Emails from Trump supporters:

Feb. 27, 2020:

Hi Jim, I just read your column and I've perused some others previously. Jim, yours is an opinion. We all have them. You are fortunate enough to be able to pay to publish yours. In a very biased newspaper. Despite your assertion regarding your Russia resume, it's still just an opinion.

I would much prefer to read something that doesn't sway to your politics.

But basically, I would rather read real unbiased news. That's something the Denver Post has forgotten in its goal of publishing opinions versus informing us of current events...

--Elisa M.

My response:

> It wasn't an opinion that Trump's reluctance to support NATO and his efforts to weaken the European Union through Brexit play into Trump's hands. Do you not see that? My article was really all factual. Tell me what you see as opinion, please.

Her response

And Jim, the first thing that causes me concern about your assertions begins with your assertion that your whole article is really "factual". I'd suggest redefining what you believe is "factual". You just describe your observations about a current event. That hardly makes it factual...

And even if you were some kind of diplomatic foreign policy expert(which you're not-you sell real estate), it would still be your opinion. Do you not notice that even experts disagree?

Stop paying to pontificate. --Elisa M.

Feb. 29, 2020:

Jim, I have enjoyed reading your REAL ESTATE articles for some time now, but the Political commentary, NOT SO MUCH.

As I hope you realize, this country is pretty evenly split between the Now Socialist Democrat Party and the GOP. It would behoove you to remember that when you start sharing your leftist opinions to those of us that lean Right.

As Michael Jordan once said when asked to comment on his political stance,

<u>Democrats and Republicans both buy my</u> <u>sneakers</u>, so, no thanks, I'll keep my opinions to myself. Think about it, please.

Have a great day! --Bruce D

My response:

I know it's a radical idea, but I think it's important to speak up on important matters as a CITIZEN. To stay quiet is unpatriotic.

By the way, you call my writing opinion. What can you point to in my article that is not factual? It is factual that Trump called NATO obsolete and only reluctantly supported Article 5. It's factual that he supported Brexit and encourage similar nationalism in Europe, which

weakens the EU. It is factual that weakening (or destroying) NATO and the EU is in Putin's interest. What, pray tell, is not factual in my entire article? (And, by the way, do that facts I just cited NOT concern you? Why not??)

Bruce's response:

Wow! That's a new one. TDS = Patriotism. Good one Jim! Look up Jemele Hill at ESPN, see how mixing business with politics got her fired. Don't say I didn't warn you. You'll never know how much business you've actually lost due to your TDS (patriotism)! But good luck.

Trump won, get over it. Have a wonderful day! --Bruce D.

Mar. 12, 2020:

I would just like to point out a few things that you missed in today's rant.

Number one let's not forget that Martin Luther King Jr was a Republican, oh yeah so was Abraham Lincoln you know he's the guy that ended slavery.

You also shouldn't forget that the KKK was a Democrat institution, you know, like you.

You also seem to forget or maybe you're just ignorant, how many jobs have been created in the last 3 years. Those jobs that are created rise many people of all colors to a higher level. many of those people are fellows who come to you and buy houses or sell houses. I guess you have no problem spitting in their faces because they're Republicans. you also talk about a lower

level of public discourse I'm guessing you must be talking about how the president's opponents talk about him right?

When President Obama won his presidency many Republicans didn't like it because basically their guy lost. However most Republicans like me just accepted it as him winning fair and square and just sucked it up and waited for the next election. I contrast that to Democrats like you who go absolutely nuts I mean insane over this president and are blinded by the accomplishments this administration has made. It makes you look really really stupid.

Let's also not forget that your writing is not journalism it's a paid for advertisement. The funny thing is that I still always read your stuff because of the real estate, but now I just read it to see how far you've gone off the deep end. It's very entertaining keep up the bad work.

--Dean M.

Mar. 26, 2020:

I hope you get the money the big shot realtor wants. Reading your column allows me to laugh at you during these difficult times. I always considered real estate sales people used car salesmen. What a waste of your college education.
--Jim B.

Mar. 26, 2020:

I am a longtime reader of your real estate column and have found it informative/enjoyable.

I, however, take exception to your attempts into the political arena. You obviously have every right to dislike

President Trump but in my opinion I think you significantly dilute your efforts by choosing an alternative who suffers from a combination of hoof/mouth disease and signs of early dementia. In fact your efforts in the latter render your effectiveness in real estate questionable. In conclusion your request for funding to the tune of \$8,000 gave this 78 year old a good laugh during these trying coronavirus times.
--Clif R

Mar. 26, 2020:

