORS



Patent Office filings are shuffled out the USPTO backdoor to crony

The September 11, 2001 tragedy accelerated Chandler's changes via the Patriot Act that gave insider judges and the intelligence community near dictatorial snooping powers. Powers which have been abused and ruled illegal.

The America Invents Act was pushed through by Chandler's IBM crony, David J. Kappos. The AIA gave big infringers the excuse to harass small inventors with endless "patent reexaminations" that effectively make those patents worthless. It should be noted that Chandler and Kappos began pressing IBM "junk patents" on smaller companies in the late 1990s and birthed the "patent troll." Contrary to the opposite spin, it is IBM that created the patent troll, not small inventors.

On July 27, 2010, Leader proved in a hard-fought Delaware federal trial that Facebook infringes its social networking patent on 11 of 11 claims. Yet, <u>all</u> the judges involved, including Chief Justice John Roberts, protected

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Getting Started
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A field guide for missions, posts and IRCs

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FIG. 4— PROOF: Part 1 of a four-part U.S. State Dept. field guide used to deploy Facebook to 45,000 employees during the Leader v. Facebook patent infringement trial. See Facebook field guides uncovered in Hillary's emails.

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their personal investments in Facebook and friends (the "Cartel"), hid their conflict of interest, and failed to recuse themselves.

THE SPY STATE CARTEL EXPLOITED LEADER'S INVENTION TO MANIPULATE ELECTIONS



NEW, OCT. 29, 2015: FIG. 5—PHILIP R.
ZIMMERMANN created PGP (Pretty Good Privacy) encryption software in the early 1990s. On Jun. 26, 1996, after the U.S. government persecuted him for three years, Congress asked him to provide testimony on his views about privacy and our Republic. His concerns about government abuse are prophetic:

"The Clinton Administration seems to be attempting to deploy and entrench a communications infrastructure that would deny the citizenry the ability to protect its privacy. This is unsettling because in a democracy, it is possible for bad people to occasionally get elected—sometimes very bad people. Normally, a well-functioning democracy has ways to remove these people from power. But the wrong technology infrastructure could allow such a future government to watch

This Cartel has been operating in relative obscurity since its inception in about 2001. The multi-faceted scheme centered on creating "total surveillance" capability for the NSA, both domestically and internationally.

Initially, the Cartel thought that IBM and Microsoft would provide the underlying technical architecture, but those plans were stalled when they discovered that their legacy platforms were not designed to operate on such a massive Internet scale.

Since 1997, Leader Technologies had been quietly working in Columbus, Ohio to solve this "scaling" problem. Once they broke through that barrier, Leader filed for patents. At that time, the Internet only had about 10 million users. Leader's invention is now call "social networking."

NSA SPY MASTER CHOSE CRONIES OVER CONSTITUTION

Dumb luck for the Cartel happened when Leader's inventor, Michael McKibben, reached out to prominent Washington, D.C. patent attorney, Professor James P. Chandler, to file their copyrights and patents. Little did Leader know that Chandler was an NSA spy master. While Leader celebrated Chandler's involvement, Chandler secretly fed Leader's invention to the Cartel.

The Phoenix-like emergence of social networking in 2004 was no accident. The Cartel carved up the Leader invention elephant into many pieces. Across the board, the intent was to create billions of "Big Data" touch points to humans across the planet in what they eventually labeled "The Internet of Everything" and

lawyers, banks and deep-pocket clients.

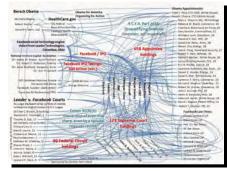
- WAS CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS BLACKMAILED into supporting Obamacare by his ethical compromises in Leader v. Facebook?
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BARACK OBAMA'S DARK POOLS OF CORRUPTION

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STOP FACEBOOK PROPERTY THEFT



WILL HUMANK ND EVER LEARN? Facebook's Orwellian doublespeak about property and privacy (theft) merely repeats the eventual dehumanization of the individual under MAO's Red Star, Stalin's SOVIET Hammer & Cycle and Hitler's NAZI Swastika. Respect for the inalienable rights of each individual is a bedrock value of democracy. The members of the Facebook Cabal abuse this principle at every opportunity. They evidently believe that they deserve special privileges and are willing to lie, cheat and steal in order to treat themselves to these privileges.

ASK CONGRESS: PASS THE INVENTOR PROTECTION ACT!

every move anyone makes to oppose it. It could very well be the last government we ever elect."

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"The Internet of Things."

For example, Facebook launched on February 4, 2004 during the first IBM Eclipse Foundation convention, EclipseCon '04. (Feb. 2-5, 2004).

