



Face Mask U-Turn: Walgreens, Home Depot, Walmart, CVS Will Serve Customers Not Wearing Masks

Big Box retailers have discovered what Constitutionlists and legal scholars knew all along: “suggestions” and “guidelines” on mandated mask-wearing are not legally enforceable. While the signs will stay posted, non-mask wearers will nonetheless be served.

Technocracy News suggests that you print this article and present it to any and every store that refuses you entry because you are not wearing a face mask! □ TN Editor

Days after announcing customers are required to wear face masks while shopping in their stores, major U.S. retailers appear to be showing leniency in how the rules are enforced.

[Walmart](#), Home Depot, Lowe's, Walgreens and CVS had initially required shoppers to wear masks but now in the hope of avoiding confrontations between angry customers and employees it appears to be little more than a suggestion, rather than a legally enforceable instruction.

Having retailers take on the role of the 'mask police' puts them in an uncomfortable position at a time when many shops are in no position financially to refuse business.

Major retailers brought in rules requiring masks to be worn by customers including Walmart, pictured, but some companies are saying there is little they can do if people ignore the request

Because there is no requirement federally or legally across the country to wear a mask, and with many states having been lax in creating policies insisting residents wear them in shops, retailers are on their own when it comes to enforcing the policy.

As the number of coronavirus infections continues to rise in many states, there is concern over how best to protect customers and workers from infecting one another.

'Many retailers feel like they have to act since some governors haven't,' said Melissa Murdock, spokesperson for the Retail Industry Leaders Association to [CNN](#).

The group has been lobbying governors to require masks be worn in all 50 states but in the meantime, it will fall to individual stores to implement their policy.

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Trilateral Commission Member Strobe Talbot Linked To Anti-Trump Russian Dossier

Strobe Talbot is President of the Brookings Institution and a key member of the Trilateral Commission. Rep. Devin Nunes (R-CA) has exposed Talbot as being a key player in the thoroughly debunked Russian “Steele dossier” against Trump.

Since the founding of the Trilateral Commission in 1973, The Brookings Institution has been a key think-tank for globalization and Sustainable Development, aka Technocracy. During the 1970s and 80s, Brookings had no less than seven members of its board of directors who were also members of the Commission: William T. Coleman, Jr., Henry D. Owen, Gerard C. Smith, C. Fred Bergsten, Graham T. Allison, Jr. Philip H. Trezise and Bruce K. MacLaury. □ TN Editor

Rep. Devin Nunes (R-CA) accused the far-left-leaning Brookings Institution think tank and its leadership in disseminating the discredited anti-Trump dossier, defending its credibility and possibly even being involved in its very creation.

In an interview with Fox News on Tuesday, the top Republican on the House Intelligence Committee accused the head of the Brookings Institution, Strobe Talbott, of being directly involved in the anti-Trump dossier and stated he is examining “the three ‘D’s” of the dossier: its development, dissemination, and defense. “They [the Brookings Institution] were involved for sure in the dissemination and for sure in the defense of the dossier. We just don’t know yet were they also involved in the development,” Nunes said, adding it would be a “major” part of the story.

Speaking with Fox News’s Maria Bartiromo on Wednesday, Nunes highlighted how a court case in London involving Christopher Steele — the former MI6 agent who created the debunked Russia-Trump dossier — exposed direct links between Steele and the leadership of the Brookings Institution, and the possible creation of the dossier between Steele and the Brookings Institution leadership.

Nunes cited text messages between Steele and Strobe Talbott, then president of Brookings, leading him to question “what on earth was the president of Brookings doing texting back and forth to Steele, why was he accepting the dossier?” Nunes further questioned whether any of Steele’s sources came from Brookings, adding that the left-leaning institute has a lot to answer for.

Steele is currently being sued by Russian tech executive Aleksey Gubarev in a

London court for defamation. A memo in the discredited dossier accused Gubarev of using WebZilla, a tech company he owns, to facilitate hacks against Democrats.

The Daily Caller [reported](#) on the text messages received from Gubarev’s lawyer, Andrew Caldecott, who read the text messages between Talbot and Steele to the court on Monday.

Talbot was friends with Bill Clinton when the two were students at Oxford, with Talbott eventually becoming a special adviser to the secretary of state during the first Clinton administration. Later, when Hillary Clinton served as secretary of state, she created a board of

outside advisers and installed Talbott as chairman.

In one text message, Talbot called Steele “out of the blue in August 2016,” inquiring about Steele’s work at the time and offering him advice if needed:

Mr. Talbott telephones Mr Steele out of the blue in August 2016, having heard about his work and offers advice if needed.

In another text message after the elections, Steele asked Talbot how he wanted to handle “the package” (the dossier) that he received a copy of on Nov. 2 or Nov. 3 to “discuss with John Kerry and other officials at the State Department.”

“Dear Strobe, I know this is not straight forward but we need to discuss the package we delivered to you the other week, and sooner the better. What you thought of it, what you did with it, how we (both) should handle it and the issue it highlights going forward etc.,” Steele wrote on Nov. 12, 2016, according to Caldecott.