The answer is NO!! It's not enough to endear the fishwrap Denver Post, the sub-JV edition of NY Times and Washington Post, but to come across this prattle in the Thursday supplement is almost more than any normal person can take! (I do consider myself normal!) Unlike yourself who is obviously suffering from a very serious case of "Trump Derangement Syndrome" which is reflected in the weekly tripe you've put out lately. I feel I already contribute to your birdcage bottom cover by paying 200% more this year is subscription than a year ago. A typical lefty ploy! Charge more, give less!! Oh, how I pray for the return of the Rocky Mountain News! But, alas, readers are stuck with the socialist and anti-American propaganda put out by the editorial staff and others like yourself and call it journalism! What a joke!! Journalists are objective, report facts (oh, I know your man Joe states, "we don't need the truth, we have the facts" along with all of his other gaffes over the last few years. Joe needs more than a "Shadow Cabinet"! He needs time in a 'memory loss' center for

those who cannot remember what state he is in or to keep his hands off the ladies who he thinks are his admirers! Go Joe, you girl slayer! He, along with all the other lefties approve of infanticide (Killing viable fetuses even after birth!), giving free everything to illegal aliens, to believing that doing away with fossil fuels will solve the 'warming' question, disapprove of picture ID for voting ("Oh, there is no voter fraud in our party!"). And many other reasons voters will re-elect the brash, egotistical, crude, and profane Trump over anyone the socialists put up against him. You folks just don't get it! Patriotic Americans see through the swamp's efforts to impeach the guy with unfounded charges, daily personal attacks on the President and his family and anyone who associates with him (and that includes the majority of legal voters in this country!!) I cannot wait until the first debate between Trump and Biden! That will be pure comedy and entertainment even when Joe is given the questions before the contest (as Hillary did!). Joe will fumble the ball and stutter and stammer and ask "Chuck to standup" from his wheelchair!!

I know that no case has been made here except it gives me a thrill to say a few things to someone who needs a lesson and reality check as to what is happening in this country. And it is not going to go the way the socialists think!! Poor Rachel and crew at MSNBC and Wolf with his no ratings staff at CNN. And, oh yes, the wannabes at the Denver Post who wish they could be like them!

--Bob D.

April 9, 2020:

I have been enjoying your real estate news for many months. Stick to real estate. Are you and the Denver Post so hard up for copy that you have to bash our president? I'm a conservative who had to witness the political correctness and the world order of Obama for eight years. The difference is that during Obama we quietly watched the destruction.

You loud mouths are destroying any and all respect for the office of the president.

I have read your column for the last time. I respect the office of our president and his stand for life and the thriving economy that allowed for your real estate success.

I love Trump and will think of people like you who have profited from this economy and for America's newfound economic and political strength. I suppose you would like Hillary to be in the White House so we could surely be third world!

I hope you have lost 50% of your customers, like me! I will think of you when Trump wins in a landslide in November.

Be gracious, Jim! Keep your negative opinions to yourself about our president. You must be successful to be stupid enough to mix business and politics. You are an idiot! I will miss reading your real estate news. Who cares what you think? You are a bully!!! You don't hold a candle to my president.

-- Mary Ellen S.

April 23, 2020:

i realize you pay for the privilege of spewing nonsense every week but today shows the typical "progressive" bias..you ask why Trump supporters follow him blindly but you never said this when Obama was President. where was your outrage when Obama allowed Putin to do whatever he wanted and it resulted in the deaths of MILLIONS?

As for the Trump is a sexual assaulter..you will vote for Biden who is accused of FINGER BANGING a staffer..but, as usual, you look the other way when it's a Dem.

--Gino P

April 23, 2020:

Your article was riddled with personal distain for our President, therefore, what you wrote is merely your attempt to sway and keep YOUR support base.

There is definitely a common thread between people like you and the left, always blaming, always looking for the bad, twisting the truth at every opportunity. You, Mr. Smith, are what our country does not need. Why can't you be a positive doer and make a difference in our country? You sit behind a desk pounding out mistruths and think that people are going to give you credibility and money?

Donald Trump is a human being who is flawed but stands up for our country and makes things that are seemingly impossible, happen. He has endured relentless assault from the media and people like you, but he stands tall and never gives up. Exactly the kind of leader America needs.

Democrats are such poor losers and cannot take not getting their way. Hence, they will do and say anything to in an attempt to destroy their opponents. Are you not flawed? Have you ever told a lie? Have you ever secretly lusted after a woman? Have you ever misspoke? Have you ever tried to seek the good in people though they don't share your beliefs? Are you higher than thou? No need to answer, I already know. This is why Trump supporters feel as they do. There are a lot more of us than you think. Americans are SO tired and weary of your antics.

We will rise and stand with President Trump to see that he is re-elected this year. He will win and I will have great satisfaction in saying "I told you so." --Vicki F

April 23, 2020:

Would you please stay out of politics and just keep selling your little houses. I was shocked that you were actually soliciting money to continue bashing our current administration. People like you are the problem. I do not know why your think your are politically qualified to do this.....I certainly do not know why any person...I do not care what political persuasion they are....would actually send you money. God help us.

Good luck with your little houses. Stay out of politics. Please...Please...stay out of politics.

--Nancy Z.

April 23, 2020:

I've talked to you before about videoing realtor visits, but what I want to know is how you can be so one sided and twist the truth just like the CNN's and MSNBC's of the world.

Regarding your "Why are Trump supporters..." and your demagoguery! Factoids

- 1. Comment "killing people on 5th avenue". Bad choice of words but just a comment about the great support of his voters. When listened to in his speech, its totally innocuous! So your implication was purposeful misdirection and a lie! (Fake news!
- 2. A man who groped a woman on an airplane said that about Trump NOT Trump. Excuse me but another fake news comment!
- 3. Who are these 20 women and what does an allegation of being a sexual predator mean? Did he do something that they can they prove?

How about your assumed buddies Biden or Clinton and the "real" allegations of sexual misconduct. Or the "actual" illegal or Quid Pro Quo statements made by then VP Biden and a Ukrainian prosecutor covering for the payoff's to his son.

