

## **BUSH, CONGRESS MAKE MOCKERY OF JUSTICE**

“It is not just that Bush commuted Libby’s jail time,” said Dr. Steven Porter in a statement from his home today. “It is that the Democrats who now control Congress have allowed him to make a mockery of justice and of our Constitution.” Porter, who opposes Republican Congressman Phil English in the 3rd district of Pennsylvania, went on to explain his views.

“President Bush has spit on our laws from the day he took office. The 2000 election, the lies to get us into Iraq, the torture of prisoners, the illegal domestic surveillance...It has gone on and on. I am not surprised that he has continued his public scorn for our laws. It is what he and his Neocon puppeteers are in power to do. And for a political fop like Phil English to stand by and, if not applaud our dysfunctional President, then remain silent in the face of his buffoonery, is also expected. For the press to have acquiesced to the Bush-English trashing of our government is also, sadly, not unexpected.

“What dumbfounds me,” said Porter, “is that my own party, now finally in control of both houses of Congress, has not lifted a finger to stop what is obviously to me and to the vast majority of the American people (if we are to believe the polls) the wholesale abandonment of law and justice.

“One must throw the question up to the faces of the Democratic leadership: what were the 2006 elections about? Were they not a public mandate to end the war, to begin a new era of honest government, to restore public trust, to make our people feel once more that America is the land of justice for all—not just for the rich and well-connected?

“The shame of the Libby commutation is not Bush’s alone. It also belongs to Ms. Pelosi, Mr. Reid, and the members of the Democratic Party who have allowed it to be transformed from loyal opposition to muted co-conspirator.”