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### **CBS'S LARA LOGAN CONFIRMS LEFT BIAS IN MEDIA**

**Father, help us discern Your truth in what we read and watch through the media. ([Jn 8:32](#))**

During an appearance on a podcast last week, CBS News correspondent Lara Logan said, “This interview is professional suicide for me.”

Boy, she wasn't lying. In a moment of bravery or serious miscalculation, Logan decided to tell the truth. And it wasn't about anything salacious — an extramarital affair, fabricating a story, anything like that. Instead, she said what we all more or less know: The media is biased toward the left.

The CBS correspondent, best known for her reporting from war zones, had made the appearance on the “Mike Drop” podcast with former Navy SEAL Mike Ritland, who had said that the media was “absurdly left-leaning,” a “huge f— problem” and a “disaster for this country.”

“I agree with that. That's true,” Logan said.

“The media everywhere is mostly liberal, not just the U.S.,” she said, according to Newsbusters. “But in this country, 85 percent of journalists are registered Democrats. So that's just a fact, right?” ...

“To me, that's a great representation of the American media, is that in this tiny little corner where the women pray you've got Breitbart and Fox News and a few others....

“My experience has been that the more opinions you have, the more ways that you look at everything in life — everything in life is complicated, everything is gray, right?” she continued. “Nothing is black and white.”

When it came to the liberal sameness of the media, Logan said it represents problems when it comes to trust: “How do you know you're being lied to? How do you know you're being manipulated?” ...

Logan also cast doubt on so-called “grassroots” political campaigns.

“We don't even question if what we see on social media is real or not. We don't even question if a grassroots movement is really grassroots,” she said....

And there were other truths to be served up: "We've become political activists, and some could argue propagandists, and there's some merit to that," she said, later adding that, "Responsibility for fake news begins with us." (Excerpts from C. Douglas Golden article in [The Western Journal](#))

### **ATTEMPTED COUP: ROSENSTEIN OR MCCABE TELLING THE TRUTH**

**Father, expose every hidden thing that is being attempted to disrupt Your plans for our nation.**  
**(Lk 8:17)**

In an interview to be aired Sunday on CBS's "60 Minutes," Andrew McCabe, the former acting deputy director of the FBI, said he launched an obstruction of justice and counter-intelligence investigation into President Donald Trump, because he was so alarmed by Trump's firing of his boss, James Comey.

McCabe said he began the investigation the day after Comey's firing and did his best to make it bulletproof: "I was very concerned that I was able to put the Russia case on absolutely solid ground, in an indelible fashion, that were I removed quickly, or reassigned or fired, that the case could not be closed or vanish in the night without a trace."

According to CBS's Scott Pelley, McCabe also said he and others had serious discussions about secretly recording Trump at the White House and invoking the 25th Amendment to remove Trump from office.

"They were trying to take this president down," President Trump's former attorney John Dowd told Fox News's Sean Hannity Thursday night. "They all pulled together. And they all wanted to take the president down. There is no doubt in my mind," Dowd said....

Dowd said a special federal grand jury should be convened by newly confirmed Attorney General William Barr to look into all of this, especially since the committees of Congress have failed to follow up.

"You need a grand jury running seven days a week to pull all of this down and all of this together. No more inspector general. No more kicking it down the road. And you can get this thing done in no time."

Rep. Jim Jordan (R-Ohio), appearing with Dowd on Hannity's show, said he wants McCabe and Rosenstein to appear before the House intelligence committee under oath to square their conflicting stories....

Jordan also noted that McCabe already has lied under oath and now faces a criminal referral from the Justice Department inspector-general, who is investigating him.

Rep. Devin Nunes (R-Calif.), the former chairman of the House intelligence committee, told Fox News Thursday night that McCabe launched the investigation into Trump with no evidence. "You had none," he told Fox News....

Nunes said the "key term" is conspiracy: "They conspired early on in 2016 to open a counter-intelligence investigation into a political campaign...and then they pushed this so much so that they got a FISA warrant on American citizen that came up totally empty. They got nothing. It was renewed four times. This continued on into 2017 after President Trump was sworn in."

Nunes described McCabe as part of a "small cabal" that was working inside the Justice Department to overturn the results of the 2016 election.

