

Here are 1,366 well sourced examples of Barack Obama's lies, lawbreaking, corruption, cronyism, hypocrisy, waste, etc.

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I ask you to please show this list to as many people as possible – and especially, to please show it to as many Obama supporters as possible. Sunshine really is the best

disinfectant. I can't stop Obama from doing any of these horrible things, but I can tell people about what he is doing. So please share this list with others on Facebook, Twitter, etc. Thank you. The short link for this is <http://tinyurl.com/ku9vxug>

Every President, every politician, and every human being tells lies and engages in acts of hypocrisy. But Barack Obama does these things to a far greater degree than anyone else that I have ever known of. His campaign promises were so much better sounding than anyone else's – no lobbyists in his administration, waiting five days before signing all non-emergency bills so people would have time to read them, putting health care negotiations on C-SPAN, reading every bill line by line to make sure money isn't being wasted, prosecution of Wall St. criminals, ending raids against medical marijuana in states where it's legal, high levels of transparency. Obama's promises of these wonderful things sounded inspiring and sincere. They sounded so much better than the promises of any other President. So when Obama broke these promises, it felt so much worse than when other Presidents broke their promises.

In the 2008 United States election, I wrote in Ron Paul for President. In the 2012 election, I voted for Libertarian Party candidate Gary Johnson. Those who are of a more leftist persuasion than myself might want to consider voting for the Green Party in future elections.

Some of the things on this list are major events that should scare the daylights out of any true liberal who cares about civil liberties.

Other things on this list are medium things that some Obama supporters may dislike, but would be willing to

overlook in light of the things that Obama has done which they like.

And some of the things on this list may seem trivial, but I still think they are an interesting reflection of the kinds of policies that Obama supports.

Every claim that I make in this list is sourced. Click on the [underlined text](#) to see the sources. I have cited a wide variety of sources, from right wing, to left wing, to middle of the road.

I welcome any comments and criticisms that you may have. If you say my list is wrong, please back up your claim by citing specific examples.

And now, on with the list:

1) Carried out military interventionism in Libya without Congressional approval

In June 2011, U.S. Congressman Dennis Kucinich (D-Ohio) [said](#) that Obama had violated the Constitution when he launched military operations in Libya without Congressional approval.

In April 2014, Ralph Nader [said](#) that Obama should be impeached for his actions in Libya.

2) Gave a no-bid contract to Halliburton cronies – just like Bush did

In May 2010, it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration had selected KBR, a former subsidiary of Halliburton, for a no-bid contract worth as much as \$568 million through 2011, just hours after the Justice Department had said it

would pursue a lawsuit accusing the Houston-based company of using kickbacks to get foreign contracts.

Don't be fooled by the words "former subsidiary." These are the same Halliburton cronies that Bush gave a no-bid contract to.

3) Has an administration full of lobbyists, after promising he wouldn't have any

On November 15, 2007, in Las Vegas, Nevada, Obama [said](#) that lobbyists

"... will not work in my White House."

However, by February 2010, he had more than 40 lobbyists working in his administration. A list of them can be seen [here](#).

4) Had close ties to Wall St., but pretended to support Occupy Wall St.

Although Obama claimed to support the Occupy Wall St. movement, the truth is that as of 2011, he had raised [more](#) money from Wall St. than any other candidate during the previous 20 years. In early 2012, Obama held a fundraiser where Wall St. investment bankers and hedge fund managers each paid [\\$35,800](#) to attend. In October 2011, Obama [hired](#) Broderick Johnson, a longtime Wall Street lobbyist, to be his new senior campaign adviser. Johnson had worked as a lobbyist for JP Morgan Chase, Bank of America, Fannie Mae, Comcast, Microsoft, and the oil industry.

5) Broke his promise to close Guantanamo Bay

Obama's campaign made the [following promise](#):

"As president, Barack Obama will close the detention facility at Guantanamo."

