

# Comments on AO 2011-23



"Alford, Leah"  
<leah.alford@mavs.uta.edu>  
11/09/2011 11:24 AM

To "Secretary@FEC.gov" <Secretary@FEC.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request

Dear Secretary Werth:

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow submits this letter as a formal comment on the Advisory Opinion Request submitted to the Federal Election Commission on October 12, 2011, and again in a revised version on October 28, 2011 by American Crossroads, an organization led by Republican political consultant and "Mr. November" in the 2012 "Hunks of the Bush Administration" calendar, Karl Rove.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has much in common with American Crossroads. Both are registered "independent-expenditure-only" PACs (a.k.a. "Super PACs") that may accept unlimited contributions from corporations, unions, individuals, and doomsday cults we one day hope to found. Both groups are separately affiliated with prominent 501(c)(4) organizations, Colbert Super PAC SHH and Crossroads GPS, and are strongly committed to doing what is legally possible in America. Both have top strategic thinkers at their core: American Crossroads has Karl Rove, and Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has a ham knaf wearing wire denmod glasses.

Because of this shared bond and heritage, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has an interest in the Request by American Crossroads.

As we understand the American Crossroads Advisory opinion Request, the organization has plans to sponsor advertisements featuring Members of Congress up for re-election. As they wrote in their original Request,

"The purpose of these advertisements, while focused on current legislative and policy issues, would be to improve the public's perception of the featured Member of Congress in advance of the 2012 campaign season."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow could not concur more concurrently. These ads would simply improve public perception of candidates in advance of the campaign. The message is not, "Vote for this great guy," it's merely, "Hey voters! Look at this great guy!"

Clearly, these ads featuring candidates on behalf of candidates would not be candidate ads. As American Crossroads put it, in their original Request,

"While these advertisements would be fully coordinated with incumbent Members of Congress facing re-election in 2012, they would presumably not qualify as 'coordinated communications.'"

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow agrees that "fully coordinated" ads shouldn't be counted as "coordinated communications." The candidate would merely be appearing as a paid spokesperson, who, coincidentally, is closely aligned with the candidate that he or she also is.

For example, an ad in which the Kool Aid man decries our nation-wide childhood thirst problem would not necessarily be an ad for Kool Aid brand juice drink. That being said, would a tall glass of Kool-Aid solve that thirst problem? To quote one expert: "Oh, yeaabhhhh!"

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow wholly endorses American Crossroads' Request. We hope the Commission is able to begin with the Supreme Court's definition of Non-Coordinated as "expenditures ... made totally independently of the candidate and his campaign" in *Buckley v. Valeo*, and end up with a ruling that allows outside groups to produce ads with the candidate's cooperation, themes, and message. That will prove to our nation's critics that America is a country that still makes something: strained rationalizations.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow believes that Super PACs can and should coordinate with candidates in every sense of that word—except in the legal or biblical sense. In fact, pending the outcome of American Crossroads' Request, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow plans to coordinate a non-"coordinated" ad with presidential novelty candidate Buddy Roemer. A rough example of which can be found here: [www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination](http://www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination).

It should be clear that there was no collusion with Governor Roemer, as he vehemently opposes and passionately questions the legality of the ad that he agreed to appear in.

If the Commission sees fit to grant these reasonable requests, Americans for a Better Tomorrow will continue to fulfill our promise

to never give you up, or let you down, as detailed in our mission statement here:

<http://youtu.be/dQw4w9WgXcQ>

Accordingly, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow respectfully requests the Commission's timely consideration of American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request.

Super Sincerely Yours,

Stephen Colbert  
President & Maître D'  
Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

Ham Rove  
Chief Strategist & Lunchmeat  
Americans for A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

PS – If the commission does not see fit to grant this request fully, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow would like to offer a compromise. To avoid the appearance of collusion, the F.E.C. could rule that candidates can appear in Super PAC ads only against their will. They'd have to be kidnapped, blindfolded, and thrown in a van before being forced to read a statement supporting their goals and then returned to their fundraisers in time for dessert.



**"Chad"**  
**<hamiltoncg@gmail.com>**  
11/09/2011 11:19 AM

To <Secretary@FEC.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject AOR 2011-23

**Madam Secretary,**

**I'm no lawyer, but this AOR sounds like it's asking to use images or video of candidates and their exact words to promote them in their re-election bids. The lack of limits or transparency on SuperPacs is already totally destabilizing for a nominal democracy – surely this is beyond the bounds of any common sense?**

**More than ever, not least as a result of an over-lobbied Congress, I'm thinking of staying home rather than vote. But if we could get our democracy back, I'd be happy to participate. Please don't push it farther away.**

**Thanks,**

**Charles Hamilton**  
**Zip: 92109**

**♻ Please consider the environment before printing this email**



anthony ribadeneira  
<antny49bce@hotmail.com>  
11/09/2011 11:14 AM

To <secretary@fec.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Re: AOR 2011-23

To whom it may concern,

My name is Anthony Ribadeneira and I would like this comment to the advisory board attached to Karl Rove's Crossroads SuperPAC petition mentioned above. As a citizen of these great United States, I strongly believe that what our political process needs above any thing else, is the ability of shadowy super governmental organizations to be able to, not only raise unlimited amounts of money from unnamed and unknown sources, but also to be able to sponsor specific campaigns, and if this can be done secretly so the populace is unaware of it - that would be even better. Please consider Mr. Rove's request strongly. To the extent that we can have a genius administration again in the future, beholden only to specific power players like Mr. Rove, who intern is beholden to large corporate interests - especially at a time when this nation needs true leadership for the people more than any other time in history - would be just swell.

Thank you,

Anthony Ribadeneira  
Stamford, CT



neil hiltz  
<neil.hiltz@gmail.com>  
11/10/2011 12:08 AM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Fwd: Profiles In Undaunted Non-Coordination

Dear Secretary,

Please accept this email as my support in Colbert Super PAC's letter below.

Best,  
Neil Hiltz

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Colbert Super PAC** <[info@colbertsuperpac.com](mailto:info@colbertsuperpac.com)>  
Date: Tue, Nov 8, 2011 at 6:32 PM  
Subject: Profiles In Undaunted Non-Coordination  
To: neil hiltz <[neil.hiltz@gmail.com](mailto:neil.hiltz@gmail.com)>

Dear Colbert Super PAC Members (and semi-sentient spam-bots),

It's a bright day on the shadowy edge of American politics.

Yesterday, I was paid a visit by Trevor Potter, Esq. As you know, if you have been collecting the Official Colbert Super PAC Trading Cards know, Trevor was not only the former head of the F.E.C. and chief counsel to the McCain 2008 campaign, but he's also my personal lawyer\*. Not to mention, someone I am proud to pay for the honor of calling my friend.

Together, we drafted an official Public Comment in support of American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request to the Federal Election Commission.

I'll let that sink in. It may take a bit, because you have no idea what I'm talking about. The full fiduciary details were laid bare in last night's show, but for those of you lacking the energy to click [here for part one](#) and [here for part two](#), here's the gist:

As free as Super PACs are to raise and spend unlimited amounts of money, they are still unfairly shackled by regulation. Notice I used the singular. That's because there is really only one rule that binds Super PACs: that they may not coordinate with candidates' campaigns. But what fun is buying

somebody an election if you have no elected official to share the moment with?

America Crossroads' Karl Rove saw through this sham of a charade – or "*shamrade*™" – and petitioned the F.E.C. to clarify exactly what the law is, so he can carefully obey only the letter of it. We at Colbert Super PAC submitted the attached Public Comment to the Federal Election Commission in a show of non-coordinated, non-consensual support.

Incidentally, you might be interested in knowing that any person, be they corporate or biological, can submit their Public Comment on Karl Rove's Opinion Request (which is AOR 2011-23) by writing to Office of the Commission Secretary's email address (which is [Secretary@FEC.gov](mailto:Secretary@FEC.gov)).

We hope you'll join us at Colbert Super PAC in letting Karl Rove know: We've got your back. Because we're looking over your shoulder.

Excelsior!

Stephen Colbert  
President and Junior Legal Counsel  
Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow

\* If you are playing the Colbert Super PAC Trading Card Fantasy/Strategy Card Game, remember that Trevor gains a +4 defense against all frost-based creatures (including the dreaded Ice Dragon!)

Enclosure:

Americans For A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow

November 6, 2011

Shawn Woodhead Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

**Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request**

Dear Secretary Werth:

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow submits this letter as a formal comment on the Advisory Opinion Request submitted to the Federal Election Commission on October 12, 2011, and again in a revised version on October 28, 2011 by American Crossroads, an organization led by Republican political consultant and "Mr. November" in the 2012 "Hunks of the Bush Administration" calendar, Karl Rove.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has much in common with American Crossroads. Both are registered "independent-expenditure-only" PACs (a.k.a. "Super PACs") that may accept unlimited contributions from corporations, unions, individuals, and doomsday cults we one day hope to found. Both groups are separately affiliated with prominent 501(c)(4) organizations, Colbert Super PAC SHH and Crossroads GPS, and are strongly committed to doing what is legally possible in America. Both

have top strategic thinkers at their core: American Crossroads has Karl Rove, and Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has a ham loaf wearing wire rimmed glasses.

Because of this shared bond and heritage, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has an interest in the Request by American Crossroads.

As we understand the American Crossroads Advisory opinion Request, the organization has plans to sponsor advertisements featuring Members of Congress up for re-election. As they wrote in their original Request,

"The purpose of these advertisements, while focused on current legislative and policy issues, would be to improve the public's perception of the featured Member of Congress in advance of the 2012 campaign season."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow could not concur more concurrently. These ads would simply improve public perception of candidates in advance of the campaign. The message is not, "Vote for this great guy," it's merely, "Hey voters! Look at this great guy!"

Clearly, these ads featuring candidates on behalf of candidates would not be candidate ads. As American Crossroads put it, in their original Request,

"While these advertisements would be fully coordinated with incumbent Members of Congress facing re-election in 2012, they would presumably not qualify as 'coordinated communications,'."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow agrees that "fully coordinated" ads shouldn't be counted as "coordinated communications." The candidate would merely be appearing as a paid spokesperson, who, coincidentally, is closely aligned with the candidate that he or she also is.

For example, an ad in which the Kool Aid man decries our nation-wide childhood thirst problem would not necessarily be an ad for Kool Aid brand juice drink. That being said, would a tall glass of Kool-Aid solve that thirst problem? To quote one expert: "Oh, yeaahhhhl!"

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow wholly endorses American Crossroads' Request. We hope the Commission is able to begin with the Supreme Court's definition of Non-Coordinated as "expenditures ... made totally independently of the candidate and his campaign" in *Buckley v. Valeo*, and end up with a ruling that allows outside groups to produce ads with the candidate's cooperation, themes, and message. That will prove to our nation's critics that America is a country that still makes something: strained rationalizations.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow believes that Super PACs can and should coordinate with candidates in every sense of that word—except in the legal or biblical sense. In fact, pending the outcome of American Crossroads' Request, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow plans to coordinate a non-"coordinated" ad with presidential novelty candidate Buddy Roemer. A rough example of which can be found here: [www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination](http://www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination).

It should be clear that there was no collusion with Governor Roemer, as he vehemently opposes and passionately questions the legality of the ad that he agreed to appear in.

If the Commission sees fit to grant these reasonable requests, Americans for a Better Tomorrow will continue to fulfill our promise to never give you up, or let you down, as detailed in our mission statement here:  
<http://youtu.be/dQw4w9WgXcQ>

Accordingly, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow respectfully requests the Commission's timely nonconsideration of American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request.

Super Sincerely Yours,

Stephen Colbert  
President & Maître D'  
Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

Ham Rove  
Chief Strategist & Lunchmeat  
Americans for A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

PS – If the commission does not see fit to grant this request fully, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow would like to offer a compromise. To avoid the appearance of collusion, the F.E.C. could rule that candidates can appear in Super PAC ads only against their will. They'd have to be kidnapped, blindfolded, and thrown in a van before being forced to read a statement supporting their goals and then returned to their fundraisers in time for dessert.

<p>Paid for by Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow Not authorized by any candidate or candidate's committee. <a href="http://www.colbertsuperpac.com">www.colbertsuperpac.com</a></p>
---

This message was intended for: [neil.hiltz@gmail.com](mailto:neil.hiltz@gmail.com)  
You were added to the system June 29, 2011. For more information  
[click here.](#)  
[Update your preferences](#) : [Unsubscribe](#)





Bri Buckley  
<brisprops@hotmail.com>  
11/09/2011 05:13 PM

To <secretary@fec.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Public Comment on AOR 2011-23

Dear Sir or Madam:

As a biological citizen of this great country, I'd just like to add my support to Karl Rove's request for clarification on the use of American Crossroads' SuperPAC funds in coordination with specific candidates for office. This move brings to mind other fine traditions of good, old-fashioned American "Loup-holing", including the patented "I'm not touching you! You can't get mad! I'm not touching you! You can't get mad!" method of sibling annoyance, as well as the "Okay, well, while my grades don't *technically* qualify me for admittance in your fine institution, my grandfather *did* donate a significant amount of money a few years back, so..." Ivy League school enrollment program.

