

The Constitutionalization of the Supreme Court: A Proposal

The Supreme Court, unchallenged, has removed God from the public square and redefined marriage radically changing American social and religious values by highly questionable Constitutional interpretations. Because of the monumental impact of such decisions, we are entitled, nay, obligated to ask what's going on with the nine justices. For example, let's take Justice Kennedy, a Reagan choice and alleged conservative and Catholic. He has joined the liberal wing becoming the swing vote on abolishing the government's definition of marriage as a heterosexual institution, supported the right to homosexual marriage and the right for the government to force low cost housing in communities such as Westfield, even without evidence of discrimination.

As a physician who has travelled the globe dealing and dining with hundreds of various leader types including those of government, I've observed that the quest for recognition, through the exercise of power, oftentimes is an irresistible force in decision-making. I call it the Mount Olympus Syndrome. The predominantly liberal media, particularly the New York Times, which Justices Scalia and Thomas, interestingly enough, do not read, sense Kennedy's whimsical inclinations showing him with adulatory recognition while, paradoxically, ignoring liberal Justice Breyer, taking his automaticity for granted. It does not take a Freud, Jung and especially an Adler to conclude that he bathes in and is influenced by such adulation. We are all human. There's little doubt that he, as well as his colleagues, are aware that history might conclude that the current court is the Kennedy and not the Roberts's Court. Perhaps this played a role when Justice Roberts surprisingly joined the court's liberal wing

Wall Street Should Play By Same Rules

Millions of Americans save for retirement using a 401(k), but how do they know if they are making the best investment decisions. We may not all be Warren Buffet, but we all want someone like him advising us on how to best invest our retirement savings.

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Now most financial professionals already do the right thing, but the fact is, they don't have to. When there's a conflict of interest, your adviser can always choose their paycheck over your savings.

AARP supports a new proposed Department of Labor rule requiring all financial advisers to act in our best interest. Everyone on Wall Street should play by the same rules. We worked hard for our money. The law should protect it.

Ravindra Kumar
AARP New Jersey
Princeton, NJ

by ruling on the constitutionality of the Affordable Care Act, which Kennedy originally ruled against. But then in a subsequent ruling, Kennedy joined Roberts and the liberals in supporting the Act diminishing Roberts's unique judicial stature.

To be sure, the interpretation of the Constitution has its gray zones. In his later years, James Madison, the father of Constitution, noted that its judicial interpretation was already "unknown to its founders." Also, the perception of the meaning of words changes with time. The highly insightful Archbishop Chaput of Philadelphia observed, "The biggest problem we face as a culture isn't gay marriage or global warming. It's not abortion funding or the Federal debt. The deeper problem, the one that's crippling us, is that we use words like 'justice,' 'rights,' 'freedom,' and 'dignity' without any common shared meaning to their contents." Indeed, Justice Kennedy has written that we're still learning what liberty is and also inferred that the exercise of religious freedom needs to be reexamined, but that the court, eerily reminiscent of Robespierre, will make such judgments.

It's a self-evident threat to America's stability that the Supreme Court can, unchecked and under cover of an imagined Constitution, assume the role of the supreme arbiter of morality and religion creating national chaos. Hate now seems to be everywhere. Our elected officials, unlike the Supreme Court, present their positions before we elect them. If we disagree when elected, we can vote them out. Not so with the justices. They are permanent fixtures for life. Though there are constitutional remedies, such as impeachment or enlarging its members, they are impractical to execute.

The court is composed of nine Catholic and Jewish justices, lacking a single Protestant member, and are either Harvard or Yale graduates- forget about Rutgers! As a policy, the justices issue their written opinions after their irrevocable decisions are made. The Constitutionalization of the Supreme Court proposal would change that. On cultural disrupting and other critical decisions, particularly 5-4 ones lacking unanimity, their written opinions would be published for a fixed period of time before such decisions become law to be reviewed and critiqued by interested pro and con parties regarding the constitutional basis of their opinions. After having received and digested such feedback, they would reconvene to reconsider their decisions. This much needed national educational effort would help clear the air on the interpretation of the Constitution both for the justices and the public. It would also create a path for the justices to descend from Mount Olympus back down to planet earth.