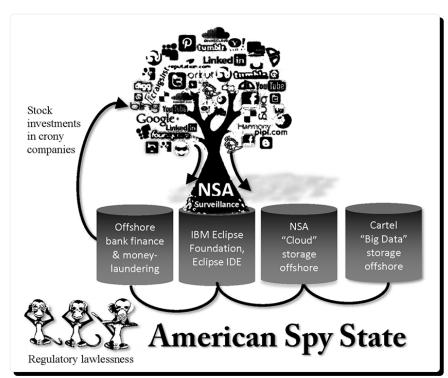


FIG. 6—The "social networking" industry generates huge financial profits. But the Cartel manipulates the industry illegally. Regulators turn blind eyes to the Cartel's "Big Data" stock manipulation. Corrupt judges, politicians and regulators are influenced and bribed with insider stock tips. This appears to be the largest Ponzi scheme in history. The Cartel also has the ability to influence elections, using social networking tools to influence voters and control elected officials.

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Virtually all "social" data flows through the NSA's data collectors. The grand deal with the devil is that the NSA shares this data with their crony commercial vendors so they can exploit customer data, with the approval of end users who typically approve but fail to read slimy, long, and indecipherable legalistic end user license agreements.

EUPHEMISMS FOR SPY STATE INVASION OF PRIVACY AND PROPERTY THEFT BY BIG INFRINGERS:

- · The Internet of Things
- · The Internet of Everything
- Open Source
- Big Data
- Analytics
- End user license agreement
- America Invents Act
- Patent reexamination
- False Statements Accountability Act of 1996
- FISA Court

With U.S. regulators in tow, the Cartel began raping and pillaging starting in 2008. First came the infamous bank bailout of 2008. This filled the coffers of the Cartel banks so they could leverage the cash offshore, then feed it back into crony stocks.

The Cartel micro-targeted voters in the 2008 and 2012 elections to bring Barack Obama to power. Then came Obamacare (led by crony vendors), the White House chief technology officers' "Datapalooza" (release of HHS data to Silicon Valley cronies), energy stimulus (more funds to cronies), net neutrality, Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) and a blizzard of intrusive Executive Orders.

The collusion between Wall Street and Silicon Valley exploded: Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Wikipedia, Blogger, YouTube, Google+, Flickr, Yahoo, PalTalk, AOL, LinkedIn,



LEADER V. FACEBOOK BACKGROUND

permissiveness is obscene.

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off judges with the money gained from their theft. Such

Mar. 20, 2014 READER NOTICE: On Mar. 7, 2014, all of our documents linked to Scribd were deleted by that "cloud" service using the flimsiest of arguments . Some of our documents have been there for two years and some had almost 20,000 reads.

George Orwell wrote in 1984 that one knows one is in a totalitarian state when telling the truth becomes an act of courage.

All the links below were updated Mar. 20, 2014 (many thanks to our volunteers!)

- 1. Summary of Motions, Appeal, Petition, Evidence, Analysis, Briefings (FULL CITATIONS) in Leader Technologies, Inc. v. Facebook, Inc., 08-cv-862-JJF-LPS (D. Del. 2008), published as Leader Techs, Inc. v. Facebook, Inc., 770 F. Supp. 2d 686 (D. Del. 2001)
- 2. Dr. Lakshmi Arunachalam's Censored Federal Circuit Filings (Archive)
- 3. Brief Summary of Leader v. Facebook
- 4. Backgrounder
- 5. Fenwick & West LLP Duplicity
- 6. Instagram-scam
- 7. USPTO-reexam Sham
- 8. Zynga-gate

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The corrupt technology deal-making between commerce and the NSA was exposed by whistleblower Edward Snowden. See NSA PRISM Program.

The corrupt finance deal making involved offshore money launderers, as revealed recently by HSBC Whistleblower Hervé Falciani. See Facebook propped up by global money launderers.

The corrupt disinformation created to create the "false narratives" to hide these sins was funded by the C.I.A., as revealed by WikiLeaks' Julian Assange. See Disastrous rise of a lawless C.I.A.

HOW HAS CONGRESS BEEN NEUTRALIZED?

Think about it. If your opponent knows what you're thinking and planning, and what your constituents think, then he or she can stay one step ahead of you, <u>permanently</u>.

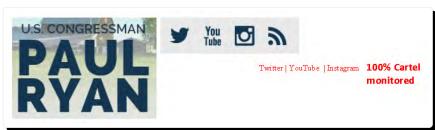
Senators and Congresspersons have swallowed social networking, hook, line and sinker. A quick review of prominent members of Congress proves this.











... You get the picture. We could keep going and include Elizabeth Warren, Bernie Sanders, Marco Rubio, Ted Cruz, FoxNews, NBC News, etc. They're all 100% monitored by the Cartel.

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- 19. FB Robber Barons Affirmed by S. Crt.
- 20. Judicial Misconduct WALL OF SHAME
- Corruption Watch "Oh what webs we weave, when first we practice to deceive"
- 22. Facebook | A Portrait of Corruption
- 23. White House Meddling
- 24. Georgia! AM 1080 McKibben Interview
- 25. Constitutional Crisis Exposed
- 26. Abuse of Judicial Immunity since Stump
- Obamacare Scandal Principals are intertwined in the Leader v. Facebook scandal
- 28. S.E.C. duplicity re. Facebook

GIBSON DUNN LLP exposed as one of the most corrupt law firms in America



Investigative Reporter Julia Davis investigates Facebook's Leader v. Facebook attorney Gibson Dunn LLP. She credits this

firm with the reason why not a single Wall Street banker has gone to jail since 2008. Click here to read her article "Everybody hates whistleblowers." Examiner.com, Apr. 10, 2012. Here's an excerpt:

"Skillful manipulation of the firm's extensive media connections allows Gibson Dunn to promote their causes, while simultaneously smearing their opponents and silencing embarrassing news coverage."

