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## David Frum attacks me from the right

Exclusive: Jerome Corsi responds to pundit's charges against 'America for Sale'

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Republican speechwriter David Frum has chosen to join Cato libertarian [Dan Griswold](#) in an ad hominem attack on my book entitled, "[America for Sale: Fighting the New World Order, Surviving a Global Depression and Preserving USA Sovereignty.](#)"

Frum's attack amounts to little more than the type of abusive name-calling and mischaracterizations that I have grown accustomed to expect from Soros-funded attack groups on the radical left.

Moreover, in attacking my book, Frum reached across to attack Fox News and Sean Hannity in particular, in an attempt to keep a "conspiracy fantasist" like me from getting any more television time.

Frum appears to be on a self-appointed mission to establish himself as the arbiter of political correctness on the right.

He appears to want to brand me and other prominent voices on the right as "extremists" simply because our views differ from his, or we have used stronger language to express ourselves than Frum considers appropriate.

At a deeper level, Frum's goal appears to be to discredit from the nation's political conversation anyone who does not agree with his centrist vision of where the Republican Party should head.

Frum's attacks on the right have intensified as the tea-party movement has gained momentum.

Truthfully, it is getting to be a badge of honor to be excoriated by Frum.

The list of prominent voices Frum has attacked on the right is remarkably long.

Although he was [an initial supporter of Sarah Palin when she was the Republican Party's vice presidential candidate](#), Frum has now turned on Palin.

Appearing opposite Ann Coulter on CBS national television, [Frum characterized Palin](#) as a "divisive force within the Republican Party" and insisted Palin's chances of becoming president were "impossible."

In one article alone, Frum managed to attack Rush Limbaugh, Mark Levin and Glenn Beck, characterizing all three as the "reckless right."

In a piece published by Newsweek in March last year, Frum stooped to personal attacks, calling Rush Limbaugh "a walking stereotype of self-indulgence" for "his private plane and his cigars, his history of drug dependence and his personal bulk, not to mention his tangled marital history."

In another article also published on his blog, Frum denounced the GOP itself for "surrendering to Glenn Beck's mob rule."

In the same piece, Frum championed White House czar Cass Sunstein for Sunstein's support of free-market globalism and defended Sunstein against Beck's charges that Sunstein places animal rights above human rights. In reality, Sunstein's radical and frankly insane views – including his advocacy of banning hunting, of granting animals standing to sue humans, of tough restrictions on gun ownership, of a "Fairness Doctrine" for the Internet, of radical wealth redistribution and of a socialist "Second Bill of Rights" – have shocked millions of traditional-minded Americans.

Predictably, with that article Frum provided Media Matters the grist to applaud him, noting that MSNBC's Joe Scarborough put David Frum on his "honor roll" for denouncing Beck.

Does Frum feel vindicated by the Media Matters applause? Is his goal to make friends among the radical left?

In attacking me, Frum charged that in my 2008 best-selling book, "The Obama Nation: Leftist Politics and the Cult of Personality," I argued then-presidential candidate Barack Obama was "a practicing Muslim."

That charge is completely without basis.

In an e-mail exchange, I challenged Frum to cite for me the page in the book where I made the argument he says I made.

So far, Frum has failed to provide any citation in my book that supports his baseless accusation.

In fact, I carefully distinguished on page 187 of "The Obama Nation" that "there is no evidence Obama has ever practiced Islam."

So, either Frum did not actually read the book or he had no compunction to mischaracterize my words in order to demonize me.

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Next, Frum charged I was involved with "9/11 denialism."

To advance his accusation, Frum linked to what appears to be a Media Matters-packaged YouTube attack video against me that played only part of a lengthy interview Alex Jones conducted with me.

Even here, Frum did not listen to the radio interview carefully.

In the course of the radio interview, I explained to Jones and his audience that even if there were scientific evidence challenging certain conclusions of the 9/11 Commission, conflicting scientific evidence would not prove

the government was involved in the terrorist attacks.

Moreover, Frum either ignored or was unaware of a WND published explanation that the journalistic investigations about 9/11 I was discussing on the Alex Jones show was never published after I completed my investigations and concluded the scientific evidence I was examining was ultimately inconclusive.

If Frum had done even a modicum of research, he would have encountered my rejoinder published Sept. 7, 2008, by WND to the Obama presidential campaign's accusation that I am a "9/11 Truther."

In my published rejoinder, I wrote: "Let me state categorically here that I continue to support the conclusions of the 9/11 Commission that the cause of the 9/11 attacks were the hijackers who flew the airplanes into the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. I see no credible evidence that the U.S. government was involved or complicit in causing the 9/11 attacks."

My statement in print could not have been clearer.

What also could not be clearer is that the radical left has reason to praise Frum.

By calling me abusive names, by attributing statements to me that I did not make and by refusing to report the entire history of my remarks, Frum is resorting to the attack methodologies of the radical left.

By lashing out at those of us on the political right as purveyors of "anger, paranoia and extremism," Frum marginalizes only himself.

By placing his attack on me in the context of defending Daniel Griswold's Cato Institute attack on my book "America for Sale," Frum embraces the Cato Institute's ideology of free-trade globalism.

Is disdain for the tea-party movement Frum's real reason for joining Daniel Griswold in his attack against me?

If so, I plead guilty.

I join with the tea-party movement in an enduring concern for U.S. sovereignty, including economic sovereignty, the loss of U.S. jobs through multi-national corporate outsourcing in search of the cheapest possible labor available anywhere in the world, and open borders, permitting the importation of an underclass of illegal immigrants willing to work for low wages and few if any benefits.

I intend to continue writing and speaking out about these issues, with or without David Frum's blessing.

Frum was either negligent in conducting the required research to substantiate his attacks against me, or he was deliberately mean-spirited in his determination to misrepresent my true views.

Unless Frum can substantiate his attacks, I expect a published apology.