You people that suffer from TDS should be ashamed of yourself. But more so should the paper that publishes your nonsense! --Frank K.

April 23, 2020:

Just once I would like to see positive written by you regarding Trump. Whether I like him or not, please be honest when writing your column and talk about the good things he has done. You name, and be specific, what has Nancy Pelosi and the rest

of her people done for the people of the USA. And, I can't believe you have a "GoFundMe" site '

Seems to me you have more then enough money to fund your weeking commentary yourself. The money you have raised should, in all honesty, go to a much more worth cause.

Shame on you - another extreme left Democrate looking to put more money in your pocket --Betty F.

April 23, 2020:

I just wanted to let you know, Jim Smith, that I can do without your liberal smack talk in my hub paper. Take your hate someplace else, okay? You've evidently made at least a billion dollars on the fact that all the prices in the last real estate in the last two years. So what do you got to b**** about, okay? Stay out of my paper.
--Karen J

April 23, 2020:

Your article essentially asks "how can all those folks be so stupid?"

A couple of ideas about that. First of all, in my opinion, it is not possible to be a Christian and a democrat at the same time, due to liberals' stance on Right to Life. Secondly, we are justifiably fearful of losing our Second Amendment Rights. Therefore, we have no choice but to support President Trump, regardless of his rough edges.

When I see how left the left the has swung in the last two years, I am concerned

about the sanctity of everything I hold dear. Seeing legislators like OAC in office at a national level, and people like Candi CdeBaca, an avowed communist, sitting on our neighboring city's council, I have to wonder how we can possibly hold true to the intent of our founding fathers. Be very afraid.

--Mike H

April 24, 2020:

It was the despicable behavior of Presidents such as the womanizing adulterous John F Kennedy and the impeached serial rapist Bill Clinton and his deep friendship and travelling about with pedophile Jeffrey Epstein that have inured American voters to the disgraceful acts of President Trump. (There are probably some who would still vote for Clinton or Kennedy if he were alive.) Throw in the Democratic clown-car primary with the last clown standing being a fantasizing senile plagiarist and you have a pretty good idea of what will be the result in November.

--Tom B

April 24, 2020:

I read your British article. It appears to attack Trump's personality, not his accomplishments.

I can tell that you obviously hate the man, and that's okay with me.

I agree that Trump is odd and some of the things that comes out of his mouth makes me cringe. Yes, he has a huge ego and is definitely boastful.

I've worked with special needs Adults for over 30 years.

I firmly believe that Trump has Asperger's Syndrome, which accounts for his curious behavior.

Trump went up against 14 Republican politicians in the primary and won. Frankly, my first choice was Dr. Ben Carson and Trump was my last choice.

Trump figured out how to get the electoral votes in order to win the election. We were all surprised!

The articles I sent you say that he has stopped working. He did turn over the Corona crisis to each state this past week. That's the way the system should work. Each state has different outbreaks and needs. It's now up to the governors and local governments to proceed forward.

The other article says that he isn't a good leader. If you had read my previous email, you would realize what a great job that he has done during this unprecedented crisis.

10 days after the first case in the U.S. Trump stopped airline travel to the U.S. He was vilified as xenophobic and racist!

If you've watched the movie Temple Grandin and the movie series Einstein, you will notice that geniuses generally are socially challenged and have unusual behaviors. Trump definitely is challenged and has unusual behaviors.

I had hoped that you might have an open mind so that we can share.

I'm still hoping that that is the case because I have followed your column weekly for decades.

Trump is giving detailed updates on the Corona Virus each day.

I read the Denver Post Wednesday through Sunday. It definitely leans to the left

You're a very smart businessman who has been quite successful.
--Linda W.

April 27, 2020:

You are having trouble understanding why President Donald Trump was elected and why he will probably be e3lectted again.

Let a former Scoop Jackson style democrat changed to a republican shed some light on the subject.

I did not vote for Donald Trump, I voted against Hillary. Spending 3 times more than Trump to get elected did not make her electable.

I detest President Donald Trump as a person. He is arrogant, calls people names and use 7th grade language. However, he has not waived from his campaign promises. Tax brakes (I am middle class and the tax bill helped me a lot) immigration, build a wall, affordable care act elimination, Iran treaty, to name a few. I did not say I agreed with all of these, he has not waivered from his campaign promises. When was the last time a presidential candidate keep hi campaign promises. Think Obama for a recent candidate.

I can't imagine what possible changes could happen that could make me vote of Joe Biden. He appears to have a bit of dirty laundry to wash as the campaign progresses. --Vern G

April 27, 2020:

Dear Jim, I enjoy reading your column in the Hub. I don't know where I have been, but I did not know that you are raising money to support your Advertisement, and have expressed your desire to defeat Donald Trump in November. No matter, you have every right to your opinion. When I first read the article, I thought, gosh this should be in the editorial page rather than a local resource for residents.

> Your article amused me to the point I felt the need to comment. It amused me from the "academic" who studied those who supported President Trump and "The Psychology Behind Trump's Unwavering Support", and "Terror Management Theory", which you said "you found really informative". "The theory is based on the fact that humans have a unique awareness of their own mortality. The inevitably of one's death creates existential terror and anxiety that is always residing below the surface". So (my words here), these people are so easily manipulated by others, basically believing anything they are told.

