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Dear Paul:

I am writing to ask your advice on how best to handle a situation that Frank Gaffney seems unwilling to let die.

As you probably know, Frank is on a real kick to prove that Grover is endangering our national security by his outreach efforts to Muslim voters. Whether it is a smart political strategy is a question about which I suspect reasonable people could conceivably disagree, but it is self-evidently silly to assert that Grover is aiding and abetting terrorists. I met with Frank last spring and he gave me the big briefing where he tried to tie Grover to the bad guys. But, there were no ties. It was essentially a game of "six degrees of separation." His case was that Grover knew someone, who knew someone, who knew someone... and so on and so forth. Frank also argued that an organization that Grover was involved with had a financial connection with the "bad guys" -- but even there the facts and timing failed to show anything of merit (i.e. by Frank's own statement of the facts, the individual donated money and some time later said something favorable about Hamas. At which point, the money was returned and the donor told that he would not be welcomed or received by the organization).

But perhaps the strangest thing about Frank's presentation was that he concluded by asserting several times that Grover was gay. As you know, I am personally quite conservative and my Christian values are foundational to my life. I have no patience for the gay political agenda and I disapprove of the gay lifestyle. But I do not hate people who are gay. I was surprised by Frank's obvious attempt at character assassination. Additionally, when I told Frank that I was sure that Grover was not gay because he was dating our Vice President of Policy, Kerri Houston, Frank went so far as to assure me that Kerri was being paid to pretend to be Grover's girlfriend. This was simply over the top. Moreover, now he was not only slandering Grover, who I count as a friend, but he was also slandering one of my senior staffers who is a genuinely good person.

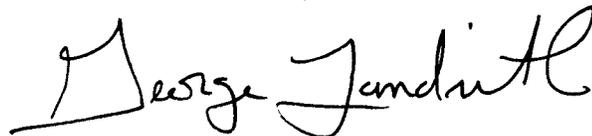
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I have learned that Frank is telling anyone who will listen that Grover is gay and that Kerri has been paid to be his girlfriend. Aside from being scurrilously false, it does not promote our national security – which is what Frank assured me was his only interest. It is quite clear that Frank has a personal vendetta against Grover and is cloaking his malignant intentions with his otherwise well-deserved reputation for national security matters.

At some point, I would like to find a way to help Frank get back to the real business of promoting national security. He has marginalized himself and his work is suffering. He has also harmed the conservative movement. I have been an admirer of Frank's defense work -- but his work of the last 6 to 8 months has been to engage in character assassination simply because he doesn't like Grover. On more than one occasion he has placed me and Frontiers of Freedom within his sights as well – because we are too “friendly” towards Grover in his view.

Do you have any ideas as to what can be done to help Frank get back to being a leading voice on national security issues? I am sorry to trouble you with this, but I value your wisdom as one of the original leaders of America's modern conservative movement. Many thanks.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "George Landrith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "G" and a long, horizontal flourish at the end.

George Landrith