

Crime and Criminals

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Yesterday, William Jefferson Clinton, 42nd President of the USA, visited where I live in eastern Washington, the city of Spokane. I have this picture in my mind of a well-dressed man tracking mud on a clean floor.

I found out too late that the ex-president was to speak at 12:30 pm at a local college. In my mind was a picture that has roots in some antics of years ago. Since my career is a making signs, my vision included a protest sign and me holding it up for Clinton eyes.

My imaginary message might seem pointless, outdated and a petty gripe. "YOU Lied To ME!" and below that in small letters, "Mark Golden." And below that, "Not With That Woman!" And below that, "MONICA Baby!" That last line deserves hot pink – don't you think?

Some reader will point a finger at my blog and complain, "All these years later Mark, oh c'mon!" Well, I seem to remember another president who did the same thing in 1973, in my teen years: "I am not a crook!" Neither elected official *needed* to get on television and lie to the entire nation. The world was watching too.

Our best were not our brightest.

It takes a lot to get pumped up and try to fake out millions of people and believe you'll be successful – don't you think – even if you are president? "Ahh...tomorrow this will all be behind me...ohh yeah." Or, "Oh NO! They didn't believe me!"

Either way either president, wanted to fool me and you. That's aggravating. I was an adult when Clinton did it. Not long after, I realized, in my opinion, that he was simply a BS'er in a suit. He'd been a BS'er all through school and work, then he BS'ed his way to the top – it defined him and still does. Hillary helping? Sure.

BS definition: to tell lies, exaggerate, mislead or deceive with a dash of charisma.

We all know BS'ers; sometimes as playground bullies, smart asses in the classroom or by what and how they drive their cars. Whether slick talking, style of clothing, or smiles with that light twist of indifference, BS'ers are *convincing*. Clinton was one of the best in history. Then he and Hillary raised a daughter – some of Bill and some of Hill mixed together.

One gripe, which I doubt I will ever make as a protest sign would be meant for Chelsea Clinton. I recall a news clip from a few years ago. She was behind a lectern (no doubt trying to do some good). During Q&A time the question came, "What about your father and his involvement with 22-year-old employee, Monica Lewinsky in 1998?" Chelsea was then 19-years-old. The daughter of two pros

dismissedly answered, "That's a private, personal, family matter which I don't discuss in public." Score one for Clinton DNA and zero for American justice.

Here's the obvious. President Clinton, the boss, (unembarrassed) while on the clock at his job, repeatedly used our time for his own illegal, immoral and adulterous activities with an employee with teenage fervency. The leader of the free world secretly side-stepped huge responsibilities to us and other countries. In doing so, he dishonored and minimized the office of the president and its inherent depended upon duties. His daughter side-stepped the lawsuit worthy, on-the-job crimes – in our nation's Holy of Holies – the Oval Office. 'Personal? Private? Family?' Oh please! How about desecration, self-centeredness and lying to an entire nation about workplace violations?

Chelsea (now age 36) was taught by the best of the worst and now scheming in her blood. Caught in the middle of shameful parents, she twisted the questioner's fair curiosity into an invasion of family privacy. But the adultery was national and public knowledge worthy of impeachment – not merely politically driven. Which Americans voted for an unfaithful spouse to use highly-paid work hours in such a way? Bill Clinton's sins placed his daughter into the victim category. Her already complicated First Daughter life took embarrassment on board. She could've provided an honest answer, such as her own embarrassment and fatigue of the matter she was born into. *Can Daddy do wrong, such wrong...hmm?*

If Clinton had seen my imaginary sign, what would've gone through his head? I'd bet *Yeah, that Monica, she was really something!*

The Crime: Lying, misuse of public office. **The Criminals:** W. J. Clinton.

Another story from REAL LIFE (that I made up!) This parody news story is for amusement. Any similarity to real people, places or things is fictitious and not to be taken as fact.