> Holy smokes, if I felt that way, I wouldn't be able to get up in the morning and tie my own shoes! At 70, I truly know my own mortality, and if I had to live in terror and anxiety, I might as well check out now. I also assure you, this President Trump supporter gets my information from many sources and I don't always believe what I read or hear.

> You also mentioned in your article the lies told by Trump, but you don't say what those are. I can tell you one lie that President Obama told us: "If you like your

Doctor, you'll be able to keep your Doctor". I lost my Doctor and my premiums sky rocketed after that promise of Obamacare.

- > Jim, I guess my point is that you think one way and I may think another. That doesn't make you psychotic or me either. I respect your choice to believe as you choose. I don't have time to pursue TDS or if there is a "study" about it. I am trying to live my life as best I can as we maneuver through this pandemic.
- > I hope your Real Estate business comes back strong and that all of America gets back to work and defeats this virus. Thanks for the chance to voice "my opinion".

--Therese R.

April 28, 2020:

Comrade Jim, how clever to mask your latest propaganda pap as an advertisement! Doing so excludes the "equal time/space" accorded to respondents who disagree with your symptoms of 'TDS' (Trump Derangement Syndrome). This latest offering qualifies as "false advertising" (fake news!) for faulty citations made. For starters, it was Hitler and his Minister of Propaganda, Goebels, who coined the phrase, "Tell a lie often enough and it will soon be accepted as truth"! Not Roy Cohn!! Doh? Trumps mentor?? The same Roy Cohn who was the chief counsel for J. McCarty's Anti American Activities Commission in the 50's? FYI, that Roy Cohn died in 1986!! Or, did you mean attorney COHEN who served the president early in first term? QPQ Joe is not the only lefty who lets facts get into way of truth!!

Still begging for donations, eh? Didn't do much for M. Bloomberg who spent a BILLION \$\$\$!!! Your stab at trying to convince readers that your take on today's political scene will, likewise, result in a swirly down the drain! Good money after bad!!

Lefties still don't get it!! Trump was not elected because of his resume! Patriots considered the alternative, her 'lowness' Hillary, and the choice was easy! Most did not want another term of socialist policy and further deceit and hypocrisy! Oh, and LIES!! "You can keep your Dr. You can keep your plan. And you will save \$2500 in premiums!" NOT!! And, a similar scenario is underway in this year's election which, in all likelihood, will have a similar result, especially with floundering QPQ Joe as a candidate.

FYI, I don't need to copy Fox News talking points which you suggested in latest response. You see, I am well versed in critical thinking skills which I was honored and grateful to be asked to teach high school students at local school. The objective was to assist students to learn HOW to think, not WHAT to think as you are attempting. If given the opportunity, my students would have great time analyzing your stabs at propagandizing today's events. Those who know HOW to think aren't buying your prattle. And, I am about ready to save over \$385 a year by dropping my subscription. Today, the only benefit I gain from getting the Post are the puzzles and some comics. Crappy sports (very little preps), lots of sub-varsity attempts to be like the NYT and Washington Post, and NO

objective local and state news! And, 99% dominant liberal op-ed pages! YUK!!

April 28, 2020:

I have read your real estate columns for a long time and I admire your expertise in the field, as well as your ability to explain concepts clearly. I know that you are an intelligent and well informed man.

What I cannot understand is why you are so puzzled by the loyalty of Trump supporters. Though I did not vote for President Trump, I will in the coming election. Articles and condescending attitudes such as yours make me and others stronger Republicans. We are always portrayed as less educated and informed than Democrats, and the political correctness dictated to us by extreme libs pushes us even farther right.

I do not admire Trump personally, but I will support him as the Republican presidential candidate. I am convinced that he loves America and its people, and I feel that his view of America is more aligned with that of our forefathers than any Democrat. And I certainly cannot understand anyone's loyalty to Joe Biden. While Trump may not be exactly a "stable genius", Joe, at this point in his life, is not a genius, and he certainly is not stable! --Kay B.

April 30, 2020:

You sir have TDS and I know you can't help yourself what with everything that comes out of Trumps mouth is challenged. Your comments about the injection is wrong

and you know it if you watched the briefing., but then again it doesn't matter what he does or says he is the scapegoat.

As far as the media I would say the retractions come every day from the bs they are spouting or do you think it's right to lie to the american people all the time.

Your affinity for FOX news is laughable. The MSM loved Obama and never said anything bad about his administration but you can look up the corrupt justice dept anytime you wish and refer to General Flynn. That is just the tip of the iceberg.

You liberals are all alike, if I don't agree with you I'm wrong not you.

I can't wait for Nov 3rd 2020 to watch the MSM cry again --Alan M

April 30, 2020:

I read your screed in Yourhub with interest. To be plain: I'm not going to give fox talking points and don't want cnn nonsense in return. Let's talk.

Where I stand: Not a big fan of T nor a hater. Generally supportive of goals but not of his means. The man is a narcissist and needs to keep his mouth shut (and twitter fingers still). His refusal to say 'climate change' is as childish and unuseful as was Obama's refusal to say 'terrorist attack' or 'radical muslim terrorism'.

That said....

I believe this nation has always found the right leader for the times. By 2016, we as a people needed to realistically discuss and adjust several issues. Among them: Someone needed to say it was time to fix our immigration system.

And question the need and efficacy of a web of treaties spawned 70 years ago in a cold war, and all the ensuing agreements we are party to..