In short, I applaud this effort to examine every opportunity to use largely unregulated funds in political campaigns. Some might see the flow of all this "free speech" as tipping the election toward one candidate's - or one party's - favor, but I see it as nothing more than the perfectly legal (according to the Supreme Court) vocalizations of our newly-recognized corporate citizens.

Attached is a picture of an adorable feline performance artist, expressing ironic sentiments about what some would see as an underhanded campaign tactic, but rest assured that I do not share the cat's opinion on this matter.

Thanks very much for your time.



Rove Kitty.bmp

**Rove kiddy**



**Can has loophole to buy votes n1z?**



Lynn Noyes  
<lfnoyes@yahoo.com>

11/10/2011 01:04 AM

Please respond to  
Lynn Noyes  
<lfnoyes@yahoo.com>

To "Secretary@FEC.gov" <Secretary@FEC.gov>

cc

bcc

Subject Appalling Corruption

Dear Sirs:

Re American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request to the Federal Election Commission:

Coordinating with a candidate in order to show him/her to voters in a favorable light is coordinating with his campaign. Any advertisement featuring a candidate and allowing him/her to present themselves to potential voters obviously has the potential to affect votes in favor of that candidate. The FEC should not only advise that no coordination is allowed, but should actively enforce all relevant regulations in order to prevent further corruption of our political process.

Sincerely, Lynn F. Noyes



Nicky Leonard  
<nickyleonard@gmail.com>  
11/10/2011 12:56 AM

To "Secretary@FEC.gov" <Secretary@FEC.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Attn: Mr. R

We've got your back. Because we're looking over your shoulder.

Sent from my iPod



Larry Passmore  
<larrypassmore@hotmail.com>  
>

11/10/2011 12:07 AM

To <secretary@fec.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Comment on American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request

November 10, 2011

Shawn Woodhead Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request

Dear Secretary Werth:

I am writing to oppose the notion expressed in American Crossroads' lunatic Opinion Request (AOR 2011-23) submitted to the Federal Election Commission on October 12, 2011, and again in a revised version on October 28, 2011, asserting that their ads should be permitted to be coordinated with candidates, and not be considered "coordinated communications."

To quote Mr. Rove's petition, "While these advertisements would be fully coordinated with incumbent Members of Congress facing re-election in 2012, they would presumably not qualify as 'coordinated communications,'...."

To grant this request would make a mockery of FEC rules as well as the English language. No PAC or Super PAC should be permitted to coordinate with its beneficiary targets. Period.

- Lawrence Passmore  
Havertown, PA



artclasses  
<hendrie.road@gmail.com>  
11/10/2011 06:10 AM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject please attach to AOR 2011-23

Super Pacs are destroying our fair electoral process, and now bill AOR 2011-23 seeks to make them even more powerful and manipulative. Please do not allow this to pass.

colleen pearce



Mario Mejia  
<mejiam26@hotmail.com>  
11/10/2011 01:33 AM

To <secretary@fec.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Karl Rove's petition

Dear Secretary,

I am writing to you because I fear what may occur if you allow Karl Rove have the same ads like the Nebraska Democratic Party. I watched the Colbert Report that other day and say how Buddy Roemer was on Steven Colbert's superpac commerical and how the Nebraska Democratic Party also had Ben Nelson, who is running for Senate, was on their commercials! And now Karl Rove wants to also do similar things! I may not be an expert in electoral law but it obvious to myself, and I believe most Americans, that what Colbert and the Nebraska Democratic Party did was clearly working with those candidates and their elections. This violates their limitations as superpacs and I ask you to stop this. There has to be a fine line between superpacs and people running for office. Don't allow Colbert and Rove to cross the line. I hope that you can see what I see. I believe that most Americans, with their common sense, will know that such "issue" ads with the candidates violate the law. I wish you the very best and pray that you will do the right thing. God bless.

Sincerely,  
Mario Arturo Mejia



Michael Peterson  
<mandmpete@hotmail.com>  
11/09/2011 10:42 PM

To <secretary@fec.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject let Karl Rove know: We've got your back. Because we're  
looking over your shoulder.

Good to know that some people are watching over Karl Rove's money laundering schemes!





Christopher Forsyth  
<forsythchristopher72@gmail  
.com>

11/09/2011 09:50 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov

cc

bcc

Subject Public comment on Karl Rove's Opinion Request

I think that the tactic of obeying only the letter of a law in avoidance of it's intent is dishonest on the part of anybody running for elected office. Anyone wishing to be in such a position of responsibility should be held to a higher standard. They should desire to lead from a position of real honor, not from a position of power-by-title.



MELISSA PERDUE  
<mperdue@kent.edu>  
11/09/2011 09:49 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Karl Rove

**Quit letting Karl Rove get away with murder! This country needs to quit catering to the rich!**



charlotte.imp@comcast.net

11/09/2011 09:48 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov

cc

bcc

Subject RE: Carl Rove

Mr. Rove,

I believe you and others are trying to destroy the fabric of this country. You have done so much damage to this country in many ways. One of which you got Bush into the White House. Lies that you tell and all this promoting of getting rid of Unions. I don't believe you are a true American and if our forefathers met you, they would not like the things you have done politically.

Why do you do what you do? Maybe you just hate this country. Please retire now, you are out-dated.

Thank You Charlotte W. Fletcher Seattle, WA



swiftlytiltingplanet@comcast.  
net

11/10/2011 01:16 AM

To Secretary@FEC.gov

cc

bcc

Subject Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion  
Request

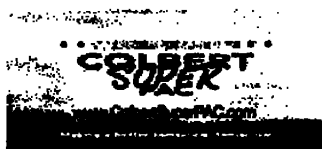
This.

**From:** "Colbert Super PAC" <info@colbertsuperpac.com>

**To:** swiftlytiltingplanet@comcast.net

**Sent:** Tuesday, November 8, 2011 8:32:27 PM

**Subject:** Profiles In Undaunted Non-Coordination



Americans For A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow

November 6, 2011

Shawn Woodhead Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

**Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request**

Dear Secretary Werth:

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow submits this letter as a formal comment on the Advisory Opinion Request submitted to the Federal Election Commission on October 12, 2011, and again in a revised version on October 28, 2011 by American Crossroads, an organization led by Republican political consultant and "Mr. November" in the 2012 "Hunks of the Bush Administration" calendar, Karl Rove.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has much in common with American Crossroads. Both are registered "independent-expenditure-only" PACs (a.k.a. "Super PACs") that may accept unlimited contributions from corporations, unions, individuals, and doomsday cults we one day hope to found. Both groups are separately affiliated with prominent 501(c)(4) organizations, Colbert Super PAC SHH and Crossroads GPS, and are strongly committed to doing what is legally possible in America. Both have top strategic thinkers at their core: American Crossroads has Karl Rove, and Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has a ham loaf wearing wire rimmed glasses.

Because of this shared bond and heritage, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has an interest in the Request by American Crossroads.

As we understand the American Crossroads Advisory opinion Request, the organization has plans to sponsor advertisements featuring Members of Congress up for re-election. As they wrote in their original Request,

"The purpose of these advertisements, while focused on current legislative and policy issues, would be to improve the public's perception of the featured Member of Congress in advance of the 2012 campaign season."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow could not concur more concurrently. These ads would simply improve public perception of candidates in advance of the campaign. The message is not, "Vote for this great guy," it's merely, "Hey voters! Look at this great guy!"

Clearly, these ads featuring candidates on behalf of candidates would not be candidate ads. As American Crossroads put it, in their original Request,

"While these advertisements would be fully coordinated with incumbent Members of Congress facing re-election in 2012, they would presumably not qualify as 'coordinated communications.'"

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow agrees that "fully coordinated" ads shouldn't be counted as "coordinated communications." The candidate would merely be appearing as a paid spokesperson, who, coincidentally, is closely aligned with the candidate that he or she also is.

For example, an ad in which the Kool Aid man decries our nation-wide childhood thirst problem would not necessarily be an ad for Kool Aid brand juice drink. That being said, would a tall glass of Kool-Aid solve that thirst problem? To quote one expert: "Oh, yeaahhhh!"

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow wholly endorses American Crossroads' Request. We hope the Commission is able to begin with the Supreme Court's definition of Non-Coordinated as "expenditures ... made totally independently of the candidate and his campaign" in *Buckley v. Valeo*, and end up with a ruling that allows outside groups to produce ads with the candidate's cooperation, themes, and message. That will prove to our nation's critics that America is a country that still makes something: strained rationalizations.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow believes that Super PACs can and should coordinate with candidates in every sense of that word—except in the legal or biblical sense. In fact, pending the outcome of American Crossroads' Request, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow plans to coordinate a non-"coordinated" ad with presidential novelty candidate Buddy Roemer. A rough example of which can be found here: [www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination](http://www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination).

It should be clear that there was no collusion with Governor Roemer, as he vehemently opposes and passionately questions the legality of the ad that he agreed to appear in.

If the Commission sees fit to grant these reasonable requests, Americans for a Better Tomorrow will continue to fulfill our promise to never give you up, or let you down, as detailed in our mission statement here:  
<http://youtu.be/dQw4w9WgXcQ>

Accordingly, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow respectfully requests the Commission's timely consideration of American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request.

Super Sincerely Yours,

Stephen Colbert  
President & Maître D'  
Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

Ham Rove  
Chief Strategist & Lunchmeat  
Americans for A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

PS – If the commission does not see fit to grant this request fully, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow would like to offer a compromise. To avoid the appearance of collusion, the F.E.C. could rule that candidates can appear in Super PAC ads only against their will. They'd have to be kidnapped, blindfolded, and thrown in a van before being forced to read a statement supporting their goals and then returned to their fundraisers in time for dessert.

Paid for by Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow  
Not authorized by any candidate or candidate's committee.  
[www.colbertsuperpac.com](http://www.colbertsuperpac.com)

This message was intended for: [swiftlytiltingplanet@comcast.net](mailto:swiftlytiltingplanet@comcast.net)  
You were added to the system June 29, 2011. For more information  
[click here.](#)  
[Update your preferences](#) | [Unsubscribe](#)



David Quezada  
<upland@gmail.com>  
11/09/2011 07:03 PM

To Secretary@fec.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Fwd: Profiles In Undaunted Non-Coordination

Please see email below for your consideration.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Colbert Super PAC** <[info@colbertsuperpac.com](mailto:info@colbertsuperpac.com)>  
Date: Tue, Nov 8, 2011 at 6:32 PM  
Subject: Profiles In Undaunted Non-Coordination  
To: David Quezada <[upland@gmail.com](mailto:upland@gmail.com)>



Dear Colbert Super PAC Members (and semi-sentient spam-bots),

It's a bright day on the shadowy edge of American politics.

Yesterday, I was paid a visit by Trevor Potter, Esq. As you know, if you have been collecting the Official Colbert Super PAC Trading Cards know, Trevor was not only the former head of the F.E.C. and chief counsel to the McCain 2008 campaign, but he's also my personal lawyer\*. Not to mention, someone I am proud to pay for the honor of calling my friend.

Together, we drafted an official Public Comment in support of American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request to the Federal Election Commission.

I'll let that sink in. It may take a bit, because you have no idea what I'm talking about. The full fiduciary details were laid bare in last night's show, but for those of you lacking the energy to click [here for part one](#) and [here for part two](#), here's the gist:

As free as Super PACs are to raise and spend unlimited amounts of money, they are still unfairly shackled by regulation. Notice I used the singular. That's because there is really only one rule that binds Super PACs: that they may not coordinate with candidates' campaigns. But what fun is buying somebody an election if you have no elected official to share the moment with?

America Crossroads' Karl Rove saw through this sham of a charade – or "*shamrade*™" – and petitioned the F.E.C. to clarify exactly what the law is, so he can carefully obey only the letter of it. We at Colbert Super PAC submitted the attached Public Comment to the Federal Election Commission in a show of non-coordinated, non-consensual support.

Incidentally, you might be interested in knowing that any person, be they corporate or biological, can submit their Public Comment on Karl Rove's Opinion Request (which is AOR 2011-23) by writing to Office of the Commission Secretary's email address (which is [Secretary@FEC.gov](mailto:Secretary@FEC.gov)).

