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Liberal Media Relentlessly Smear, Mock, and Attack Conservative Ted Cruz — Satan Gets Better Press

Among the candidates running for president, conservative Christian Ted Cruz, Republican of Texas, is undeniably the one person the liberal media despise. Cruz was viciously attacked by the liberal media when he ran for the Senate in 2012, and those assaults have only trebled since he chose to run for the White House.

The left-wing media and their cohorts in Hollywood have smeared him as "diabolical," "evil," "slimy," a "repulsive animal," a "sneaky little weasel," a "Nazi," a "KKK" supporter, "very scary," a "Joe McCarthy," a "cancer," and a "troll" that "operates below the level of human life." That's the short list.

These are vicious, hateful smears the left-wing media would never ascribe to a liberal Democrat. When's the last time you heard "mainstream" reporters call Hillary Clinton a "slimy ... repulsive animal"? Have they described socialist Bernie Sanders as "reptilian," or a "prized heifer"?

The liberal media relentlessly attack Ted Cruz because he is a solid, Reaganesque conservative, who is very smart, and who potentially could win the presidential election. The liberal media want to stop him, so they're

shooting every repulsive volley they can.

The Media Research Center is documenting these attacks every day through our various divisions: News Analysis, NewsBusters, MRCTV,

CNSNews.com, MRC Latino, MRC Business and MRC Culture. The MRC has also issued press releases and published commentary on the topic, and MRC experts have been interviewed on radio and TV about the liberal media attacks on Cruz.

The evidence of the leftist media's hatred

for Ted Cruz is overwhelming. Let's look at some examples.

Cruz won the junior U.S. Senate seat in Texas in 2012 and assumed office in January 2013. In a back-handed compliment, *Politico's* Evan Thomas said, "He is really, really smart, and that makes him potentially dangerous." Later that year, Thomas' cohort Roger Simon asked if Cruz were "on a sinking ship, who would be saved? Answer: America."

Around the same time, October 2013, then-MSNBC host Martin Bashir asked panelists, "Do you think Ted Cruz



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is a bit like the David Koresh of the Republican Party?" In other words, is he a deranged, murderous, suicidal cult leader?

MSNBC, no surprise, has never questioned if Hillary Clinton were like the Unabomber. That would be in bad taste.

Also in 2013, MSNBC's Chris Matthews gushed that white supremacists "must love Ted Cruz," and *Morning Joe's* Joe Scarborough asked whether Cruz was "playing for people who can't read, for illiterates."



Newsweek's Alexander Nazaryan equated Ted Cruz with the Nazis, and then later deleted the tweet, half-mocking that the comparison was "not fair to his totally decent supporters."

Fake conservative David Brooks at *The New York Times* smeared that Cruz "looks a little like Joe McCarthy, actually."

The Washington Post's Jonathan Capehart held back nothing, ripping that "Senator Cruz is a bit of a jerk. Well, maybe not a bit of a jerk. He is a jerk. Democrats don't like him. But Republicans really can't stand him."

Last March, MSNBC's Donny Deutsch ranted that Cruz is "just a piece of theater and nothing more," that he's "dumb" and "ignorant," and "the worst." Still fulminating, Deutsch railed that Cruz is "scary," "dangerous," "slimy," and "brings no fresh ideas."

Last June, several days after the mass shooting in Charleston, S.C., the Associated Press ran photos of Cruz at a gun range where the camera angle of the gun posters in the background made it look like a pistol was aimed at the senator's head. The AP ludicrously claimed that "the images were not intended to portray Sen. Cruz in a negative light."

Yours truly in a press release slammed AP's lies, stressing the photo "was not an accident," but a "deliberate decision to publish" by the news service. I further noted that AP "would never do this to Hillary Clinton or Barack Obama," and called on AP to apologize to the Cruz family.

Although Cruz won the Iowa caucuses on Feb. 1, beating the polls and expectations, the networks ABC, CBS, and NBC gave him less coverage than second and third place finishers Donald Trump and Marco Rubio. The liberal media deliberately denied an "Iowa bump" to Cruz.