And point out that China is an emerging world power and an opponent, not a poor country that needs our largely one sided help.

And that maybe we need to tap the brakes on the administrative micromanagement that has been coming out of Washington lately (from both parties).

Did Mr. T address these questions urbanely and with tact? No. But would they have have gotten attention if he did?

What I don't get is the hate. The man is our President like it or not, and no one in my memory (and I remember back to Eisenhower) has gotten such an avalanche of vitriol.

From the get go I have been trying to figure out if this guy is Captain Queeg or another Andrew Jackson. I am beginning to believe he is a transformative figure like Jackson. We'll see....

--Stan M.

April 30, 2020:

I was trained as an engineer and have written many publications during my career. I was taught to be very careful to provide references for any citations and scientific data for any conclusions derived. In your political op ed today you assert that the president is a narcissist with no actual data or reference from licensed psychiatrists. You also resort to name

calling: "Lame stream media." Both of these are traits employed by the president which is one of the reasons that people are disappointed over his behavior. As I mentioned to you a week ago, I do not like the president or his behavior, and did to vote for him. But, neither do I like Hillary Clinton and did not vote for her. My comment above is not the staking out of a political position, it is only a comment to you that shrinking to the level of behavior of our president must hurt your business. Please be careful.

--Dana C.

April 30, 2020:

Since you are so intrigued by the psychology of Trump and his supporters, perhaps some introspection would do you good by delving into your own psyche and those of your loony left ilk. A good place to start is "The Liberal Mind: The Psychological Causes of Political Madness" by Lyle Rossiter, MD. Enjoy my review:

An excellent work on the psychology of political thought. Dr. Rossiter deftly delves into such areas as early childhood development, socialization, paranoia and narcissism to help explain what appears to be the incorrigible irrationality of liberal political thought. The insights provided by Dr. Rossiter give understanding into liberals' exasperating and seemingly infantile behavior patterns: their need for immediate gratification, their whining about imaginary victims and raging about imaginary villains, their pulling the blanket over their heads when confronted with real and immediate danger, their running to the government for

immediate relief whenever stumbling on to life's inevitable foibles and adversities-"mommy, mommy, make them stop", their hysterical, drama-queen, absolutist view of life.....

--Raoul D.

April 30, 2020

I watched the left vilify Kavanaugh and now Hillary (the enabler) Clinton, Pelosi, Abrams, Gillibrand, Klobuchar and others give their unwavering support to Joe (Stinky Finger) Biden. The new mantra of the left is, Believe the women (when it fits our agenda). If the left didn't have double standards they would have no standards at all.

I attempted to watch CNN and MSNBC during Kavanaugh and impeachment, but their bias was overwhelming. In my opinion FOX is way more balanced than CNN and MSNBC. I recently met a very liberal woman who told me that she gets ALL of her news from Colbert and Trevor Noah.

The left tried to take down Trump before he even took office with a corrupt Obama FBI and CIA. I did not vote for Trump in 2016 but will be voting for him in 2020. --Robert M.

April 30, 2020:

Your recent column regarding Trump supporters shows one of the many reasons that we Trump supporters are so steadfast in our support; one sided news and opinion journalists who continue to berate all things conservative. I notice that you criticized Fox News, but, of course, said nothing of the many TV programs that spin every word

and action of the President in a negative way. The fine reporters and analysts at CNN, for example. Or, The View. Or, SNL. Or, GMA. No wonder you are confused about our support of the man who stands up for the real people of America. --David B.

April 30, 2020:

Jim: my view is one of logic. Most of the debate against trump falls into peripheralsecondary personal attack. When I compare trump against any alternatives, I fall back on my most overriding issue. What percentage of the GDP do you want to be total aggregate government spending? Secondly, what is the tipping point at which you are getting declining benefit from government? When you propose new government spending, do you prioritize Your argument into quantified dollars? Are your arguments based upon an endless supply of funds from government, which are derived from your personal income or wealth? And when you advocate for new government spending, what programs are you going to cut, in order to not march on, in the aggregate, towards government taking 100% of personal incomes or wealth?

Lastly, I can't definitively answer this one, is total aggregate government spending, city, county, state, federal- less double accounting from transfers, as a percentage a very crude indicator of what percentage of the average tax payer's income is going to govern him and is it worth while? In psychiatry, the goal of therapy is to get the patient to healthy autonomy. So, to me, the mental health, and autonomy, of the average

contributing tax payer citizen is the ultimate goal of government. He should never be left out of the equation.

Would love to here from you, but please no peripheral-secondary moralizing. The issue is much bigger than his highly fallible personality- the same as mine. For the record, I voted for the arrogant, serial philandering scamp last time, and will again, based upon the previous paragraph. --Anon.

April 30, 2020:

Jim, I am writing to you because of the two articles you posted on yourhub in the Denver Post

First of all, I want to recognize you for your real estate talents as you helped us buy a home and sold a home for us in 2014. My wife and I were very happy with the results of these transactions and still are.

Now we will talk about politics. First of all, the thing that attracted me to Donald Trump is the fact that he is not a politician and cares nothing about creating financial assets for himself. In fact he gives up his \$450k annual salary and gives it to charity. There is not another president in history that has done this. This man loves America and the people of America and wants nothing but good to come to the American people. He has accomplished more in 3 years as President than any other President. He will go down as being one of the best Presidents ever. This man will fight back against the unscrupulous politicians that every day are trying to unseat him, but the informed people of this country will not let this happen. This man will outwork any

opponent that will run against him. I hope and pray that Donald J Trump will be reelected in 2020.