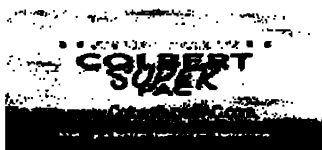
We hope you'll join us at Colbert Super PAC in letting Karl Rove know: We've got your back. Because we're looking over your shoulder.

Excelsior!

Stephen Colbert  
President and Junior Legal Counsel  
Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow

\* If you are playing the Colbert Super PAC Trading Card Fantasy/Strategy Card Game, remember that Trevor gains a +4 defense against all frost-based creatures (including the dreaded Ice Dragon!)

Enclosure:



Americans For A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow

November 6, 2011

Shawn Woodhead Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

**Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request**

Dear Secretary Werth:

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow submits this letter as a formal comment on the Advisory Opinion Request submitted to the Federal Election Commission on October 12, 2011, and again in a revised version on October 28, 2011 by American Crossroads, an organization led by Republican political consultant and "Mr. November" in the 2012 "Hunks of the Bush Administration" calendar, Karl Rove.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has much in common with American Crossroads. Both are registered "independent-expenditure-only" PACs (a.k.a. "Super PACs") that may accept unlimited contributions from corporations, unions, individuals, and doomsday cults we one day hope to found. Both groups are separately affiliated with prominent 501(c)(4) organizations, Colbert Super PAC SHH and Crossroads GPS, and are strongly committed to doing what is legally possible in America. Both have top strategic thinkers at their core: American Crossroads has Karl Rove, and Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has a ham loaf wearing wire rimmed glasses.

Because of this shared bond and heritage, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has an interest in the Request by American Crossroads.



As we understand the American Crossroads Advisory opinion Request, the organization has plans to sponsor advertisements featuring Members of Congress up for re-election. As they wrote in their original Request,

"The purpose of these advertisements, while focused on current legislative and policy issues, would be to improve the public's perception of the featured Member of Congress in advance of the 2012 campaign season."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow could not concur more concurrently. These ads would simply improve public perception of candidates in advance of the campaign. The message is not, "Vote for this great guy," it's merely, "Hey voters! Look at this great guy!"

Clearly, these ads featuring candidates on behalf of candidates would not be candidate ads. As American Crossroads put it, in their original Request,

"While these advertisements would be fully coordinated with incumbent Members of Congress facing re-election in 2012, they would presumably not qualify as 'coordinated communications,'."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow agrees that "fully coordinated" ads shouldn't be counted as "coordinated communications." The candidate would merely be appearing as a paid spokesperson, who, coincidentally, is closely aligned with the candidate that he or she also is.

For example, an ad in which the Kool Aid man solves our nation-wide childhood thirst problem would not necessarily be an ad for Kool Aid brand juice drink. That being said, would a tall glass of Kool-Aid solve that thirst problem? To quote one expert: "Oh, yeaahhhh!"

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow wholly endorses American Crossroads' Request. We hope the Commission is able to begin with the Supreme Court's definition of Non-Coordinated as "expenditures ... made totally independently of the candidate and his campaign" in *Buckley v. Valeo*, and end up with a ruling that allows outside groups to produce ads with the candidate's cooperation, themes, and message. That will prove to our nation's critics that America is a country that still makes something: strained rationalizations.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow believes that Super PACs can and should coordinate with candidates in every sense of that word—except in the legal or biblical sense. In fact, pending the outcome of American Crossroads' Request, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow plans to coordinate a non-"coordinated" ad with presidential novelty candidate Buddy Roemer. A rough example of which can be found here: [www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination](http://www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination).

It should be clear that there was no collusion with Governor Roemer, as he vehemently opposes and passionately questions the legitimacy of the ad that he agreed to appear in.

If the Commission sees fit to grant these reasonable requests, Americans for a Better Tomorrow will continue to fulfill our promise to never give you up, or let you down, as detailed in our mission statement here:

<http://vqutu.be/dQw4w9WgXcQ>

Accordingly, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow respectfully requests the Commission's timely consideration of American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request.

Super Sincerely Yours,

Stephen Colbert  
President & Master D'  
Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

Ham Rove  
Chief Strategist & Lunchmeat  
Americans for A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

PS – If the commission does not see fit to grant this request fully, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow would like to offer a compromise. To avoid the appearance of collusion, the F.E.C. could rule that candidates can appear in Super PAC ads only against their will. They'd have to be kidnapped, blindfolded, and thrown in a van before being forced to read a statement supporting their goals and then returned to their fundraisers in time for dessert.

Paid for by Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow  
Not authorized by any candidate or candidate's committee.  
[www.colbertsuperpac.com](http://www.colbertsuperpac.com)

This message was intended for: [upland@gmail.com](mailto:upland@gmail.com)  
You were added to the system July 5, 2011. For more information  
[click here](#).  
[Update your preferences](#) | [Unsubscribe](#)



G Wortham  
<barwsculpt@gmail.com>  
11/09/2011 07:09 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject American Crossroads concern

I am a veteran or the US army, citizen by birth and have been paying into social security since I started working at the age of seven. I currently hold two jobs, One as a public school teacher in a Title I school and work on a ranch.

In short, I am an Americans' American.

I have to admit, this business of having special interest groups diluting the election process makes me sick. There are enough problems without Mr. Rove and his heavily financed cronies slide through a really embarrassing loophole.

Please reexamine Mr. Roves' actions and do not allow him to get away with another trick.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Gregg Wortham  
Lakeland, Fl



Greg Robinson  
<greg.robinson.usa@gmail.com>

11/09/2011 09:40 PM

To Secretary@fec.gov

cc

bcc

Subject Public Comment on AOR 2011-23

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I am writing to state my official opinion on the Opinion Request submitted by Karl Rove and the America Crossroads Super-PAC. I would like to first say that allowing Super-PACs to organize, discreetly collect unlimited donations from a wide array of sources and use that money to provide an unfair advantage to a candidate for any government office would subjugate our campaign process by fiscally-armed special interest groups. The F.E.C.'s decision to allow an opaque organization to form is a fallacy of a free and open government. While I appreciate the purpose and being of the Federal Election Commission, I unfortunately recognize that the waters are beginning to become muddied in a country where polarized political parties are closing the lines of communication. This deeply contrasts the idea of political communication and compromise in order to serve the best interests of both parties' constituents.

This move has left the political turf open to abuse of the Federal Election Campaign Act; the very act that created the Federal Election Commission. This type of activity allows for political parties to create shadow organizations that elude the proclivity of every citizen's desire to have fairness and transparency throughout the election process. Even the Basic Law of the Federal Republic of Germany, in 1949, mandated that political parties, which I would completely consider to include Super-PAC type organizations, must disclose the sources of donations to the general public in response to the Nazi Party's rise to power. The injustice created by allowing private entities to amass large amounts of money and then to spend this money in direction coordination with candidates is a clear workaround to the "pesky" government regulation that has forever protected United States citizens' ability to ensure that candidates were represented in a truthful light. The ability for individuals, labor unions and private corporations to cloak themselves as sources of donations would be a true detriment to society, regardless of economical conditions, legal brawn or political prejudice.

Thank you for your time.

Greg Robinson



"E. Sher"  
<liziv2002@yahoo.com>

11/09/2011 06:58 PM

Please respond to  
"E. Sher"  
<liziv2002@yahoo.com>

To "Secretary@FEC.gov" <Secretary@FEC.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject karl rove request

I as any person, be they corporate or biological, can submit their Public Comment on Karl Rove's Opinion Request (which is AOR 2011-23) by writing to Office of the Commission Secretary's email address (which is [Secretary@FEC.gov](mailto:Secretary@FEC.gov)). I support the letter and the content of the letter Colbert Super PAC submitted as Public Comment to the Federal Election Commission in a show of non-coordinated, non-consensual support.

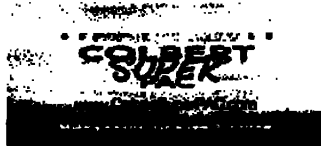
I join Colbert Super PAC in letting Karl Rove know: We've got your back. Because we're looking over your shoulder.

Elizabeth Sher



Ray Rodriguez  
<ray.rodriquez@gmail.com>  
11/09/2011 09:38 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request



Americans For A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow

November 6, 2011

Shawn Woodhead Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

**Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request**

Dear Secretary Werth:

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow submits this letter as a formal comment on the Advisory Opinion Request submitted to the Federal Election Commission on October 12, 2011, and again in a revised version on October 28, 2011 by American Crossroads, an organization led by Republican political consultant and "Mr. November" in the 2012 "Hunks of the Bush Administration" calendar, Karl Rove.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has much in common with American Crossroads. Both are registered "independent-expenditure-only" PACs (a.k.a. "Super PACs") that may accept unlimited contributions from corporations, unions, individuals, and doomsday cults we one day hope to found. Both groups are separately affiliated with prominent 501(c)(4) organizations, Colbert Super PAC SHH and Crossroads GPS, and are strongly committed to doing what is legally possible in America. Both have top strategic thinkers at their core: American Crossroads has Karl Rove, and Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has a ham loaf wearing wire rimmed glasses.

Because of this shared bond and heritage, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has an interest in the Request by American Crossroads.

As we understand the American Crossroads Advisory opinion Request, the organization has plans to sponsor advertisements featuring Members of Congress up for re-election. As they wrote in their original Request,

"The purpose of these advertisements, while focused on current legislative and policy issues, would be to improve the public's perception of the featured Member of Congress in advance of the 2012 campaign season."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow could not concur more concurrently. These ads would simply

improve public perception of candidates in advance of the campaign. The message is not, "Vote for this great guy," it's merely, "Hey voters! Look at this great guy!"

Clearly, these ads featuring candidates on behalf of candidates would not be candidate ads. As American Crossroads put it, in their original Request,

"While these advertisements would be fully coordinated with incumbent Members of Congress facing re-election in 2012, they would presumably not qualify as 'coordinated communications,'."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow agrees that "fully coordinated" ads shouldn't be counted as "coordinated communications." The candidate would merely be appearing as a paid spokesperson, who, coincidentally, is closely aligned with the candidate that he or she also is.

For example, an ad in which the Kool Aid man decr~~ee~~es our nation-wide childhood thirst problem would not necessarily be an ad for Kool Aid brand juice drink. That being said, would a tall glass of Kool-Aid solve that thirst problem? To quote one expert: "Oh, yeasahhhh!"

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow wholly endorses American Crossroads' Request. We hope the Commission is able to begin with the Supreme Court's definition of Non-Coordinated as "expenditures ... made totally independently of the candidate and his campaign" in *Buckley v. Valeo*, and end up with a ruling that allows outside groups to produce ads with the candidate's cooperation, themes, and message. That will prove to our nation's critics that America is a country that still makes something: strained rationalizations.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow believes that Super PACs can and should coordinate with candidates in every sense of that word—except in the legal or biblical sense. In fact, pending the outcome of American Crossroads' Request, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow plans to coordinate a non-"coordinated" ad with presidential novelty candidate Buddy Roemer. A rough example of which can be found here: [www.colbertsuperoac.com/undaunted-non-coordination](http://www.colbertsuperoac.com/undaunted-non-coordination).

It should be clear that there was no collusion with Governor Roemer, as he vehemently opposes and passionately questions the legality of the ad that he agreed to appear in.

If the Commission sees fit to grant these reasonable requests, Americans for a Better Tomorrow will continue to fulfill our promise to never give you up, or let you down, as detailed in our mission statement here:

<http://youtu.be/dQw4w9WgXcQ>

Accordingly, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow respectfully requests the Commission's timely consideration of American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request.

Super Sincerely Yours,

Ray Rodriguez  
Application Engineer & Data Monkey Extraordinaire  
in Behalf of, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

Stephen Colbert  
President & Maître D'  
Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

Ham Rove  
Chief Strategist & Lunchmeat  
Americahs for A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

PS – If the commission does not see fit to grant this request fully, Americans for a Better Tomorrow,

Tomorrow would like to offer a compromise. To avoid the appearance of collusion, the F.E.C. could rule that candidates can appear in Super PAC ads only against their will. They'd have to be kidnapped, blindfolded, and thrown in a van before being forced to read a statement supporting their goals and then returned to their fundraisers in time for dessert.





**Eric Penny Mens**  
<ericponnymens@gmail.com>

11/09/2011 06:53 PM

To Secretary@fec.gov

cc

bcc

Subject Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion  
Request (AOR 2011-23)

Dear F.E.C. Secretary:

I am writing to urge the F.E.C. to rule affirmatively on Mr. Karl Rove's request to officially create a new loophole in election law, but only with the added legal requirement suggested by Mr. Stephen Colbert that candidates can appear in Super PAC ads only against their will. They'd have to be kidnapped, blindfolded, and thrown in a van before being forced to read a statement supporting their goals and then returned to their fundraisers in time for dessert.

