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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Media Built the Permission Structure for Violence

For the third time, an assassin came far too close to murdering President Trump. Once again, the attacker was a radicalized left-winger.

Would-be assassin Cole Allen's manifesto read like it was copied straight from a network news anchor's teleprompter: "I am no longer willing to permit a pedophile, rapist, and traitor to coat my hands with his crimes."

Allen didn't invent that poison — he absorbed it from years of nonstop demonization by ABC, CBS, NBC, *The New York Times*, and their digital allies. They've branded Trump "Hitler," a "fascist," and an existential "threat to democracy." The elitist media aren't just reporting the news. Their inflammatory language doesn't stay on television or in newsprint — it inspires in the worst kind of way.

And at times, it ends in bloodshed — and when it doesn't, it comes frighteningly close.

We saw it with Charlie Kirk's assassination last September. We saw it when a gender-dysphoric woman opened fire on children worshipping in a Minnesota church. We saw it in the 2024 murder of a healthcare executive and the 2022 plot against Justice Brett Kavanaugh. We saw it in Butler, Pa., when a bullet came within inches of killing Trump. Today, at least four Trump cabinet secretaries, including the heads of the State and Defense departments, reportedly live on military bases because of the number and severity of the threats they've received.

As I said on *The Scott Jennings Show*, the permission structure is clear. The top networks are normalizing extremist hostility. ABC's Jimmy Kimmel joking about Melania becoming an "expectant widow" is not comedy. It's contempt posing as humor.

After the smoke clears comes the predictable media spin. *The New York Times* described Allen as a

"completely average guy" and said authorities were still "searching for a motive," conveniently ignoring his social media posts that read like CNN chyrons. The progressive press either downplays his leftist politics or denies any connection at all. They feign condemnation of the act in passing, then bury the motive... and the inspiration.

Self-reflection is simply not a trait you'll find in today's media. Some even have the gall to blame Trump himself for the violence.

Want proof that MRC's work is making an impact? A new national poll showed 60% of American voters now squarely blame the media for inspiring these assassination attempts — including 45% of Democrats.

President Trump again recently highlighted MRC's research showing his coverage runs 93-97% negative. Even in the three days after the second attempt on his life, network coverage was still 95% negative. The media cannot help themselves. Their hate-filled ideology runs too deep.

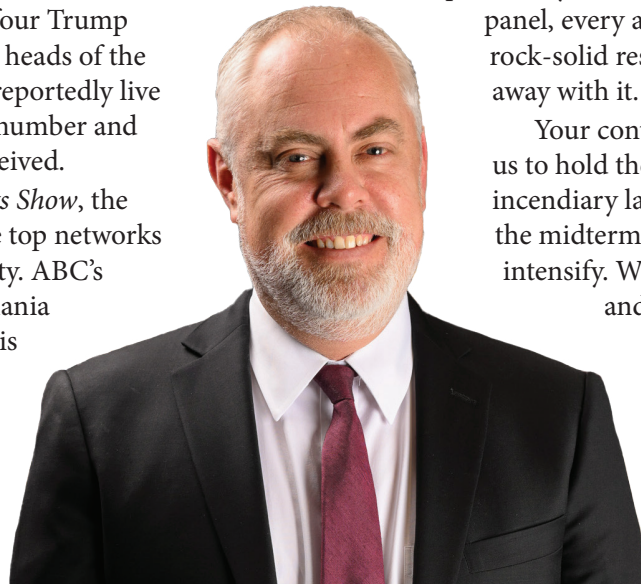
Thanks to dedicated supporters like you, the Media Research Center is exposing how the left-wing media complex stokes rage and then washes its hands of responsibility. We monitor every newscast, every

panel, every article, and every online post with rock-solid research. We will not let them get away with it.

Your continued partnership empowers us to hold the media to account for their incendiary language and reckless conduct. As the midterms approach, these attacks will only intensify. We're prepared for what's coming, and I'm grateful for your continued resolve that makes this possible.

