

We the Disenfranchised...

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I am a third-generation American of Mexican decent, disabled by Multiple Sclerosis. I am a staunch advocate of border enforcement, and for reform of the broken Departments of In-Justice, and Homeland In-Security. I have also worked on many cases advocating for law enforcement, fighting against the Johnny Suttons of the world, and helping agents fired by their agencies on charges trumped up by incompetent managers. But after watching two national conventions take place, I have to address a few items.

The major parties have their own issues and problems that has led to the disenfranchisement of many Americans. As an expert on border security, and as a law enforcement advocate who has spent these past few years working on cases beyond the well-known El Paso case, I can attest to problems the average person cannot begin to claim to have knowledge of. However, the United States Congress is not among this group as I have filed countless reports identifying many problems, issues, and cases that I do not need notes to speak authoritatively about.

Both national tickets have openly engaged in pandering to secessionist groups that many in the media claim to be "civil rights organizations". However, we all know that is crap. We also know that deep pocket philanthropists, corporations, and other globalists support these racially motivated ethnocentric groups. In fact, Hollywood catered during the Democrat National Convention by bringing in celebs such as Rosario Dawson, J-Lo, and Jessica Alba to put on display and attract attention to an event they called "Voto Latino." I have provided a link to see how far it went, though kept quiet by the media.

<http://www.hispanictips.com/2008/08/22/hispanic-latino-events-at-the-democratic-national-convention-denver-2008/>

Both parties pander to a vote that frankly is lacking in viability considering one has to be a U.S. citizen to register to vote. Mexico's past elections have led to candidates for their presidency coming to America to campaign considering the sheer amount of illegal aliens here that clearly belong in Mexico since they are deemed to be so important to a candidate for their corrupt position of "El Presidente."

Both national tickets are familiar with the issues I am about to present, but so far have been ignored by both, while the Hispandering continues. Meanwhile, though the conservative base has been re-energized with the nomination of Governor Sarah Palin to the McCain ticket. Yet, let's get back to the basics that we, the disenfranchised American voter, demand be addressed. We want action, not empty promises.

Since Duncan Hunter, who I personally supported and who personally addressed the issues I raise below, departed the presidential campaign, we have hardly heard our issues addressed by the major parties. However, we must hold them accountable and cannot allow them to ignore us. The cost is too great, as the 9-11 Attack on America's 7th Anniversary this week will forever remind us.

We, the disenfranchised citizens of America demand to know the following:

What type of judges will our nominee appoint to the appellate and district courts? It's not just about the Supreme Court and *Roe v. Wade*. Will McCain appointees be like El Paso's Judge Kathleen Cardone who legislates from the bench in ways that supports foreign trade partners demands, ignore precedents by our Supreme Court such as *US vs. Verdugo-Urquidez* as written by Chief Justice Rehnquist (1990) that would have denied protections given to a dooper finally brought to justice for his subsequent crimes, while ignoring his original crimes of dope smuggling and perjury?

Will we see more Johnny Suttons be appointed to DOJ that protect dopers and human traffickers while prosecuting law enforcement officers? Or are we going to put people in there who put the U.S. Constitution first and not a temporary employees policies?

Keep in mind that current leaders of the alphabet soup agencies at DHS trump up charges against our first-line officers and agents solely to discredit whistleblowers who then have zero credibility to identify compromises in security, and prevent them from defending themselves when attacked in their workplace. I am working on many such cases involving these matters. Will federal law enforcement officers fighting trumped up charges be given an impartial process where they can appeal to independent administrative law judges, EEO Commission, Merit Systems Protection Boards, Office of Special Counsel, and other types of alphabet soup offices without the deck so clearly stacked against them. Currently, the system is broken and does not work. Officers are losing their jobs, names, and reputations, homes, and losing opportunities to apply for lateral law enforcement positions since the system is broken and failing them. Agency counsels are paid by American tax-dollars appropriated by Congress. Our officers are rolling up debts of hundreds of thousands of dollars hiring attorneys to represent them in these administrative and civil matters against a stacked deck. Are we going to fix this broken system, or just going to continue a broken system break officers lives?