Respectfully,  
Eric The Mens  
Arlington, VA



Sean Guza  
<penniculus@live.com>

11/09/2011 06:51 PM

To <info@colbertsuperpac.com>, <secretary@fec.gov>

cc

bcc

Subject RE: Profiles In Undaunted Non-Coordination

Date: Tue, 8 Nov 2011 18:32:27 -0800  
From: info@colbertsuperpac.com  
To: penniculus@live.com  
Subject: Profiles In Undaunted Non-Coordination



Dear Colbert Super PAC Members (and semi-sentient spam-bots),

It's a bright day on the shadowy edge of American politics.

Yesterday, I was paid a visit by Trevor Potter, Esq. As you know, if you have been collecting the Official Colbert Super PAC Trading Cards know, Trevor was not only the former head of the F.E.C. and chief counsel to the McCain 2008 campaign, but he's also my personal lawyer\*. Not to mention, someone I am proud to pay for the honor of calling my friend.

Together, we drafted an official Public Comment in support of American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request to the Federal Election Commission.

I'll let that sink in. It may take a bit, because you have no idea what I'm talking about. The full fiduciary details were laid bare in last night's show, but for those of you lacking the energy to click [here for part one](#) and [here for part two](#), here's the gist:

As free as Super PACs are to raise and spend unlimited amounts of money, they are still unfairly shackled by regulation. Notice I used the singular. That's because there is really only one rule that binds Super PACs: that they may not coordinate with candidates' campaigns. But what fun is buying somebody an election if you have no elected official to share the moment with?

American Crossroads' Karl Rove saw through this sham of a charade – or "*shamrade*™" – and petitioned the F.E.C. to clarify exactly what the law is, so he can carefully obey only the letter of it. We at Colbert Super PAC submitted the attached Public Comment to the Federal Election Commission in a show of non-coordinated, non-consensual support.

Incidentally, you might be interested in knowing that any person, be they corporate or biological, can submit their Public Comment on Karl Rove's Opinion Request (which is AOR 2011-23) by writing to Office of the Commission Secretary's email address (which is [Secretary@FEC.gov](mailto:Secretary@FEC.gov)).

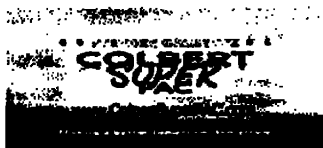
We hope you'll join us at Colbert Super PAC in letting Karl Rove know: We've got your back. Because we're looking over your shoulder.

Excelsior!

Stephen Colbert  
President and Junior Legal Counsel  
Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow

\* If you are playing the Colbert Super PAC Trading Card Fantasy/Strategy Card Game, remember that Trevor gains a +4 defense against all frost-based creatures (including the dreaded Ice Dragon!)

Enclosure:



Americans For A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow

November 6, 2011

Shawn Woodhead Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

**Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request**

Dear Secretary Werth:

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow submits this letter as a formal comment on the Advisory Opinion Request submitted to the Federal Election Commission on October 12, 2011, and again in a revised version on October 28, 2011 by American Crossroads, an organization led by Republican political consultant and "Mr. November" in the 2012 "Hunks of the Bush Administration" calendar, Karl Rove.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has much in common with American Crossroads. Both are registered "independent-expenditure-only" PACs (a.k.a. "Super PACs") that may accept unlimited contributions from corporations, unions, individuals, and doomsday cults we one day hope to found. Both groups are separately affiliated with prominent 501(c)(4) organizations, Colbert Super PAC SHH and Crossroads GPS, and are strongly committed to doing what is legally possible in America. Both have top strategic thinkers at their core: American Crossroads has Karl Rove, and Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has a ham loaf wearing wire rimmed glasses.

Because of this shared bond and heritage, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has an interest in the Request by American Crossroads.

As we understand the American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request, the organization has plans to sponsor advertisements featuring Members of Congress up for re-election. As they wrote in their

original Request,

"The purpose of these advertisements, while focused on current legislative and policy issues, would be to improve the public's perception of the featured Member of Congress in advance of the 2012 campaign season."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow could not concur more concurrently. These ads would simply improve public perception of candidates in advance of the campaign. The message is not, "Vote for this great guy," it's merely, "Hey voters! Look at this great guy!"

Clearly, these ads featuring candidates on behalf of candidates would not be candidate ads. As American Crossroads put it, in their original Request,

"While these advertisements would be fully coordinated with incumbent Members of Congress facing re-election in 2012, they would presumably not qualify as 'coordinated communications,'."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow agrees that "fully coordinated" ads shouldn't be counted as "coordinated communications." The candidate would merely be appearing as a paid spokesperson, who, coincidentally, is closely aligned with the candidate that he or she also is.

For example, an ad in which the Kool Aid man decries our nation-wide childhood thirst problem would not necessarily be an ad for Kool Aid brand juice drink. That being said, would a tall glass of Kool-Aid solve that thirst problem? To quote one expert: "Oh, yeaahhhh!"

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow wholly endorses American Crossroads' Request. We hope the Commission is able to begin with the Supreme Court's definition of Non-Coordinated as "expenditures ... made totally independently of the candidate and his campaign" in *Buckley v. Valeo*, and end up with a ruling that allows outside groups to produce ads with the candidate's cooperation, themes, and message. That will prove to our nation's critics that America is a country that still makes something: strained rationalizations.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow believes that Super PACs can and should coordinate with candidates in every sense of that word—except in the legal or biblical sense. In fact, pending the outcome of American Crossroads' Request, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow plans to coordinate a non-"coordinated" ad with presidential novelty candidate Buddy Roemer. A rough example of which can be found here: [www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination](http://www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination).

It should be clear that there was no collusion with Governor Roemer, as he vehemently opposes and passionately questions the legality of the ad that he agreed to appear in.

If the Commission sees fit to grant these reasonable requests, Americans for a Better Tomorrow will continue to fulfill our promise to never give you up, or let you down, as detailed in our mission statement here:

<http://youtu.be/dQw4w9WgXcQ>

Accordingly, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow respectfully requests the Commission's timely consideration of American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request.

Super Sincerely Yours,

Stephen Colbert  
President & Maître D'  
Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

Ham Rove  
Chief Strategist & Lunchmeat

Americans for A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

PS – If the commission does not see fit to grant this request fully, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow would like to offer a compromise. To avoid the appearance of collusion, the F.E.C. could rule that candidates can appear in Super PAC ads only against their will. They'd have to be kidnapped, blindfolded, and thrown in a van before being forced to read a statement supporting their goals and then returned to their fundraisers in time for dessert.

Paid for by Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow  
Not authorized by any candidate or candidate's committee.  
[www.colbertsuperpac.com](http://www.colbertsuperpac.com)

This message was generated from [penniculus@live.com](mailto:penniculus@live.com)  
You were added to our list by Bob, PhD. For more information  
[click here.](#)

[Update your preferences](#) | [Unsubscribe](#)



Hell\_Inc..odt

Hell...It's Hotter Here, Inc.



November 666, 1966

Shawn Woodhead Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 East Stroet, N.W.  
Washington D.C., 20463

**Re: Comment On American Crossroads Advisory Onion Request**

Dear Secretary Werth:

First I'd like to say that I am largely ambivalent in regards to the controversy/non-controversy swirling around the issue of PAC's and Super Pac's joining the ranks of big money, big lobby, and small patios in an attempt to "buy" a specific candidate's loyalty and more importantly their vote. However, my "Supervisor" (his name is to be one of the unnamed... however it is very similar to my favorite rock group Santana) is greatly disturbed in regards to three points:

First Point: My "Supervisor" conducts much of "his" business at lonely Crossroads across this great nation. A life of success given in return for a modest price of say...your Soul, a pitchfork, and an eternity in one of our one thru nine levels of luxurious torment suites.

Second Point: An Advisory Onion Request??? WTF is that about? I like my basic onions three ways: White, Yellow, and Red.

Third Point: I don't have one.

In closing I'd like to state that although I "occasionally" watch the Colbert Report and wonder about his hair style or in fact that it may just be receding, I DO NOT

support this Super Pac nonsense...unless I get a piece of it that is.

Sincerely Insincerely Yours,

Wrog  
Customer Service Department  
Third Minor Demon of Level 3 Hell

P.S. Nixon says hi.



rose von schlegell  
<rosevon@gmail.com>  
11/09/2011 09:30 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject on Karl Rove's Opinion Request- AOR 2011-23

To Whom this Concerns:

I am writing to submit Public Comment on Karl Rove's Opinion Request (which is AOR 2011-23)

Please stop this outrageous request in it's tracks. The corruption through buying our political system is an outrage - how can we call this a democracy if it is allowed to occur?

Thank you!  
Rosemary von Schlegell





Barbara Priel  
<bepriel@msn.com>  
11/09/2011 08:57 PM

To <secretary@fec.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Karl Rove

Disappear fat man your time is OVER!



Jonathan Ball  
<jwbings@gmail.com>  
11/09/2011 08:45 PM

To Secretary@fec.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject American Crossroads Request

Dear FEC Secretary,

Please uphold the current rules governing super pacs and 501c4s by rejecting American Crossroads and GPSs request to be allowed to use their money "to improve the public's perception of the featured Member[s] of Congress in advance of the 2012 campaign season" through advertisements. This is explicitly against the rules for a PAC (super or otherwise). American Crossroads and GPS are simply trying to push the rules to be able to use their massive amount of money in illegal ways (ie. directly supporting a candidate with a wink and a nod). As a concerned citizen, I am requesting you deny their request to change the rules allowing PACs and Super PACs support a candidate directly or indirectly.

Rev. Jonathan Ball  
Atlanta, GA



Neal Smith  
<nsmithvt@gmail.com>  
11/09/2011 08:11 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject act now

to support karl rove, and personhood!!

communism is pretty much dead; so's democracy!



Neal Smith  
<nsmithvt@gmail.com>  
11/09/2011 08:10 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject bogus

as in rove



Neal Smith  
<nsmithvt@gmail.com>  
11/09/2011 08:09 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Rove

Rove, you remember him, yes?  
Clever guy....  
BUT HE'S Un-American!  
Oh wait--i'm sorry, the entire current USA is UN-American.

What was I thinking?  
Please continue to ignore this message.  
Please copntinue to ignore the Constitution.  
Please continue to ignore the concept of Democracy, and for the  
people, of the....  
wait, how does that quaint myth of a saying go??



Joshua Steinberg  
<joshua.jistein@gmail.com>  
11/09/2011 06:34 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Comment on American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion  
Request (AOR 2011-23)

In response to AOR 2011-23 by the organization American Crossroads GPS founded by Karl Rove, All I have to say is WOW! I believe allowing unlimited cash into a system already perceived as corrupt by the majority of americans was a misstep by the supreme court. But as long as we are going to allow that, why should they be encumbered by any regulations or legal boilerplate that might make it difficult for them to influence an election with an unlimited untraceable supply of cash?

While some might argue that such a decision would be an official endorsement of corruption essentially reducing our elections to battles between Super PAC's and not candidates, effectively corporatizing our government under the guise of free speech through money. I say this is simply focusing on the negative, there are of course positive effects. Super PAC's like Americans for a better tomorrow, tomorrow inc., could pour unlimited cash into indirectly supporting a candidate by directly showing them in ads they don't directly support. With logic like that, who could argue...seriously who could argue? It's like a babbling rant from a homeless schizophrenic, except that sense it was written on a legal form by a well respected political operative of the republican party someone with power is actually considering it.

So do what you feel is right, and know that I indirectly support the direct sarcastic response which indirectly condemns the concept of allowing unlimited and untraceable funds to directly create ads that candidates indirectly support with their direct participation in said ads. Directly I think the whole notion is completely absurd and only an idiot would allow this to happen.

Directly yours,  
Joshua Steinberg  
Concerned Citizen



Corey Fetzer  
<coreyfetzer@gmail.com>  
11/09/2011 07:33 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request

**Americans For A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow**

November 6, 2011

Shawn Weedhead Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

**Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request**

Dear Secretary Werth:

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow submits this letter as a formal comment on the Advisory Opinion Request submitted to the Federal Election Commission on October 12, 2011, and again in a revised version on October 28, 2011 by American Crossroads, an organization led by Republican political consultant and "Mr. November" in the 2012 "Hunks of the Bush Administration" calendar, Karl Rove.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has much in common with American Crossroads. Both are registered "independent-expenditure-only" PACs (a.k.a. "Super PACs") that may accept unlimited contributions from corporations, unions, individuals, and doomsday cults we one day hope to found. Both groups are separately affiliated with prominent 501(c)(4) organizations, Colbert Super PAC SHH and Crossroads GPS, and are strongly committed to doing what is legally possible in America. Both have top strategic thinkers at their core: American Crossroads has Karl Rove, and Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has a horned man wearing wire rimmed glasses.

