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Beyer a "Clinton clone"

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Candidate Don Beyer's hypocrisy, feel-good notions and bias are highly visible in his attacks on the Christian Coalition. Like his hero, Bill Clinton, Beyer is a new-age Democrat and like "Slick-Willie" is unhampered by sticking to the truth. Truth, moral value and simple decency all slips away under cover of their new nonjudgmentalism and self-congratulatory tolerance based on the notion that only liberals "care" and nothing else much really matters.

What does matter, of course, is blaming the Christian right for inflicting harm by "making judgments" about illegitimacy, fatherlessness, divorce, violence, sexual deviancy, abortion and the liberal-anything-goes morality. Worse, is their fear that Christians will join forces with those "mean-spirited" Republicans to tell people the true facts without some kind of spin attached. Beyer seems at his best talking his way around the truth. An example is his, "I believe in affirmative action ..." and "I would fight against any provision similar to California's Proposition 209 ..." Thus, in his own words, Beyer proves he's "one who favors racial discrimination."

Definition of a racist, anyone?

In the Smithfield pollution case, Beyer blames the Allen administration for a sin he calls, "botched at trial." The 1991 Smithfield set-up approval under then Gov. Wilder and Lt. Gov.

Beyer notwithstanding; and his criticism of Jim Gilmore for accepting tobacco money while stuffing his own pockets with the same. This is hypocrisy of high order. Truth is, Allen's environmental team has handled Virginia's pollution problems in an environmental, common-sense manner while making both improvements and protecting individual Liberty and tobacco money is not tainted as Beyer infers.

The new-age Democrats value power more than truth. Liars, it seems, are no longer deemed unfit for office and the rule of law is reinvented over and over to fit impropriety or immoral behavior; instead of virtue they practice vice. What they cannot accomplish through dishonest debate they attempt to get done through judicial activism and bureaucratic coercion.

The Marxist/socialist expanding and permissive but, less free, government they favor is embraced by them like it's something wonderful. The reality of implementation reveals more crime, more racial strife, more illegitimate births, more deaths of the unborn, more welfare traps, more children living in single parent homes and more discrimination against religious expression and freedom.

With organized crime in the White House, Virginians do not need a "Clinton Clone" in the governor's mansion.

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