Will our agencies be subjected to continued incompetent leaders like David Aguilar, Chief of the Border Patrol and CBP Deputy Commissioner Jayson Ahern, or Assistant Commissioner Thomas Winkowski who follow and implement policies that compromise our nation's security by preventing Customs Officers and Border Patrol agents from doing their job? These bureaucrats lead to people like former Customs Director of Field Operations for El Paso Luis Garcia telling his officers to move traffic at the US-Mexico Ports of Entry as they are customer service not law enforcement, refusing to allow officers to stop individuals from entering the US regardless of their lack of identifications. This same Luis Garcia used to wear a Mexican flag lapel pin on his CBP Customs SES level managers uniform while on duty.

Will we put an end to trade pacts that benefit nations that have an appalling record when it comes to human rights? Will Red China and Mexico still be pandered to? Will we do something about Mexico's corruption or still give them funding that will be used against us by the violent cartels? Will we create jobs here at home first? Will we balance trade?

Duncan Hunter is one leader who addressed that during his presidential campaign regarding Mexico and Red China and continued to do so. But then again, Duncan Hunter has spent his service in Congress defending America, and is responsible for getting the funding appropriated that led to infrastructure being constructed along the borders that lowered crime in San Diego. This wasn't a bridge to nowhere type bs earmark. Instead, this was border roads, fences, and the clearing of brush used by bandits to bring misery to the pollos they raped, murdered, and committed other vile heinous acts against. Read Joseph Wambaugh's book *Lines and Shadows* based on San Diego PD's BARF Squad if you don't believe me to learn what border life was like.

We the Disenfranchised demand that our national defense begins here at home, and not be limited to the borders of Iraq. We further demand an end to Hispandering.

President Reagan believed in "Peace Through Strength", which lives on as part of the living spirit of the USS Ronald Reagan based in San Diego. For years Republicans candidates campaigned on that very issue. We, as Americans, all know that the defense of America begins not overseas on foreign soil, but right here at home along our borders and coastlines, including our ports of entry. These are all valid questions and issues that must be answered by both campaigns personally.

I know I speak for many Americans when I say, many of our ills today as a nation, are not solely due to illegal immigration for our problems are wider than solely that. However, let's examine economic impact for a moment. It takes money to fix roads, build hospitals, jails, prisons, and schools. It takes money to hire doctors, nurses, officers, jailers, teachers, and the administrators responsible to staff each. We have no way to really know how many illegal aliens are in the U.S. today, and there is no way to know. But let's just say there are 30 million just for the sake of discussion. Now are they taking jobs that we Americans used to get? Yes, but for less pay, and pay not offered to Americans, even those willing to take pay-cuts rather than be replaced by participants of the H1-B Visa program (one of many). Now if we take that 30 million and send them back to their native lands, and have their clearly able-bodied workers demand work at home, they'll have to fix the problem because if they don't, well, that's how revolutions begin. Too many angry, unemployed, starved people being ignored can lead to governments being toppled. If the 30 million individuals are not using public services, we are not spending as much for these public programs and can focus on our own ills.

I make no bones about my distaste for "Comprehensive Immigration Reform", aka Amnesty. You don't reward lawbreakers. Our laws work fine and Amnesty compromises America's National Security. The culture of corruption within the agencies and the policies that puts trade and commerce above national security is the problem. Since the departure from the presidential campaigns of Duncan Hunter, I've sat on my hands in protest, as neither nominated major party candidate represents my viewpoint when it comes to securing America and helping law enforcement.

With Governor Sarah Palin on the GOP ticket, I am considering what would have been previously unthinkable due to those questions I have raised. This is my casting my vote in November for a ticket led by Arizona's Senior Senator, a vote that must still be earned for I am an American citizen, not what is known in Mexico as "sheeple".

What? Huh? Did I just read correctly? Yes you did, but here is why. We all know that the top of the Republican ticket is led by Senator McCain, who along with Ted Kennedy have tried to ram amnesty down our throats. This is the one issue that McCain and George W. Bush agree completely on. I know that people I respect such as Laura Ingraham and Glenn Beck have stated Gov. Palin stands with us on critical issues. Laura has indicated she is opposed to amnesty and that is something I can't ignore. It takes dialogue to get things accomplished, not silence.