David Bozell,

MRC President



MRC Reveals How Soros Groups Rallied to Protect Indicted SPLC

MRC uncovered how a network of Soros-funded groups rallied to defend the Southern Poverty Law Center after federal prosecutors announced sweeping fraud indictments against the organization.

The charges allege the SPLC secretly funneled \$3 million to white supremacist and neo-Nazi groups it publicly claimed to fight, a stunning revelation that shook major charitable platforms.

Fidelity Charitable, Vanguard Charitable, and Schwab's DAFgiving360 responded by pausing donations to the SPLC. Instead of addressing the fraud, left-wing activists launched an open letter attacking the charities for acting "without adjudicated facts," framing the SPLC as the victim rather than confronting the substance of the indictment.



Ten Soros-backed groups pressured major charitable platforms to keep supporting the disgraced SPLC

MRC's review found that at least ten of the groups behind the letter collectively received more than \$204 million from George Soros's network between 2016 and 2024. Several of the most prominent signers — including the New Venture Fund, Hopewell Fund, and Windward Fund — were previously tied to the Arabella Advisors dark-money network, which had long been powered by Soros-aligned funding.

The activists' letter ignored the SPLC's long record of targeting conservatives and Christians, rhetoric that has even contributed to real-world violence, such as the attack on the Family Research Council. Instead, they insisted the SPLC was being "targeted" for its advocacy, sidestepping the fraud entirely.

The View Goes Berserk After Virginia Follows the Constitution

On May 8, the Virginia Supreme Court struck down an unlawful Democratic redistricting referendum, a scheme the Left hoped would gerrymander the state's House seats 10–1 in their favor. Democrats violated the Virginia Constitution in their attempt to amend it, and the ballot language they drafted was so vague and tilted toward a "yes" vote that it couldn't stand.

Predictably, the media chorus erupted: "GOP rigging the system," "overruling the will of the people," the same tired refrains from the same tired voices. Never mind that Democrats engineered this mess in Virginia and across the country and knew the timing worked in their favor. Get the referendum on the ballot first, then hope the vote itself would box the Court in afterward. The justices didn't blink.

And then came *The View*.

ABC's daytime panel of Mensa candidates delivered exactly what you'd expect. Whoopi Goldberg falsely claimed the Court

simply told voters, "No, that's not what you want, we changing it. This feels like a cheat."

In reality, voters never approved a map, only deceptive language Democrats crafted to sneak their scheme through.

Alyssa Farah Griffin waved off the constitutional violation as a "technicality." Ana Navarro insisted Republicans "drew first blood," off by about 214 years and the wrong party (Massachusetts Gov. Elbridge Gerry, 1812). And Sunny Hostin, as always, went straight to race: "It's about diluting the black vote," ignoring the actual legal issue entirely.

The Virginia ruling is a reminder: When the law is followed, fairness wins, no matter how the media or *The View* try to spin it.



FORGET THE CHILDREN — ABC Shields Disney from Porn Sting

ABC's approach exceeds mere bias. The network is more concerned with protecting itself and its corporate parent than protecting children. Between April 23 and 27, U.S. Customs and Border Protection arrested more than two dozen Disney Cruise Line employees in a major child-pornography sting. Local L.A. outlets reported the arrests on May 5. The *New York Post* took the story national May 6. Yet Disney-owned ABC News stayed silent for six straight days — not one on-air mention, according to MRC research.



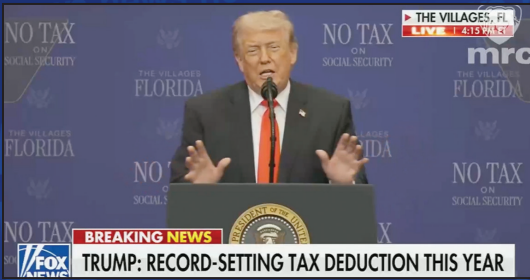
A company built on magic, families, and children watched its own news division refuse to report employees allegedly preying on kids. Instead, ABC ran four glowing segments on former Disney CEO Bob Iger's honorary degree, pushed *American Idol* promos, and spent nearly three minutes on a New York coffee shop celebrating Cambodian culture. Everything except the story that mattered.