PolitiFact rated this as

"promise broken"

In July 2012, ABC News reported that this

"... might be President Obama's biggest broken promise"

I have gotten more criticism for this particular item than for any other item on my list. People have said that Obama "tried" to close Guantanamo Bay, but was blocked by Republicans in the House and Senate. However, Obama did not promise that he would "try" to close it. He promised that he would "close" it. Furthermore, there were enough Democrats in the House and Senate to pass Obamacare without any Republicans voting for it, so if you want to blame someone in the House and Senate for failing to close Guantanamo Bay, then I suggest that you blame the Democrats.

6) Supported the \$700 billion TARP corporate-welfare bailout just like Bush

While Senator, Obama voted for the \$700 billion TARP bank bailout bill. The bailout rewarded irresponsible and illegal behavior. It redirected resources from more productive uses to less productive uses. It punished the hard working taxpayers who had played by the rules and obeyed the law. It created horrible incentives, and sent the wrong message. The bailout was evil because it rewarded the bad people and punished the good people. No society that does this can expect to remain free or prosperous. Instead of bailing out

these corrupt corporations, we should have let them cease to exist, like we did with Enron.

7) Waged the biggest war against medical marijuana of any president, which was the opposite of what he had promised

In May 2008, Obama campaign spokesperson Ben LaBolt [said](#) that Obama would end DEA raids on medical marijuana in states where it's legal. Also in 2008, Obama [said](#) that he supported the "basic concept of using medical marijuana for the same purposes and with the same controls as other drugs" and that he was "not going to be using Justice Department resources to try to circumvent state laws."

However, in February 2010, DEA agents [raided](#) a medical marijuana grower in Highlands Ranch in Colorado, a state where medical marijuana is legal. Also in February 2010, DEA agents [raided](#) a medical marijuana dispensary in Culver City in California, a state where medical marijuana is legal. In July 2010, the DEA [raided](#) at least four medical marijuana growers in San Diego, California. Also in July 2010, the DEA [raided](#) a medical marijuana facility in Covelo, California. Then in September 2010, the DEA conducted [raids](#) on at least five medical marijuana dispensaries in Las Vegas, Nevada, where medical marijuana is legal. In 2011, the DEA conducted [raids](#) on medical marijuana in Seattle, Washington, West Hollywood, California, and Helena, Montana, all places where it is legal. In April 2012, the DEA carried out several [raids](#) on medical marijuana in Oakland, California.

In February 2012, Rolling Stone magazine [wrote](#) that Obama's war against medical marijuana went "far beyond anything undertaken by George W. Bush." In April 2012,

Mother Jones magazine [wrote](#): "The president campaigned on the promise that he'd stop federal raids on medical marijuana operations that were in compliance with state laws, a vow that Attorney General Eric Holder repeated after the election. But then the Obama administration raided more than 100 dispensaries in its first three years and is now poised to outpace the Bush administration's crackdown record." In May 2012, the Washington Post [wrote](#): "Obama has become more hostile to medical marijuana patients than any president in U.S. history." In May 2012, U.S. Congressperson Nancy Pelosi (D-California) [said](#) she had "strong concerns" about Obama's forced closure of five medical marijuana facilities in Pelosi's congressional district. In April 2012, commenting on Obama's crackdown on medical marijuana, U.S. Congressman Barney Frank (D-Massachusetts) [said](#), "I'm very disappointed... They look more like the Bush administration than the Clinton administration."

In July 2012, federal prosecutors [filed](#) civil forfeiture actions against Harborside Health Center, a medical marijuana dispensary in Oakland, CA, which claims to be the world's largest, and which claims to serve more than 100,000 medical marijuana patients. In April 2012, federal agents [raided](#) Oaksterdam University, an educational institution in Oakland, CA, which teaches people about medical marijuana. In April 2012, federal agents [raided](#) a medical marijuana facility which had been serving 1,500 patients near Lake Elsinore, CA. In June 2012, the Obama administration [filed](#) asset-forfeiture lawsuits against two landlords who rented their buildings to medical marijuana stores in Santa Fe Springs, CA. The Obama administration also sent warning letters which threatened similar legal action to dozens of other, nearby landlords. During the first seven months of 2012, the DEA [shut down](#) 40 medical

marijuana dispensaries in Colorado, all of which had been operating in compliance with state and local law.