This statement followed right after Davis cited Facebook's chief inside counsel in the Leader v. Facebook case, Theodore Ullyot, who appears to have helped lead the Leader v. Facebook judicial corruption. Interesting word choices associated with Gibson Dunn LLP: manipulation, smear. Attorneys swear a solemn oath to act morally, ethically, and in

The Cartel has used secrecy and the public's lack of understanding about computers and software to create the American Spy State.

In the process, laws have been broken and the public trust abused.

WHY DIDN'T THE CARTEL SETTLE WITH LEADER TECHNOLOGIES?

We believe they knew that Leader Technologies' inventor, Michael McKibben, would not deal with the devil. They knew his integrity would not permit him to abuse the dignity and privacy of his fellow man to make a buck. They knew about his human rights work in the former Soviet Union and his collaboration with Saint John Paul (previously Pope John Paul II) in Poland. See "Pope John Paul II is the real deal."

In fact, we asked McKibben about this. He replied, "No one has said that to us directly, but the evidence certainly supports that premise."

CONGRESS CAN STOP THE SPY STATE CARTEL

For starters, the Takings Clause of the Fifth Amendment empowers Congress to legislate a payday for Leader's shareholders. This would provide adequate financing for Leader to offer a rational social networking environment—one that offers the utility people have come to enjoy about Leader's invention without sacrificing security and privacy.

Contact your elected representatives and ask them to use Congress' power of the purse to pay Leader Technologies and unplug the Cartel.

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Jill Amblin October 25, 2015 at 1:47 PM

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K. Craine October 26, 2015 at 6:02 AM

Jill clearly has no interest in discussing the facts being exposed, and instead is only focused on wild speculation and innuendo. We will not give her/him/it this forum for her rancor..We used "it" intentionally because these pirates are experimenting with astroturfing bots. Their motto appears to be "Leave no corruption behind." He/she/it proves Albert Einstein's warning prescient.

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support of democratic principles. They promise to conduct themselves in a manner than instills confidence among the citizenry in the rule of law and the judicial system. These promises appear to be meaningless. Click here for a PDF version of Julie Davis' article.

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Rain Onyourparade October 26, 2015 at 8:07 AM

I see that the Cartel's flunkies at the Justice Department closed their investigation of the IRS and Lois Lerner. They determined there was "mismanagement" but no fraud.

I distinctly remember JPMorgan Chase's Jamie Dimon using "mismanagement" as the blanket excuse for the banks in the 2008 bailout.

Hmmmmm. Mismanagement is the Cartel lawyer's smokescreen for FRAUD.

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Rain Onyourparade October 26, 2015 at 8:18 AM

An attorney I know says this is because there is no law against incompetence, idiocy and mismanagement, but there is law against fraud (doing something wrong intentionally).

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Rain Onyourparade October 26, 2015 at 9:31 AM

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Jill Amblin October 26, 2015 at 2:31 PM

And the giant elephant in the room remains. Eclipse software is open source. Anyone can access it. So where is there a single example of Leader code in the eclipse code? This is conspiracy 101. If this blog had a shred of truth to it, this would have been raised years ago.

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K. Craine October 26, 2015 at 3:35 PM

We will not be helping you out of your feigned ignorance, Jill. Nice try. Anyone in software knows that all sorts of inventions get ripped off by "open source" claims by interlopers like your IBM / Eclipse / Facebook buds. "Buddies for Life?" We will be counting the rats as they jump ship. Your argument that if AFI's arguments were right someone in the mainstream media would have picked up the story is laughable. Thousands of stories lay fallow by the current crop of mainstream lemmings. Real journalists like Sheryl Attkisson are slowly outing your lunacy. If you are that influenced by shiny things, perhaps you should join the circus. Wait, seems like you already have.

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OUR MISSION

American citizens must fight abuse of the constitutional right for authors and inventors to enjoy the fruits of their inventions, as a matter of matter of basic property rights and sound public policy. Otherwise, instead of innovation, creativity, genius, ideas, vision, courage, entrepreneurship, respect, property, rejuvenation, morals, ethics, values, renewal, truth, facts, rights, privacy, solutions and judicial faithfulness,

... our society and economy will be dragged down (and eventually destroyed) by copying, infringement, thievery, counterfeiting, hacking, greed, misinformation, exploitation, abuse, waste, disrespect, falsity, corruption, bribery, coercion, intimidation, doublespeak, misconduct, lies, deception, attorney "dark arts," destruction, confusion, dishonesty, judicial chicanery and lawlessness.