Because of this shared bond and heritage, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has an interest in the Request by American Crossroads.

As we understand the American Crossroads Advisory opinion Request, the organization has plans to sponsor advertisements featuring Members of Congress up for re-election. As they wrote in their original Request,

"The purpose of these advertisements, while focused on current legislative and policy issues, would be to improve the public's perception of the featured Member of Congress in advance of the 2012 campaign season."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow could not concur more concurrently. These ads would simply improve public perception of candidates in advance of the campaign. The message is not, "Vote for this great guy," it's merely, "Hey voters! Look at this great guy!"

Clearly, these ads featuring candidates on behalf of candidates would not be candidate ads. As American Crossroads put it, in their original Request,

"While these advertisements would be fully coordinated with incumbent Members of Congress facing

re-election in 2012, they would presumably not qualify as 'coordinated communications,'."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow agrees that "fully coordinated" ads shouldn't be counted as "coordinated communications." The candidate would merely be appearing as a paid spokesperson, who, coincidentally, is closely aligned with the candidate that he or she also is.

For example, an ad in which the Kool Aid man decries our nation-wide childhood thirst problem would not necessarily be an ad for Kool Aid brand juice drink. That being said, would a tall glass of Kool-Aid solve that thirst problem? To quote one expert: "Oh, yeaaahhhh!"

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow wholly endorses American Crossroads' Request. We hope the Commission is able to begin with the Supreme Court's definition of Non-Coordinated as "expenditures ... made totally independently of the candidate and his campaign" in *Buckley v. Valeo*, and end up with a ruling that allows outside groups to produce ads with the candidate's cooperation, themes, and message. That will prove to our nation's critics that America is a country that still makes something: strained rationalizations.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow believes that Super PACs can and should coordinate with candidates in every sense of that word—except in the legal or biblical sense. In fact, pending the outcome of American Crossroads' Request, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow plans to coordinate a non-"coordinated" ad with presidential novelty candidate Buddy Roemer. A rough example of which can be found here: [www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination](http://www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination).

It should be clear that there was no collusion with Governor Roemer, as he vehemently opposes and passionately questions the legality of the ad that he agreed to appear in.

If the Commission sees fit to grant these reasonable requests, Americans for a Better Tomorrow will continue to fulfill our promise to never give you up, or let you down, as detailed in our mission statement here:

<http://youtu.be/dQw4w9WgXcQ>

Accordingly, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow respectfully requests the Commission's timely consideration of American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request.

Super Sincerely Yours,

Stephen Colbert  
President & Maître D'  
Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

Ham Rove  
Chief Strategist & Lunchmeat  
Americans for A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

Corey Fetzer

PS ~ If the commission does not see fit to grant this request fully, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow would like to offer a compromise. To avoid the appearance of collusion, the F.E.C. could rule that candidates can appear in Super PAC ads only against their will. They'd have to be kidnapped, blindfolded, and thrown in a van before being forced to read a statement supporting their goals and then returned to their fundraisers in time for dessert.





david szink  
<elderdas@yahoo.com>

11/09/2011 07:32 PM

Please respond to  
david szink  
<elderdas@yahoo.com>

To "Secretary@FEC.gov" <Secretary@FEC.gov>

cc

bcc

Subject

As a member of the Colbert Super PAC I want to let you know that I've got Karl Rove's back because I'm looking over his shoulder.



"Eldridge"  
<sharkman2632@comcast.net>

11/09/2011 07:26 PM

To <Secretary@FEC.gov>

cc

bcc

Subject Public Comment on Karl Rove's Opinion Request

Regarding the request for clarification by American Crossroads--

I urge the FCC to clearly convey that 'co-ordination' means simply what it says, and that participation by candidates in ads will be prohibited. Simply calling them "issue" ads does NOT make them non-partisan, and the participation of a candidate constitutes prima facie co-ordination.

As if the bald-faced spoofs by Stephen Colbert weren't instructive enough...

Thank you,  
Tony Eldridge  
Tupelo, MS 38801



**Sarah Wiener**  
**<siwiener@gmail.com>**  
**11/09/2011 06:19 PM**

**To** Secretary@FEC.gov  
**cc**  
**bcc**  
**Subject** AOR 2011-23

**Please do not approve Karl Rove's Opinion Request AOR 2011-23. Big money should not be enabled to buy elections.**



Phyllis Stewart  
<pjstewart@rocketmail.com>

11/09/2011 06:18 PM

Please respond to  
Phyllis Stewart  
<pjstewart@rocketmail.com>

To "Secretary@FEC.gov" <Secretary@FEC.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject SuperPacs

Superpacs have too much power with too few rules. The last thing we need to give them is more leniency with how they can contribute to their politicians with no accountability.

Say no to American Crossroads requests for another loophole to democracy.

Phyllis Stewart  
Westerville, OH



"kbanks"  
<kbanks@windstream.net>  
11/09/2011 06:15 PM

To <Secretary@FEC.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject AOR 2011-23

To Whom It May Concern:

I believe my Supercpac Chairman, Mr. Stephen Colbert, has beautifully illustrated in video format Mr. Rove's intent.

Kathy Bankston



Christian Hollmann  
<cphollmann@yahoo.com>

11/09/2011 07:19 PM

Please respond to  
Christian Hollmann  
<cphollmann@yahoo.com>

To "Secretary@FEC.gov" <Secretary@FEC.gov>

cc

bcc

Subject Submitting Public Comment on Karl Rove's Opinion Request  
AOR 2011-23

Dear Office of the Commission Secretary,

I would like to add my opinion to Karl Rove's Opinion Request AOR 2011-23.

I think Ham Rove would taste great between two slices of bread soaked with mustard.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Christian Hollmann



Averil Brent  
<avebrent@comcast.net>

11/09/2011 07:11 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov

cc

bcc

Subject Comment re: AOR 2011-23

Just say NO to corporate money destroying the democratic process.  
Just say NO to American Crossroads.



**"Bruce Bendiksen"**  
**<babendiksen@cox.net>**

**11/09/2011 07:18 PM**

**To <Secretary@FEC.gov>**

**cc**

**bcc**

**Subject American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request**

**Sirs,**

**In my opinion, to allow candidate participation in a Super PAC funded ads is a direct violation of existing law and an affront to the American people.**

**Bruce Bendiksen**  
**Attorney at Law**





**"Jo Ann McElmurry"**  
**<mcelmurry1@gmail.com>**  
11/09/2011 06:12 PM

To <Secretary@FEC.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject

My dearest Karl Rove: We've got your back. Because we're looking over your shoulder.

Jo Ann McElmurry  
Huntsville, Tx



Christina Studt  
<loraxcs@gmail.com>

11/09/2011 05:15 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov

cc

bcc

Subject Public Comment re AOR 2011-23

Dear Secretary Werth:

I am a biological person and, unlike any corporate or other organizational entity, an American citizen who has voted regularly since turning 18. For this opportunity to have a small voice in government I owe thanks to the women's suffrage movement, the teenagers who fought in Vietnam, and all of the people who fought to allow women to vote and to lower the voting age to 18.

I urge you to maintain some semblance of campaign finance regulatory oversight by issuing an advisory opinion against allowing "independent-expenditure-only" PACs such as American Crossroads to produce and distribute advertisements featuring footage of incumbent Members of Congress running for re-election that is "thematically similar to the incumbent Members' own re-election campaign materials, and may use phrases or slogans that the Member has previously used." Allowing such expenditures would strain the concept of independent non-coordination beyond anything remotely resembling common sense and would weaken the campaign finance system that should serve the interest of citizens.

Although the law may involve fine distinctions and careful wording, I urge you not to accept such a practice of "fully coordinating" political ads with sitting Members as acceptable "non-coordinated" expenditures.

I understand that the Supreme Court expected that in the wake of its *Citizens United* decision, Congress would enact new campaign finance laws to require certain disclosures, but that Congress neither has done so nor, as far as I know, has undertaken any meaningful efforts to do so. Please do not render as utterly toothless what existing campaign finance laws the United States still has.

Sincerely,  
Christina Studt



Oakland  
<dk.oakland@gmail.com>  
11/09/2011 05:10 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Stephen Colbert PAC

As a member of this PAC and a part of the 99%, we want you to know we are mad as hell and don't plan to take it anymore. You help Karl Rove skirt the law, as corrupt as it, and you will all find yourself unemployed and homeless with no unemployment, health care, Social Security or pensions. It is time for the 1% in the bubble to go get a real job and quit living off the 99%.  
Michigan



**Ross Jordan**  
**<rossjordanart@gmail.com>**  
**11/09/2011 11:06 AM**

**To** Secretary@fec.gov  
**cc**  
**bcc**  
**Subject** Regrading AOR 2011-23

It has been brought to my attention that American Crossroads has filed a request of Advisory Opinion Request with the Federal Elections Commission regarding coordination with political campaigns. I want the FEC to know that I support this AOR as the regulation around coordination are vague and unfairly hamper the flow of unlimited amounts of money to political campaigns. It is important that politicians be able to raise enormous dollar amount from large companies and wealthy individuals in order to know who their constituents are.

I'm a tax payer who is looking forward to you clarifying opinion.

Best,

Ross

--

Ross Jordan

Chicago, Illinois



david simpson  
<davesimpsonfilm@hotmail.com>

11/09/2011 08:25 AM

To <Secretary@FEC.gov>

cc

bcc

Subject Karl Rove's Opinion Request

To Whom It May Concern,

By all means please do continue to make a mockery of the American political system by supporting Karl Rove's request:

"While these advertisements would be fully coordinated with incumbent Members of Congress facing re-election in 2012, they would presumably not qualify as 'coordinated communications,'."

Doublespeak is hear.

David Simpson



**Eric Nolting**  
**<ewnolting@gmail.com>**  
**11/09/2011 08:27 AM**

**To** **Secretary@FEC.gov**  
**cc**  
**bcc**  
**Subject** **AOR 2011-23**

**To Whom It May Concern:**

**Karl Rove's American Crossroads request, AOR 2011-23, should it be allowed, would make even more of a mockery of this already broken election system. Please deny this request from American Crossroads and Karl Rove.**

**Eric Nolting**



**Bonnie Boots**  
**<bboots@tampabay.rr.com>**  
**11/09/2011 08:08 AM**

**To** **Secretary@FEC.gov**  
**cc**  
**bcc**  
**Subject** **Public Comment on Karl Rove's Opinion Request AOR**  
**2011-23**

**To Office of the Commission Secretary:**

**I submit this letter as a formal comment on the Advisory Opinion Request submitted to the Federal Election Commission on October 12, 2011, and again in a revised version on October 28, 2011 by American Crossroads, led by Republican political consultant Karl Rove.**

**As I understand the American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request, the organization has plans to sponsor advertisements featuring Members of Congress up for re-election. Clearly, these ads featuring candidates would work on behalf of these candidates and would thus be "coordinated communications."**

**I respectfully request that the commission deny this opinion request.**

**Sincerely,**  
**Bonnie Boots**  
**St Petersburg, Fl**  
**Voter**



Timothy Muldoon  
<eire@pacbell.net>  
11/09/2011 12:16 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc Timothy Muldoon <eire@pacbell.net>  
bcc  
Subject AOR 2011-23

Dear Secretary Werth,

The American political system has gone beyond "punchline" status. The Supreme Court has virtually declared that the wildly wealthy and their spokespeople, along with global corporations are the voice of America. Defeat of the Rove request would do nothing to return sanity our system. Rather, it would slightly muzzle the monied class in their quest to incorporate our country. It might also send a message to the rest of America that *someone* in our government still cares about, and is working in their interest.

Yours,

Timothy Muldoon





Brent Jensen  
<brentj30@gmail.com>  
11/09/2011 12:10 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion  
Request AOR 2011-23

Shawn Woodhead Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request

Dear Secretary Werth:

Please, don't be "That Guy" who gives up even more of We The People's democracy by vaguely defining the necessary division between money and politics in favor of Carl Rove and BIG money interests. Citizen United ruling was a devastating failure of our Supreme Court and must be overturned. In the mean time, democracy MUST survive the taint of anonymous BIG money from Super PAC's and 501c4 organizations any way possible. Make the guidelines very strict.

Sincerely,

Brent Jensen  
Hillsboro, OR



**"Mary G. Smith"**  
**<altheabay@yahoo.com>**

11/09/2011 08:18 AM

Please respond to  
"Mary G. Smith"  
<altheabay@yahoo.com>

To "Secretary@FEC.gov" <Secretary@FEC.gov>

cc

bcc

Subject tell Karl, we got his back

Of course he should be told exactly what it means!!!!