Several days after Iowa, *The Washington Post* ran a front-page story quoting several Canadians who don't like Cruz. The headline: Calgary's Stand on Cruz: 'The States Can Keep Him.' Typical was poli-sci Prof. Paul Fairie who gleefully told *The Post*, "Don't expect anyone to make a 'memorial at his childhood home.'"

CNN's John Avlon insulted Cruz by labeling him a "cancer," who had "abandoned his senses" or maybe never "had any." Also, *NYT* columnist Roberto Suro thumped that neither Cruz nor Marco Rubio were really Latino because they aren't liberal.

Newsweek's Alexander Nazaryan eventually deleted a Tweet in which he called Cruz "a Nazi." Along the same line, the perpetually bitter Chris Matthews mocked, "There's a troll-like quality to Cruz. He operates below the level of human life." Seriously?

Even horror-author Stephen King chimed in, warning that Cruz is "very scary," a "fundamentalist Christian ... the analog of an Imam."

Then there's Hollywood. TBS's Samantha Bee whined that Iowa elected this "fish-faced horseshit salesman as the GOP's prized heifer." HBO's Bill Maher flayed Cruz as "evil" and "diabolical," a "slimy, burrowing repulsive animal," "the lesser of two assholes."

Alleged comedian Aida Rodriguez ranted, "He's going to do everything the KKK does! That is his agenda! He falls in line with the KKK!"

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The MRC is documenting and exposing this leftist media blood sport.

Especially for 2016, the MRC is sparing no expense to combat the liberal media's propaganda and agenda to rig the elections. You can help us in this good fight by making a donation to the MRC today. Call us at 571-267-3500. We look forward to speaking with you

Sincerely,

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Even with a major investigation swirling about her, during the Feb. 11 PBS-sponsored Democratic debate, neither moderator asked Hillary Clinton about the e-mail scandal — not one question.

Liberal Media Spin Hillary Clinton's National Security E-Mail Scandal TO PROTECT HER DURING ELECTION YEAR

Hillary Clinton as Secretary of State (2009-2013) set up her own private e-mail server to conduct official government business, sent thousands of “classified” and “top secret” messages through the unsecured account — potentially damaging national security and compromising U.S. personnel worldwide — and is now the subject of a massive FBI investigation and possible criminal indictment.

But the liberal media are nearly silent on the scandal, or spinning it as a just another political brouhaha. Some left-wing journalists, before all the facts are in, are declaring her innocent or dissembling about no “legal culpability.”

The leftist media are covering for their preferred presidential candidate, Clinton — and her close staffers who also used private e-mail accounts — as the 2016 primaries unfold.

Although the e-mail scandal has slowly unraveled since last March, it is now known that at least 1,340 e-mails that went through Clinton's private server were deemed “classified.” In addition, at least 22 e-mails were deemed “top secret,” some of which were further deemed SAP, or Special Access Program, which means only certain people with a “top secret” clearance can see them.

Despite this information and the ongoing FBI investigation, CNN's Jeffrey Toobin declared in mid-January, “I don't think it's a big legal problem. I don't think the FBI is going to wind up charging her with a crime.” At NBC, Chuck Todd kept it political, purring to Clinton, “Are you concerned? That it's putting an extra cloud over your candidacy?”

On Jan. 29, the day the Obama administration disclosed that 22 “top secret” e-mails were found on

Clinton's server, the Associated Press dutifully reported that unnamed “independent experts” had said “it's unlikely Clinton will be charged with wrongdoing.” AP also quoted a lawyer saying, “What I would hope comes out of all of this is a bit of humility” for Clinton.

Three days later, long-time Clinton apologist Andrea Mitchell of NBC went on MSNBC's *Morning Joe* and asserted, “I don't think there is the legal culpability here.” She then blabbered on about how Clinton's “defense could well be the whole damn system is vulnerable.”

For his part, MSNBC's Joe Scarborough let the liberal media cat out of the bag by revealing, “Everybody in the media, everybody that runs anything is talking about how advanced this investigation is and nobody's telling the American people about it.” Bingo.