If we do not speak up, impeach derelict judges and imprison corrupt attorneys, we cannot possibly hope to start fixing the current ills in our society. Without justice and respect for private property, democracy has no sure foundation.

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Jill Amblin October 27, 2015 at 5:08 AM

You are completely missing the point. The Eclipse software is OPEN SOURCE. This means that anyone can access it. IF there was even a shred of overlap between Eclipse software and anything that Leader created, it would be child's play to show that the code was identical. Ask yourself, in the years that this blog has been operating, why is there not a SINGLE EXAMPLE of identical code between Eclipse and Leader. This has nothing to do with reporters, the cartel, etc. These are cold, hard facts. If there was any overlap, it would have been apparent years ago. THAT is the point. Everything on this blog is all just bluster.

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K. Craine October 27, 2015 at 8:02 AM

Email comment by Charlie Brown:

Jill, from reading your article, it's rather obvious you have never invented a thing in your life. It sounds like you are talking with some IT guy who thinks he knows the difference between Eclipse and Leader. It is rather obvious that you don't know about either. However, I do like reading cartoons and the funny page and your article fits somewhere in between, But, please keep writing. You are humorous.



Arasmus Dragon October 27, 2015 at 10:16 AM

LOL Charlie. It's also rather obvious Jill really wants to know how AFI knows the IBM Eclipse code is not open source. She or he keeps repeating this same mantra, kinda like "Where's Waldo?". Also, AFI has provided a mountain of hard facts and all Eclipse-Facebook-IBM-NSA astroturfer Jillie can do is argue that it is all "bluster." That's oh so convincing.

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K. Craine October 27, 2015 at 11:14 AM

Email comment by GH:

Woolf, N., Green, W. (Oct. 26, 2015). USNews: IRS possessed Stingray cellphone surveillance gear, documents reveal. The Guardian.

The Internal Revenue Service is the latest in a growing list of US federal agencies known to have possessed the sophisticated cellphone dragnet equipment known as Stingray, according to documents obtained by the Guardian.

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K. Craine October 27, 2015 at 11:24 AM

Email comment from Dr.C:

The Center for Medical Progress. (Oct. 27, 2015). Planned Parenthood TX Abortion Apprentice Taught Partial-Birth Abortion to "Strive For" Intact Heads [Undercover video].

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K. Craine October 28, 2015 at 6:02 AM

Email comment from G:

What Cartel sins is IBM hiding?

Krantz, M. (Oct. 28, 2015). IBM's books cook suspicions of regulators. USA Today...

We are an opinion blog that advocates for strong intellectual property rights. We welcome commenters and contributors. The Leader v. Facebook patent infringement case first came to our attention after learning that the trial judge, Leonard P. Stark, U.S. District Court of Delaware, ignored his jury's admission that they had no evidence to support their on-sale bar verdict, but the judge supported it anyway.

The judicial misconduct has deteriorated from there, replete with two of the three judges on the Federal Circuit appeal panel, Judges Alan D. Lourie and Kimberly A. Moore, holding Facebook stock that they did not disclose to the litigants, and later tried to excuse through a quick motion slipped in at the last minute by the Clerk of Court, Jan Horbaly, and his close friends at The Federal Circuit Bar Association. (The DC Bar subsequently revealed that Mr. Horbaly is not licensed to practice law in Washington D.C.)

The judges ignored shocking new evidence that Mark Zuckerberg withheld 28 hard drives of 2003-2004 evidence from Leader Technologies that could prove actual theft (and therefore claims even more serious than infringement). In addition, Facebook's appeal attorney, Thomas G. Hungar of Gibson Dunn LLP, has close personal ties to just about every judicial player in this story. The misconduct appears to reach into the U.S. Patent Office through abuse of the reexamination process by Facebook. We will stay focused on Leader v. Facebook until justice is served, but we also welcome news and analysis of intellectual property abuse in other cases as well.

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Investors got an unwelcome surprise in IBM's (IBM) quarterly report: The tech giant's accounting has raised the suspicion of regulators.

International Business Machines, a provider of computer services, stunned investors Tuesday with a tersely phrased disclosure in its just-filed 10-Q. "In August 2015, IBM learned that the SEC (Securities and Exchange Commission) is conducting an investigation relating to revenue recognition with respect to the accounting treatment of certain transactions in the U.S., U.K. and Ireland." The company said it is cooperating in the matter in the filing.

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K. Craine October 29, 2015 at 6:08 AM

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Or, could be a primer for A Bloom's Closing of the American Mind=

MacDonald, H. (Oct. 26, 2015). WHO KILLED THE LIBERAL ARTS? PragerU.

https://www.prageru.com/courses/political-science/who-killed-liberal-arts

What in the world happened to the liberal arts? A degree in the humanities used to transmit the knowledge and wisdom imbued in the works of great Western artists, writers, musicians and thinkers like Shakespeare and Mozart. But today, that same degree stresses Western racism, sexism, imperialism, and other ills and sins that reinforce a sense of victimhood and narcissism. So, what happened? Heather Mac Donald of the Manhattan Institute explains.

