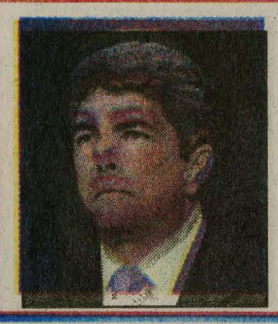


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Murray Nominates O'Toole For Seattle Police Chief



Kathleen O'Toole addresses the media at a press conference announcing her nomination as Seattle Police Chief. If confirmed by the Seattle City Council, O'Toole will be the first woman to head SPD.

On Monday, Seattle Mayor Ed Murray announced Kathleen O'Toole as his nominee for chief of the Seattle Police Department.

O'Toole, a career police officer and lawyer, has earned an international reputation for her principled leadership and reform strategies. In 2012, O'Toole completed a six-year term as Chief Inspector of the Gardia Síochána Inspectorate, an oversight body responsible for bringing reform, best practice and accountability to the 17,000 member Irish national police service. Prior to serving in Ireland, O'Toole rose through the ranks of local and state policing in the United States. During her career, she was assigned to numerous patrol, investigative, undercover, supervisory and management positions. She served as Superintendent (Chief) of the Metropolitan District Commission Police and Lieutenant Colonel overseeing Special Operations in the Massachusetts State Police. She was later appointed Massachusetts Secretary of Public Safety (1994) and Boston Police Commissioner (2004). She was the first woman appointed to all of these senior positions.

"I made a commitment to find the best possible chief of police for Seattle, and that's exactly what I have found in Kathleen O'Toole," said Murray. "The Seattle police department deserves the best leadership possible to drive ongoing reform efforts – not for the sake of reform, and not even for the sake of compliance with the federal court, but because all individuals in this city deserve to feel safe and protected in their communities. We can be a national model for urban policing, and Kathleen O'Toole is the right choice to lead us there."

O'Toole's selection by Murray has been well received by many in the community including many members of the Seattle City Council, who are now charged with confirming her as the next police chief.

Seattle City Councilmember Bruce Harrell said that he is looking for a new chief that will, among other things, embrace and implement new technologies like body cameras to enhance police accountability and public safety, and who will communicate and engage with minority communities and ensure the diversity of Seattle's neighborhoods are well represented in the department.

"I had the opportunity to meet Ms. O'Toole during the preliminary interview process, and she impressed me with her proven record in changing and reforming a department, her confidence, and her ability to lead and inspire officers," said Harrell. "The Council's Public Safety committee will now conduct a thorough and transparent confirmation process and consider public feedback at each committee hearing. Council will turn over every rock to ensure this is the bold, transformative leader Seattle is looking for in its next Police Chief."

The time frame for O'Toole's possible confirmation is expected to be near the end of June. This process includes two appearances by O'Toole before the Council's Public Safety, Civil Rights, and Technology Committee on June 4 and June 25; a public hearing on June 12; and an appearance before the full council for possible confirmation on June 30.

"I am humbled and excited to have this extraordinary opportunity," said O'Toole, who, if confirmed, would be Seattle's first female chief of police. "I look forward to working with Mayor Murray, members of the Seattle Police Department and the community to restore trust and develop a police service second to none."

Interim Chief Harry Bailey will continue in his role during the Council confirmation process for O'Toole.

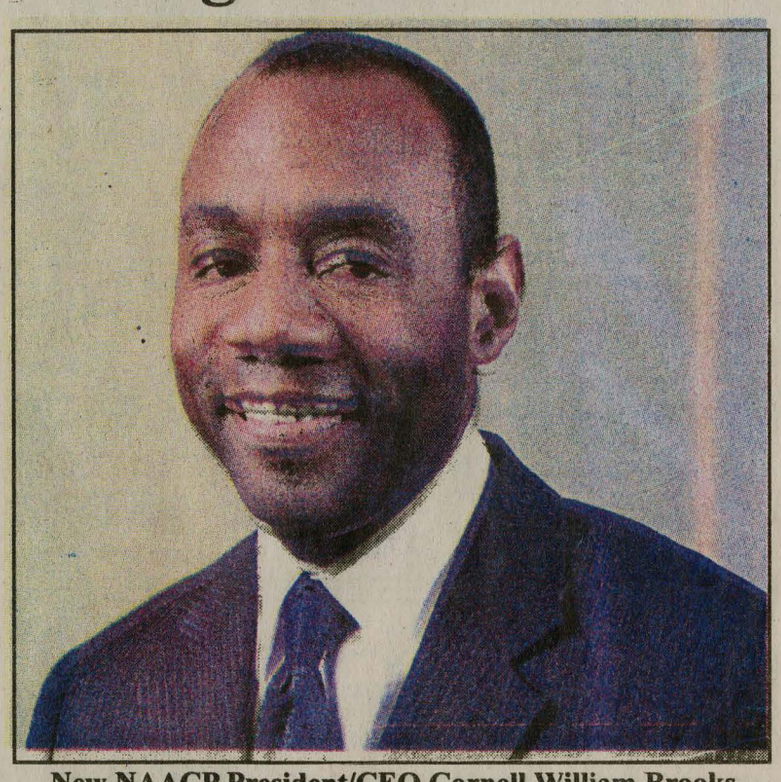
Murray has asked the council to approve a salary of $250,000 for O'Toole.

New NAACP President Says His Strength Is Among The Grassroots

By Hazel Trice Edney

(Trice Edney Wire) - Underscoring the fact that the NAACP has been a grassroots organization for its 105 years of existence, new NAACP President Cornell William Brooks, this week, said that has been and will continue to be his strength.

"The NAACP, as a matter of history, tradition, culture, political effectiveness and advocacy, is a grassroots organization. The power and the promise and potential of the NAACP lie not at the headquarters in Baltimore, but at the branches and state conferences. It is there that I have quite a bit of experience in terms of state level advocacy," said Brooks.



New NAACP President/CEO Cornell William Brooks

The NAACP National Board of Directors announced its selection of Brooks, an attorney and social justice advocate, on May 17. He is the eighteenth chief executive leader of the national headquarters, replacing interim leader Lorraine Miller, who has served as interim president since Benjamin Todd Jealous ended his five-year tenure late last year. Brooks will be formally introduced to NAACP members in July during its annual convention in Las Vegas.

"We are proud to welcome Attorney Cornell William Brooks as our new president and CEO," said Roslyn M. Brock, NAACP board chair. "Mr. Brooks is a pioneering lawyer and civil rights leader, who brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Association. We look forward to leveraging his legal prowess, vision and leadership as we tackle the pressing civil rights issues of the 21st century."

Brooks, 53, is currently president and CEO of the New Jersey Institute for Social Justice, based in Newark. He points to his work with this urban research and advocacy organization as being among the places where he cut his teeth in grassroots advocacy.