In April 2013, the DEA raided four medical marijuana dispensaries in Los Angeles, California. Also in April 2013, the DEA raided a medical marijuana dispensary in San Diego, California. In July 2013, the DEA conducted multiple medical marijuana raids in Washington state, including the cities of Olympia, Tacoma, and Seattle. In August 2013, the DEA raided People's Choice Alternative Medicine, a medical marijuana facility in Ann Arbor, Michigan. In October 2013, the DEA raided 28 medical marijuana facilities in Michigan. In November 2013, the DEA raided 12 medical marijuana facilities in Denver, Colorado.

In April 2014, the DEA raided four medical marijuana dispensaries in Denver, Colorado. In June 2014, DEA agents visited the homes and offices of doctors in Massachusetts who had written prescriptions for medical marijuana, and threatened to confiscate their federal licenses to prescribe certain medications if they did not stop writing prescriptions for medical marijuana. In October 2014, the DEA raided two medical marijuana dispensaries in Los Angeles, California.

In May 2012, ABC News reported that during Obama's youth, he often smoked large quantities of recreational marijuana. Obama's marijuana smoking wasn't even medical – it was recreational. And yet now, he is taking large scale, widespread action to prevent people with AIDS, cancer, multiple sclerosis, glaucoma, and other illnesses, who have prescriptions from their doctors, from using their prescription medicine – how cold hearted can a person be?

8) Nominated a six-time tax cheater to head the government agency that enforces the tax laws

Obama nominated Timothy Geithner, a repeat tax cheater, to head the government agency that enforces the tax laws.

Prior to his nomination, Geithner had:

1) Illegally failed to pay more than \$34,000 in social security and medicare taxes

2) Illegally declared the cost of his children's summer camp as a form of day care.

3) Illegally failed to pay the early withdrawal penalty when he took money out of his retirement plan

4) Illegally declared non-eligible items as a charitable deduction

5) Illegally declared something which was ineligible as a small business deduction

6) Illegally declared utility expenses which had actually been for his personal use

9) Gave tax dollars to AIG executives, then pretended to be outraged about it

Obama signed a "stimulus" bill that spent money on bonuses for AIG executives. Prior to signing this bill, Obama had said, "when I'm president, I will go line by line to make sure that we are not spending money unwisely." However, after reading "line by line" and signing the "stimulus" bill that protected the AIG bonuses, Obama pretended to be shocked and outraged at the bonuses, and said, "Under these circumstances, it's hard to understand how derivative traders at A.I.G. warranted any bonuses at all, much less \$165 million in extra pay... How do they justify this outrage

to the taxpayers who are keeping the company afloat?" and also said that he would "pursue every single legal avenue to block these bonuses."

10) Expanded Bush's unconstitutional government faith based programs

Obama expanded the federal government's faith based programs which had been started by President George W. Bush.

11) Supported Bush's unconstitutional Patriot Act

In May 2011, Obama signed a renewal of the Patriot Act.

12) Increased the national debt more in one term than Bush did in two

The national debt increased more during Obama's first three years and two months than it did during all eight years of George W. Bush's presidency.

13) Agrees with Bush's support of unconstitutional, indefinite detention of U.S. citizens without filing any charges

In December 2011, ACLU executive director Anthony D. Romero criticized Obama for signing a bill that gave the U.S. government the power to indefinitely detain U.S. citizens without any charges being filed or any trial taking place.

14) Agrees with Bush's support of unconstitutional, warrantless wiretapping

President Obama has defended warrantless wiretapping.

15) **Avoided prosecution of Wall. St criminals**

Although Obama had promised to prosecute Wall St. criminals, during his entire first term, his administration did not file any criminal charges against any of the top financial executives.

16) **Had four U.S. citizens killed without judicial process**

Obama had four U.S. citizens killed without judicial process.

The ACLU accused Obama of violating the U.S. Constitution for doing this.

U.S. Congressman Ron Paul (R-TX) said that Obama's actions might be an impeachable offense.