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Rain Onyourparade October 29, 2015 at 8:46 AM

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Ran across prophetic words from Philip Zimmermann, the creator of PGP encryption who was subsequently persecuted by the FBI for offering it:

PHIL ZIMMERMANN, June 26, 1996: "The Clinton Administration seems to be attempting to deploy and entrench a communications infrastructure that would deny the citizenry the ability to protect its privacy. This is unsettling because in a democracy, it is possible for bad people to occasionally get elected-- sometimes very bad people. Normally, a welfunctioning democracy has ways to remove these people from power. But the wrong





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Judge Leonard P. Stark, U.S. District Court of Delaware, trial judge in Leader Techs, Inc. v. Facebook, Inc., 770 F. Supp. 2d 686 (D.Del. 2011). Judge Stark heard his jury foreman admit that the jury made the on-sale bar decision without any evidence other than speculation, and yet he supported that verdict anyway. Just months before trial, Judge Stark allowed Facebook to add the on-sale bar claim after the close of all fact

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technology infrastructure could allow such a future government to watch every move anyone makes to oppose it. It could very well be the last government we ever elect."

Zimmermann warned us about the Clinton's and the Cartel twenty years ago. It appears that ALL of Zimmermann's worst fears have come true and that Congress did not heed his warnings.

Well worth the read.

http://www.philzimmermann.com/EN/testimony/index.html

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discovery and blocked Leader from preparing its defenses to this new claim. Judge Stark allowed the claims despite Lead



new claim. Judge
Stark allowed the
claims despite Leader's prophetic
argument that the action would
confuse the jury and prejudice
Leader. He also permitted the
jury to ignore the Pfaff v. Wells
Electronics, Inc. test for on-sale
bar, even after instructing the
jury to use it. (See

that Jury Instruction No. 4.7 here.) He also contradicted his

own instruction to



Leader to answer Interrogatory No. 9 in the present tense (2009), then permitted the jury to interpret it as a 2002 admission as well. Facebook's entire on-sale bar case is based upon this interrogatory. (Editorial: Hardly sufficient to meet the "heavy burden" of the clear and convincing evidence standard.)



Judge Alan D. Lourie, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, panel judge in Leader Techs v. Facebook, Inc., 678 F.3d 1300 (Fed. Cir. 2012). Judge Lourie stood to benefit financially from undisclosed holdings in Facebook. See analysis of Judge Lourie's T. Rowe Price holdings re. the Facebook IPO.

Judge Lourie also failed to apply his own law-test in Group One v. Hallmark Cards to the evidence. After debunking all of Facebook's evidence on appeal, Judge Lourie created new argument in the secrecy of chambers to support Facebook and prevent the on-sale bar verdict

prevent the on-sale bar verdict from being overturned—a clear breach of constitutional due process.



Judge Kimberly A. Moore, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, panel judge in Leader Techs v. Facebook, Inc., 678 F.3d 1300 (Fed. Cir. 2012). Judge Moore stood to benefit financially from undisclosed holdings in Facebook. The Wininchina, Inc. IBM/Fenwick/Chandler/Breyer/Accel/Soros goal: Steal from American inventors and exploit inventions thru China with C.I.A./In-Q-Tel cooperation

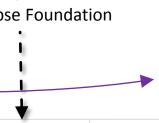
Leader hired Chandler & Fenwick as custodians to protect their inventions

Leader Technologies, Inc. U.S. Patent No. 7,139,761 for social networking

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Chandler & Fenwick secretly fed Leader's invention to the CIA via **IBM** and Eclipse

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- False Statement Accountability Act of 1996 (these people may lie to courts, Congress and The People without liability)

What other than capitulation to CIA threats could have gotten these competitors to fall in line?

Is the solar eclipse symbol of Islam just a coincidence?

Qur'anic Scholar: "If a Muslim feels threatened, he is permitted to lie to 'people of the book' (Infidels: Christians, Jews, Westerners)." See Q. 98:6, 3:51, 3:28. Does this sound like an Administration we know?

Philip R. Zimmermann

Testimony of Philip R. Zimmermann to the Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space of the US Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

26 June 1996

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, my name is Philip Zimmermann, and I'm Chairman and Chief Technology Officer for PGP Inc., a newly-formed company that provides cryptographic products. I'm here to talk to you today about S.1726 and the need to change US export control policy for cryptographic software. I want to thank you for the opportunity to be here to speak in favor of this bill.

I'm the creator of PGP (Pretty Good Privacy), a public-key encryption software package for the protection of electronic mail. Since PGP was published domestically as freeware in



June of 1991, it has spread organically all over the world, and has since become the de facto worldwide standard for encryption of E-mail, winning numerous industry awards along the way. For three years I was the target of a criminal investigation by the US Customs Service, who assumed that laws were broken when PGP spread outside the US. That investigation was closed without indictment in January 1996.