He described working with "mayors, with council people to cast – what the New York Times called – 'model for the country legislation,'" he said, describing his work on policies affecting people who have served time in prison, but who desire to drop their descriptions of ex-offenders in order to become "taxpayers, homeowners, mothers, fathers, and responsible members of this community and this Republic. That's where I cut my teeth – at the state level, helping to secure state level legislation to help address the foreclosure crisis in the state of New Jersey."

Brooks said although he has done "most of my work at the state level and local level," he said he is also "more than well-equipped" to do the significant federal, legislative, and judicial work that is required by the NAACP.

"I started off my career at the Federal Communications Commission, at the Justice Department, at the national Lawyers Committee [for Civil Rights Under Law]. Having spent 20 years in civil rights and social justice advocacy, being well aware of the issues around income inequality around the juvenile and criminal justice system, and work force development."

These are among what the NAACP often calls its "bread and butter" issues. Brooks notes that he started his career as a federal litigator in Texas, Florida and Ohio on behalf of the U. S. Department of Justice and the Lawyers Committee. "So, I certainly have an appreciation for the national landscape in terms of civil rights litigation. But, where I have done most of my work is in the very place where most of the work of the NAACP has been done. That is at the state level and the local level."

Brooks said he would immediately start talking to and listening to the NAACP's membership and board as he forms a vision for the organization's future.

"The NAACP has put together a very thoughtful strategic plan in terms of game changers for all Americans and civil rights" that Brooks said he will study as he prepares to lead. Those game changer issues include economic sustainability, education, health, public safety/criminal justice, and voting rights/political representation.

The announcement of Brooks' appointment came as the nation celebrated the 60th anniversary of the Brown v. Board of Education decision by the U. S. Supreme Court. That was the landmark decision that outlawed legal segregation in public schools. Brooks says that decision is a threshold for him.

"As a graduate of both Head Start and Yale Law School, I am a beneficiary, an heir and a grandson of the Brown verses Board of Education decision, whose sixtieth anniversary we just noted. And as such I am indebted to the legacy of the NAACP."

Inslee Wants To Wean Electric Utilities Off Coal

By Phoung Le
Associated Press

(AP) - With an abundant supply of hydroelectric power, Washington state currently gets less than 14 percent of its electricity from coal.

Gov. Jay Inslee wants to take that down to zero over time.

To wean the state off coal-generated power, the Democratic governor will have to persuade the state's three private electric utilities — Puget Sound Energy, Pacific Power and Avista Corp. — to reduce or eliminate electricity they get from plants in Montana and Wyoming.

The utilities say coal-fired electricity is reliable and cost-effective and only part of a diverse portfolio that includes hydropower, natural gas and wind, and for now coal appears to be a part of their long-term energy plans.

Saying the state has a moral responsibility to act on climate change, Inslee signed an executive order last month directing state agencies to negotiate with utilities to phase out electricity produced from coal.

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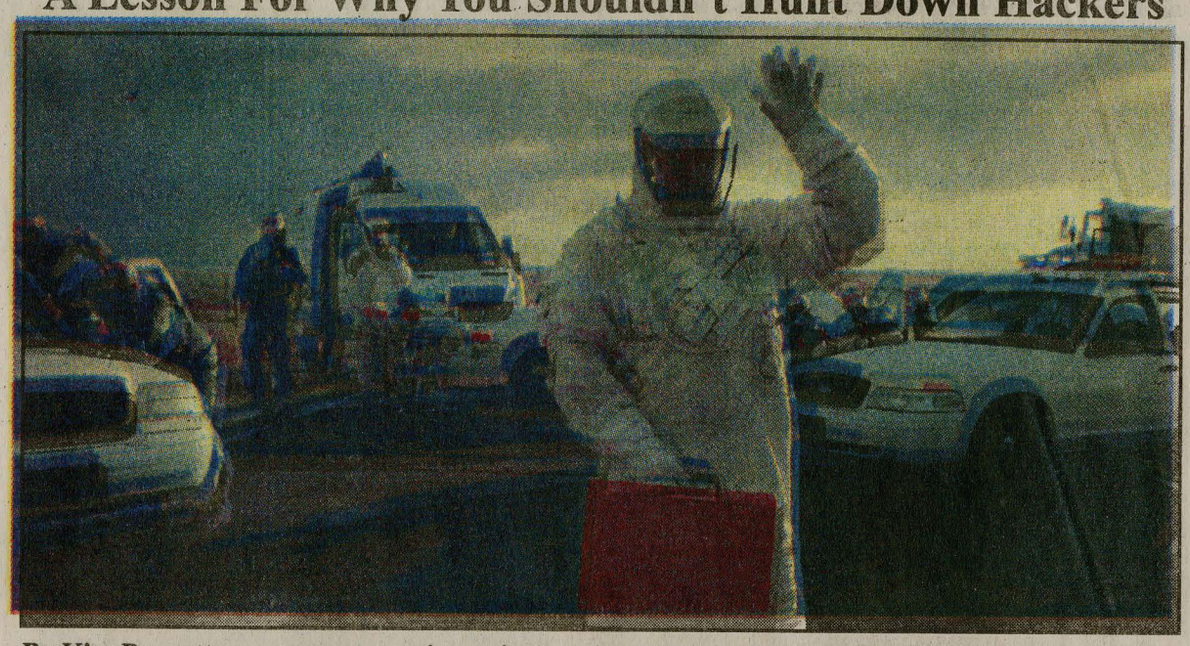
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SIFF Move Review: The Signal

A Lesson For Why You Shouldn't Hunt Down Hackers



By Kim Bennett
The Seattle Medium

The Signal is a sci-fi movie about a college road trip gone terribly wrong. It's the story of an innocent drive across the Nevada desert turned hacker hunt, turned extraterrestrial encounter. Three MIT students, Nic, Jonah, and Hailey, set out to drive Hailey, who is transferring CalTech, to her new school. In the process, Nic and Jonah, both hackers in their own rights, decide to pursue an apparently superior hacker named Nomad who has been pulling their strings. What unfolds is literally out of this world.

The film at times feels like a horror flick with POV camera work and a little like *E.T.* with mysterious men in hazmat suits holding lost kids hostage in sterile surroundings. It's not ever clear what's going on, but you know it's nothing good.

Then enter Dr. Wallace Damon, lead scientist played in a cold, calculated, and at times humorous way by Lawrence Fishburne from *The Matrix*. Dr. Damon, is the always calm and controlled interrogator, asking questions as he studies Nic, his subject. Fishburne's cool delivery of his lines reminded me of Morpheus from *The Matrix*, making Dr. Damon somehow likable, even drawing some laughs from the audience.

I don't want to spoil it for you because the movie hinges on mystery and the unknown. But I will say, it felt like a mix of a few different films with scenes reminiscent of *District 9*, *The Matrix*, *Blair Witch Project*, and several other sci-fi and horror flicks.

