

Freeman said that although she was not prepared to say that sabotage of the website was directly linked to the appearance of the ads, the timing did raise suspicions. "It is our expectation that the campaign's Internet capability will be fully restored within 24 hours. Meanwhile, we are conducting more thorough investigation of these events, and are also consulting the campaign's attorneys regarding possible legal action." She said the campaign will continue to run the ads, and added that she would join Theo Mitchell and some of the other signers in a press conference on Friday, Dec. 3 at the National Black Caucus of State Legislators Convention in Baltimore.

Stop racist attempt to overturn Voting Rights Act

The following is the text of the open letter which is being run as an advertisement in African American and Hispanic newspapers around the United States. Initiated by Hon. Theo Mitchell, Esq., it has been signed by over 350 dignitaries, including a former Congressman, state legislators, municipal and other elected officials, Democratic Party officials, civil rights and religious leaders, farm and trade union leaders, media representatives, and leaders of other constituency groups.

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To: The Hon. Ed Rendell, Chairman, Democratic Party
The Hon. Joe Andrew, Chairman, Democratic National Committee

Gentlemen:

We were shocked and disgusted to learn that on August 16, 1999 the Democratic National Committee (DNC), through its attorney, John C. Keeney, Jr., submitted a plainly anti-civil rights, implicitly pro-racist argument before a Federal district court panel, which concluded with a call for nullification of the 1965 Voting Rights Act.

The argument was made in the course of a hearing on a DNC motion to dismiss a lawsuit brought by Democratic Presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche, and Democratic voters from Virginia, Louisiana, Texas, and Arizona. The lawsuit, which was filed in 1996, charges that Donald Fowler, then chairman of the DNC, violated the Voting Rights Act, when he ordered state Democratic parties to disregard the votes of thousands of Democrats in the 1996 Democratic Presidential primaries and caucuses, who had cast their votes for Lyndon LaRouche. Ironically, Mr. Fowler justified his outrageous behavior by lying that Lyndon LaRouche was a racist!

First, let it be said that Lyndon LaRouche does not have to defend his qualifications as a "bona fide" Democrat. It was the LaRouche faction of the Democratic Party that took the

point against Newt Gingrich and his "Contract on America," when some of us were busy "triangulating." And, it is well known, that when President Clinton came under attack by Ken Starr, while some Democrats — cowards and traitors — called on the President to resign, the LaRouche faction of the Party mobilized support for the President, and initiated Americans to Save the Presidency.

Let it also be said, that the stink of racism in this action by attorney Keeney is, unfortunately, consistent with the racism shown by his father, John C. (Jack) Keeney, who, as a Deputy Assistant Attorney General in the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice, has been a key figure in the illegal targetting, persecution, and prosecution of African-American public and elected officials.

Gentlemen, we understand that these acts of gross injustice occurred before your terms of office began. Be that as it may, it falls upon you to effect an immediate, public repudiation of this racist policy. It is our firm position, that this must be done, not only to protect the personal honor and integrity of the Democratic Party leadership, but also because the failure to do so will surely have disastrous consequences: We will lose the Year 2000 elections, including the Congressional elections; the Democratic Party, as the party of FDR and JFK, will be destroyed; and, we will be in danger of losing all that we hold dear as Americans.

Yours,

Hon. Theo Mitchell, Esq., Democratic Senator (ret.)
South Carolina State Legislature, Former Democratic Party Nominee for Governor, South Carolina

African leaders endorse LaRouche for President

by Uwe Friesecke

From one of the most troubled areas of Africa, the two small countries of Rwanda and Burundi, Lyndon LaRouche has received endorsements for his campaign to become the Presidential candidate of the U.S. Democratic Party in 2000. The leaders of the Rally for the Return of Democracy and Refugees in Rwanda (RDR), and the Legion of Honor of the late President Melchior Ndadaye of Burundi, who are supporting LaRouche, have, over the last six years, experienced the full duplicity of the Western governments' policy toward Africa, which led to the destruction of their people. It was the cynical attitude of those governments in particular vis-à-vis this part of Africa, that led to the ongoing human catastrophe in Central Africa. While Western government leaders are championing "human rights" and "democracy" around the world in every public utterance on foreign policy they make, they have in reality supported the most barbaric colonial policy in Cen-