Computers were developed in secret back in World War II mainly to break codes. Ordinary people did not have access to computers, because they were few in number and too expensive. Some people postulated that there would never be a need for more than half a dozen computers in the country, and assumed that ordinary people would never have a need for computers. Some of the government's attitude toward cryptography today were formed in that period, and mirrors the old attitudes toward computers. Why would ordinary people need to have access to good cryptography?

In addition to the limited availability of computers, another problem with cryptography in those days was that cryptographic keys had to be distributed over secure channels so that both parties could send encrypted traffic over insecure channels. Governments solved that problem by dispatching key couriers with satchels handcuffed to their wrists. Governments could afford to send guys like these to their embassies overseas. But the great masses of ordinary people would never have access to practical cryptography if keys had to be distributed this way. No matter how cheap and powerful personal computers might someday become, you just can't send the keys electronically without the risk of interception. This widened the feasibility gap between government and personal access to cryptography.

Today, we live in a new world that has had two major breakthroughs that have an impact on this state of affairs. The first is the coming of the personal computer and the information age. The second breakthrough is public-key cryptography.

With the first breakthrough comes cheap ubiquitous personal computers, modems, FAX machines, the Internet, E-mail, the World- Wide Web, digital cellular phones, personal digital assistants (PDAs), wireless digital networks, ISDN, cable TV, and the data superhighway. This information revolution is catalyzing the emergence of a global economy.

But this renaissance in electronic digital communication brings with it a disturbing erosion of our privacy. In the past, if the government wanted to violate the privacy of ordinary citizens, it had to expend a certain amount of effort to intercept and steam open and read paper mail, and listen to and possibly transcribe spoken telephone conversation. This is analogous to catching fish with a hook and a line, one fish at a time. Fortunately for freedom and democracy, this kind of laborintensive monitoring is not practical on a large scale.

Today, electronic mail is gradually replacing conventional paper mail, and is soon to be the norm for everyone, not the novelty it is today. Unlike paper mail, E-mail messages are just too easy to intercept and scan for interesting keywords. This can be done easily, routinely, automatically, and undetectably on a grand scale. This is analogous to driftnet fishing -- making a quantitative and qualitative Orwellian difference to the health of democracy.

The second breakthrough came in the late 1970s, with the mathematics of public key cryptography. This allows people to communicate securely and conveniently with people they've never met, with no prior exchange of keys over secure channels. No more special key couriers with black bags. This, coupled with the trappings of the information age, means the great masses of people can at last use cryptography. This new technology also provides digital signatures to authenticate transactions and messages, and allows for digital money, with all the implications that has for an electronic digital economy.

This convergence of technology -- cheap ubiquitous PCs, modems, FAX, digital phones, information superhighways, et cetera -- is all part of the information revolution. Encryption is just simple arithmetic to all this digital hardware. All these devices will be using encryption. The rest of the world uses it, and they laugh at the US because we are railing against nature, trying to stop it. Trying to stop this is like trying to legislate the tides and the weather. It's like the buggy whip manufacturers trying to stop the cars -- even with the NSA and the FBI on their side, it's still impossible. The information revolution is good for democracy -- good for a free market and trade. It contributed to the fall of the Soviet empire. They couldn't stop it either.

Today, every off-the-shelf multimedia PC can become a secure voice telephone, through the use of freely available software such as PGPfone. When you combine that with the strong political will that exists in the American people to have their privacy, it's going to require extreme measures to control this technology. What does this mean for the government's Clipper chip and key escrow

systems?

Like every new technology, this comes at some cost. Cars pollute the air and cause traffic jams. Cryptography can help criminals hide their activities. People in the law enforcement and intelligence communities are going to look at this only in their own terms. But even with these costs, we still can't stop this from happening in a free market global economy. Most people I talk to outside of government feel that the net result of providing privacy will be positive.

Law enforcement and intelligence interests in the government have attempted many times to suppress the availability of strong domestic encryption technology.

In 1991, Senate Bill 266 included a non-binding resolution, which if it had become real law, would have forced manufacturers of secure communications equipment to insert special "trap doors" in their products, so that the government could read anyone's encrypted messages. Before that measure was defeated, I wrote and released Pretty Good Privacy. I did it because I wanted cryptography to be made available to the American public before it became illegal to use it. I gave it away for free so that it would achieve wide dispersal, to inoculate the body politic.

The 1994 Digital Telephony bill mandated that phone companies install remote wiretapping ports into their central office digital switches, creating a new technology infrastructure for "point-and-click" wiretapping, so that federal agents no longer have to go out and attach alligator clips to phone lines. Now they'll be able to sit in their headquarters in Washington and listen in to your phone calls. Of course, the law still requires a court order for a wiretap. But while technology infrastructures tend to persist for generations, laws and policies can change overnight. Once a communications infrastructure optimized for surveillance becomes entrenched, a shift in political conditions may lead to abuse of this new-found power. Political conditions may shift with the election of a new government, or perhaps more abruptly from the bombing of a Federal building.