The Signal is an interesting take on the road-trip-from-hell story line. It loses some of its momentum, but has the potential to blow your mind in parts. There are some beautiful visuals of car crashes and slow motion action that are stunning. Overall, it's an entertaining film and a different look at parallel universes, alternate realities, and all things alien.

The Signal will show at the following times and locations during the Seattle International Film Festival: Tues., May 27, 7:00 PM, Lincoln Square Cinemas; Weds., May 28, 7:00 PM, Egyptian Theatre.

For more information on the film visit: http://www.siff.net/festival-2014/signal

Tyler Perry Sues 'For Better Or Worse' Producers Over Studio Fire

By Ruth Manuel-Logan
Special to the NNPA from The Chicago Defender



Tyler Perry

Actor, playwright, and film mogul Tyler Perry who had a massive fire at his Atlanta-based mega-million-dollar studio last year, is now reportedly suing the producers of his sitcom "For Better Or Worse" for $1.8 million, accusing them of negligence, according to TMZ.

The lawsuit reportedly claims that the blaze broke out due to a white hot light that was placed too close to a backlot facade on the show's set. Perry is claiming that the lighting professionals should have been more knowledgeable and competent.

Last year after the fire was thoroughly investigated, though, Atlanta's Fire Chief Kelvin J. Cochran determined that the damage was so extensive that the source of the blaze could not be found. "The intensity of the fire in the area of origin consumed any evidence that would lead to a cause of ignition," Cochran stated according to the Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

The four-alarm fire reportedly damaged the exterior but not the interior of the building that stood in the 30-acre, 5-year-old complex's center. The building's interior did have some water damage, but that was the result of firefighting efforts. More than 100 firefighters responded to put out the blaze, and they managed to contain the fire to one building. There were no reported injuries.

The impending lawsuit's dollar amount will reportedly cover the total damage to the studio.

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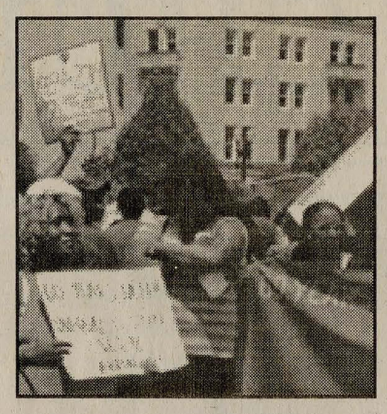
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Charter Schools Present Post-'Brown' Challenge

By Jazelle Hunt
NNPA Washington Correspondent



WASHINGTON (NNPA) – In 1954, Lucinda Todd was one of 13 plaintiffs in the landmark *Brown v. Board of Education* Supreme Court case that declared "separate but equal" unconstitutional. Last week, her granddaughter Lucinda Noches Talbert, stood on the steps of Supreme Court and continued making the argument for equal public education under the law.

"I've seen what happens to communities when schools are closed. What once was the heart of the community becomes a rotting eyesore of the community, forcing children to faraway schools," she told a crowd of parents, students, labor union members, activists, and concerned citizens who had gathered to rally for what they called educational justice. "To my grandmother, the Brown case was about equality, access to opportunity, and access to the American Dream. We still have not realized my grandmother's dream."

Speakers included American Federation of Teachers President Randi Weingarten, National Education Association President, Dennis Van Roekel, and Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton (D.C.).

In the 60 years since *Brown*, a perfect storm of factors has eroded public education, most visibly through school closings and the charter school boom, particularly in communities of color. As of fall 2014 in New Orleans, for example, all but five of the city's 89 public schools have been closed or converted to charters. Houston has closed 32 public schools since 2003. Washington, D.C. has closed 39 since 2008. Chicago closed 49 public schools last year alone, and 111 in total since 2001.

The case against closings is presented—and storm of factors dissected—in a new report titled "Death by a Thousand Cuts." It is presented by Journey for Justice Alliance, a national network of 36 grassroots organizations led by parents, youth, and ordinary community members working for community-driven school improvement.

"This is institutional racism…and Journey for Justice is your mirror," said Jitu Brown, national director of Journey for Justice Alliance, as he officially released the report during the rally. "We will not sit by while you steal our schools, and steal our children. This is not going to be a report that's going to sit on somebody's desk. This report is going to be backed by boots on the ground."

The report points out that charter schools were intended to be community-based alternatives, but instead have manifested as corporate franchises.

"The core premise of charter schools was that they were to be given increased freedom from rules and regulations in exchange for improves academic achievement and yet we now have over 20 years of data demonstrating that they are no more effective, on average, than public schools, (even if we judge them by the extremely-limited, standardized-test-based metrics they prefer)," it states.

There's also the trend toward charters refusing special education, disabled, and English-language-learning students. In 2012 the Government Accountability Office (GAO) reported that charter schools were enrolling significantly less children with these characteristics and that about half of charter schools reported having insufficient resources to serve students with disabilities.

Charters usually appear in communities of color, using public dollars and competing with established public schools. Charters promise newer facilities and alternative education methods, and public school enrollment falls.

Detroit Public Schools, for example, is the district serving the highest ratio of children of color in the country, according to the report (98 percent of students). Between 2005 and 2012, enrollment has fallen 63 percent; at the same time, area charter schools saw an enrollment increase of 53 percent.

In the Houston Independent School District, where 92 percent of students are of color, enrollment is down only 11 percent—but charter schools have seen a nearly 200 percent increase in students.

According to the report, lack of enrollment is one of three common reasons for closing a public school; Budget cuts and low academic performance are the other two reasons.

Neighborhood school closures often affect the surrounding community.

"Residents lose community services housed in schools, such as pre-K programs, before- and after-school programming, adult education classes, and health clinics," the report explains. "Property values in the neighborhood often declines, residents moves away, and new residents become much harder to attract because a boarded-up school is a sure sign of neighborhood instability and deterioration."

Jacqueline Edwards, a mother and grandmother from Newark, N.J., who travelled to the rally by bus with approximately 75 other parents and community members, has felt these effects.

"Our students have to go into communities they don't know, and it's dangerous. We have a lot of sex offenders in our area, abandoned buildings, and dangerous traffic," she explains. Newark has closed 13 schools in five years, with 11 more expected, according to the report. Edwards' 12-year-old daughter and 9 year-old son attend Newark public schools.

"When they closed the 15th Avenue School, my two kids were in that school, and were diverted to [South 17th Street School], which was a significant distance from my home," she says. "We relocated so their school was just around the block, but what if next year it's going to be something different? My daughter will have to go two miles walking to school. It's not fair."

The students themselves were front and center at the rally, both at the makeshift podium and in the crowd.

Aquila Griffin was one of several teens who took to the microphone to rail against the school closings that affected her attendance at Dyett High School in Chicago. Griffin described having to take the mandatory physical education and art classes online, being without college-prep Advanced Placement classes, and having only two years of Spanish to choose from while better-resourced schools studied Spanish, French, Mandarin, and German, and enjoy music and art classes.

