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## **LETTER: Note to Cal Thomas — Trump and Co. ARE the establishment**

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Dear Editor:

The chutzpah of Cal Thomas defending President Trump against the "Establishment" reeks of hypocrisy. A wholly owned mouthpiece of the ruling class, Thomas extols alleged virtues of the quintessential dynastic elitist, George H.W. Bush. He also has decried "the seduction of socialism" and called for shutting down the "circus" of resistance to the Supreme Court coronation of entitled preppie Bret Kavanaugh.

The Trump regime is the establishment, aka "Deep State," on steroids. Daily outrages that energize the "deplorable and proud" base are a distraction from serious criminality and systematic destruction of hard-won victories over establishment trashing of our environment, consumer and workers protections, and human rights. The courts are packed almost daily with far-right judges who may serve for decades. Pristine lands like Bears Ears Wilderness are handed over to fossil interests as renewable energy programs are eliminated and the climate crisis ridiculed.

As for Bush, policies pursued by him, Ronald Reagan and current NRA chief Ollie North, supporting Central American dictators, have perpetrated untenable poverty and violence, driving the refugee caravans so detested by the Trumpsters. Hillary Clinton, too, as Secretary of State, signed off on a coup against a popular democrat in Honduras. Climate chaos is also fueling migration worldwide.

The Koch-funded octopus of corporatist "think tanks" like the Federalist Society, which anointed Kavanaugh, and the Cato Institute, which Thomas frequently cites, is the heartbeat of the establishment that controls most Republicans and many Democrats. Chuck Schumer and Mitch McConnell serve at the behest of their corporate donors and Wall Street banksters. Trump's cronies and Hillary's frequent the same parties in the Hamptons.

Non-purchased politicians like Bernie Sanders and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez face an uphill battle fighting for the changes favored by large majorities, like a Green New Deal, Medicare for all and reasonable gun control, because, Moloch forbid, it might trim the profits of the billionaires.

We need to pay attention, realize where overpaid opinion shapers like Thomas (and the vacuous Michael Reagan) come from, and support politicians who work for We the People and not the "Establishment."

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