A year after the 1994 Digital Telephony bill passed, the FBI disclosed plans to require the phone companies to build into their infrastructure the capacity to simultaneously wiretap one percent of all phone calls in all major US cities. This would represent more than a thousandfold increase over previous levels in the number of phones that could be wiretapped. In previous years, there were only about 1000 court-ordered wiretaps in the US per year, at the federal, state, and local levels combined. It's hard to see how the government could even employ enough judges to sign enough wiretap orders to wiretap 1% of all our phone calls, much less hire enough federal agents to sit and listen to all that traffic in real time. The only plausible way of processing that amount of traffic is a massive Orwellian application of automated voice recognition technology to sift through it all, searching for interesting keywords or searching for a particular speaker's voice. If the government doesn't find the target in the first 1% sample, the wiretaps can be shifted over to a different 1% until the target is found, or until everyone's phone line has been checked for subversive traffic. The FBI says they need this capacity to plan for the future. This plan sparked such outrage that it was defeated in Congress, at least this time around, in 1995. But the mere fact that the FBI even asked

for these broad powers is revealing of their agenda. And the defeat of this plan isn't so reassuring when you consider that the 1994 Digital Telephony bill was also defeated the first time it was introduced, in 1993.

Advances in technology will not permit the maintenance of the status quo, as far as privacy is concerned. The status quo is unstable. If we do nothing, new technologies will give the government new automatic surveillance capabilities that Stalin could never have dreamed of. The only way to hold the line on privacy in the information age is strong cryptography. Cryptography strong enough to keep out major governments.

The government has a track record that does not inspire confidence that they will never abuse our civil liberties. The FBI's COINTELPRO program targeted groups that opposed government policies. They spied on the anti-war movement and the civil rights movement. They wiretapped Martin Luther King's phone. Nixon had his enemies list. And then there was the Watergate mess. The War on Drugs has given America the world's largest per- capita incarceration rate in the world, a distinction formerly held by South Africa, before we surpassed them during the eighties even when apartheid was in full swing. Recently, we've seen the images and sounds of the Rodney King beatings, Detective Mark Fuhrman's tapes boasting of police abuses, and the disturbing events of the Ruby Ridge case. And now Congress and the Clinton administration seem intent on passing laws curtailing our civil liberties on the Internet. At no time in the past century has public distrust of the government been so broadly distributed across the political spectrum, as it is today.

The Clinton Administration seems to be attempting to deploy and entrench a communications infrastructure that would deny the citizenry the ability to protect its privacy. This is unsettling because in a democracy, it is possible for bad people to occasionally get elected—sometimes very bad people. Normally, a well-functioning democracy has ways to remove these people from power. But the wrong technology infrastructure could allow such a future government to watch every move anyone makes to oppose it. It could very well be the last government we ever elect.

When making public policy decisions about new technologies for the government, I think one should ask oneself which technologies would best strengthen the hand of a police state. Then, do not allow the government to deploy those technologies. This is simply a matter of good civic hygiene.

In addition to the human rights arguments, there are technological reasons why the current export control regime makes no sense anymore.

There has been considerable debate about allowing the export of implementations of the full 56-bit Data Encryption Standard (DES). At an academic cryptography conference in 1993, Michael Wiener of Northern Telecom in Ottawa presented a paper on how to crack the DES with a special machine. He has fully designed and tested a chip that guesses DES keys at high speed until it finds the right one. Although he has refrained from building the real chips so far, he can get these chips manufactured for \$10.50 each, and can build 57000 of them into a special machine for \$1 million

that can try every DES key in 7 hours, averaging a solution in 3.5 hours. \$1 million can be hidden in the budget of many companies. For \$10 million, it takes 21 minutes to crack, and for \$100 million, just two minutes. That's full 56-bit DES, cracked in just two minutes. I'm sure the NSA can do it in seconds, with their budget. This means that DES is now effectively dead for purposes of serious data security applications. If Congress acts now to enable the export of full DES products, it will be a day late and a dollar short.

Knowledge of cryptography is becoming so widespread, that export controls are no longer effective at controlling the spread of this technology. People everywhere can and do write good cryptographic software, and we import it here but cannot export it, to the detriment of our indigenous software industry.

I wrote PGP from information in the open literature, putting it into a convenient package that everyone can use in a desktop or palmtop computer. Then I gave it away for free, for the good of democracy. This could have popped up anywhere, and spread. Other people could have and would have done it. And are doing it. Again and again. All over the planet. This technology belongs to everybody.

PGP has spread like a prairie fire, fanned by countless people who fervently want their privacy restored in the information age.

Today, human rights organizations are using PGP to protect their people overseas. Amnesty International uses it. The human rights group in the American Association for the Advancement of Science uses it. It is used to protect witnesses who report human rights abuses in the Balkans, in Burma, in Guatemala, in Tibet.

Some Americans don't understand why I should be this concerned about the power of government. But talking to people in Eastern Europe, you don't have to explain it to them. They already get it-- and they don't understand why we don't.

