

Ann Coulter: “Slander: Coulter’s Lies About the Left”

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“We need to execute people like John Walker in order to physically intimidate liberals, by making them realize that they can be killed too.”

– *Ann Coulter*

[Dear Readers, I beg your indulgence for this anticipatory and predictive review of a book not yet published by an author not quite famous. Within weeks after distribution of my press kit at CPAC 2002, the title for Ann Coulter’s book was changed from “Loathing on the Left: The Liberal Compulsion to Hate Conservatives” to “Slander: Liberal Lies About the American Right.”]

Unqualified “Expert”

Perhaps the “conservative” most unqualified to write about liberal character assassination, “conservative celebrity” Ann Coulter has done just that in *Slander: Liberal Lies About the American Right*.

Based upon her prodigious public record, one can predict broad *themes* to appear in her next book (whatever its title). In sound-bite fashion, Coulter’s grand overarching theme is simply this: Liberals envision, elevate and epitomize all the evils of the world. A world without liberals would be Paradise.

Liberal = Stupid & Evil

Since the inception of her second book, Coulter has promised her fans a lengthy section premised on the thesis that liberals are either stupid or evil – or both. This “starkly black and white worldview” pervades Coulter’s thinking, permitting no grays whatsoever.

Coulter even blames the *Left* for greedy capitalists and materialistic consumers [“I’m laying it all on the doorstep of liberals.”]¹ and asserts that the Left is *never, ever* right about *anything*.²

“Liberals are wrong universally about everything. ... As soon as the Left is right on something, I’ll agree with them. I just haven’t found a single thing they have been right on.”²

Liberal = Un-American = Traitor = Terrorist

Opting for demagogic tricks, Coulter conflates patriotism with ideology:

“I think everyone should be patriotic Americans right now, which Democrats are not being. ... I would like the Democrats to be Americans.”³

Indeed, Coulter treats liberalism as synonymous with treason.

Coulter blames liberalism in general,⁴ and Bill Clinton in particular,⁵ for the 9/11 terrorist attack; denounces 50 years of treason by Democrats;⁶ asserts that John Walker is the ineluctable result of liberalism;⁷ and posits as traitorous anyone who disagrees with any aspect of her anti-terrorism agenda (or any element of the GOP platform).⁸

Considering all liberals traitors, Coulter wants to execute John Walker, not for *justice* but for the express purpose of *bullying* the Left (her preferred method of ideological cleansing).⁹

Recently, Coulter even lamented that U.S. Transportation Secretary Norman Minetta was not assassinated. Why? Minetta opposes racial profiling. (Death to dissidents?)¹⁰

Liberal = Character Assassin = Hate-monger

Though Coulter regards the “politics of personal destruction” as an exclusively liberal proclivity, she herself employs character assassination as the principal weapon in her linguistic arsenal.

Denunciations of Leftist hate speech fall on deaf ears coming from Ann Coulter, who makes her living inciting hate with her self-described polemics. After all, Coulter boasts of her *fatwa* against the Left and proclaims hatred of the Left our *patriotic duty*.¹¹ Coulter denies demonizing the Left while simultaneously declaring them evil and stupid.¹²

In short, the Left is Ann Coulter’s bogeyman.

Liberal Lies, Coulter Calumny

Moreover, Ann Coulter condemns liberal lies while cultivating her own expertise in calumny.¹³ Coulter, a proponent of honesty, lies. Coulter lies indiscriminately to fans and friends, in print and on the air. Indeed, lying has become second nature to Coulter.

A confessed promise-breaker, Coulter’s word is worthless.¹⁴ Coulter betrayed her own client (Paula Jones);¹⁵ lied about her connection with and source for possession of the Tripp tapes;¹⁶ perverted the law to separate a boy (Elián Gonzalez) from his father;¹⁷ attempted to sabotage a congressional election;¹⁸ and virtually admitted lying to the FBI.¹⁹ To paraphrase a close friend of Coulter’s: There’s almost no one left to lie to.

Liberal “Lies” About the American “Right”

Ann Coulter will probably defend the Right against numerous charges:

- ◆ being hard-hearted and mean-spirited
- ◆ being hate-filled hate-mongers
- ◆ being unprincipled partisans
- ◆ being character assassins
- ◆ being selfish and greedy

- ◆ being liars and scoundrels
- ◆ being extremists

In the *person* of Ann Coulter liberals have *proof* for their charges.

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