Ralph Nader wrote that Obama

"has extended the Bush doctrine by declaring his unilateral right, as secret prosecutor, judge, jury, and executioner, to destroy anybody, anywhere in the world, including American citizens, suspected to be engaged in alleged terrorist activities, all this vaguely and loosely defined as anti-U.S. security."

17) **Ordered private company to fire 1,000 employees**

In 2011, after Boeing had hired 1,000 new employees to work at its new factory in South Carolina, the Obama administration ordered Boeing to shut down the factory, because the factory was non-union.

18) **Stole money from retired teachers and police officers**

During the Chrysler bankruptcy, Obama violated the Fifth Amendment and more than 150 years of bankruptcy law by illegally treating secured creditors worse than unsecured creditors. Some of these secured creditors were retired teachers and police officers from Indiana.

Richard A. Epstein, a law professor at New York University School of Law, wrote of this:

"Upsetting this fixed hierarchy among creditors is just an illegal taking of property from one group of creditors for the benefit of another, which should be struck down on both statutory and constitutional grounds."

Todd Zywicki, Professor of Law at George Mason University School of Law, wrote that Obama's treatment of secured creditors was

"dangerous to the rule of law."

The Economist wrote that Obama's actions could

"establish a terrible precedent. Bankruptcy exists to sort legal claims on assets. If it becomes a tool of social policy, who will then lend to struggling firms in which the government has a political interest?"

Francis Cianfrocca, the CEO of Bayshore Networks, wrote that Obama's actions were

"an astonishingly reckless abrogation of contract law that will introduce a new level of uncertainty into business transactions at all levels, and make wealth generation more difficult going forward... An extraordinary uncertainty has been created when the most powerful man in the world can rewrite contracts and choose

winners and losers in private negotiations as he sees fit. Since this is an unquantifiable uncertainty, and not a quantifiable risk, its effect on business and investor confidence will be large and unpredictable. As in the 1930s, a time when government also cavalierly rewrote private contracts, the prudent approach for business will be to invest minimally and wait for another administration."

19) Supported release of convicted mass murderer

In 2010, Obama supported releasing Lockerbie bomber Abdel Baset al-Megrahi (who had been convicted of murdering 270 people) from prison.

20) Illegally put thousands of guns into hands of criminals

In Operation Fast and Furious, the Obama administration ordered gun storeowners to illegally sell thousands of guns to criminals.

U.S. Border Patrol agent Brian Terry was murdered with one of these guns.

The murderer was sentenced to 30 years in prison, but his accomplices, Eric Holder and Barack Obama, haven't even been arrested or charged.

21) Fired Inspector General for discovering that Obama's friend had embezzled government funds

In June 2009, Obama fired Inspector General Gerald Walpin, after Walpin accused Sacramento mayor Kevin Johnson, an Obama supporter, of misuse of AmeriCorps funding to pay for school-board political activities. In a letter to Congress,

the White House said that Walpin was fired because he was “confused, disoriented, unable to answer questions and exhibited other behavior that led the Board to question his capacity to serve.” A bipartisan group of 145 current and former public officials, attorneys, and legal scholars [signed](#) a letter that was sent to the White House, which defended Walpin, said the criticisms of him were not true, and said that his firing was politically motivated. The letter can be read [here](#).

22) **Lied about putting health care negotiations on C-SPAN**

Although Obama had made a campaign [promise](#) to have all of the health care reform negotiations broadcast on C-SPAN, he broke that promise after he was elected.

The secrecy of these negotiations was so strong that U.S. Congresswoman and Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi (D-California) [said](#), “We have to pass the bill so that you can find out what is in it.”

23) **Lied about letting people keep their health insurance**

Before Obamacare was passed, Obama [said](#):

“No matter how we reform health care, we will keep this promise to the American people... If you like your health care plan, you’ll be able to keep your health care plan, period. No one will take it away, no matter what.”

Also before Obamacare was passed, Obama [said](#):

“Here is a guarantee that I’ve made. If you have insurance that you like, then you will be able to keep

that insurance.”

However, after Obamacare was passed, the Congressional Budget Office said that the law would cause seven million people to lose their employer provided insurance.

