

Trump's Team of Theocrats, War Criminals, Ghouls, & Neo-Nazis

If Donald Trump is allowed to take office he will put in place a cabal of

- Christian fundamentalist theocrats...
- War criminals who have signed on to torture and murder innocent children...
- Ghoulish enemies of public education, housing, and the environment...
- Christian fundamentalists who want to force women into roles that would be a flip image of what women are subjected to under Islamic fundamentalist regimes...
- And his chief strategist and senior counselor who brags about providing a platform for neo-Nazis.

Mike Pence would be vice president. Pence says “I long to see the day that *Roe v. Wade* is consigned to the ash heap of history where it belongs and we again embrace a culture of life in America.” That “culture of life” was a nightmare for women who wanted or needed to terminate a pregnancy and ended up dead or were forced to foreclose their lives to bear children *against their will*. Pence was added to the Trump ticket to congeal a hellish marriage of a woman-groping scumbag with woman-hating Christian fundamentalists.

Steve Bannon would be Trump's chief strategist and senior counselor. Bannon brags that his Breitbart “news” website is a “platform” for the so-called “alt-right.” After a white supremacist massacred Black people in a Charleston, South Carolina, church and posed on Facebook with a Confederate flag, Bannon's website declared, “Hoist It High And Proud: The Confederate Flag Proclaims A Glorious Heritage.” In March, Bannon's Breitbart site published “An Establishment Conservative's Guide to the Alt-Right,” which identified Richard Spencer's website as “a center of alt-right thought.” On November 19, Spencer staged a neo-Nazi rally in DC where he railed against Jews, incited his audience to attack the press quoting Nazi propaganda in the original German, and declared the United States is “A white country designed for ourselves and our posterity. ... It is our



creation, it is our inheritance, and it belongs to us.” After Bannon's *Nazi* connections came to light big-time, **Trump has continued to keep Bannon as his right-hand man.**

Reince Priebus would be Trump's chief of staff. Priebus is billed as the one sane establishment Republican who might rein in the neo-Nazis and Christian fascists in a Trump regime. How's that working out so far? As Bannon's neo-Nazi connections came to light, Priebus told MSNBC that Bannon is “a generous, hospitable, wise person to work with.” And Priebus headed the Republican Party that adopted a platform calling for a constitutional amendment to *ban all abortion*.

“Ex” General War Criminals in a Big Brother/Torture Regime. During the campaign, Trump threatened to do “worse” than torture, and to order U.S. troops to kill *innocent family members of suspected* terrorists. When a former head of the CIA(!) said the military would refuse to carry out orders like that, Trump said, “They won’t refuse. They’re not gonna refuse me. Believe me.” Now Trump is stacking what would be his cabinet with war criminal retired generals, binding major players in the military to his regime. His **war criminal** appointees—**Lt. General Mike Flynn (National Security Adviser), Marine General James “Mad Dog” Mattis (Secretary of Defense), and General John Kelly (Homeland Security)**—will have their hands on key instruments of violent repression at home and terrorist violence around the world. They will have signed on to Trump’s threats of torture and mass murder. And they all have track records that qualify them to do just that. **Mattis** led U.S. troops who leveled the city of Fallujah, Iraq, in 2004 to send a message to the world of what happens if you defy the U.S. empire. That assault killed thousands in a nearly abandoned city, and “destroyed 36,000 homes, 9,000 shops, 65 mosques, 60 schools, both train stations, one of the two bridges, two power stations, three water treatment plants and the city’s entire sanitation and telephone systems.” (See *Blood on our Hands—the American Invasion and Destruction of Iraq*, by Nicholas J. Davies.) **Flynn** declares Islamic cultures are inferior to the imperialist West. As head of the U.S. Southern Command, until January of this year, **Kelly** was responsible for the U.S. torture chamber at Guantánamo Bay and fiercely opposed President Obama’s attempts to close it. Kelly declared, “There are no innocent men down there” and called the force feeding of prisoners on hunger strike a humane approach.

Ben Carson’s “qualification” to be Trump’s Secretary of Housing and Urban Development is that he is determined to shut down public housing and public assistance to tens of millions of desperate people. *And* that he will do that while claiming to be living proof that Black people can make it in America. Carson shamelessly declares “poverty is really more of a choice than anything else.” **Betsy DeVos** is an attack dog in the all-out assault on public education. She has put millions of dollars from her brother’s

Blackwater war crimes/mercenary agency and her husband’s Amway fortune to sponsor movements to impose theocratic religious oppression and madness by de-funding public schools, and providing government funding for Christian fundamentalist schools that would be a cracked-mirror image of the fundamentalist Islamic “education” in areas that groups like ISIS control. And the incoming Trump regime has slotted her to be **Secretary of Education**. As Oklahoma attorney general, **Scott Pruitt** has been on the cutting edge of the war to shred any and all environmental protection laws. He is a climate change denier. He has fought clean air and water rules. He is obsessed with spreading environmentally insane fracking. If Trump succeeds in taking office, Pruitt would head the **Environmental Protection Agency**.

The U.S. **Attorney General** supposedly protects civil rights and civil liberties. Trump’s pick is **Jeff Sessions**. A Black former assistant U.S. attorney testified that Sessions “stated that he believed the NAACP, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Operation PUSH and the National Council of Churches were all un-American organizations teaching anti-American values.” And that Sessions said he believed the Ku Klux Klan was OK until he learned its members smoked marijuana, something the former assistant U.S. attorney testified was not a joke, but something he took as “a serious statement” of Sessions’ views.

Trump picked Kansas congressman **Mike Pompeo to head the CIA**. Pompeo has been one of the loudest and shrillest voices demanding *expanded* government spying. He calls for new and *worse* laws “re-establishing collection of all metadata, and combining it with publicly available financial and lifestyle information into a comprehensive, searchable database. Legal and bureaucratic impediments to surveillance should be removed.” Given how *few* “legal and bureaucratic impediments” to massive government spying are in place, combined with Trump’s on-record threats to torture around the world, and round up and/or deport over 10 million people in the U.S., Pompeo would set the table for Hitler-level crimes.

In the name of humanity, Trump and this cabal cannot be allowed to take power!