There is an additional factor we must consider. Duncan Hunter is retiring from Congress and from what I've heard is tight with McCain, though they completely disagree when it comes to amnesty. Imagine this possibility, Duncan Hunter could be nominated for a cabinet position and the most likely of these are Defense or Homeland In-Security. Rank and file Republicans put a pretty tough anti-amnesty, pro-secure the borders plank in the national platform. We all know McCain has been with the Wall Street Wing of the GOP, not us, on our greatest issue. Nobody is fooled, including rank and file Republicans.

Arizona's Senior Senator is supposed to be a maverick, but he's not. Mavericks are not globalists consisting of elitists hiring and exploiting the lowest bidder, in this case, illegal aliens. If it was a moral dilemma, we'd hear the McCains and Kennedys of the world demanding Mexico put the cartels, dopers, and human traffickers out of business, and that they reform their own government and create jobs there instead of pandering for votes of an illegal, non-citizen populace. We citizens are insulted for we are Americans.

Additionally, a maverick would never have hired Juan Hernandez, an agent of Mexico, and a person I personally consider a slimeball. All the Hispandering has done nothing to assist McCain as the La Razas, Lulacs, and Mechas are campaigning for Obama, not McCain. So we know that the Dems are against us, while many rank and file GOP activists and Members of Congress are with us. Therefore, the Dems under the Obama ticket are clearly not an option.

Had McCain chosen Tom Ridge who was on that short list, McCain would never have been an option for me especially after he personally allowed CBP Customs Officer Robert Rhodes to be prosecuted after formal request by the Foreign Minister of the People's Republic of China for doing his job along the Canadian Border. Ridge and Colin Powell immediately issued an apology to the Red Chinese Government. But McCain chose Palin, not Ridge, Powell, or Lieberman.

Senator McCain, due to your record on our issue, we do not trust you, and trust is earned, not given.

As I previously said, Glenn Beck and Laura Ingraham have vouched for Gov. Palin, and they stand with us on our issues. We can't ignore this interesting variable, though we must use caution.

I don't suggest giving our votes when they must be earned. Those issues I have raised are what must be addressed with us first. Anything less, and our votes will be lost. We can pause for discussion. Now it is your turn since an opening for dialogue is available. It takes two parties for communication to work. The La Razas, Lulacs, Hispanic Chambers of Congress, and others have had their turn, now it is ours. We are a voting bloc, too and we are many.

We have not done those things simply, as the ethnocentrists claim, due to race. It's greater and deeper than the old race card scam. We remember 9-11, the images burned into us, like the images of Pearl Harbor, or Hitler's Death Camps are burned into our parents and grandparents. We remember hundreds of shoes in the rubble of the World Trade Center with no bodies to be found having been incinerated. We remember the listing of the dead and lost. We remember the shock, horror, and tears. We remember the stories of heroic bravery that came out. We also remember what we learned that our government did not do, and how a plane was allowed to depart the U.S. for Saudi Arabia.

We have stood a post on our borders and observed people, including dopers and human traffickers enter America illegally. We have seen officers prosecuted and imprisoned, while the same dopers and human traffickers are protected, or given voluntary release to return to Mexico without prosecution. We have seen the Mexican Military incur into our nation, an act of war by legal definition, and senior officials do nothing about it except try to cover it up, even when assisting dopers and drug thugs. We have given countless hours of time, which came at the expense of our families to help defend America by standing that post. It sure as hell was not due to a hatred of brown people, for many who have stood that post have been just that, brown people who want our laws enforced and respected.

I know I speak for many out there who have seen the Hispandering go on, while our votes, as citizens, remain ignored. It is time for the politicians to cease the Hispandering and time to stop ignoring American citizens. Many believe it could take another 9-11 type of attack to put an end to this asinine thinking and betrayal of our country and citizens. Our soldiers gave us that right to demand accountability by defending this nation for over 232 years losing blood, limb, and life for us all on many famous and not so famous points on a map.

We the Disenfranchised require the nominees of the major parties heed our demands and stop ignoring us, and taking us for granted. We are citizens of this nation, not mere guests, and not here illegally. Many among our ranks have defended this nation or lost loved ones who gave the ultimate sacrifice. Though our ranks have silent workers, we are many and united across age, education, ethnicity, gender, income, and other lines. You have less than two months to address our demands and take action, and if you do not, and continue to betray us with Hispandering, we shall not forget it when it comes time to vote.

If you believe Freedom came at no cost, ask a Veteran, or ask a person who lost a loved one as the result of the Attack on America during 9-11...