That same day, NBC *Today* and ABC *Good Morning America* interviewed Clinton, but didn't question her about the scandal. NBC's Matt Lauer, given the Iowa caucuses, gently asked Clinton, “Did you wake up this morning excited, nervous, anxious, what?”

At the Feb. 4 Democratic debate, NBC's Chuck Todd, again, asked nothing substantive about the e-mails but gently queried Clinton, are you “100% confident that nothing is going to come of this FBI investigation?” and “can you reassure these Democrats?”

During the Feb. 11 PBS-sponsored Democratic debate, neither moderator asked Clinton about the e-mail scandal — not one question. As MRC Research Director Rich Noyes told Fox's *Risk and Reward* during an interview, PBS uttered “not a word about it. ... It's clearly a Hillary Clinton press corps.” Indeed.

MRC's 'Don't Believe The Liberal Media!' Signs Viewed by Millions of Americans on the Networks and Cable TV News Shows

As part of its "Tell The Truth!" 2016 campaign, MRC field organizers distributed and displayed signs, bumper stickers, and buttons at the primaries and the presidential debates.

These signs, "Don't Believe The Liberal Media!" were shown on the network news programs such as *World News Tonight*, *NBC Nightly News*, *CBS Evening News*, and *Good Morning America*. The signs also appeared on numerous cable TV news stations, including FNC, FBN, CNN, C-SPAN, MSNBC, Univision, and even ESPN. The MRC message about liberal media bias has been seen by millions of Americans. The signs are only one component of the "Tell The Truth!" 2016 campaign to stop the leftist media from rigging the 2016 elections, and they are having an impact. Presented here are some instances where the MRC signs appeared.





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66% of voters believe the news media have too much power and influence over elections

47% consider media bias to be the biggest problem in politics today



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L. BRENT BOZELL III AND TIM GRAHAM

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Hillary's Manservants, Exposed

Liberals who remember “Doonesbury” surely recall the joke about George H. W. Bush pledging to “put his manhood in a blind trust” so he could be Ronald Reagan’s vice president. But when it comes to covering Hillary Clinton, reporters now have been exposed putting their own manhood in a blind trust. It turns out they submit to orders made by her longtime publicist, Philippe Reines.

They have tossed aside all vestiges of objective journalism — in fact, journalism itself — to please the boss.

It’s an ugly set of transactions, conducted in secret. To try and gain access to the very inaccessible Clinton, flattery is one method, but press dictated by the campaign is the real coin of the realm.

Gawker used the Freedom of Information Act to get to the exchanges between reporters and Reines, the Hillary Clinton gatekeeper. Their new find is Marc Ambinder of *The Atlantic*, who has worked in the political-news departments at ABC and CBS. The headline: “This Is How Hillary Clinton Gets the Coverage She Wants.”

In July 2009, Hillary was delivering a speech at the Council on Foreign Relations. Ambinder wanted an advance copy of the speech, a normal request, sometimes granted, sometimes not. Reines had a novel response. He insisted on conditions. “You must describe her tone as ‘muscular,’ and you must note that her most prominent underlings at the State Department (George Mitchell, Richard Holbrooke) would be seated in front of her to convey her command of the staff.”

“Got it,” Ambinder shot back. Later that day, he published a story doing Clinton’s bidding right at the top, touting a “muscular speech” Clinton would deliver

that day in front of her rival “power centers” in the State Department.

Mike Allen at *Politico* and Mark Landler at *The New York Times* also used copy that showed Reines was orchestrating Clinton’s press clips with them as well. Both reporters used the adjective “muscular” and both cited the other envoys in front of her. They needed to stay on Team Hillary.

Ambinder never stopped being a lap dog. Days later, he emailed Reines to coo over a *Meet the Press* appearance: “She kicked A on MTP.” A 2010 email from Ambinder to Reines on a press conference covering the WikiLeaks outrages oozed: “This is an awesome presser. ... She is PITCH f#\$*& PERFECT on this stuff.”