As MRC President David Bozell noted, "In cases where scandals hit Disney directly, ABC goes mute. If the same scandal had involved News Corp, Fox News' parent company, ABC would have delivered wall-to-wall outrage and endless sermons on corporate culture, accountability, and protecting children."

Among the Big Three networks, ABC has been the most aggressively partisan: David Muir's *World News Tonight* delivers nearly 100% negative Trump coverage, night after night. Jimmy Kimmel routinely traffics in misinformation. George Stephanopoulos cost ABC \$15 million after airing false claims. And *The View* maintains a near-total blockade of conservative guests, as documented by MRC's research — a pattern now drawing FCC scrutiny as the agency reviews whether ABC has complied with equal-time standards.

In the end, ABC's refusal to cover the arrests reveals a network more committed to shielding its interests than informing the public. That's why the MRC holds them to account.

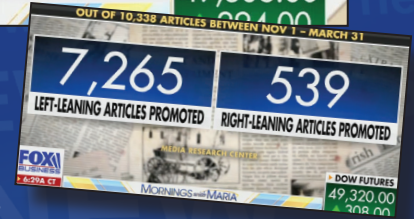
MRC IS EVERYWHERE



During a visit to Florida to promote his tax policy, President Trump referenced an MRC study stating that "93% of the evening news coverage of Trump is negative."



MRC's special report on the Big Four News Apps took center stage when MRC President David Bozell joined Maria Bartiromo on Fox Business' *Mornings with Maria*. Bozell warned that these platforms now function as "America's front pages" because 58% of Americans get news from at least one of them. He stressed the real danger: "They push the most radical left, anti-American headlines to millions of users every single day."



On *The Count*, MRC Senior Research Analyst Bill D'Agostino discussed how left-leaning media negatively spun and took out of context President Trump's comments about Iran and Americans' financial situation.



On RAV's *Media Exposed*, MRC Video's Justine Brooke Murray discussed media bias and double standards regarding gas prices, as well as the left-wing rhetoric leading to the recent attempt on President Trump's life.



MRC Video Senior Director Eric Scheiner appeared on Newsmax's *The Briefing with Ed Henry* to discuss a brawl at a local DC Chipotle and how the media overlook "fatherlessness" as a significant part of the issue.



MRC Free Speech America VP Dan Schneider appeared on Fox News' *The Evening Edit* to highlight how the elitist media sought to protect Jimmy Kimmel from his controversial "expectant widow" joke about Trump.



On Newsmax2's *The Pulse*, NewsBusters Managing Editor Curtis Houck and host David Harris chuckled over a news report about Kamala Harris calling for a "No Bad Ideas" brainstorm for the elections.



During an interview on WMAL's *The Chris Plante Show*, MRC President David Bozell said the Bulldog Awards are MRC's "opportunity to recognize good people doing the right things in the world of news."



On Newsmax's *Wake Up America Early*, Tim Graham discussed the media's double standard on election denial and their mistreatment of Rudy Giuliani.

MRC Bulldog Awards

Honoring the Truth-Tellers the Pulitzers Ignore

And the winner of the Pulitzer goes to... Not the *Washington Times*. Not the *New York Post*. Not *The Daily Caller*. Not *The Federalist*. But the usual suspects cleaned up. This year's Pulitzer Prizes turned Trump-attacking into a trophy sport — the theme practically swept the awards. *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, the *Chicago Tribune*, AP, and Reuters were all there, patting each other on the back.

That's exactly why the MRC created the Bulldog Awards — to honor conservative voices the Pulitzers will never touch. The ones who tell the truth and refuse to bend to the progressive herd mentality that defines today's media.

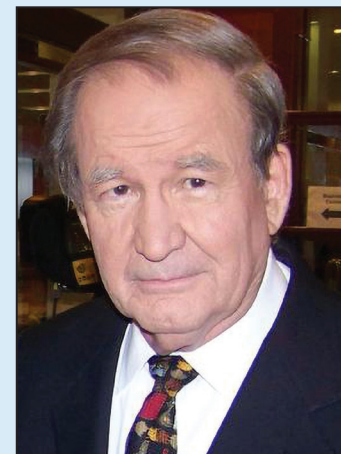
Now, without further ado, this year's 5th annual Bulldog Award winners ...