Students from organizations across the country were also present, such as Boston Area Youth Organizing Project, which seeks to promote social change through social and political youth empowerment. Kaylia Green, a high school senior and member of the BYOP, felt her public school education had been inadequate.

"I'm from Miami, and the schools there are worse. Boston schools are not as [segregated], but their education is off. I'm a senior and I don't feel prepared for college," she shared. "I feel like I'm being spoon-fed. I'm going to go to college and do what I've got to do because education is everything, but…I'll just go to my resources and get the help I need."

Her friend Andy Juerakhan was also present, despite being, in her words, "pushed out" of school.

Juerakhan, who has been trying to resume his education, says he was repeatedly (and unfairly) suspended from school, which led to chronic truancy on his part. With his record and dwindling public school options (Boston has closed 18 schools in the last six years), he is unable to find a school that will allow him to enroll.

"When you don't come to school enough, the school basically forces you to drop out. Since I'm a push-out, getting back into school has been one big process. Sometimes schools won't take you just because you've been out," he says. "I've tried the Re-Engagement Center but there's only so much they can do. I have to get a lawyer…I've been to three [school] interviews, and they didn't accept me. It's not school anymore, it's like prison."

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Attorney General Sues Cal-Western Foreclosure Trustee For Deceptive Business Practices

At the request of Washington State Attorney General Bob Ferguson, the King County Superior Court has issued a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) requiring foreclosure trustee Cal-Western of Washington to halt its allegedly unfair and deceptive business practices.

Cal-Western is a Washington foreclosure trustee corporation with an office in Vancouver, Washington, but conducts many of its operations in southern California. Foreclosure trustees are legally required to act in good faith as neutral parties between borrowers and lenders while conducting foreclosure proceedings.

The Attorney General's Office (AGO) alleges Cal-Western gave borrowers an incorrect phone number in their Notices of Trustee's Sale and Foreclosure, making it difficult for borrowers, some desperate to save their homes, to contact the firm quickly without physically traveling to Vancouver.

This case comes on the heels of AGO legal action against Quality Loan Service for deceptive business practices.

"My office is sending the message for a second time: Foreclosure trustees have a duty to treat homeowners fairly under the law," said Ferguson. "I will make sure that all parties involved in the foreclosure process, including trustees like Cal-Western, play by the rules."

On Feb. 26, 2014, the AGO sued Quality Loan Service Corporation of Washington in King County Superior Court, obtained an Interim Agreed Order to halt certain pending foreclosures, and then negotiated a Consent Decree under which Quality Loan Service paid $275,000 and agreed to correct its allegedly unfair and deceptive practices.

The temporary restraining order will place a moratorium on current Cal-Western foreclosures in Washington state and will extend through May 29, 2014.

Overview of AGO allegations

The Deed of Trust Act requires a trustee to provide its telephone number in the Notice of Trustee's Sale—the foreclosure document that schedules the trustee's sale. This basic requirement ensures homeowners can communicate with the trustee to ask questions, obtain quotes for last-minute payments, or request a foreclosure be postponed.

An AGO investigation found that from October 2013 to approximately March 20, 2014, Cal-Western provided an incorrect phone number in Notices of Trustee's Sales sent to Washington homeowners. The AGO investigation found that over 70 homeowners in King County alone received incorrect notices suggesting many more homeowners were affected statewide.

In addition, the AGO investigation found that after discovering the problem in March, Cal-Western did not send the affected homeowners amended Notices of Trustee's Sales or letters informing them of a working telephone number at which the homeowners could reach Cal-Western.

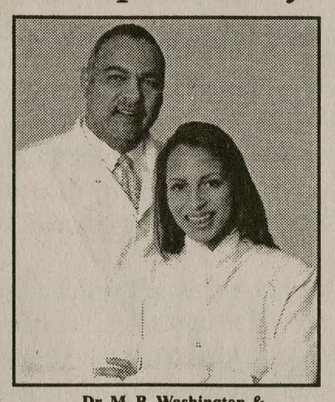
With no available website, homeowners' only method to contact Cal-Western was to drive or fly to its Vancouver office, or send Cal-Western a letter through the U.S. Postal Service. The AGO alleges that this lack of access made it difficult or impossible for some homeowners to timely and efficiently ask questions, obtain reinstatement quotes, or request a postponement.

The AGO alleges Cal-Western's practice of providing borrowers with an incorrect phone number was an unfair and deceptive business practice and therefore violated the Consumer Protection Act.

The Attorney General's Office is seeking: restitution for homeowners whose properties have been foreclosed; injunctive relief preventing Cal-Western from foreclosing pursuant to defective Notices of Trustee's Sale; as much as $2,000 per violation of the Consumer Protection Act in civil penalties; and the state's costs and attorneys' fees for bringing the suit.

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Bring Back Our Girls - Not Just A Slogan

By Dr. E. Faye Williams, Esq.
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One of my very good friends often quotes R. Buckminster Fuller, who was the chairman of his university's design department and who designated himself as a 'comprehensive anticipatory design scientist.' Fuller's most famous design is the geodesic dome, that circular puzzle most commonly associated with Space Mountain at Disney World. As a self-styled futurist philosopher, Fuller is also famously known for his quote, "I am a passenger on the spaceship Earth."

The personal connection that Fuller makes for himself with Earth is a connection that he makes and accepts for humanity. It is a connection that I have seen firsthand in my travels across the nation and around the world, including my travels to much of Africa. There, I met many incredible people who share the same desires for their families as we do here in America — food, shelter, education, security, peace. Those are the common threads that bind us all.

Our commonalities extend not only to the positive, but to the negatives, too. In the US, as well as on the continent of Africa, there are areas of metropolitan affluence that offer the best that money can buy and areas of poverty in which personal prosperity and security are tenuous, at best. Common to both of these parts of our world, my assessment is that the lack of opportunity and devastation of poverty result from the neglect of the "haves" who control available resources and who are well-insulated from the effects of poverty.

Despite the problems of poverty or even those of the less affluent, there are few places in the world that would tolerate nearly 300 girls being abducted without massive police and military mobilization to find and retrieve them. I'm fully aware that in many US locations, and around the world, girls have been shot and killed, beaten, raped and have disappeared—never to be found, but not in such large numbers at once and not for the purpose of rape, prostitution and sexual slavery.

Questions loom. What factors influence a seemingly lackluster response to this abduction by the Nigerian government? Why has it not sent out its forces in sufficient numbers to achieve a successful search? If incapable of finding them with its own resources, why has Nigeria not aggressively sought the willing assistance of world governments which have already volunteered technologically sophisticated means to conduct a successful search? Is the failure to find these girls the result of a systemic cultural value that supports the convoluted idea that girls were born to serve at and for the pleasure of men?