Now let us talk about the Democratic Party and their Trump hating members who because of their far left if not communistic ideology are trying to unseat this president so they can get back into power and attempt to control the American people. Jim, I am really disappointed in your ideology and being misinformed as to Donald Trump.

--Larry B.

April 30, 2020:

As a local businessman I have not written to you before, but do disagree with a number of your positions (such as the article some time ago where you advocated keeping the business property tax....one that hits businesses hard such as mine that are capital intensive, and I don't believe hit businesses such as yours very hard). I voted for Trump and will do so again. I do not like how he speaks in public or on Twitter, but his actions are better for business (again, my opinion), as opposed to our last President who told me that what I have worked hard to succeed at over 40 years was not built by me but rather society in general (remember the "you didn't build that" speech?)

Anyway, of course you are entitled to your opinion, as we all are. And actually, one thing I do appreciate is the fact that you support a small local business, the newspaper.

I would suggest, however, that you may not be able to track the number of customers you may lose as they would not necessarily contact you to advise as such.
--David B

April 30, 2020:

MY QUESTION TO YOU IS WHY ARE YOU SUCH A TRMP HATER???

I HAVE CANCELLED MY DENVER POST SUBSCRIPTION. I AM TIRED OF THIS VERY BIASED PAPER, INCLUDING EDITORS, REPORTERS. ETC. GET OVER IT!!

REALLY DO WE WANT BIDEN TO BE PRESIDENT. WHILE MS. CLINTON WAS ENDORSING HIM HE WAS NODDING OFF!! I SAW IT WITH MY OWN EYES.

Now the biased media refuses to ask Biden about the claim of a possible forced rape. Where is the ME TOO movement? They were so eager to persecute Bret Kavanaugh with no credible witnesses

Oh yes, the Hunter Biden deal with Ukraine. (Interesting – but no questions asked by the biased media). The Democrats were too busy with impeaching a President.

YOU, AS PART OF THE MAIN
STREAM MEDIA GIVES NO CREDIT TO
THE STRONGEST PRESIDENT we have
had TO STAND UP FOR THE MIDDLE
CLASS. OUR ECONOMY WAS
REBUILT. AFTER THE FORMER
PRESIDENT GAVE MILLIONS TO IRAN.
AND NOTHING TO THE MIDDLE
CLASS. WHAT A FARCE. Please Mr.
Smith quit taking out ads and giving out
false advertising. YOUR DEMOCRATIC
CONGRESS WAS TOO BUSY WITH

IMPEACHMENT TO DO ANYTHING FOR THE PEOPLE. ALSO I MUST SAY Nancy Pelosi LIVING IN her MANSIONS WITH WALLS AND EATING PREMIER ICE CREAM. REALLY GIVE ME A BREAK!!!.

He took a stand on illegal immigration and the media and so called democrats persecuted him for stating the truth. Thank god with so many out of work that he has stopped immigration all together until the pandemic is controlled.

He closed our border to China and Joe Biden said it was wrong and he was racist. Now Mr. Biden is singing a different tune

Yes, Mr. Smith why are you such a TRUMP hater.
--Jackie K

May 3, 2020:

I don't accept that Donald Trump caused deaths by promoting the drug hydroxychloroquine. The drug had been given to patients with malaria and it was not killing them, so it makes no sense that it would kill patients with the coronavirus. The patients who received it were obviously very sick to begin with. There had been others who claimed to have recovered after receiving it, so there was some hope it could work. Of course it wasn't proven.

Nothing was proven to cure or prevent the coronavirus, and that would take a year or two of tests. If he had not promoted it, I can hear the democrats screaming that Donald Trump was killing patients by refusing to try a drug that might have worked. Why have you not given him credit for saving lives by his quick action banning flights from China and other areas, providing needed equipment and building temporary hospitals in areas of infection?

Oh, one more question: Have your ads changed anyone's mind yet?
--Gerald M

May 5, 2020:

I will try to make this "short and sweet". Therefore, my comments will be referring to your piece as they were written by you.

Mind you, it is not all my analysis. I am sending this to you what has actually been happening by your "left" supporters and socalled psychologist (who are ONLY giving THEIR opinion on Pres. Trump). Their summery on him is no more accurate than our summery on Joe Biden is (who is obviously having some senility problems). It is a fascinating area of academic study these days. Since the main stream media has stated that they will not subject their viewers to hear all the lies that our President is telling, is quite the excuse for them not WANTING their viewers to hear "possibly" the TRUTH or another viewpoint. As Pilot asked Our Lord: "Truth, what is the Truth?" Hmmm That question seems to fall on what everyone WANTS the truth to actually BE. As "your guess is as good as mine", so is the "truth" about life in general. Christians believe in the 10 Commandments and the Beatitudes as their truth guidelines. Those who are trying to dismiss any freedom of religion in this country obviously do not. It can also be said of our Bill of Rights and our Constitution. One's interpretation may not

necessarily be the same as others. By the way, the reason why NBC, ABC and CBS do not have any opinion shows during the evening is because they have only ONE opinion. No different than our colleges preventing conservative speakers on their campuses.....they demand only ONE opinion - - THEIR opinion. Your "entertainment programs will NEVER surpass the good old fashioned "family" shows that were covered in the 60's, 70's and 80's. People are sick of "reality shows" and family shows being replaced by horrible episodes of violence, killings and sex. No wonder our children are so messed up.

