

LaRouche: Satanism is legal in Virginia

Former presidential candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche speaking from an Alexandria, Virginia detention center, where he is being held on trumped-up “conspiracy” charges, warned of an upsurge in Satanic atrocities, along lines of the mass murders uncovered in Mexico in mid-April.

“You’ve all heard, I’m sure, of the mass murders by the Satan cult in Matamoros, Mexico, just across the river from Brownsville, Texas,” LaRouche said. “The body count is still building up. Many of you are wondering if the same thing is happening in the state of Virginia, or perhaps some other state in the United States. If that’s so, you might be interested to know that Satanism was legalized in the prison system in the state of Virginia.” LaRouche went on to report that the same federal judges who declared Satanism legal in Virginia were behind the judicial railroad of him and his associates.

LaRouche and six colleagues were convicted by a government-stacked Alexandria jury that included as its foreman one Buster Horton, an Agriculture Department employee who is associated in a secret government emergency apparatus with known members of a “Get LaRouche” task force. These included Lt. Col. Oliver North and the FBI’s number-two man, Oliver “Buck” Revell. On Jan. 27, LaRouche was sentenced to 15 years and denied bail pending appeal.

The Alexandria trial in fact was only a thinly disguised change of venue and retrial of an earlier Boston federal proceeding against LaRouche and associates. Because of demonstrated government misconduct—and the threat that the “secret government” apparatus trying to frame LaRouche would be exposed—that proceeding was declared a mistrial after 92 days, with the jurors afterward informally voting to acquit all defendants.

So, the government issued new indictments in Alexandria and rushed through a conviction by a contaminated jury and complicit judge in only three and one-half weeks. The judge in the case ensured a conviction by forbidding the defense from introducing any evidence of the national “Get LaRouche” form of government misconduct, which had destroyed the government’s Boston prosecution.

The Satan decision

On April 14, a three-judge panel in Richmond, Virginia denied an appeal for bond without so much as a written opinion on those substantive judicial and prosecutorial abus-

es that had attracted former Attorney General Ramsey Clark to LaRouche’s legal team. It turns out, the same appellate judge who issued that rejection legalized Satanism, LaRouche reported.

Judge Richard L. Williams was the federal District Court judge who originally decided the Satanism case. Prison authorities had denied the right of an inmate to the paraphernalia, etc. that the inmate required for ritual worship of Satan. The inmate filed suit charging a violation of religious freedoms, and Judge Williams found in the inmate’s favor, declaring Satanism a legitimate religion protected by the U.S. Constitution.

Speaking from jail, LaRouche pointed out that Judge Williams is in the Eastern District of Virginia, run by Chief Judge Albert V. Bryan, Jr. Bryan is the Alexandria judge who convicted anti-Satanist LaRouche and his colleagues.

When the Williams case legalizing Satanism in the prisons came up for appeal in 1986, Judge John Butzner of the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the lower court ruling, declaring Satanism to be a legitimate form of religious expression. Since 1986, Satanism has been legal in the state of Virginia.

Judge Butzner was also the judge who upheld Judge Bryan’s ruling which denied LaRouche and his six associates the right to bail pending appeal in an emergency hearing three days after they were jailed. He was also on the three-judge panel which again denied bond on April 14.

Other atrocities

LaRouche pointed to other unconstitutional atrocities in Virginia. “Now, since you’ve noticed in the case of Matamoros, that drugs and Satanism tend to go together, you might be interested to know that just this past week in Maryland, the State Attorney General of Virginia, Mary Sue Terry, announced that she was a drug pusher, and she did that publicly at a Maryland conference.

“So, you wonder what’s going on in the state of Virginia, particularly since Judge Bryan was the judge who railroaded me to prison and Mary Sue Terry has been on a vendetta against us for the past two years—actually longer.”

LaRouche was referring to Terry’s participation at a Center for National Policy Symposium on drugs, where she showed herself to be pro-drugs. Terry, in joining Baltimore’s pro-drug-legalization Mayor Kurt Schmoke, in advocating a public health, rather than law enforcement, approach to the drug problem, showed her pro-drug bent.

This same Virginia Attorney General initiated a Virginia suit and legal vendetta against LaRouche associate Rochelle Ascher and 15 other defendants. Rochelle Ascher was convicted and sentenced on April 5 to 86 years in prison for failing to register as a Virginia securities broker while taking political loans.

Observers wonder, how much effort is Mary Sue Terry expending against Satanists and drug pushers?