PATRICK J. BUCHANAN

Lifetime Achievement Award

A six-decade pillar of American conservatism, Buchanan shaped the movement. As a Special Assistant to President Richard Nixon, he helped craft many of Vice President Spiro Agnew's challenges to the out-of-touch left-wing media. Soon after, he started writing what would become a must-read nationally syndicated column, which ran for nearly 50 years. Through his writing and television roles, Buchanan became the voice for conservative cultural values, earning the respect and admiration of conservatives and the working class who felt under assault by the liberal elites. In 1982, he became a star panelist on the widely popular *McLaughlin Group* weekly TV show, where he was the most prominent conservative voice in the TV landscape, a decade and a half before the Fox News Channel was launched. A few years later, he assumed the conservative chair on CNN's *Crossfire*, taking on liberals nightly for nearly two decades.



SHERMICHAEL SINGLETON

Outstanding Achievement Behind Enemy Lines

A principled conservative on CNN, Singleton challenges leftist panels with clarity and composure, pressing back on misinformation even when outnumbered.

Shermichael Singleton accepted his Bulldog during a recent MRC NewsBusters podcast, saying, "To be acknowledged for your work from your peers and an organization you respect, it really does mean a lot."

NICK MINOCK

Outstanding Investigative Journalist

A fearless reporter on Washington DC's ABC affiliate, Minock exposes the real-world consequences of sanctuary policies, soft-on-crime governance, and failures in local accountability across Northern Virginia.





DANA LOESCH

Outstanding Radio Talk Show Host

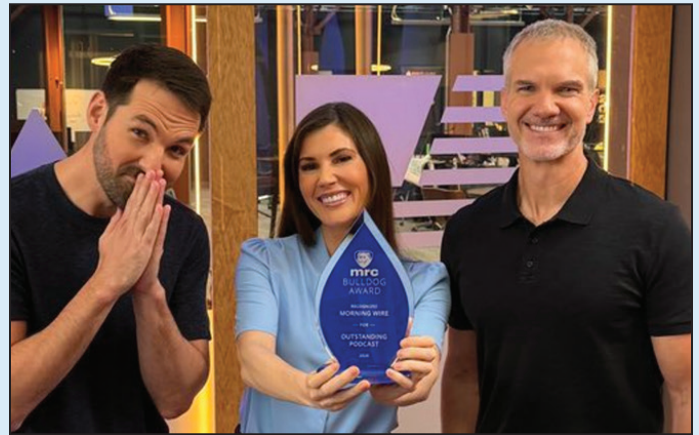
The number-one female talk radio host, Loesch anchors a bold, unapologetic program heard on more than 200 stations nationwide, pairing sharp analysis with a fierce defense of the Second Amendment.

During her radio show interview with MRC President David Bozell, Dana Loesch accepted her Bulldog award: "Thank you for this gorgeous award — I love this!"

JENNIE TAER

Outstanding Reporter

Taer's immigration reporting for *The Daily Wire* blends on-the-ground coverage with exclusive investigations, breaking major stories on deportations, trafficking, and federal enforcement.



MORNING WIRE

Outstanding Podcast

Daily Wire's flagship morning show delivers 15 minutes of clean, concise, bias-free news — a professional alternative to the left-wing broadcast filter.

Morning Wire co-hosts John Bickley and Georgia Howe thanked MRC on-air and posted how they were "honored to be named Outstanding Podcast of the Year by the MRC."

DOUGLAS MURRAY

Outstanding Columnist

A transatlantic writer for the *New York Post* and *The Spectator*, Murray cuts through progressive orthodoxy with clear, forceful commentary on extremism, censorship, and the failures of unassimilated immigration.



STEPHEN L. MILLER

Outstanding Social Media Personality

Known to millions as @RedSteeze, Miller's relentless media criticism and razor-sharp humor have made him one of the right's most influential voices on X.