Stephen DeFelic, M.D.
Westfield



FSP 2015...The Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club inducted new Officers on June 18th. The ceremony also honored the outgoing President Kiran Dhalwal, and two members who were recognized for their outstanding work during the year (Joe Qutub and Donna D'Annunzio). New officers from left to right are: Carmela Resnick-Vice President/Elect, Cathy Harris - President, Steve Goldberg - Secretary, Russ LoMuscio-Treasurer.

PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE BOROUGH OF FANWOOD STATEMENT

THE BOND ORDINANCE PUBLISHED HEREWITH HAS BEEN FINALLY ADOPTED ON JULY 20, 2015 AND THE 20-DAY PERIOD OF LIMITATION WITHIN WHICH A SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING QUESTIONING THE VALIDITY OF SUCH ORDINANCE CAN BE COMMENCED, AS PROVIDED IN THE LOCAL BOND LAW, HAS BEGUN TO RUN FROM THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS STATEMENT.

ELEANOR MCGOVERN
BOROUGH CLERK

ORDINANCE NO. 15-10-S BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER 15-04-S FINALLY ADOPTED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF FANWOOD, NEW JERSEY ON APRIL 20, 2015

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF FANWOOD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Bond Ordinance of the Borough of Fanwood, in the County of Union, New Jersey (the "Borough") entitled "Bond Ordinance Providing an Appropriation of \$1,287,000 for Various Capital Improvements for and by the Borough of Fanwood in the County of Union, New Jersey and Authorizing the Issuance of \$985,000 Bond or Notes of the Borough for Financing Part of the Appropriation" finally adopted on April 20, 2015 (the "Ordinance") is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

Section 2. Section 3(a)(2) of the Ordinance is hereby amended in its entirety as follows and Section 3(a)(6) of the Ordinance is hereby deleted:

Improvements	Appropriation and Estimated Cost	Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes	Period of Usefulness
2. Acquisition of various equipment, including but not limited to a fire truck, senior bus and fingerprinting system for Police Department."	\$470,000	\$446,500	9.83 years

The Ordinance is hereby further amended by deleting the reference of 14.87 years for the useful life and substituting in lieu thereof 13.55 years.

Section 3. The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolutions in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

Section 4. This Section 4 constitutes a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2. The Borough reasonably expects to pay expenditures with respect to the Improvements prior to the date that the Borough incurs debt obligations under this Bond Ordinance. The Borough reasonably expects to reimburse such expenditures with the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the Borough under this Bond Ordinance. The maximum principal amount of debt expected to be issued for payment of the costs of the Improvements is \$985,000.

Section 5. All other provisions of the Ordinance shall remain unchanged.

Section 6. This amendatory bond ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final adoption as provided by Local Bond Law.

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SHERIFF'S SALE

SHERIFF'S FILE NO.: CH-15003048
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
CHANCERY DIVISION
UNION COUNTY

DOCKET NO. F-022488-14
Plaintiff: NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC VS.
Defendant: ELEANOR J. CARRIS AND MR. CARRIS, HUSBAND OF ELEANOR J. CARRIS
Sale Date: 08/05/2015

Write of Execution: 03/09/2015
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH-TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is: **Five Hundred Two Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-One and 48/100** \$502,371.48.

The property to be sold is located in the BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE, County of Union and State of New Jersey.

It is commonly known as 23 TANGLEWOOD LANE, A/K/A 22 TANGLEWOOD LANE, MOUNTAINSIDE, NEW JERSEY 07092.

It is known and designated as Block 22.B, Lot 8 (includes 25-A, 30-C).

The dimensions are approximately .554 Acres Nearest cross street: Mountain Avenue Prior lien(s): none

Total Upset: **Five Hundred Sixteen Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Nine and 36/100** \$516,749.36 together with lawful interest and costs.