Boris Todorovic  
<borisnikola@yahoo.com>  
11/09/2011 08:15 AM

To "Secretary@FEC.gov" <Secretary@FEC.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject rowe

Karl Rove is a criminal being treated as vip.glad to see USA is comming closer to the rest of(third) world.may he burn in hell.

Sent from my iPhone



Lee Ann Cook  
<acimlee@gmail.com>  
11/09/2011 12:06 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject AOR 2011-23

Please help restore the public's faith in government by not approving Karl Rove's request. It is a loophole that I believe is plainly unethical.

Thank you,  
Lee Ann Cook



Alex Madjar  
<madjara13@gmail.com>  
11/09/2011 02:35 PM

To Secretary@fec.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Fwd: Profiles In Undaunted Non-Coordination

Dear FEC Secretary,

I would like to publicly state my disapproval of any attempt by PAC's to directly support political campaigns. Deciding in favor of AOR 2011-23 would open a new and terrible loophole in campaign finance, and further entrench corporate money as the ruling force in Washington.

Sincerely,

~

Alex Madjar  
[REDACTED]

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Colbert Super PAC** <[info@colbertsuperpac.com](mailto:info@colbertsuperpac.com)>  
Date: Tue, Nov 8, 2011 at 8:32 PM  
Subject: Profiles In Undaunted Non-Coordination  
To: [madjara13@gmail.com](mailto:madjara13@gmail.com)

Dear Colbert Super PAC Members (and semi-sentient spam-bots),

It's a bright day on the shadowy edge of American politics.

Yesterday, I was paid a visit by Trevor Potter, Esq. As you know, if you have been collecting the Official Colbert Super PAC Trading Cards know, Trevor was not only the former head of the F.E.C. and chief counsel to the McCain 2008 campaign, but he's also my personal lawyer\*. Not to mention, someone I am proud to pay for the honor of calling my friend.

Together, we drafted an official Public Comment in support of American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request to the Federal Election Commission.

I'll let that sink in. It may take a bit, because you have no idea what I'm talking about. The full fiduciary details were laid bare in last night's show, but for those of

you lacking the energy to click [here for part one](#) and [here for part two](#), here's the gist:

As free as Super PACs are to raise and spend unlimited amounts of money, they are still unfairly shackled by regulation. Notice I used the singular. That's because there is really only one rule that binds Super PACs: that they may not coordinate with candidates' campaigns. But what fun is buying somebody an election if you have no elected official to share the moment with?

America Crossroads' Karl Rove saw through this sham of a charade – or "shamrade"™ – and petitioned the F.E.C. to clarify exactly what the law is, so he can carefully obey only the letter of it. We at Colbert Super PAC submitted the attached Public Comment to the Federal Election Commission in a show of non-coordinated, non-consequential support.

Incidentally, you might be interested in knowing that any person, be they corporate or biological, can submit their Public Comment on Karl Rove's Opinion Request (which is AOR 2011-23) by writing to Office of the Commission Secretary's email address (which is [Secretary@FEC.gov](mailto:Secretary@FEC.gov)).

We hope you'll join us at Colbert Super PAC in letting Karl Rove know: We've got your back. Because we're looking over your shoulder.

Excelsior!

Stephen Colbert  
President and Junior Legal Counsel  
Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow

\* If you are playing the Colbert Super PAC Trading Card Fantasy/Strategy Card Game, remember that Trevor gains a +4 defense against all frost-based creatures (including the dreaded Ice Dragon!)

Enclosure:

Americans For A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow

November 6, 2011

Shawn Woodhead Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

**Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request**

Dear Secretary Werth:

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow submits this letter as a formal

comment on the Advisory Opinion Request submitted to the Federal Election Commission on October 12, 2011, and again in a revised version on October 28, 2011 by American Crossroads, an organization led by Republican political consultant and "Mr. November" in the 2012 "Hunks of the Bush Administration" calendar, Karl Rove.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has much in common with American Crossroads. Both are registered "independent-expenditure-only" PACs (a.k.a. "Super PACs") that may accept unlimited contributions from corporations, unions, individuals, and doomsday cults we one day hope to found. Both groups are separately affiliated with prominent 501(c)(4) organizations, Colbert Super PAC SHH and Crossroads GPS, and are strongly committed to doing what is legally possible in America. Both have top strategic thinkers at their core: American Crossroads has Karl Rove, and Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has a ham loaf wearing wire rimmed glasses.

Because of this shared bond and heritage, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has an interest in the Request by American Crossroads.

As we understand the American Crossroads Advisory opinion Request, the organization has plans to sponsor advertisements featuring Members of Congress up for re-election. As they wrote in their original Request,

"The purpose of these advertisements, while focused on current legislative and policy issues, would be to improve the public's perception of the featured Member of Congress in advance of the 2012 campaign season."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow could not concur more concurrently. These ads would simply improve public perception of candidates in advance of the campaign. The message is not, "Vote for this great guy," it's merely, "Hey voters! Look at this great guy!"

Clearly, these ads featuring candidates on behalf of candidates would not be candidate ads. As American Crossroads put it, in their original Request,

"While these advertisements would be fully coordinated with incumbent Members of Congress facing re-election in 2012, they would presumably not qualify as 'coordinated communications.'"

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow agrees that "fully coordinated" ads shouldn't be counted as "coordinated communications." The candidate would merely be appearing as a paid spokesperson, who, coincidentally, is closely aligned with the candidate that he or she also is.

For example, an ad in which the Kool Aid man decries our nation-wide childhood thirst problem would not necessarily be an ad for Kool Aid brand juice drink. That being said, would a tall glass of Kool-Aid solve that thirst problem? To quote one expert: "Oh, yeaahhhh!"

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow wholly endorses American Crossroads' Request. We hope the Commission is able to begin with the Supreme Court's definition of Non-Coordinated as "expenditures ... made totally independently of the candidate and his campaign" in *Buckley v. Valeo*, and end up with a ruling that allows outside groups to produce ads with the candidate's cooperation, themes, and message. That will prove to our nation's critics that America is a country that still makes something: strained rationalizations.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow believes that Super PACs can and should coordinate with candidates in every sense of that word—except in the legal or biblical sense. In fact, pending the outcome of American Crossroads' Request, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow plans to coordinate a non-"coordinated" ad with presidential novelty candidate Buddy Roemer. A rough example of which can be found here:

[www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination](http://www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination).

It should be clear that there was no collusion with Governor Roemer, as he vehemently opposes and passionately questions the legality of the ad that he agreed to appear in.

If the Commission sees fit to grant these reasonable requests, Americans for a Better Tomorrow will continue to fulfill our promise to never give you up, or let you down, as detailed in our mission statement here:

<http://youtu.be/dQw4w9WgXcQ>

Accordingly, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow respectfully requests the Commission's timely consideration of American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request.

Super Sincerely Yours,

Stephen Colbert  
President & Maître D'  
Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

Ham Rove  
Chief Strategist & Lunchmeat  
Americans for A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

PS – If the commission does not see fit to grant this request fully, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow would like to offer a compromise. To avoid the appearance of collusion, the F.E.C. could rule that candidates can appear in Super PAC ads only against their will. They'd have to be kidnapped, blindfolded, and thrown in a van before being forced to read a statement supporting their goals and then returned to their fundraisers in time for dessert.

<p>Paid for by Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow Not authorized by any candidate or candidate's committee. <a href="http://www.colbertsuperpac.com">www.colbertsuperpac.com</a></p>
---

[madjara13@gmail.com](mailto:madjara13@gmail.com)

[click here](#)

[Update your preferences](#)   [Unsubscribe](#)





"Michael Stout"  
<m.stout@dsmachinerepair.com>

11/09/2011 07:54 AM

To <Secretary@FEC.gov>

cc

bcc

Subject Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request

## D & S MACHINE REPAIR, INC.

[REDACTED]  
HASTINGS, MICHIGAN 49058

PHONE [REDACTED]

FAX [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

November 9, 2011

Shawn Woodhead Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

**Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request**

Dear Secretary Werth:

I am a person and I am also the spokesman for D & S Machine Repair, which according to the Supreme Court, is also a person. We submit this letter as a formal comment on the Advisory Opinion Request submitted to the Federal Election Commission on October 12, 2011, and again in a revised version on October 28, 2011 by American Crossroads, an organization led by Republican political Karl Rove.

We are submitting this letter of support for Mr. Rove and American Crossroads because we share a common belief. Americans, i.e. corporations, are already extremely burdened by red tape and 'Job Killing' regulations.

As we understand the American Crossroads Advisory opinion Request, the organization has plans to sponsor advertisements featuring Members of Congress up for re-election. As they wrote in their original Request,

"The purpose of these advertisements, while focused on current legislative and policy issues, would be to improve the public's perception of the featured Member of Congress in advance of the 2012 campaign season."

Clearly, these ads featuring candidates on behalf of candidates would not be candidate ads. As American Crossroads put it, in their original Request,

"While these advertisements would be fully coordinated with incumbent Members of Congress facing re-election in 2012, they would presumably not qualify as 'coordinated communications,'."

We support this idea completely. Not only do we want to remove the one regulation that the F.E.C. has on super pac money, but we want to hump your daughters while doing it.

Sincerely,

**Michael A. Stout**

Michael Stout

Thank You,  
Michael A. Stout

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Hastings, MI 49058

[REDACTED]

fax [REDACTED]

cell [REDACTED]



Superpac.docx

# D & S MACHINE REPAIR, INC.

[REDACTED]  
HASTINGS, MICHIGAN 49058

PHONE [REDACTED]

FAX [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

November 9, 2011

Shawn Woodhead Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

• **Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request**

Dear Secretary Werth:

I am a person and I am also the spokesman for D & S Machine Repair, which according to the Supreme Court, is also a person. We submit this letter as a formal comment on the Advisory Opinion Request submitted to the Federal Election Commission on October 12, 2011, and again in a revised version on October 28, 2011 by American Crossroads, an organization led by Republican political Karl Rove.

We are submitting this letter of support for Mr. Rove and American Crossroads because we share a common belief. Americans, i.e. corporations, are already extremely burdened by red tape and 'Job Killing' regulations.

As we understand the American Crossroads Advisory opinion Request, the organization has plans to sponsor advertisements featuring Members of Congress up for re-election. As they wrote in their original Request,

"The purpose of these advertisements, while focused on current legislative and policy issues, would be to improve the public's perception of the featured Member of Congress in advance of the 2012 campaign season."

Clearly, these ads featuring candidates on behalf of candidates would not be candidate ads. As American Crossroads put it, in their original Request,

"While these advertisements would be fully coordinated with incumbent Members of Congress facing re-election in 2012, they would presumably not qualify as 'coordinated communications,'."

We support this idea completely. Not only do we want to remove the one regulation that the F.E.C. has on super pac money, but we want to hump your daughters while doing it.

Sincerely,

**Michael A. Stout**

Michael Stout



**Neth Capare**  
**<neth@nethcap.com>**  
11/08/2011 11:40 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Comment on AOR 2011-23

Dear Secretary,

While reading Karl Rove's request in AOR 2011-23, I was appalled at the audacity of this statement:

"While these advertisements would be fully coordinated with incumbent Members of Congress facing re-election in 2012, they would presumably not qualify as 'coordinated communications.'"

Allowing this action by American Crossroads and any other Super Pac organization would be a further insult and mockery to the concept of "rules of separation" that are meant to insure fair elections. Stop this insanity. My question is this: if such an ad was uncoordinated, how would the candidate know when to show up to film such an uncoordinated ad? Stop letting these organizations manipulate the FEC and it's already weakened rules.

I implore you to try to establish some minute form of sensibility to your rules. I implore you to reject AOR 2011-23.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Caparelli

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Los Angeles, CA 90039



Bob Powers  
<bjpowers@sbcglobal.net>  
11/08/2011 11:33 PM

To "Secretary@FEC.gov" <Secretary@FEC.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Karl Rove Opinion Request (AOR 2011-23)

It is clear that American Crossroads is clearly violating the spirit of the Supreme Court ruling in regard to Political Action Committees (PACs) and "independent-expenditure-only" PACs (Super PACs) that they may not coordinate with candidates' campaigns. By presenting candidates in televised ads in favor of or opposed to current political issues indirectly promotes that candidate and plays on the vulnerabilities of potential voters. In addition, it must be stressed that coordination with the candidate himself or herself must be construed as a coordinated effort with that candidates campaign since the candidate IS the keystone of the campaign itself.

It is my opinion that any candidate for office should be excluded from any and all presentations in any form that is paid for or supported by any PAC or Super PAC.