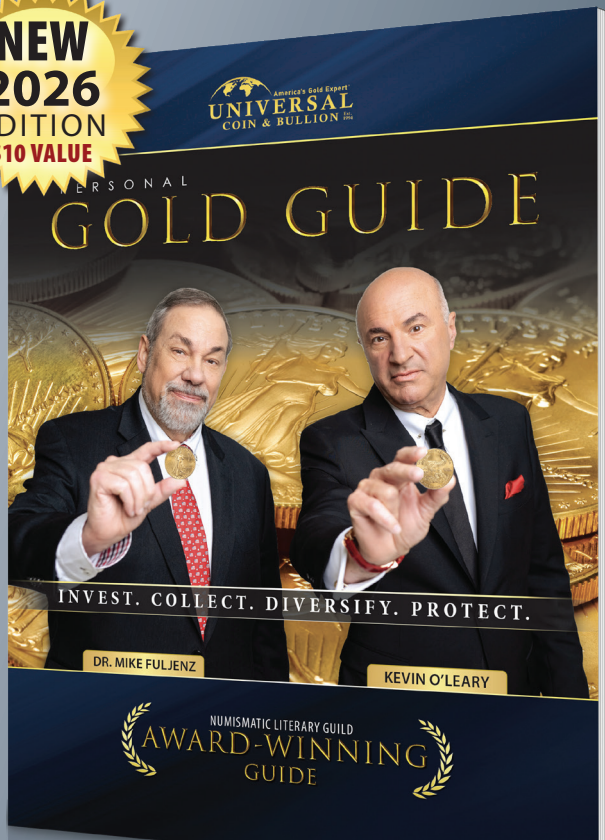


The Pulitzers reward activism dressed up as journalism, but the Bulldog Awards celebrate something far more rare: independent voices who put truth above narrative and accountability above applause. These winners don't chase approval from the media establishment — they challenge it. And that's exactly why their work matters.

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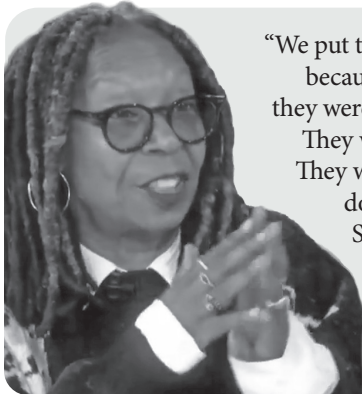
(Not-So) Notable Quotables

The monthly round-up of the worst, cringiest, most absurd, outrageously woke, and often unintentionally humorous quotes from leftist media.

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Whoopi Still Thinks It's 1965



"We put the Voting Rights Act together because there was an issue, because they were keeping people from voting! They were literally shooting people! They were running them down with dogs to keep them from voting! So when they say that problem is gone, it's not gone, because you're still doing it!"

Whoopi Goldberg
Co-host on ABC's *The View*

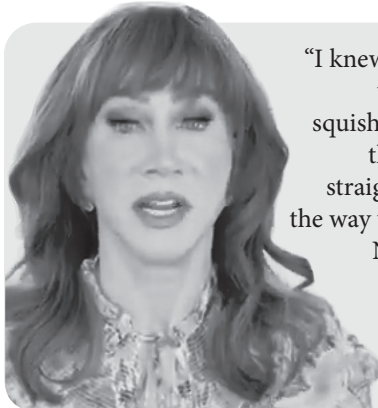
Math and Rational Thought, Not Her Forté



"You know, I just read that this war is estimated to have already cost us \$50 billion. \$50 billion, which is more money than this country has spent since World War II."

Sunny Hostin
Co-host on ABC's *The View*

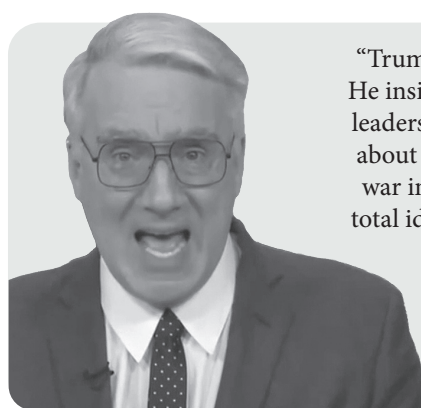
What Would the Left Do Without the 'Nazi' label?



