

Rogue Prosecutors' Fate: What Goes Around Comes Around

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I think you're all aware—you who are religious or maybe secular—you're all aware of a force in the universe that what comes around goes around.

Or in classical mythology and Greek and Roman studies, there was the goddess Nemesis that pays back hubris or arrogance. I think in Eastern philosophy and religion the term is "karma." And in the New Testament it is: "Do unto others as you would like them to do unto you."

But there is something innate to the human condition that you should not go in one direction in excess because there's a force in the universe that corrects us and brings us back to the middle, what we call in classical terms the golden mean. Nothing too much. Know yourself.

But we have watched for the last five years a corruption of the American judicial system by [four prosecutors](#):



[Fulton County District Attorney Fani Willis](#) in Georgia, who is trying to magnify a phone call that President Donald Trump made to the registrars into some type of RICO corruptive act. And it was not. And that case has been dropped.

We saw [District Attorney Alvin Bragg](#) in Manhattan try to bootstrap a federal offense—that the federal prosecutors did not want to prosecute—on a nondisclosure form and claim it was a campaign donation.

We saw [former special counsel Jack Smith](#) with the records. And that was asymmetrical because at the same time they were investigating former President Joe Biden for essentially the same crime and let him off.

And then we had New York Attorney General Letitia James on the real estate deal where she created, kind of, new laws that had never existed before on minor details about forms on real estate applications, about a loan to the Deutsche Bank that didn't—they were happy.

But my point is this: They have exceeded what the Greeks called "hubris." They were arrogant. They were overweening. They were self-righteous. They kept bragging, in the case of James or Willis, as political animals, "We're going to do this. We're going to get Trump." And then these forces in the universe said, "This is wrong and we're going to correct it."

And what do we find out now? Jack Smith, the federal prosecutor, before he left his tenure, he went to the Covington law firm. That's former Attorney General Eric Holder's law firm, by the way. And he asked and received \$140,000 of free legal services. Did he pay taxes on that? That's above the gift tax. I don't know. But if any of you decide that you're going to get a gift of either services or materials or cash for \$140,000 and you don't pay taxes, you're in big trouble.

Fani Willis, well, she was removed from the case, as you know, with her paramour—that she did not disclose—Nathan Wade, whom she made her lead prosecutor. They went on junkets. They didn't record their expenses. Half of them, perhaps, came from Nathan Wade's wages that were inflated by Fani Willis. She wouldn't turn over subpoenaed records. The court forced her to pay a fine of \$54,000. They took her, as I said, off the case. Now she's facing an investigative inquiry by the Georgia legislator. She's in big trouble.

And then we get to Letitia James. She was the most confident and kept giving us soapbox lectures about, "No one is above the law." It turns out that for years she was fudging on her real estate investments in an illegal fashion. But because Nemesis always deals in irony, some of the forms that she exaggerated on or lied about were the same things that she alleged that [Donald Trump](#) had done on his forms. But clearly, Donald Trump had a much better case, so far, that he didn't do that.

She said an apartment unit had fewer rooms than it did. She

said that her principal residence was in Virginia when, in fact, she was the New York district attorney, by statute she must live in New York those five years. The house that she purchased she's not living in now. She listed her father as her husband. What am I getting at? She's committing the same type of fraud that she's alleging Donald Trump did.

I'll just finish with, remember Stacey Abrams? She was the one that denied she lost the 2018 gubernatorial race. She lost by 50,000 votes. She lost it again to Brian Kemp in 2022 by even more, a greater margin.

She had a PAC or some kind of nonprofit, it had a hundred dollars in it. Then suddenly, when Biden's on his way out of office, almost \$2 billion go under her direction. And now we're learning that she was giving millions of dollars away, bought a beautiful home, and suddenly went from bankruptcy and owing the IRS and not paying her taxes in 2016—she's a millionaire. That's going to be investigated.

Bottom line: Be very careful. Tread softly. Listen to the sages of the ages. Listen to your secular and your Scripture. And no one is above the law. And all of these people felt that they were above the law. And that invisible hand of Nemesis, or God, or karma struck them down. And it's a good lesson for all of us.

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