Sincerely,  
Bob Powers

[REDACTED]

North Little Rock, AR. 72114



**"William E James"**  
**<wjames@ma.rr.com>**  
11/08/2011 11:52 PM

To <Secretary@FEC.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Regarding AOR 2011-23

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to voice my opinion concerning AOR 2011-23. I am foursquare against television, radio, and print advertisements featuring incumbent members of Congress masquerading as "issue" ads. These ads are false on their face and should not be allowed in the democratic discourse of the United States.

Sincerely,

**William E James**

**[REDACTED]**  
Terre Haute, IN 47803  
wjames@ma.rr.com



David Georgeson  
<david@nomadre.com>  
11/08/2011 11:53 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject America Crossroads

This is plain embarrassing to our culture - Karl Rove should be incarcerated.



David Georgeson  
Nomad Ventures LLC  
[www.nomadre.com](http://www.nomadre.com)

Workplaces - California (Los Angeles), Idaho (Sun Valley), Oregon (Portland and Ashland), Washington (Seattle and Vancouver)

Mailing: [REDACTED] Ashland, OR 97520

This email and any accompanying attachments and/or links are confidential and may not be forwarded to others.



Samuel Kelleher  
<samuel.kelleher@gmail.com>  
>

11/08/2011 11:54 PM

To Secretary@fec.gov

cc

bcc

Subject Public Comment on Karl Rove's Opinion Request - AOR  
2011-23

Dear FEC,

I just want to comment that candidates should not be able to coordinate, yet not technically coordinate, with PACs and SuperPACS. If PACs are going to operate legitimately they should have complete separation, and in my opinion any PAC and Candidate contact, even incidental, should be strictly enforced. Co-owning an island is much more than incidental contact. I think the Colbert Report piece points out the complete ridiculousness of this whole citizens united supreme court decision fiasco. Thank you for your time,

Sam

--

Samuel Vahid Kelleher  






Matt Redman  
<chesapeakeoaps@gmail.com>

11/08/2011 11:22 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov

cc

bcc

Subject Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion  
Request 2011-23

8 November 2011

Shawn W. Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

Secretary@FEC.gov

**Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request 2011-23**

Dear Commission Secretary Werth:

To the increasingly disillusioned voter on the street a Super PAC is more or less a gigantic loophole for raising and spending unlimited amounts of money. As it stands now only one rule binds these potent Super PACs: that they may not coordinate with candidates' campaigns. I understand that Mr. Karl Rove, the mouthpiece for the American Crossroads Super PAC, has petitioned your office to clarify exactly what the law is. Clearly he is looking for a loophole that will enhance the potential of his Super PAC, an entity which is already too powerful. My comment is that no trough is big enough for some hogs. Please attach this comment to AOR 2011-23. Why not advise that the law is clear as it stands and declare the matter settled? No could mean no—as it should-- if you insist.

Sincerely,

Matt Redman

[REDACTED]

Chestertown MD 21620

[chesapeakesoaps@gmail.com](mailto:chesapeakesoaps@gmail.com)

--

Chesapeake Soaps

[REDACTED]

Chestertown MD 21620

[REDACTED] Home--best reception  
[REDACTED] Cell--may lose signal  
[chesapeakesoaps@gmail.com](mailto:chesapeakesoaps@gmail.com)



Please attach to AOR2011-23.doc

8 November 2011

Shawn W. Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

Secretary@FEC.gov

**Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request  
2011-23**

Dear Commission Secretary Werth:

To the increasingly disillusioned voter on the street a Super PAC is more or less a gigantic loophole for raising and spending unlimited amounts of money. As it stands now only one rule binds these potent Super PACs: that they may not coordinate with candidates' campaigns. I understand that Mr. Karl Rove, the mouthpiece for the American Crossroads Super PAC, has petitioned your office to clarify exactly what the law is. Clearly he is looking for a loophole that will enhance the potential of his Super PAC, an entity which is already too powerful. My comment is that no trough is big enough for some hogs. Please attach this comment to AOR 2011-23. Why not advise that the law is clear as it stands and declare the matter settled? No could mean no—as it should-- if you insist.

Sincerely,  
Matt Redman

  
Chestertown MD 21620

chesapeakesoaps@gmail.com



lori todd  
<loritodd@gmail.com>  
11/08/2011 11:45 PM

To secretary@fec.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Fwd: Profiles In Undaunted Non-Coordination

I also support this effort.

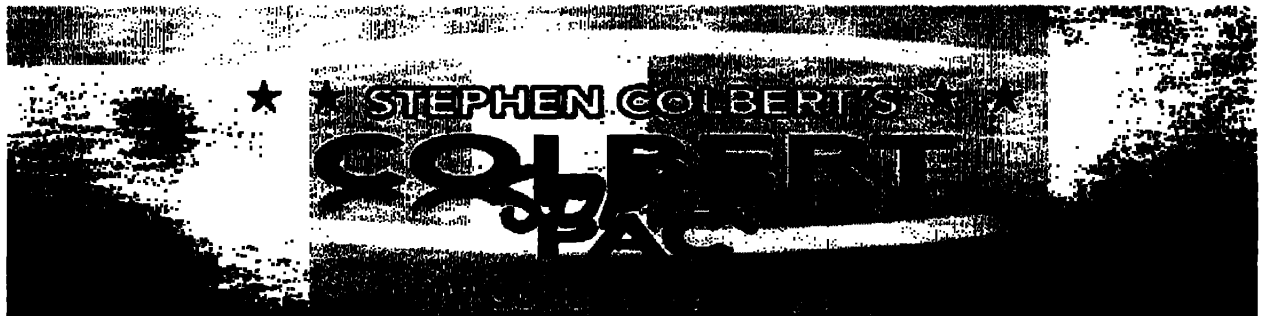
----- Forwarded message -----

From: [REDACTED]  
Date: Nov 8, 2011 8:31 PM  
Subject: Fwd: Profiles In Undaunted Non-Coordination  
To: "Lori Todd" <loritodd@gmail.com>

you have to read the letter too.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Colbert Super PAC <info@colbertsuperpac.com>  
Date: Tue, Nov 8, 2011 at 6:32 PM  
Subject: Profiles In Undaunted Non-Coordination  
[REDACTED]



Dear Colbert Super PAC Members (and semi-sentient spam-bots),

It's a bright day on the shadowy edge of American politics.

Yesterday, I was paid a visit by Trevor Potter, Esq. As you know, if you have been collecting the Official Colbert Super PAC Trading Cards know, Trevor was not only the former head of the F.E.C. and chief counsel to the McCain 2008 campaign, but he's also my personal lawyer\*. Not to mention, someone I am proud to pay for the honor of calling my friend.

Together, we drafted an official Public Comment in support of American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request to the Federal Election Commission.

I'll let that sink in. It may take a bit, because you have no idea what I'm talking about. The full fiduciary details were laid bare in last night's show, but for those of you lacking the energy to click [here for part one](#) and [here for part two](#), here's the

gist:

As free as Super PACs are to raise and spend unlimited amounts of money, they are still unfairly shackled by regulation. Notice I used the singular. That's because there is really only one rule that binds Super PACs: that they may not coordinate with candidates' campaigns. But what fun is buying somebody an election if you have no elected official to share the moment with?

America Crossroads' Karl Rove saw through this sham of a charade – or "shamrade"™ – and petitioned the F.E.C. to clarify exactly what the law is, so he can carefully obey only the letter of it. We at Colbert Super PAC submitted the attached Public Comment to the Federal Election Commission in a show of non-coordinated, non-consensual support.

Incidentally, you might be interested in knowing that any person, be they corporate or biological, can submit their Public Comment on Karl Rove's Opinion Request (which is AOR 2011-23) by writing to Office of the Commission Secretary's email address (which is [Secretary@FEC.gov](mailto:Secretary@FEC.gov)).

We hope you'll join us at Colbert Super PAC in letting Karl Rove know: We've got your back. Because we're looking over your shoulder.

Excelsior!

Stephen Colbert  
President and Junior Legal Counsel  
Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow

\* If you are playing the Colbert Super PAC Trading Card Fantasy/Strategy Card Game, remember that Trevor gains a +4 defense against all frost-based creatures (including the dreaded Ice Dragon!)

Enclosure:



Americans For A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow

November 6, 2011

Shawn Woodhead Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

**Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request**

Dear Secretary Worth:

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow submits this letter as a formal

comment on the Advisory Opinion Request submitted to the Federal Election Commission on October 12, 2011, and again in a revised version on October 28, 2011 by American Crossroads, an organization led by Republican political consultant and "Mr. November" in the 2012 "Hunks of the Bush Administration" calendar, Karl Rove.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has much in common with American Crossroads. Both are registered "independent-expenditure-only" PACs (a.k.a. "Super PACs") that may accept unlimited contributions from corporations, unions, individuals, and doomsday cults we one day hope to found. Both groups are separately affiliated with prominent 501(c)(4) organizations, Colbert Super PAC SHH and Crossroads GPS, and are strongly committed to doing what is legally possible in America. Both have top strategic thinkers at their core: American Crossroads has Karl Rove, and Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has a hair leaf wearing wire rimmed glasses.

Because of this shared bond and heritage, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has an interest in the Request by American Crossroads.

As we understand the American Crossroads Advisory opinion Request, the organization has plans to sponsor advertisements featuring Members of Congress up for re-election. As they wrote in their original Request,

"The purpose of these advertisements, while focused on current legislative and policy issues, would be to improve the public's perception of the featured Member of Congress in advance of the 2012 campaign season."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow could not concur more concurrently. These ads would simply improve public perception of candidates in advance of the campaign. The message is not, "Vote for this great guy," it's merely, "Hey voters! Look at this great guy!"

Clearly, these ads featuring candidates on behalf of candidates would not be candidate ads. As American Crossroads put it, in their original Request,

"While these advertisements would be fully coordinated with incumbent Members of Congress facing re-election in 2012, they would presumably not qualify as 'coordinated communications.'"

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow agrees that "fully coordinated" ads shouldn't be counted as "coordinated communications." The candidate would merely be appearing as a paid spokesperson, who, coincidentally, is closely aligned with the candidate that he or she also is.

For example, an ad in which the Kool Aid men decries our nation-wide childhood thirst problem would not necessarily be an ad for Kool Aid brand juice drink. That being said, would a tall glass of Kool-Aid solve that thirst problem? To quote one expert: "Oh, yeaahhhh!"

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow wholly endorses American Crossroads' Request. We hope the Commission is able to begin with the Supreme Court's definition of Non-Coordinated as "expenditures ... made totally independently of the candidate and his campaign" in *Buckley v. Valeo*, and end up with a ruling that allows outside groups to produce ads with the candidate's cooperation, themes, and message. That will prove to our nation's critics that America is a country that still makes something: rational rationalizations.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow believes that Super PACs can and should coordinate with candidates in every sense of that word—except in the legal or biblical sense. In fact, pending the outcome of American Crossroads' Request, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow plans to coordinate a non-"coordinated" ad with presidential novelty candidate Budny Roemer. A rough example of which can be found here:

[www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination](http://www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination).

It should be clear that there was no collusion with Governor Roemer, as he vehemently opposes and passionately questions the legality of the ad that he agreed to appear in.

If the Commission sees fit to grant these reasonable requests, Americans for a Better Tomorrow will continue to fulfill our promise to never give you up, or let you down, as detailed in our mission statement here:

<http://youtu.be/dQw4w9WgXcQ>

Accordingly, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow respectfully requests the Commission's timely consideration of American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request.

Super Sincerely Yours,

Stephen Colbert  
President & Maître D'  
Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

Ham Rove  
Chief Strategist & Lunchmeat  
Americans for A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

PS – If the commission does not see fit to grant this request fully, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow would like to offer a compromise. To avoid the appearance of collusion, the F.E.C. could rule that candidates can appear in Super PAC ads only against their will. They'd have to be kidnapped, blindfolded, and thrown in a van before being forced to read a statement supporting their goals and then returned to their fundraisers in time for dessert.

<p>Paid for by Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow Not authorized by any candidate or candidate's committee. <a href="http://www.colbertsuperpac.com">www.colbertsuperpac.com</a></p>
---

This message was intended for: [matt.climan@gmail.com](mailto:matt.climan@gmail.com)  
You were added to the system June 29, 2011. For more information  
[click here](#).  
[Update your preferences](#) : [Unsubscribe](#)



Jennifer Cox  
<jennifer.a.cox1@gmail.com>

11/08/2011 11:23 PM

To "Secretary@FEC.gov" <Secretary@FEC.gov>

cc

bcc

Subject American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request

Dear Members of the FEC,

As Stephen Colbert's comment on Mr. Rove's Super Pac's request so eloquently points out, why shouldn't a politician be able to make an appearance in an ad that he/she doesn't pay for, and for which we/he/she have no idea who in fact actually does pay for it, just so long as he/she does not coordinate the appearance with the fact that he/she does or does not support what is being said in the ad?