After Obamacare was passed, 1199SEIU United Healthcare Workers East announced that it would drop health insurance for the children of more than 30,000 low-wage home attendants. Mitra Behroozi, executive director of benefit and pension funds for 1199SEIU stated

“... new federal health-care reform legislation requires plans with dependent coverage to expand that coverage up to age 26... meeting this new requirement would be financially impossible.”

Also, after Obamacare was passed, the Franciscan University of Steubenville dropped its coverage in response to the law.

Universal Orlando dropped its coverage for part time employees in response to Obamacare.

In addition, after Obamacare was passed, Forbes reported

“The House Ways and Means Committee has released a new report that sheds light onto how Obamacare incentivizes companies to dump their workers onto the new law’s subsidized exchanges.”

Also after Obamacare was passed, MSN reported

“The Affordable Care Act mandate most commonly known as Obamacare has some tight stipulations that, CNN says, are forcing health care companies to rip up most of their current plans and draft new ones that

comply. According to a University of Chicago study, just about half of the individual health care plans currently on the market won't cut it once key provisions of the Affordable Care Act kick in next year."

Furthermore, it was [reported](#) that Obamacare would cause 58,000 Aetna and UnitedHealth Group customers in California to lose their insurance.

In response to Obamacare, some employers have [dropped](#) coverage for their employees' spouses. In August 2013, it was [reported](#) that UPS had announced that it would be dropping 15,000 spouses of its employees from its health insurance, and that it had cited Obamacare as the reason it was doing this.

The chain of Wegmans supermarkets [cancelled](#) the policies of its part time employees in response to Obamacare.

In July 2013, leaders of the Teamsters, UFCW, and UNITE-HERE sent a [letter](#) to Harry Reid and Nancy Pelosi which said that Obamacare

"will shatter not only our hard-earned health benefits... these restrictions will make non-profit plans like ours unsustainable... we can no longer stand silent in the face of elements of the Affordable Care Act that will destroy the very health and wellbeing of our members along with millions of other hardworking Americans"

In August 2013, it was [reported](#) that 106,000 New Jersey citizens would lose their health insurance because of Obamacare.

In September 2013, IBM [announced](#) that it would be switching 110,000 of its retirees from their current IBM-

provided health insurance to the Obamacare exchanges.

In September 2013, Trader Joe's announced that, in response to Obamacare, it would stop providing insurance to its part time employees.

In October 2013, it was reported that at least 146,000 people in Michigan would be losing their insurance because of Obamacare.

In October 2013, it was reported that Florida Blue would be dropping 300,000 customers because of Obamacare.

In October 2013, it was reported that 491,977 individual insurance plans in California would be canceled because of Obamacare.

In October 2013, it was reported that, in response to Obamacare, Home Depot would stop providing insurance to its part time employees.

In October 2013, it was reported that Obamacare was forcing CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield to cancel the insurance of 76,000 people in Virginia, Maryland, and Washington, D.C., because their policies did not meet the minimum requirements of Obamacare.

In October 2013, it was reported that hundreds of thousands of people in Washington state would be losing their insurance because of Obamacare.

In November 2013, it was reported that nearly 250,000 people in Colorado would lose their insurance because of Obamacare.

In January 2014, it was reported that, in response to Obamacare, Target was planning to stop offering insurance

to its part time employees.

24) **Lied about the cost of Obamacare**

Before Obamacare was passed, Obama promised

"I will not sign a plan that adds one dime to our deficits – either now or in the future. I will not sign it if it adds one dime to the deficit, now or in the future, period. And to prove that I'm serious, there will be a provision in this plan that requires us to come forward with more spending cuts if the savings we promised don't materialize."

However, after Obama signed it, the Washington Post reported that it would add more than \$340 billion to the budget deficit over the next decade.

In March 2012, the Congressional Budget Office said that over the next decade, Obamacare would cost twice as much as what Obama had promised.

In May 2013, it was reported that Obamacare's program for high risk patients was more expensive than what Obama had promised.