The journalistic investigative findings brought forth to the American people from conservative stations SHOULD be done by YOUR main stream media as well. It sounds like they are NOT doing their jobs FOR us, the American people, in bringing forth THE TRUTH. Many topics are shared on these radio and TV stations that one will never hear from the left. They are either too embarrassed or embedded too deeply into this "deep state" conspiracy against Pres. Trump and all he is fighting for us. May I list a few?????

Twisting conservative words and statements to fit your agenda

The "Me Too" movement, for only those who fit your agenda (conservative women do not count).

Equality among the sexes, for only those who fit your agenda (conservative women do not count - Sarah Palin)

Green New Deal, for only those who agree with AOC statements and demands.

Abortion issue: who cares about the science of conception or if "infanticide" is used. No scientific proof in seeing a full born baby! ! Or that they can FEEL pain as early as 14 to 20 weeks into the pregnancy. God forbid if this was an animal being dissected or left on a table to die on its own from starvation. SAVE the tiny fish in California rather than SAVE the Human BABIES. I dare you to check into the Financials of Planned Parenthood. They SAY that the poor cannot afford to have abortions. So WHY do they charge beginning at \$400 and up depending upon the size of the baby?

This organization does NOT need tax payer funding. They do NO other service by abortions. Essential during this pandemic?? While others are fighting to SAVE lives? I think not.

Free China drones flying over our cities to gather info and document our actions. No harm here, says our ignorant smart people. More of our so called freedoms lost.

Drivers licenses for any illegal who wants one....no harm here. More votes for the Progressive movement (since they cannot buy off all the American people with THEIR lies of "They are not voting"). Destroy our "rule of law" in this country when it comes to illegals destroying our health system, our legal system, our jobs, our school system, our housing. FYI.....what they did in their own countries, they are doing it here and it is NOT according to OUR rules and regulations. Build walls in other countries but NEVER in this country. OPEN BOARDERS....more voters.....

FBI: Fidelity, Bravery and Integrity...HA What they did to Pres. Trump was disgraceful. What was done to this country during the 8 years of Obama was disgraceful. What was done to Sanders by the Clintons was disgraceful. What Hillary did as Sec. of State and our Bengazi heros was disgraceful. What was done to Judge Thomas and to Judge Kavanaugh was disgraceful. I could go on and on. What the "Black Panthers", Antifa, and George Soros mob employees have done across our nation is disgraceful. How the media is using this Covid virus to advance their agenda is disgraceful (not according to AOC).

All the media had to do was "FOLLOW THE MONEY". Amazing after Hillary lost the election how their famous Foundation disappeared. It is amazing how all who profess that this world will end in 10 to 12 years (that began 25 years ago), that those people have built and moved into big mansions and are still flying on their private planes. Why would they do that if they actually believed what they are spitting out to us constantly? Poor Greta. She is a product of this horrible lie that has taken her childhood away from her. And most of all, poor General Flynn. I pray to God that there will be accountability for those who have destroyed his life and the lives of every person who just happens to be a good person working in our government.

You know, Mr. Smith, my family USE to be diehard Democrats. So, I followed in their steps UNTIL I actually paid attention to what was happening around our country and globally. Back in the 70's I researched our "New World Order". From then until

now, I can see how it has played out. The name "Progressive Movement" USE to be the "Communist Movement" until they changed it to a more appealing name. I paid attention to "The Rules for Radicals" and "Margaret Sanger". What happened was Trump. Obama was picked to set in motion that needed to be done....to our government system (Brennan, Van Jones, etc.), to our health care system, to dumbing down our children in their schools, to more being dependent upon government, to distrusting our police departments, getting rid of those who were "deplorables" and stripping away religious "rights" in this country through Obamacare. All that was lacking was to get rid of Americans having guns so that "martial law" could take over (sounds like China to me). Let in the Muslims, but not the Christians. Let them all come in....who cares, as long as the progressives are in charge forever and ever AMEN.

Enjoy your blindness. I am sure that as more unfolds regarding the corruption from the deep state, many will still say that they are nothing but lies. History is being taken from our youth, so no one will EVER know the truth. Will they!! Our colleges have made sure of that.

--Julie

Follow-up email May 5, 2020:

I am not surprised that you are thinking this way. You apparently did not notice that I was mainly internalizing the Clinton/Obama/Progressive/CNN/MSNBC/NBC/ABC/CBS view of the world as I have observed during my many voting years. If the Trump/Fox view happens to be the same

as mine, so be it. I can usually tell who is a Democrat/Progressive and who is a Republican by their combative communication. I have observed those who are being called "racist" by many who have no idea how to even use that word. A habit has been formed by those who use it. It is their "go to word" when they have no truth behind them at all. I find that most of them are angry individuals who have nothing better to do than to downgrade or hate others "just" because of their different opinions. That "holier than thou" attitude absorbs their mind in every area in their life.