Karl Rove's request is just one more (enormously powerful) way for politicians to hide who or what (since I do not agree that corporations are people) is behind them, where their funding originates, and whose message they are actually delivering. Please pull the reins in on this misuse of power and money. Americans deserve a lot better.

Jennifer Cox

[REDACTED]  
Nashville, TN 37215





Carol Hoyt  
<crhoyt@webster.edu>  
11/08/2011 11:10 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request

American Crossroad's Advisory Opinion request does not forward the principles of free and fair elections.

Dr. Carol R Hoyt

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
crhoyt@webster.edu  
[REDACTED]



Anna Creighton  
<acreighton1@student.gsu.edu>

11/08/2011 10:37 PM

To "Secretary@FEC.gov" <Secretary@FEC.gov>

cc

bcc

Subject statement by a memeber of ABTT



## Americans For A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow

November 6, 2011

Shawn Woodhead Werth  
Secretary and Clerk  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

### Re: Comment on American Crossroads Advisory Opinion Request

Dear Secretary Werth:

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow submits this letter as a formal comment on the Advisory Opinion Request submitted to the Federal Election Commission on October 12, 2011, and again in a revised version on October 28, 2011 by American Crossroads, an organization led by Republican political consultant and "Mr. November" in the 2012 "Hunks of the Bush Administration" calendar, Karl Rove.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has much in common with American Crossroads. Both are registered "independent-expenditure-only" PACs (a.k.a. "Super PACs") that may accept unlimited contributions from corporations, unions, individuals, and doomsday cults we one day hope to found. Both groups are separately affiliated with prominent 501(c)(4) organizations, Colbert Super PAC SHH and Crossroads GPS, and are strongly committed to doing what is legally possible in America. Both have top strategic thinkers at their core: American Crossroads has Karl Rove, and Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has a ham loaf wearing wire rimmed glasses.

Because of this shared bond and heritage, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow has an interest in the Request by American Crossroads.

As we understand the American Crossroads Advisory opinion Request, the organization has plans to sponsor advertisements featuring Members of Congress up for re-election. As they wrote in their original Request,

"The purpose of these advertisements, while focused on current legislative and policy issues, would be to improve the public's perception of the featured Member of Congress in advance of the 2012 campaign season."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow could not concur more concurrently. These ads would simply improve public perception of candidates in advance of the campaign. The message is not, "Vote for this great guy," it's merely, "Hey voters! Look at this great guy!"

Clearly, these ads featuring candidates on behalf of candidates would not be candidate ads. As American Crossroads put it, in their original Request,

"While these advertisements would be fully coordinated with incumbent Members of Congress facing re-election in 2012, they would presumably not qualify as 'coordinated communications,'."

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow agrees that "fully coordinated" ads shouldn't be counted as "coordinated communications." The candidate would merely be appearing as a paid spokesperson, who, coincidentally, is closely aligned with the candidate that he or she also is.

For example, an ad in which the Kool Aid man decries our nation-wide childhood thirst problem would not necessarily be an ad for Kool Aid brand juice drink. That being said, would a tall glass of Kool-Aid solve that thirst problem? To quote one expert: "Oh, yeeeahhhh!"

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow wholly endorses American Crossroads' Request. We hope the Commission is able to begin with the Supreme Court's definition of Non-Coordinated as "expenditures ... made totally independently of the candidate and his campaign" in *Buckley v. Valeo*, and end up with a ruling that allows outside groups to produce ads with the candidate's cooperation, themes, and message. That will prove to our nation's critics that America is a country that still makes something: strained rationalizations.

Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow believes that Super PACs can and should coordinate with candidates in every sense of that word—except in the legal or biblical sense. In fact, pending the outcome of American Crossroads' Request, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow plans to coordinate a non-"coordinated" ad with presidential novelty candidate Buddy Roemer. A rough example of which can be found here: [www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination](http://www.colbertsuperpac.com/undaunted-non-coordination).

It should be clear that there was no collusion with Governor Roemer, as he vehemently opposes and passionately questions the legality of the ad that he agreed to appear in.

If the Commission sees fit to grant these reasonable requests, Americans for a Better Tomorrow will continue to fulfill our promise to never give you up, or let you down, as detailed in our mission statement here:  
<http://youtu.be/dQw4w9WgXcQ>

Accordingly, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow respectfully requests the Commission's timely consideration of American Crossroads' Advisory Opinion Request.

Super Sincerely Yours,

Stephon Colbert  
President & Maître D'  
Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

Ham Rove  
Chief Strategist & Lunchmeat  
Americans for A Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Inc.

PS – If the commission does not see fit to grant this request fully, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow would like to offer a compromise. To avoid the appearance of collusion, the F.E.C. could rule that candidates can appear in Super PAC ads only against their will. They'd have to be kidnapped, blindfolded, and thrown in a van before being forced to read a statement supporting their goals and then returned to their fundraisers in time for dessert.

Paid for by Americans for a Better Tomorrow,

Tomorrow  
Not authorized by any candidate or candidate's  
committee.  
[www.colbertsuperpac.com](http://www.colbertsuperpac.com)

\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*

Anna E. Creighton  
Neuroscience Institute  
Georgia State University

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]



**Misty Carmichael**  
**<mcarr@hawaii.edu>**  
**11/08/2011 10:33 PM**

**To** Secretary@FEC.gov  
**cc**  
**bcc**  
**Subject** AOR 2011-23

**Office of the Commission Secretary:**

**Regarding clarification of AOR 2011-23, please do not allow Super PAC monetary support for either candidate or issues advocacy. It's clear what a slippery slope it would be to allow one and not the other.**

**Best,**  
**Misty Dawn Carmichael**  
**HCC: <http://hawaii.hawaii.edu/> | UHH: <http://hilo.hawaii.edu/>**  
**mcarr@hawaii.edu** [REDACTED]



Quinn Van Order  
<quinnvanorder@gmail.com>

To Secretary@fec.gov

cc

bcc

11/08/2011 10:31 PM

Subject Public Comment on AOR 2011-23

These tactics are clearly collaboration. To allow this sham to continue would be a disgusting miscarriage of justice. Please do not allow this to continue.

--

Quinn Van Order

████ NW 53rd St █████

Corvallis Oregon 97330

████████████████████




"Ross A. Kennedy"  
<rossk@structure44.com>  
11/08/2011 10:31 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Regarding AOR 2011-23 - Karl Rove Opinion Request

Regarding Karl Rove's Use of super pac funds to skirt campaign law.

Mr. Rove's attempts to skirt existing PAC campaign rules is dangerous if not surprising. With congress in seemingly endless a partisan pissing match it's up to you to help set a clear and meaningful course for ethical policies. For the sake of this beautiful country, please reel this nonsense in.

Ross A. Kennedy  




Seamus Campbell  
<seamus.o.campbell@gmail.com>

11/08/2011 10:29 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc info@colbertsuperpac.com

bcc

Subject Public Comment on AOR 2011-23

To Whom It May Concern,

I write to you in regards to American Crossroads' advisory opinion (AOR 2011-23) and, in particular, Stephen Colbert's Non-affiliated, Expenditure-Only Political Action Committee (Super PAC) , Americans for a Better Tomorrow Tomorrow (also known as Colbert Super PAC).

As Mr. Colbert mentioned on his television news program, "The Colbert Report," during the on the November 8, 2011 airing, Karl Rove, as head of American Crossroads is requesting that Super PACs be allowed to coordinate messaging with political candidates and/or political candidate's committees.

I, as a proud member of the Colbert Nation since 2005, support Mr. Colbert's support for Mr. Rove's request to have the permission of the Federal Elections Commission (FEC) for Super PACs to coordinate with political candidates.

Amendment 1 of the United States Constitution states

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

Consistently, that amendment has been interpreted to allow for a freedom of association. There is also precedence of corporate personhood, most notable in the 2010 Supreme Court ruling in *Citizens United vs. Federal Election Commission* . Though it goes without saying, many Super PACs also have related, yet unaffiliated corporations listed under the Internal Revenue Service as either 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), or 527 organizations. All three of these forms of corporations, under corporate personhood, allowing these corporations to coordinate with candidates.

If you may have noticed, I have been careful in my choice of using the words "person," "Super PAC/PAC," "committee," and corporation. That is because I firmly believe that corporate personhood must also be extended to political action committees and candidate authorized committees. As recently said by Republican Presidential Candidate Willard Mitt Romney recently said "corporations are people." That also holds true for political committees. Like corporations, political committees consist of people and stakeholders that both aim for a common goal. Therefore, by sheer logic of association, political committees must be held to the same standard as corporations.

I stand in support of Mr. Colbert's support for Mr. Rove's aim to receive a favorable opinion by the FEC pursuant to his request for an advisory opinion. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me further. I thank you for your time.

--

Seamus Campbell

Henry Street

Brooklyn, NY 11201





**"Guy Long"**  
**<guylong68@msn.com>**  
11/08/2011 10:25 PM

To <Secretary@FEC.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject 2011-23

**RE: America Crossroads**

**I think the F.E.C. should let Carl Rove's America Crossroads lie and misrepresent to as many Americans as he can afford to do. Please let him do this as it will hasten the demise of the election process that is corrupt to the core in this nation.**  
**Thank you,**

**Christopher guy Long**  
**██████ Jean Rae Dr**  
**Columbia , Mo 65203**



Ed Mehollin  
<emehollin@gmail.com>  
11/08/2011 10:25 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Opinion Request AOR 2011-23

I am writing to urge you to deny Karl Rove's plan to make super-pacs even more influential than they already have become. Let's limit the buying of elections.

--

Ed Mehollin  




Talhah Zubair  
<talhahzubair@college.harvard.edu>

11/08/2011 10:17 PM

To Secretary@FEC.gov

cc

bcc

Subject Public Comment on Karl Rove's Opinion Request

Dear F.E.C,

Karl Rove was inconspicuously raising his middle finger at the fundamental regulation posed on Super PACs; what Colbert is doing is making that middle finger blatant. I hope you at the F.E.C. will do what's best for the people and **strengthen the regulations on Super PACs**. We should be aiming to *decrease* the influence financial backing in politics, candidates should be elected based on their merits, not through a melee of political entity endorsed information-less commercials.

Regards,

--

Talhah Zubair | Harvard College [REDACTED]  
Chemistry B.S. Candidate / Computer Science Secondary Field

[REDACTED] Adams Mail Center | Cambridge, MA 02138  
[talhahzubair@college.harvard.edu](mailto:talhahzubair@college.harvard.edu) [REDACTED]



Mimi Devens  
<mimidevens@sbcglobal.net>

11/09/2011 08:35 AM

Please respond to  
Mimi Devens  
<mimidevens@sbcglobal.net>

To "Secretary@FEC.gov" <Secretary@FEC.gov>

cc

bcc

Subject Public Comment on Karl Rove's Opinion Request (which is AOR 2011-23)

To Whom it May Concern:

From: Mary E. Devens

RE: Public Comment on Karl Rove's Opinion Request (which is AOR 2011-23)

November 9, 2011

It is a mockery of the American electoral system and democracy itself to allow this kind of big money PURCHASING OF ELECTIONS. I am writing to express my outrage and dissent against any attempt by any SuperPac, which has no obligation to reveal where their funding comes from, to feature candidates in their ads prior to any American election.

As we watch democracy grow in the Middle East, we are watching it erode here in America. This is a travesty. I urge you to preserve the sanctity of the Founding Fathers' intent that we be a government of the people, for the people, and by the people. They wanted protections against this kind of government being usurped by the wealthy and powerful factions. Do not let those protections collapse under your watch. Say NO to Karl Rove's and Colbert's Super Pac request to coordinate with candidates. DO NOT let them finagle with wording in a corrupt and cynical way around the true intent of these laws and guidelines. AMERICANS ARE WATCHING.

Thank You,

Mary E. Devens

Mimi Devens, LCSW

██████████ Riverside Drive

██████████

Sherman Oaks, CA 91423

#### CONFIDENTIALITY NOTICE

This electronic mail transmission is intended only for the personal and confidential use of the recipient's designated above. It may also constitute a therapist-patient communication and may therefore be legally privileged. If you are not the intended recipient of this communication (or an agent responsible for delivering it to the intended recipient), you are hereby notified that any review, disclosure, or use of the information contained herein is strictly prohibited. If you have received this communication in error, please notify us by telephone, at (818)675-8827 or by return e-mail, immediately, and please destroy the original message and all copies. Thank you.