Subject to any unpaid taxes, municipal liens or other charges, and any such taxes, charges, liens, insurance premiums or other advances made by plaintiff prior to this sale. All interested parties are to conduct and rely upon their own independent investigation to ascertain whether or not any outstanding interest remain of record and/or have priority over the lien being foreclosed and, if so the current amount due thereon.

Surplus Money: If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court Rules 4:64-3 and 4:57-2 stating the nature and extent of that person's claim and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money. The Sheriff or other person conducting the sale will have information regarding the surplus, if any.

There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office.

The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale for any length of time without further advertisement.

Joseph Cryan Sheriff

Attorney: STERN, LAVINTHAL & FRANKENBERG, LLC 105 EISENHOWER PARKWAY SUITE 302 ROSELAND, NEW JERSEY 07068 (973) 797-1100 4 T - 07/09, 07/16, 07/23 & 07/30/15 Fee: \$183.60

SHERIFF'S SALE

SHERIFF'S FILE NO.: CH-15002996
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
CHANCERY DIVISION
UNION COUNTY

DOCKET NO. F-012934-14
Plaintiff: DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS, AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ACCREDITED LOANS, INC. PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES 2007-QH9 VS.

Defendant: JOSEPH BERARDI; ANNA BERARDI, HIS WIFE AND THERESA COPELAND

Write of Execution: 02/05/2015
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH-TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is: **Four Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Three and 49/100** \$433,783.49.

The property to be sold is located in the TOWN OF WESTFIELD, County of Union and State of New Jersey.

It is commonly known as 540 WEST BROAD STREET, WESTFIELD, NEW JERSEY 07090.

Nearest cross street: Palsted Avenue Prior lien(s): Sewer account past due in amount of \$171.59.

Total Upset: **Four Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Seventy-Four and 71/100** \$447,074.71 together with lawful interest and costs.

Subject to any unpaid taxes, municipal liens or other charges, and any such taxes, charges, liens, insurance premiums or other advances made by plaintiff prior to this sale. All interested parties are to conduct and rely upon their own independent investigation to ascertain whether or not any outstanding interest remain of record and/or have priority over the lien being foreclosed and, if so the current amount due thereon.

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The Country is Awash in Experts and Yet Still Awash in Problems

The colleges and universities crank out tens of thousands of experts each year. — And yet:

Big government with all its experts has not solved the big problems! (Let alone many of the small problems!)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. American infant mortality rate in 2014 ranked highest compared with European countries! More than one-third of American adults are obese!

Organization for Economic Co-Operation and Development. "While the U.S. spends more per student than most countries, this does not translate into better performance."

Census Bureau. For the first five months of 2015 the American goods trade deficit not seasonally adjusted totaled \$283,838 billion, including \$139,312 billion with China!

Federal Reserve Board Finance and Discussion Series. There is "a link between the sharp drop in U.S. manufacturing employment beginning in 2001 and a change in U.S. trade policy that eliminated potential tariff increases on Chinese imports" (Pierce and Schott).

Central Intelligence Agency. Estimated American world rankings in 2014:

Gross national savings, 98th; per capita income (PPP), 19th; real domestic product growth rate, 131st; industrial production growth rate, 103rd; reserves of foreign exchange and gold, 19th; current accounts balance, 193rd (last); life expectancy, 42nd; education expenditure as percentage of gross national product, 63rd; crude oil imports, 1st.

Bloomberg News: American government debt at \$58,604 per capita in 2014 ranked third.

United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime: 14,827 murders in the United States in 2012!

Central Intelligence Director John O. Brennan before the Council of Foreign Relations, March 13, 2015,

spoke about "the emergence of a terrorist threat that is increasingly decentralized, difficult to track, and difficult to thwart". ISIL is "well-armed and well-financed. Its fighters are disciplined, committed, and battle-

hardened."