Actually, I find it quite amusing to watch Trump and the media. It is a ping pong game as to who can out demean the other. You see, the media is not use to having anyone at all question their motives. Trump is not a politician and that is why so many follow him. He thinks like normal people think and speaks like normal people speak. They know that he has their back in trying to help them from the mess made from holier than thou representatives who claimed they would treat them fairly. That does not come from any Trump/Fox view. It is what it is. The progressives have to destroy him. He has messed up THEIR Progressive plans for THEIR future. As an astute observer, this is what I believe to be my factual statements.

Nice sharing with you, --Julie

Follow-up email May 6, 2020:

Yes, climate change. As I stated previously, it is a no brainer that one should not believe that the world would end in 10 to 12 years. The ones pushing this in their

agenda are the ones that are hypocritical about it. Only God can predict when we will end. The "holier than thou" pushers are unrealistic in their so called "green new deal", etc. etc., when it comes to addressing this issue. OF COURSE this planet is being destroyed by garbage in our waters, fumes from our vehicles, refineries stinking up our air, blah, blah, blah. No one has ever denied this (including Trump). This also, by the way, should include the cities that are allowing trash, human shit and needles to be all over the sidewalks that do more contamination than a cow that eliminates its own gas.

These uber activists, disguised as "those who think they know better", truly believe that this is a crisis that they can never let go to waste (as Obama has mentioned several times). Heck, AOC even mentioned it recently how wonderful it is that our oil companies are finally shut down to PROVE that the air is better now. Great! Thank goodness it is beginning to warm up. Life will be so much better without heat in the winter months. I can also see Sanders, Pelosi, Clintons, etc. turn in their private planes to ride in cars that have to be recharged every 2 to 300 miles. Oh, sorry, we won't have any electricity either with no power plants. What will we eat with no tractors running? The Amish should be jumping for joy over AOC's Green New Deal

So, back to Trump's harshest legacy.....
I wish he COULD snap his fingers and everyone would instantly become responsible human beings and follow through with common sense actions of

disposing their own waste materials, etc. It would be great if Mother Nature obeyed the "human powers that be" and did not follow through with its normal every other century changes in weather patterns. Hasn't anyone ever listened to our weather channels? I have never claimed to be a very smart individual, but my gosh, can people actually be so stupid to believe some of the crap that the Progressives are whining about constantly? They are such "downers" when it comes to anything or anyone who wishes to think for themselves, work for a living. have beautiful families, be dependent on NO one and choose to worship their God IN PUBLIC, as well as in their places of worship without any condemnation from haters who protest this freedom. Why can't they just shut the heck up and get on with their own lives without trying to ruin the lives of others. This also goes with those who choose to be "patriotic" and hang this countries flag if they want to. Anyone who becomes an American through citizenship, who came from a country filled with evilness without the freedoms that we offer. will never understand why anyone would vote in Socialist ways into this country that will only ruin lives here for everyone, except for those with their agenda in mind.

No, Mr. Smith. This will not be President Trump's harshest legacy. Actually, I fear for his life or that of his family. They are hated so badly by those who saw the Clinton administration as their final stepping stone in the completion of their agenda. THAT, my friend, is what is really scary. --Julie

Follow-up email May 7, 2020:

First I must apologize for something I shared in last evenings e-mail to you. I should not have stated that people are "stupid" in their beliefs. I know that some indoctrination has been going on for several decades in our school systems (I use to work in one). Also, if this country had journalist that actually did their job in reporting the "who, what, when and how", and NOT giving THEIR opinions and views, then maybe more, who do NOT have any cable news stations, might actually be able to HEAR these facts and determine for themselves what the truth might be in THEIR own minds. I do know that the "Journalism" books are not being used in our high schools today as they were in the past. There is a reason why all schools should have debates in order to teach our children how to think for themselves, make decisions for themselves and also, to learn how to deal with those who do not share what they may be believing in. There can be consequences to our beliefs, if we don't handle them in the right way. Please understand my reason for apologizing.

As for hearing that Trump was chosen by God. . . Hmm I seem to remember Democrats saying that about Obama as well (remember the Roman columns at Mile Hi?), that HE was the chosen one (maybe not by God, but certainly by SOMEONE with power). There was some reason why ALL of his records were not allowed to become public knowledge (college grades, application forms, etc., etc.). He definitely was not scrutinized like past presidential runners have been. If one would really

research the true manner in how Hawaii processes their birth certificates with their numbering system, etc., then it would be easy to recognize the confusion that many would have on that topic. I do believe that God may bring forth those to do His bidding for Him on earth. It is then up to these chosen ones to allow Him to work through them in accomplishing His intended will in certain matters. Some may truly believe that God has brought this country Trump to help straighten out some of the things that might have happened or have been changed in this country. As the bible says: What is wrong, will become right in the eyes of many. It is all about how one justifies their own actions that makes them believe that they are doing and accepting what is right in THEIR eyes, not necessarily in Our Lord's eyes or the eyes of the world. That is where power is established in one's mind. That is what drives them in their persistence in achieving this power. They can focus on nothing else. What Trump has been able to endure during these past years, only a higher power could have helped him to stay strong and not have a nervous breakdown.

About Trumps IQ. . . . That is above my pay grade to know if he is a genius or not. I personally know people who freak out at having to pass any test put before them, but can be proficient in skills that only a genius would wish that they had. I know geniuses who have NO common sense at all. Unfortunately, I have my suspicions about Bill Gates. One can argue forever regarding the smarts of another.

--Julie