Testifying before the House Intelligence Committee on November 21, 2019, as part of the then impeachment inquiry into President Donald Trump, former White House adviser Fiona Hill described to Nunes how she received a copy of the dossier from Talbot — then President of the Brookings Institute — the day before BuzzFeed published it on January 10. Hill, previously a senior fellow at the Brookings Institution before joining the Trump administration, also mentioned how she met with Steele in 2016 prior to elections.

A partial transcript from the hearing reads:

NUNES: OK. Dr. Hill, in your testimony, you said that - no, in your deposition, excuse me, that Christopher Steele was your counterpart at one time. Is this correct?

HILL: That’s correct, yes.

NUNES: You testified that you met with Christopher Steele in 2016. I

assume that's still correct?

HILL: That's correct, yes.

NUNES: And the only thing we didn't get on that is do you know about when that was in 2016 and how many times?

HILL: I'm afraid I don't. I actually met with him - well you asked me actually in a deposition when the most recent time that I had met with him in 2016 and he retired from the British Intelligence Services in 2009, which is the same time ...

NUNES: Right, I'm asking about 2016.

HILL: 2016, I don't recall, but I did meet with him some times before 2016.

NUNES: But you don't remember the date?

HILL: I don't, I'm afraid, no.

NUNES: OK. You stated in your deposition that a colleague had showed you the Steele dossier before it was published. Who was that colleague?

HILL: That was one of my colleagues at the Brookings Institution.

NUNES: And who - who was that?

HILL: That was the Brookings Institution President Strobe Talbott, who had been sent a copy of this.

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Yale Professor: Hydroxychloroquine Is ‘the Key to Defeating COVID-19’

The modus operandi of technocrat “debate” over Hydroxychloroquine mirrors that of hysterical climate change. Shame, ridicule and marginalize real scientists who attempt to bring the truth to light and call pseudo-science real science.

The suppression of Hydroxychloroquine and chloroquine has cost America tens of thousands of needless deaths and yet the Technocrats behind it will never be held accountable. □ TN Editor

Harvey Risch, professor of epidemiology at Yale School of Public Health, [says](#) that hydroxychloroquine is “the key to defeating COVID-19” in a *Newsweek* op-ed published this past week.

“I am usually accustomed to advocating for positions within the mainstream of medicine, so have been flummoxed to find that, in the midst of a crisis, I am fighting for a treatment that the data fully support but which, for reasons having nothing to do with a correct understanding of the science, has been pushed to the sidelines,” Risch

wrote. “As a result, tens of thousands of patients with COVID-19 are dying unnecessarily. Fortunately, the situation can be reversed easily and quickly.”

And it can be reversed by the same medication that has become unnecessarily politicized by the media and the Democratic Party over the past several months.

“When this inexpensive oral medication is given very early in the course of illness, before the virus has had time to multiply beyond control, it has shown to be highly effective,” Risch explained. “Especially when given in combination with the antibiotics azithromycin or doxycycline and the nutritional supplement zinc.”

Earlier this month, a large peer-reviewed study found that hydroxychloroquine [cut the mortality rate of COVID-19 by more than half](#) and, contrary to previous claims by faulty studies, had no adverse effects on the heart.

For months the media has ignored both scientific and anecdotal evidence of the drug’s efficacy in treating COVID-19.

The war on chloroquine and hydroxychloroquine began almost immediately after Trump touted it as a potential gamechanger in the fight against the disease. Trump was accused of “practicing medicine without a license” simply for pointing out that the drug showed promise in some small studies. The *New York Times* even alleged that Trump’s motivation for touting the drug was self-serving [because he holds “a small personal financial interest” in Sanofi](#), even though the drug is out of patent (any pharmaceutical company can manufacture it) and he only owned [\\$29 - \\$435 in stock as part of a mutual fund](#).

Because the media and the Democratic Party wanted to use the pandemic to thwart Trump’s reelection, any positive news had to be buried. Trump was accused of offering false hope and “selling snake oil” to the public. A Democratic state lawmaker in Ohio [even said](#) Trump should be tried for “crimes against humanity” for touting the drug.

The media gave lots of coverage to studies that associated

hydroxychloroquine with a higher mortality rate. In April, [the results of a U.S. Veterans Health Administration study](#) on the benefits of hydroxychloroquine as a treatment for COVID-19 were released. The study analyzed the impact of hydroxychloroquine with and without the antibiotic azithromycin and compared that to COVID-19 patients receiving standard care. The VA study found there were “more deaths” among those given hydroxychloroquine than those who just received standard care. However, the VA study wasn’t a clinical trial, but a small, non-peer-reviewed study of patients who were not representative of the entire population, and those with more severe COVID-19 cases were disproportionately administered the drug.

The media was so focused on how they could use the pandemic to undermine Trump’s chances of reelection that they rushed to downplay any sign of hope, which may have prevented the drug from being used to save lives. Anti-hydroxychloroquine hysteria by the media [made finding volunteers for studies difficult](#).

Meanwhile, evidence of the drug’s effectiveness was conveniently and repeatedly ignored. The media ignored [a survey of doctors](#) back in May that found an overwhelming majority of them “would prescribe hydroxychloroquine or another anti-malaria drug to a family member” suffering from the coronavirus.

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