When contacted by *Gawker*, Ambinder pleaded that this was an “incomplete” record:

“The exchange is probably at best an incomplete record of what went down. That said, the transactional nature of such interactions always gave me the willies. ... At no point at *The Atlantic* did I ever feel the pressure to make transactional journalism the norm.”

The Atlantic added this lame note on their website above Ambinder’s 2009 piece: “On February 9, 2016, *Gawker* called the reporting of this post into question. It is *The Atlantic*’s policy never to cede to sources editorial control of the content of our stories.”

No it’s not. That answer is about as honest as *The Atlantic*’s reporting.

Last November, *Gawker* exposed Mike Allen at *Politico* emailing Reines offering to host Chelsea Clinton at a very cozy *Politico* brunch: “No one besides me would ask her a question, and you and I would agree on them precisely in advance. ... The interview would be “no-surprises’.”

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Television

BLAZE TV:

Dana Show, Jan. 28

FBN:

Risk and Reward, Jan. 19, Feb. 10
Varney & Co., Jan. 22, 27, Feb. 24

FNC:

America's Newsroom, Jan. 22
The Kelly File, Jan. 21
O'Reilly Factor, Jan. 22
Outnumbered, Jan. 22

NEWSMAX TV:

Steve Malzberg Show, Feb. 4, 17

OANN:

Tippling Point, Jan. 22, Feb. 5
The Daily Ledger, Jan. 21, 28, Feb. 4, 18

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Radio

Alan Nathan Show, Jan. 21, Feb. 16, 19
American Family Radio, Jan. 19, 21, 25, 26,
Feb. 1, 2, 16

Bob Dutko Show, Feb. 18

Drew Mariani Show, Jan. 26

Jim Bohannon Show, Jan. 26

John Clemens Show, Jan. 25

Mark Levin Show, Feb. 2

National Right to Life News, Jan. 26

Phil Valentine Show, Feb. 2

Point of View, Jan. 19, Feb. 19

Rush Limbaugh Show, Jan. 21, 27

SiriusXM, Morning Briefing, Feb. 8

Tim Constantine's Capitol Hill Show, Jan. 27,
Feb. 3, 17

KDKA, Pittsburgh, PA, Jan. 26

KFAB, Omaha, NE, Jan. 19, Feb. 17

KNGW, Seattle, WA, Jan. 20

KTRH, Houston, TX, Feb. 5

WABC, New York, NY, Feb. 2

WBAL, Baltimore, MD, Feb. 21

WESR, Accomack, VA, Jan. 27

WMUZ, Detroit, MI, Jan. 21, 29, Feb. 8, 19

WOAI, San Antonio, TX, Feb. 4

WOWO, Fort Wayne, IN, Feb. 2

WTKF, Morehead City, NC, Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1,
16, 19