Defense Department's 2014 Congressional China report, "China's military modernization has the potential to reduce the core U.S. military technological advances... Moreover, China is investing in capabilities to defeat adversary power projection and counter third-party-including U.S.-intervention during a crisis or conflict.

Defense Department in its "Annual Threat Assessment 2014" for the Senate Armed Services Committee, "Russia continues to actively pursue its active foreign and defense policies, both along its periphery and elsewhere... we expect Russia's military modernization will lead to a more agile and compact force capable of more modern forms of warfare."

What with all the experts in the United States none of this should be happening!

Our country that can send a spacecraft more than three billion miles to Pluto that successfully takes pictures of Pluto can solve any problem to which it puts its mind!

This letter is not meant to criticize our beloved country but to point out that reliance on experts has not benefited the country as one would have thought.

How excellent the suggestion of Will Rogers, "This would be a great time in the world for some man to come along that knew something."

Stephen Schoeman
Westfield

Political Humor

"After Donald Trump's derogatory comments about immigrants, NBC has officially cancelled 'Celebrity Apprentice.' Think about it, Donald Trump isn't even president yet, and he's already made America a better place." —Conan O'Brien

"Macy's has severed ties with Donald Trump and no longer will carry his men's wear collection. From now on, men who want to look like Donald Trump will have to hunt and kill their own hair piece." —Conan O'Brien

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SHERIFF'S SALE

SHERIFF'S FILE NO.: CH-15002942
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
CHANCERY DIVISION
UNION COUNTY

DOCKET NO. F-005850-14
Plaintiff: MAGYAR VS.

Defendant: RUSSELL J. YEAGER AND DEBORAH M. YEAGER, HUSBAND AND WIFE
Sale Date: 07/29/2015

Write of Execution: 04/10/2015
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH-TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is: **Three Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Two and 58/100** \$394,762.58.

The property to be sold is located in the Borough of Fanwood, in the County of Union and the State of New Jersey.

Premises commonly known as: 41 Arlene Court Tax Lot #: 13 in Block #: 41.

Dimensions of Lot (Approximately): 65 x 157 Nearest Cross Street: Between Pleasant Avenue and Oakwood Court See metes and bounds description.

The property consists of all the land and all the buildings and structures on the land in the Borough of Fanwood County of Union and State of New Jersey, described as follows:

Being known and designated as Lot 13 in Block 101-C on map entitled "Perfected and Revised Map of Section One and Section Two, Oakwood Manor in the Borough of Fanwood, Union County, New Jersey" made by Edward S. Lewis, T/A F.A. Dunham Co. and filed in the Office of the Register of Union County on July 27, 1955 as Map No. 426 E.

Said premises are more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the northwesterly side-line of Arlene Court distant therein as measured along said side-line of Arlene Court on a course of North 46 degrees 57 minutes 10 seconds East, 407.89 feet from a point formed by the intersection of the said side-line of Arlene Court if extended in a southerly direction with the north-easterly side-line of Pleasant Avenue if the same were extended in a southeasterly direction and running thence

1. North 40 degrees 47 minutes West, 160.28 feet to a point, thence

2. North 49 degrees 13 minutes East, 51 feet to a point, thence

3. South 51 degrees 3 minutes 10 seconds East, 153.51 feet to a point in the aforesaid side-line of Arlene Court, thence

4. Along and binding upon said side-line of Arlene Court on a curve to the right having a radius of 50.0 feet an arc distance of 25.02 feet to a point, thence

5. Still along and binding upon said side-line of Arlene Court on a course of South 46 degrees 57 minutes 10 seconds West, 54.60 feet to the point and place of beginning.

Total Upset: **Four Hundred Six Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Eight and 29/100** \$406,448.29 together with lawful interest and costs.

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Attorney: LOUGHNIN LAW FIRM P.C. 1636 EAST SECOND STREET SCOTCH PLAINS NEW JERSEY 07076 (908) 322-2441 4 T - 07/02, 07/09, 07/16 & 07/23/15 Fee: \$246.84