"I knew Charlie Kirk. I did a panel with him one time. And his squished-in face. And yeah, I said that because that dude was a straight-up Nazi. But, you know, the way we've deified him is bizarre. Never seen anything like it."

Kathy Griffin
on her *Talk Your Head Off* podcast

Another Sparkling and Upbeat Message of Hope



"Trump is entirely full of s***. He insists there are talks. Iran's leaders say they know nothing about them. We are losing the war in Iran, and as of today, a total idiot is still president and commander in chief."

Keith Olbermann
on his *Countdown* podcast

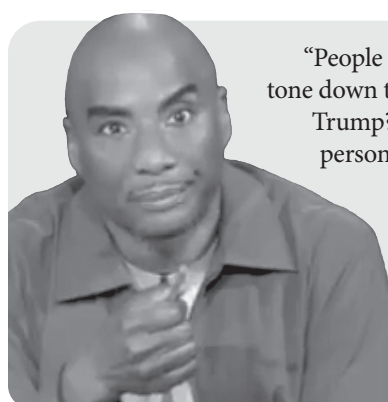
Kimmel Needs to Join Colbert in Unemployment Line



"Our First Lady, Melania, is here. Look at her, so beautiful. Mrs. Trump, you have a glow like an expectant widow."

Jimmy Kimmel
during a mock version of the White House Correspondents Dinner on ABC's *Jimmy Kimmel Live!*

Leftists Always Blame the Victim



"People always say, 'Are we going to tone down the violent rhetoric towards Trump?' I need every single media personality to direct that question to one person, and that is Donald Trump. At what point do people simply say, 'Hey, Trump, you're the drama?'"

Charlamagne the God
on *The Breakfast Club*

ABC'S Trump Derangement Syndrome

Infects Everything from War Coverage to Late Night Comedy Shows

What's wrong with ABC? Start with the data.

In our report on network coverage of the Iran war, ABC led the pack with a stunning 93% negative tone.

Kellyanne Conway cited the MRC's findings on *Jesse Watters Primetime*, showing how ABC's newsroom has jettisoned any pretense of objectivity to undermine the war effort, hurt Trump, and help Democrats.

But ABC's credibility problem doesn't end with its news division. It has a Jimmy Kimmel problem, too.

Kimmel once made his living as a comedian. Today, he traffics in politics and spite. After Charlie Kirk's death, he didn't just get a detail wrong; he pushed a dastardly lie, suggesting the shooter was a MAGA supporter. MRC tracked it, exposed it, and ABC suspended him for a week.

And now he's escalated again. In a pre-taped "skit" ahead of the White House Correspondents' Dinner,



On Fox News' *Jesse Watters Primetime*, Kellyanne Conway referenced ABC's problem with Kimmel — including their news side — citing one of our studies: "The Media Research Center found ABC's news coverage of the Iran war to be 93% negative against the U.S."



MRC tracked a month of Iran war coverage and found the networks awash in anti-American, anti-Trump spin.

Kimmel looked toward a cutout of First Lady Melania Trump and said: "Mrs. Trump, you have a glow like an expectant widow." The implication was unmistakable: a joke about Donald Trump's death. His excuse that it was about age didn't pass the sniff test. And the timing — just days before the third assassination attempt on Trump — made it even more grotesque.

Predictably, the media circled the wagons. ABC's *Good Morning America* ducked the controversy. *CBS Mornings* defended him. NBC's *Today* soft-pedaled the joke. And CNN's Jake Tapper played defense lawyer.

Now the FCC has ordered ABC to reapply for its broadcast license, a reminder that networks are supposed to serve the public interest. Not just the Left.

At this point, Kimmel might want to join Stephen Colbert in the unemployment line. ABC's late-night megaphone keeps proving the same point: The network can't help itself.



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