Violence of this nature against women in any location in the world is unacceptable. Governments, organizations or individuals brazen enough to commit or support such acts of gender terrorism should be dealt with in a manner of harshness commensurate with their involvement in that crime. International support against those who engage in stealing, buying and selling girls, or boys, must be the rule rather than the exception. The conscience of "civilized nations" can no longer, and must not be allowed to, ignore or trivialize crimes against humanity that occur in African states.

My organization, the National Congress of Black Women, Inc. has been working tirelessly to call attention to the repeated criminal acts of Boko Haram, and we will not stop until these criminals are brought to justice. We call upon all citizens to make their concerns about this and other horrendous crimes known to their legislators and national policymakers. We pose the question to you that was posed by Bucky Fuller, "If success or failure of this planet and of human beings depended on how I am and what I do...How would I be? What would I do?"

The Browning Of Public Schools After 'Brown'

By George E. Curry
NNPA Columnist

This is the 60th anniversary of the landmark Brown v. Board of Education Supreme Court decision outlawing "separate but equal" schools. And like most major anniversaries, incorrect information surfaces as purported fact, doing a disservice to the accomplishment being celebrated as well as truth itself.

In this instance, some have asserted that because of re-segregation, public schools in the South, where most African Americans live, are more segregated now than when Brown was handed down. That is simply untrue and if you want to read a comprehensive account of what has truly happened in school desegregation over the past 60 years, there is no better source than "Brown at 60: Great Progress, a Long Retreat and an Uncertain Future," published by The Civil Rights Project at UCLA.

First, let's dispense with the nonsense.

"The claims that black students in the South are no better off than they were before Brown, in terms of segregation, are obviously wrong," the report stated. "They are ten times as likely to be in majority-white schools as they were when the Civil Rights Act passed."

The 42-page report is packed with illuminating facts about progress made in the wake of Brown and the subsequent retrenchment. But to appreciate the significance of Brown, it is necessary to understand what our schools looked like before the court decision.

"Nine years after Brown, when President John Kennedy called for the first major civil rights act of the 20th century, 99% of blacks in the South were still in totally segregated schools," the report recounted. "Virtually no whites were in historically black schools, nor were black teachers and administrators in white schools. For all practical purposes, it was segregation as usual or 'segregation forever,' as some of the South's politicians promised. In the great majority of the several thousand southern districts nothing had been done."

Actually, there were two Brown decisions. The first, issued in 1954, outlawed segregated public schools masquerading as "separate but equal." The court ruled that "segregation is inherently unequal" and ordered the desegregation of schools. With no progress after a year, the court ordered in 1955, in a ruling sometimes called Brown II, that desegregation had to be carried out "with all deliberate speed."

But racial segregation was deliberate and speed was missing in action. In fact, nine years after Brown, 99 percent of Blacks in the South were still in segregated schools.

"President Lyndon Johnson powered the historic 1964 Civil Rights Act through Congress with bipartisan support, and he proceeded to enforce civil rights law more forcefully than an Administration before or since," the report stated. "After he also led the battle for the largest federal education aid program in American history, the Southern schools changed. Faced with the dual prospect of losing federal funds if they remained segregated, as well as the threat of a Justice Department lawsuit as a result of the Civil Rights Act, almost all the districts began to desegregate. Strongly backed by the federal courts, federal civil rights officials raised desegregation requirements each year. In 1968 the Supreme Court unanimously ruled that desegregation in the historically segregated states must be comprehensive and immediate. By 1970 Southern schools became the nation's most integrated."

Nationwide, the percent of Blacks attending majority White schools has declined from a high of 43.5 percent in 1988 to 23.2 percent in 2011, about the same level it was 1968. This did not happen by accident.

"Throughout the 1980s there was a strong legal attack on desegregation orders, led by the Reagan and Bush administrations' Justice Departments and, in 1991, the Supreme Court authorized the termination of desegregation plans in the Oklahoma City (Dowell) decision. The decline in black student access has been continuous since 1991," the report observed.

The report documents the strong connection between segregated schools and concentrated poverty.

"In schools that are 81-100% black & Latino, over three-quarters of the students are also enrolled in schools where more than 70% of the students live in poverty," it stated. "In fact, half of students in 91-100% black & Latino schools are in schools that also have more than 90% low-income students. This means that these students face almost total isolation not only from white and Asian students but also from middle class peers as well."

In its recommendations section, the report observes that while education is primarily a state responsibility, the federal government also has an important role to play. Sadly, the report points out, there has not been a major national study on school desegregation, its costs and solutions since Racial Isolation in Public Schools, a report requested in 1967 by President Johnson.

Non-government organizations also have a role to play.

The report stated, "Civil rights organizations need to develop new strategies and legal theories to end the reversal and restart the movement toward a successfully integrated, truly multiracial society, as was done by the NAACP and Howard University in the campaign that led to Brown."

Watching Comcast And Time Warner On And Off The Screen

By Ron Busby
NNPA Columnist

As much television as Black folks watch, we should keep our eye on the proposed acquisition of Time Warner by Comcast a whole lot closer than anyone else.

You know as well as I that we watch more television than any other demographic and are more likely to get our news from TV than anywhere else. We consume hours and hours of pure entertainment, so much that marketers are targeting Black audiences with an endless stream of reality shows. (That those shows are far from real is beside the point.) Sports, music, and docudramas fill the rest of our mass consumption of television programming, and there seems to be no end to the current trend.

What does this have to do with the Comcast/Time Warner deal? Everything. The Comcast/Time Warner deal, reportedly valued at more than $45 billion, would give the cable giant Comcast more than a third of all cable homes in the U.S. The fact that the bulk of those customers will reside in 19 of the 20 largest U.S. cities is an indication of the value that Black consumers contribute to making this deal work.

So far, there is no indication that either Comcast or Time Warner has given any thought to the quid pro quo relationship implicit between the new company and Black consumers of they will serve. Besides, no attention has been given to the availability of new, positive programming. There are no assurances of employment opportunities, or –even worse – very little, if any, discussion of contracting opportunities for Black-owned enterprises interested in doing business with the new company. Surely, any company that can spend $45 billion to acquire the assets (customers) of another company can figure out a way to carve out opportunities for their largest customer base.

If you need some indication of their awareness of how valuable Black customers are to their deal, TV One, BET, OWN and other content providers targeting Black consumers are not included in basic subscriptions. That means to get the kind of programming Black consumers are hungry for, viewers must upgrade to premium subscriptions. That means a larger monthly cable bill. In other words, if not for Black consumers and the rate we watch television, this deal would be dead in the water.

To be clear, the United States Black Chambers has not taken a position on whether the Comcast acquisition of Time Warner is good or bad for the industry. But there is no doubt in our mind about the value of Black consumers to the deal. We watch more television than any other group. We subscribe to more cable television than any other group. But we probably get less return on our investment than any other group.