I want to read you a quote from some E-mail I got in October 1993 from someone in Latvia, on the day that Boris Yeltsin was shelling his own Parliament building:

"Phil I wish you to know: let it never be, but if dictatorship takes over Russia your PGP is widespread from Baltic to Far East now and will help democratic people if necessary. Thanks."

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Who Killed the Liberal Arts?

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What in the world happened to the liberal arts? A degree in the humanities used to transmit the knowledge and wisdom imbued in the works of great Western artists, writers, musicians and thinkers like Shakespeare and Mozart. But today, that same degree stresses Western racism, sexism, imperialism, and other ills and sins that reinforce a sense of victimhood and narcissism. So, what happened? Heather Mac Donald of the Manhattan Institute explains.

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Here's a tragedy, in its way, on the level of King Lear or Hamlet.

To get a bachelor's degree in English literature at the University of California at Los Angeles, one of the most prestigious colleges in America, you must take courses in Gender, Race, Ethnicity, Disability or Sexuality Studies; in Imperial Transnational or Post-Colonial Studies; and in Critical Theory. But you are not required to take a single course in Shakespeare.

In other words, the UCLA English faculty is now officially indifferent as to whether an English major has ever read a word of the greatest writer of the English language, but is determined to expose students, according to the course catalogue, to "alternative rubrics of gender, sexuality, race, and class." Sadly, UCLA is not leading a movement; it is following one.

That movement seeks to infuse the humanities curriculum with the characteristic academic traits of our time: narcissism, an obsession with victimhood, and a relentless determination to reduce the stunning complexity of the past to identity and class politics.

In so doing, the modern professoriate has repudiated the great humanist tradition on which much of Western Civilization -- and the Western university -- has been built. That tradition was founded on an all-consuming desire to engage with the genius of the past.

The 14th century Florentine poet Francesco Petrarch triggered the explosion of knowledge known today as the Renaissance with his discovery of Livy's monumental history of Rome and the letters of Cicero, the Roman statesman whose ideas would inspire the likes of John Adams and Thomas Jefferson.

Petrarch's burning drive to recover the lost cultures of Greece and Rome was widely shared and propelled the Renaissance humanists to search for long-forgotten manuscripts in remote castles and monasteries across Europe.

The great universities spread this new knowledge across the Western world, teaching it to students who in turn taught it to the next generation.

Now compare the classical humanists' hunger for learning with the resentment of a Columbia University student, who had been required by Columbia's freshman core curriculum to study Mozart. "Why did I have to listen...to this Mozart?" she complained. "My problem with the core is that it upholds the premises of white supremacy and racism. There are no women, no people of color."

These are not the idiosyncratic thoughts of one foolish student. They represent the dominant ideology in the humanities today. This student learned to think like this at the university itself.

Rather than encouraging students to engage with the great minds of the past, today's humanities professors seek only to confirm their own worldview.

The annual gathering of America's literature faculty put at the top of its 2014 agenda the discussion of "embodiment, poverty, climate, activism, reparation, and the condition of being unequally governed," all in order to "expose key sites of vulnerability and assess possibilities for change."

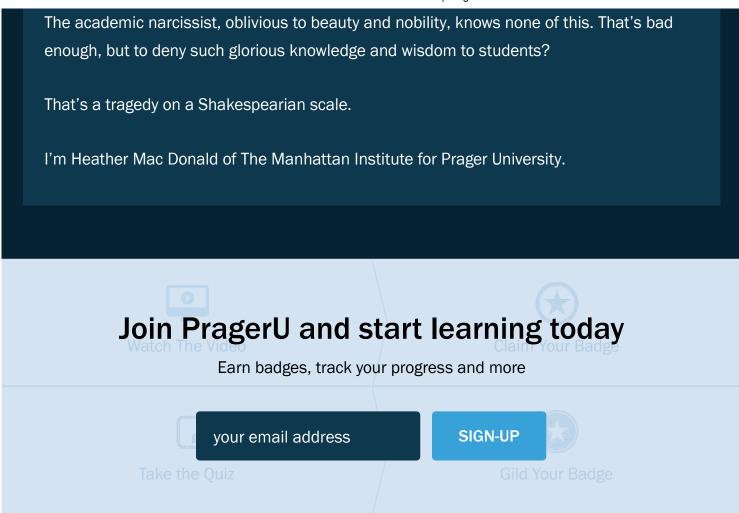
Lost in this political posturing is the only true justification for the humanities -- to provide: knowledge...knowledge leading, one hopes, to the most important acquisition of all: wisdom.

The American founders drew on an astonishingly wide range of historical and philosophical sources and on a healthy skepticism about human nature to craft the most stable and free republic in world history.

Ignorance of those sources, which led to the West's rule of law and its unparalleled prosperity, puts these unique and monumental achievements at risk. But humanistic learning is above all an end in itself.

It is simply better to escape one's narrow, self-centered mind and to live inside the prose of George Eliot, the music of Bach or the art of van Dyck than never to have done so.

Ultimately, it is the loving duty we owe those writers, artists and thinkers whose works made our world possible.



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