In a response on Twitter, President Trump quoted former Harvard Law Professor Alan Dershowitz: "Trying to use the 25th Amendment to try and circumvent the Election is a despicable act of unconstitutional power grabbing...which happens in third world countries. You have to obey the law. This is an attack on our system & Constitution." Alan Dershowitz. @TuckerCarlson

Lindsey Graham (R-S.C.), the chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, also tweeted his concern:

"Was there an attempt at a bureaucratic coup to take out President Trump? Who is telling the truth about invoking the 25th Amendment – McCabe or Rosenstein? Must find answers. All Americans should be concerned."

"I take this seriously," Graham said in a second tweet. "And I'm confident new Attorney General will too." (Excerpts from Susan Jones article on [CNS News](#))

### **VOTER ID LAWS DO NOT SUPPRESS TURNOUT**

**Father, we ask You to help us identify any fraudulent voting that takes place anywhere in America's voting polls. ([Lk 8:17](#))**

The new Democratic majority is making a major push to outlaw states from asking their voters to show ID at the polls, arguing that such laws push minorities and older people from voting.

According to a major new study, they're wrong — strict voter ID laws have no significant effect on voter turnout, don't keep interested voters from being able to vote, and for that matter don't prevent them from registering.

But at the same time, the laws also don't appear to boost confidence in the voting system, the study concluded, undercutting the reasons some conservatives are eager to pass such laws.

"The bottom line is that we don't find much of an effect either on participation or voter fraud," said Vincent Pons, an assistant professor at Harvard Business School and a research fellow at the National Bureau of Economic Research, which posted the new study this month....

"I would probably put my energy and effort into things other than voter identification laws," Mr. Cantoni said.

The findings could help derail at least part of House Democrats marquee voting legislation, H.R. 1, dubbed the For the People Act. It envisions a major new set of federal rules for conducting elections such as automatic and same-day voter registration, restoration of felon voting rights, expanded early voting and mail-in voting, and allowing people to vote by sworn affidavit rather than showing ID.

Several House committees are engaged in a battery of hearings on the law, with another one slated for Thursday in the House Administration Committee....

"The voter disenfranchisement allegations were always a smokescreen," he said. "Voter ID laws signaled to the organized left years ago that an unwelcome guest was now kicking around its sandbox and had popular ideas to boot. They were so desperate to maintain a monopoly, they latched onto claims that minorities were naturally less capable of obtaining IDs or following new laws for voting purposes."

Mr. Churchwell acknowledged that voter ID laws “will never be a cure-all” for integrity concerns. Noncitizens can legally obtain valid identification and sometimes manage to illegally register to vote at motor vehicle bureaus, for example.

But he said voter ID is a “final line of defense” against mistakes or mischief.

The Washington Times reached out to several high-profile voting-rights advocacy groups. One had nobody available to comment, and others — including the League of Women Voters — didn’t respond....

“I find it a bit surprising this debate became so polarized in the United States without having a chance to look at the evidence,” Mr. Cantoni said.

They said their previous research shows there are better ways to increase voter participation, such as having more polling places closer to where voters live. (Excerpts from Stephen Dinan article in [The Washington Times](#))

### **TRUMP JUDGE TO HEAR CASE ON EMERGENCY WALL CASE**

**Lord, we ask that Your wisdom be brought to bear in this upcoming court hearing. ([Ps 75:7](#))**

A Trump-appointed judge has been assigned to hear the two lawsuits against President Trump’s emergency border wall declaration that have been filed in federal court in D.C.

The two lawsuits were brought by environmental groups and Texas landowners who argue the president’s move is constitutionally dubious and his reasons for the emergency are suspect. They’ve asked the court to halt any fence-building beyond the \$1.375 billion Congress approved.

Mr. Trump has said he has found an additional \$6.7 billion he can use, shifting the money from drug interdiction, military construction and a Treasury Department forfeiture fund.

Judge Trevor N. McFadden, appointed by Mr. Trump and confirmed to the court in 2017, will hear the cases.

Another lawsuit was filed Monday in California by 16 Democrat-led states.

Lawyers had said Mr. Trump’s opponents would have better luck by trying to get an Obama-appointed judge to hear their legal challenge. (Excerpts from Stephen Dinan article in [The Washington Times](#))