This pattern is not limited to cable TV. The same can be said of automobile manufacturing, distilled beverages, clothing retailers and many other industries. Without Black consumers, many businesses would be flat-lining, or worse, out of business.

Congress is conducting hearings on the proposed merger of the two largest cable television companies in America. Some early opposition focuses on whether the combined companies would be essentially a monopoly. There's early talk about the new company being "too big to fail," the negative description that grew out of the recent banking crisis.

But we have heard little, if anything, about companies owned by Cathy Hughes, Oprah Winfrey, Sean Combs and Magic Johnson and others offering African American programming content being consulted.

It would seem that any company that relies as heavily on Black consumers as do cable television companies, that company would work harder to offer content targeting their best customers at the basic level. At the very least, African American companies that produce programming for Black audiences should be treated like the valuable partners that they are to the industry. Without their content output, Black cable subscribers have fewer reasons to stay tuned. And if Black subscribers are not tuned in, there's no real market for a $45 billion cable company.

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A Call To End Predatory Small-Dollar Lending

By Charlene Crowell
NNPA Columnist

After waiting for more than a year for a hearing on a bill that would reform how small dollar loans operate, six U.S. Senators have now taken their concerns to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB. A May 14 letter to CFPB Director Richard Cordray lays out how rulemaking could accomplish much of what proposed legislation has aimed to do.

Speaking in a united voice, Senators Jeff Merkley (Oregon), Dick Durbin (Illiois), Tom Harkin (Iowa), Tom Udall (N.M.), Richard Blumenthal (Conn.) and Elizabeth Warren (Mass.) said, "Sadly, the evidence shows that these loans trap consumers in a cycle of debt in which consumers end up owing more than the initial loan amount – an appalling practice that exploits the financial hardship of hard working families and exhibits a deeply flawed business model that does not consider borrowers' ability to repay the loan."

As sponsor and co-sponsors of the pending Senate Bill 172, Stopping Abuse and Fraud in Electronic (SAFE) Lending Act, the lawmakers urged CFPB to include the bill's provisions in its rulemaking. Despite being assigned to the Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee since January 2013, no hearing has been held on the SAFE Lending Act. Should CFPB embrace the lawmakers' request, its new rules would achieve many of the same lending reforms.

The letter's timing is also significant, following a CFPB public forum in Nashville in late March. That event coincided with the Bureau's release of its own payday research. After analyzing 11 months of borrowing at 12 million storefront locations, CFPB confirmed that the industry relies not on individual borrowers' ability to quickly repay, but on their inability to repay, resulting in individual borrowers taking out many loans each year.

Additionally, CFPB found that four out of five payday loans are rolled over or 'renewed' within two weeks of when the borrower paid off a prior loan. Further, more than two-fifths of payday borrowers who were paid on a monthly basis – most of whom were public benefits recipients, including those on Social Security – had 11 loans in its 11-month study period.

Earlier, research by the Center for Responsible Lending (CRL) found payday borrowers are annually charged $3.4 billion in fees alone. The typical borrower takes out 10 payday loans in a year at interest rates averaging 391 percent over a year's time.

Importantly, the Senators urged CFPB to include more small-dollar loans, not just payday, in its reforms.

"Although your authorities may differ from that of the states, one especially critical lesson is that laws should apply not only to payday loans but also to auto title and other consumer loans. This broad scope of coverage has been essential to ensuring that regulating predatory payday lending does not create opportunities for similarly harmful products disguised in different formats. We urge the CFPB to follow a similarly broad approach for any rules it crafts in the small dollar lending market."

Auto title lenders take title to the borrower's car for security rather than direct access to the borrower's bank account, as payday lenders do. CRL's recent policy brief highlights these lenders' routine disregard for borrowers' ability to repay (http://lnkd.in/bbEmSVJ).

By broadly addressing the varied forms of these small-dollar loans, CFPB's rules would deliver reforms that would benefit consumers who reside in states where payday lending still allows triple-digit interest on debts.

Since 2005, no state has authorized high-cost payday lending. In fact, when voters have been given the opportunity to decide whether to allow or ban triple-digit payday lending, the overwhelming voter sentiment has been against payday. Arkansas, Arizona, Montana and New Hampshire are among the most recent states to ban this form of high-cost lending.

"Predatory payday lending has taken advantage of the fragile financial position of far too many hard working families", wrote the Senators. "We encourage the CFPB to move as quickly as possible to propose rules that put a stop to predatory small-dollar lending practices, while preserving safer, more affordable alternatives."