WTMJ, Milwaukee, WI, Feb. 1

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Print

Cosmopolitan, Feb. 2

Wall Street Journal, Jan. 21, 28

Washington Examiner, Jan. 28

Washington Post, Jan. 26

Washington Times, Jan. 20, Feb. 1

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Internet & Twitter

American Energy Alliance, Feb. 19

American Family Association, Jan. 25

American Spectator, Feb. 2

American Thinker, Feb. 4

BizPacReview.com, Jan. 23, 31

Breitbart News, Jan. 19, Feb. 3, 18

Catholic Education Daily, Jan. 21

Christian Post, Jan. 19, 23

CNN Money, Jan. 27, Feb. 12

CrossMap, Feb. 17

Daily Caller, Jan. 26, 27, 29

DrudgeReport, Feb. 1, 9, 10, 16, 27

Examiner.com, Jan. 26

FoxNews.com, Jan. 20, Feb. 5, 17

Gulf News, Feb. 4

Harms Report, Feb. 17

IJ Review, Jan. 21

Inquisitr, Jan. 28

Instapundit, Feb. 15

Investment Underground, Jan. 28

Life Site, Jan. 21, 23, 28

LifeNews, Jan. 18, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27,

28, 29, Feb. 5, 12, 15, 16, 17

Live Action News, Jan. 21, Feb. 3

Media Matters, Feb. 22

National Catholic Register, Jan. 26

OneNewsNow, Jan. 19, 20, 22, 28,

Feb. 3, 18

Page Six, Feb. 5

Patriot Post, Jan. 28, Feb. 12, 19

RealClearPolitics, Jan. 22

Red Alert Politics, Feb. 3

RedState, Jan. 20, 28

RushLimbaugh.com Feb. 5, 12, 17,
23, 26

Space Coast Tusk, Feb. 26

The Telegraph, Feb. 2

TheBlaze, Jan. 20, 22, 25, 27, Feb. 5

Topix, Jan. 18, Feb. 2, 4

Townhall.com, Jan. 19, 26, Feb. 2, 9,
12, 18, 20, 24

World Net Daily, Jan. 22, 28, Feb. 13

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On Fox's *Risk and Reward*, MRC Business & Culture VP Dan Gainor analyzes the fallout of the liberally biased CNBC debate, and how NBC lost the opportunity to host the Feb. 25 GOP debate.



On Fox Business Live, MRC President Brent Bozell discusses the liberal media censorship of a story where a decorated Iraqi war veteran was beaten up by thugs who challenged him to defend the radical Black Lives Matter movement. "These networks that have been covering Black Lives Matter with dozens, hundreds of mentions, making it a national news story, suddenly they're nowhere to be found!" said Bozell to host Stuart Varney.



Katie Yoder, MRC Culture's Joe and Betty Anderlik Fellow, discussed with One America's Liz Wheeler on *Tippling Point* how the upcoming film, *The Purge: Election Year*, attacks both American patriotism and Christianity. Yoder also criticized the liberal media for using the Zika virus to campaign for abortion in Latin American countries.

TWITTER (Sample)

@becketadams, 17.5K followers, Feb. 18
@edmorrisey, 49.1K followers, Feb. 18
@ewerickson, 146K followers, Feb. 18
@fedsoc, 25.7K followers, Feb. 17
@harmsreport, 2.4K followers, Feb. 17
@judicialnetwork, 2.2K followers, Feb. 18
@marklevinshow, 557K followers, Feb. 18
@micah_morrison, 1.3K followers, Feb. 17
@nra, 335K followers, Feb. 12

FACEBOOK (Sample)

Erick Erickson, 18.6K likes, Feb. 18
Harms Report, 1.7K likes, Feb. 17
Mark Levin, 1.1million likes, Feb. 18

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■ As for Obama's State of the Union, liberal historian **Doris Kearns Goodwin** oozes, “It reminded me of George Washington's Farewell Address.” ■ Obama “absolutely” is one of our “brightest presidents” declares *Newsweek's* **Jon Meacham**, “It's a keen, analytical intelligence.” ■ MSNBC's **Lawrence O'Donnell** lectures that “no president has faced a greater fog of misinformation and outright lies in the public sphere than” Obama, and “the elementary lessons of governing that he has struggled to teach this Congress is something that no other president has ever had to go through.” ■ *Yahoo! News's* **Katie Couric** presses Speaker Ryan on Obama's executive order on gun control, “What did you think when the president cried? Were you affected by it?” ■ PBS' **Tavis Smiley** rips, “Trump is still, to my mind at least, an unrepentant, irascible, religious and racial arsonist.” ■ MSNBC's **Rachel Maddow** slams conservatives: “They basically reinvented Reagan as perfect. They need something to believe in, even if it's fake.” ■ Fusion's **Rembert Browne** quizzes Hillary Clinton, “Do you believe that white terrorism and extremism is as much a threat to some in this country as something like ISIS?” ■ The ever-distasteful **Chris Matthews** complains, “Oh my God! Mark Levin is one of the most distasteful human beings out there.” ■ ABC's **George Stephanopoulos** pitches a “hardball” to Hillary: “Before we go, you buy a Powerball ticket?”