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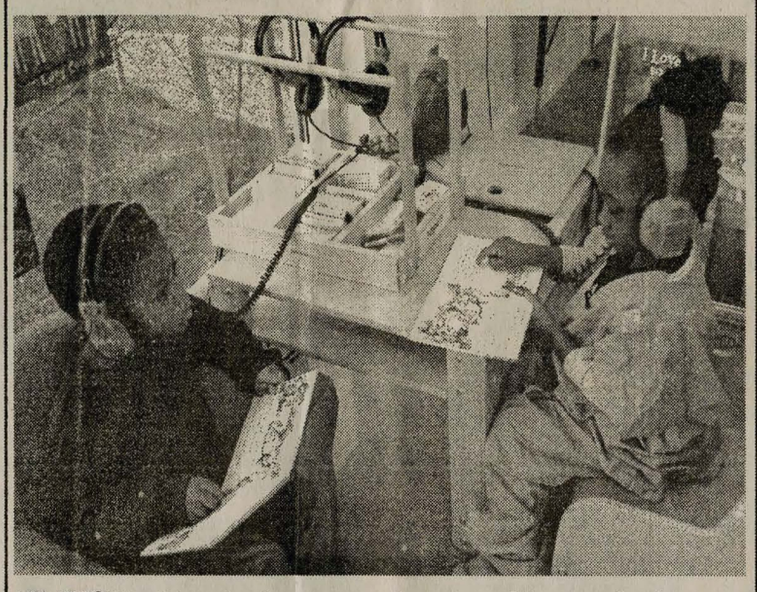
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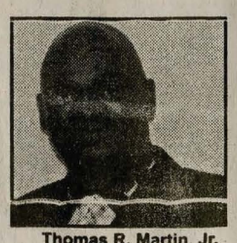
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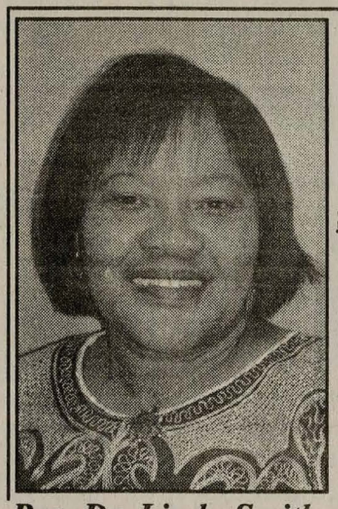
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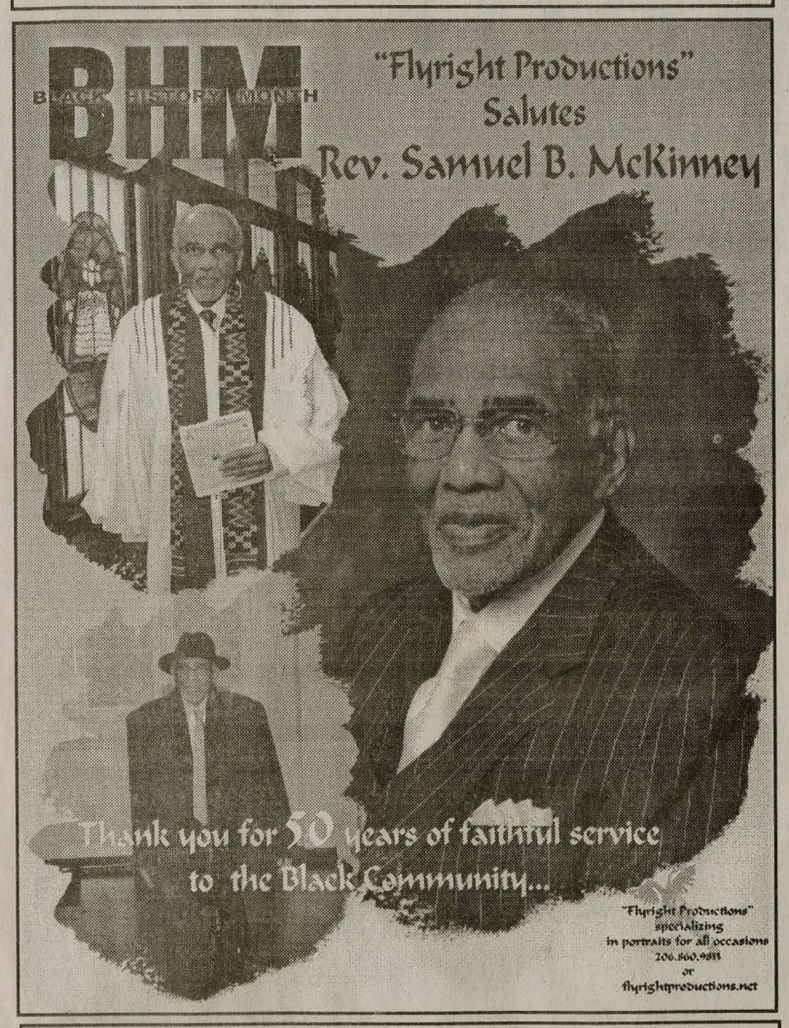
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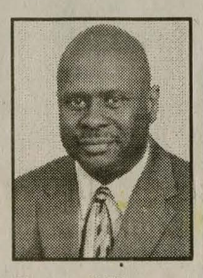
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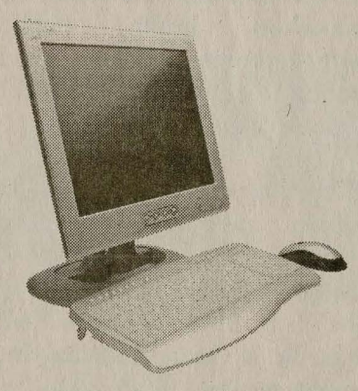
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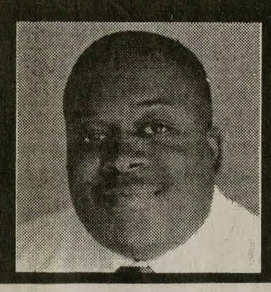
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When I was about three years old, my father moved out and I became a familiar statistic – a young African American child growing up without a father figure. Today more children are growing up without their biological father in the home than at any point in our history. Responsible father involvement becomes even more critical for children in the child welfare system, especially for those who have been placed in non-relative care. Fortunately, DSHS noticed this trend and has been working to empower Washington fathers.

The DSHS Fatherhood Initiative works to reconnect fathers with their children. In 2008, DSHS received funding to create a pilot program focused on fathers. This funding allowed them to work in partnership with the University of Washington and the American Humane Society to create a video focused on their work with fathers and develop a curriculum where veteran fathers worked with newer fathers and provided them tools to navigate the child welfare system. This program is called Fathers Matter.

Within the Fathers Matter program, veteran fathers who have been through the process teach the newer fathers skills including:

- Communicating with your attorney, caseworker, and other players in your case
- Managing your stress
- Working with the Child Protective Services caseworker
- How to get your child returned
- Being kind but assertive
- Your rights as a father
- Tips on visiting with your child

I had an opportunity to sit down with one of the veteran fathers and they shared their story with me and walked me through the twelve week curriculum that they provide for the newer fathers. Fathers can start at any time, they don't have to wait for a twelve week cycle to end. I came away impressed by his passion for this issue and thrilled that we have people working so hard to reconnect fathers with their children. As a father myself I can't imagine what it would feel like to not be with my children. I'm very pleased we have this resource available as this has long been an important issue in the African American community.

Currently this program is located in thirteen counties including King, Pierce, Snohomish, and Thurston counties.

If you know a father who might be interested in this program, please have them contact the Commission on African American Affairs at (360)-725-5663 and we will be happy to connect them to people in their area that can assist them.

Democrats May Block Obama's Judicial Nominees

By Freddie Allen
NNPA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (NNPA) – Democrats and civil rights advocates continue to express concerns over two of President Barack Obama's federal judicial nominees for Georgia's northern district who have suspect civil rights backgrounds.

In a package deal with Republican United States senators Saxby Chambliss and Johnny Isakson from Georgia, President Obama nominated Julie Carnes and Jill A. Pryor to the United States Eleventh Circuit Court, Leslie Abrams to the United States court of the Middle District of Georgia, and Michael Boggs, Mark Cohen, Leigh May, and Eleanor Ross to the court of the United States Northern District of Georgia.

If confirmed, Abrams and Ross would become the first Black women to serve lifetime appointments as federal judges in Georgia.

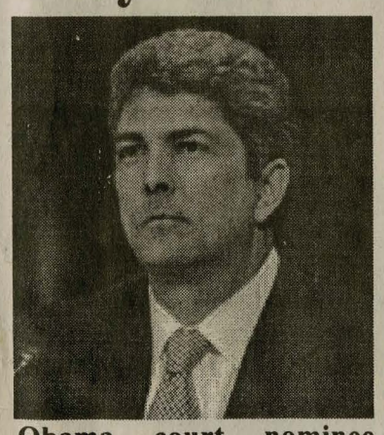
But Democrats and some progressive groups have objected to the nominations of Boggs and Cohen.

Last week, the United States Senate judiciary committee held a hearing for the nominees where Democratic senators grilled Michael Boggs, who is currently a judge on Georgia's appeals court, over his voting record while he served in the Georgia state legislature.

When questioned about his votes against removing the Confederate battle emblem from the Georgia state flag, Boggs said that although he found the Confederate symbol personally offensive, he said that his constituents wanted the opportunity to vote on any changes to the state flag.

Boggs also voted for legislation requiring doctors to list how often they provided abortion services. When senators questioned him about the public safety concerns associated with publishing such a list following decades of violence against doctors who performed abortions, Boggs said that at the time of the vote, he was unaware of that history.

The National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League, a pro-choice advocacy group, said that they also found "personhood" legislation that Boggs supported during his time as a state legislator that the group said "is one step away from overturning *Roe v. Wade.*"



Obama court nominee Michael Boggs testifies before Senate Judiciary Committee. ***NNPA Photo/Freddie Allen.***

A day before the hearing on "The Tom Joyner Morning Show," Rep. David Scott (D-Ga.) said, "Here you have the architect and the attorney that defended photo ID voter suppression laws in Georgia, the very same laws the president is fighting all across the country" nominated to the federal bench in Atlanta where most of the Black people are.

To have this being done by the first African American president is shameful, it's painful, and it hurts deeply."

Scott continued: "The president should have stood up to those Republicans and said, 'No, I can't do this to my people. You wouldn't do it to George Bush. You wouldn't have done it to Bill Clinton. Why are you doing it to me?'"

George State Rep. Tyrone Brooks, who championed the law to change the state's flag, said he doesn't hold the vote over the Georgia state flag or any one vote against Boggs.

Brooks, who has served in Georgia's House of Representatives for more than 30 years and was president of Georgia Association of Black Elected Officials (GABEO for two decades, said that Boggs voted with him "90 percent of the time," helped him secure funding for the Morehouse College School of Medicine and worked to the reform the state's criminal justice system.

Brooks also said that Cohen's civil rights record has been misrepresented in the media.

When White students sued the University of Georgia over the school's freshman admissions policy that used race as factor, Cohen scored a court victory in 2001 for affirmative action proponents who supported the university's program, according to Brooks.

Nearly a decade later, then Georgia state Attorney General Thurbert Baker, asked Cohen to defend Georgia's photo identification law for in-person voting that many voter's rights advocates say discriminates against Blacks and the poor. Brooks said it was a move that likely provided Baker, who is Black, political cover.

Brooks called Boggs and Cohen friends and said that he had no reason to oppose their nominations.

"This isn't the perfect deal, but I trust the president," said Brooks. "If [the president] had a different hand of cards, the package would look different, but he's doing the best that can do under these circumstances."

Mary Frances Berry, former chair of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, said that President Obama held his nose and nominated Boggs and Cohen and assumed that the civil rights groups and Democrats in the Senate would go along with his decision.

"The problem with that is that the advocacy groups believe that the president should fight harder to get the nominees that he wants. The president has a lot of power to make horse trades with people on things other than appointments," said Berry. "There are always things that Senators want.

Obama made the deal but some think the price is too high, said Berry.

In an interview with BuzzFeed, an online news portal, Majority-leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) said that he can't support the Michael Boggs nomination.

"Unless I have a better explanation, I can't vote for him," said Reid "This is a lifetime appointment. He's said some things and made some decisions I think are not very good."

Rep. John Lewis (D-Ga.), an initial critic of the nominations, had been unusually quiet recently, which some saw as an indication he may be reversing his position. Through his press secretary, he turned down requests from the NNPA News Service for comment.

Georgia Rep. David Scott had some strong words for Lewis.

He tweeted Sunday, "if this is true, then Rep Lewis is a turncoat who has betrayed African Americans, women and gays."

However, Lewis broke his silence Monday afternoon

"I have tried to refrain from making public statements out of respect for my colleagues and the Senate process," he said in a written statement. "I believe it is important to allow each candidate to be evaluated according to his or her own merits and to allow the Senate judicial nomination process to take its course. This willingness to permit due process is all that I have indicated in any conversation I may have had with my colleagues. I did not at any time indicate my support for the Boggs nomination or say that he had the backing of the African American community in Georgia."

Lewis said, "Based on the evidence revealed during this hearing, I do not support the confirmation of Michael Boggs to the federal bench. His record is in direct opposition to everything I have stood for during my career, and his misrepresentation of that record to the committee is even more troubling. The testimony suggests Boggs may allow his personal political leanings to influence his impartiality on the bench. I do not have a vote in the Senate, but if I did I would vote against the confirmation of Michael Boggs."

Berry, a history professor at the University of Pennsylvania, said she would rather see the seats empty instead of having Boggs and Cohen in the pipeline later for higher appointments.

"I don't believe that castor oil taste better when you put orange juice in it," said Berry. "If it's bad medicine it's bad medicine. I hope that the Democrats will refuse to support these two people."

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REQUEST FOR BIDS

The King County Housing Authority is seeking qualified contractors who are interested in submitting bids for asphalt replacement at seven locations. There is an optional pre-bid meeting May 22, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. The pre-bid meeting will be held at the Fairwood Apartments located at 14300 SE 171st Way, Renton, WA 98058. Bid packets are available for download on KCHA'S website at http://www.kcha.org/business/construction/open/ If you have questions, please contact Hugh Watkinson at hughw@kcha.org. The estimate is $220,008.73.

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INVITATION TO BID

Project: DPER Code Enforcement Abatement, Contract No. C00878C13.

Sealed Bid Time/Date Due: 1:30 p.m., June 5, 2014.

Sealed Bid Location: King County Procurement & Contract Services Section, Contracts Counter, 3rd Floor, 401 Fifth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104.

Engineer's Estimate: Not to Exceed $200,000

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Pre-Bid Conference: 10:00 a.m., May 21, 2014. Two locations – The Contract Specialist will be in Seattle, and the Project Representative will be in Snoqualmie, connected by speaker phone. (1) Procurement & Contract Services Section, 3rd Floor, 401 Fifth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104. (2) Hobart Conference Room 214, 35030 SE Douglas St., Dept. of Permitting & Environmental Review, Snoqualmie, WA 98065-9266. No site tour.

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OPENS: 06/24/2014
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1114-14-RLD
OPENS: 06/05/2014
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1099-14-AAB
OPENS: 06/10/2014
Ammonium Calcium Nitrate, Double Salt

1006-14-PAP
OPENS: 06/03/2014
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1104-14-LSM
OPENS: 6/10/2014
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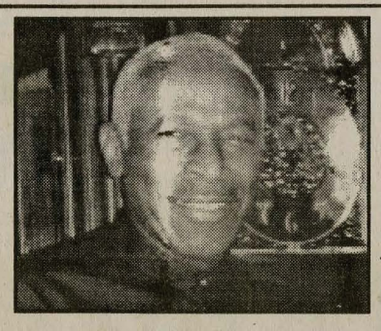
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Linda Bell Thomas
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No. 14-3-02555-0 SEA
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