25) **Gave tax dollars to campaign contributors and lobbyists, and falsely claimed the money was for "green energy"**

In 2009 the Obama administration gave \$535 million to Solyndra, claiming that it would create 4,000 new jobs. However, instead of creating those 4,000 new jobs, the company went bankrupt. It was later revealed that the company's shareholders and executives had made substantial donations to Obama's campaign, that

the company had spent a large sum of money on [lobbying](#), and that Solyndra executives had had many [meetings](#) with White House officials.

It was also revealed that the Obama administration had already been aware of Solyndra's financial troubles. For example, according to the company's security filings in 2009, the company had been selling its product for [less](#) than the cost of production. In 2010, Obama visited the Solyndra factory and cited it as a role model for his "stimulus" program, [saying](#) "It's here that companies like Solyndra are leading the way toward a brighter and more prosperous future." The Washington Post [wrote](#) of this, "Administration officials and outside advisers warned that President Obama should consider dropping plans to visit a solar startup company in 2010 because its mounting financial problems might ultimately embarrass the White House." Solyndra was a private company, but had been planning to use its government loans as a means of going public – so when Obama knowingly overstated the company's condition in order to help his friends at Solyndra, he [broke](#) the same law that Martha Stewart had been sent to prison for breaking.

In September 2011, federal agents [visited](#) the homes of Brian Harrison, the company's CEO, and Chris Gronet, the company's founder, to examine computer files and documents. Also in September 2011, the U.S. Treasury Department [launched](#) an investigation.

On September 13, 2011, the Washington Post [reported](#) on emails which showed that the Obama administration had tried to rush federal reviewers to approve the loan so Vice President Joe Biden could announce it at a September 2009 groundbreaking for the company's factory. The company

was a hallmark of President Obama's plan to support clean energy technologies.

The New York Times [reported](#) that government auditors and industry analysts had faulted the Obama administration for failing to properly evaluate the company's business proposals, as well as for failing to take note of troubling signs which were already evident. In addition, Frank Rusco, a program director at the Government Accountability Office, had found that the preliminary loan approval had been granted before officials had completed the legally mandated evaluations of the company.

The New York Times [quoted](#) Shyam Mehta, a senior analyst at GTM Research, as saying "There was just too much misplaced zeal at the Department of Energy for this company." Among 143 companies that had expressed an interest in getting a loan guarantee, Solyndra was the first one to get approval. During the period when Solyndra's loan guarantee was under review, the company had spent nearly \$1.8 million on lobbying. Tim Harris, the CEO of Solopower, a different solar panel company which had obtained a \$197 million loan guarantee, told the New York Times that his company had never considered spending any money on lobbying, and that "It was made clear to us early in the process that that was clearly verboten... We were told that it was not only not helpful but it was not acceptable."

The Washington Post [reported](#) that Solyndra had used some of the loan money to purchase new equipment which it never used, and then sold that new equipment, still in its plastic wrap, for pennies on the dollar. Former Solyndra engineer Lindsey Eastburn told the Washington Post, "After we got the loan guarantee, they were just spending money left and right... Because we were doing well, nobody cared. Because of that infusion of money, it made people sloppy."

On September 29, 2011, the Washington Post [reported](#) that the Obama administration had continued to allow Solyndra to receive taxpayer money even after it had defaulted on its \$535 million loan.

On October 7, 2011, The Washington Post [reported](#) that newly revealed emails showed that Energy Department officials had been warned that their plan to help Solyndra by restructuring the loan might be illegal, and should be cleared with the Justice Department first. However, Energy Department officials moved ahead with the restructuring anyway, with a new deal that would repay company investors before taxpayers if the company were to default. The emails showed concerns within the Obama administration about the legality of the Energy Department's actions. In addition, an Energy Department "stimulus" adviser, Steve Spinner, had pushed for the loan, despite having recused himself because his wife's law firm had done work for the company.

In January 2012, CBS News [reported](#) that Solyndra had thrown millions of dollars worth of brand new glass tubes into garbage dumpsters, where they ended up being shattered. Solyndra told CBS that it had conducted an exhaustive search for buyers of the glass tubes, and that no one had wanted them. However, CBS discovered that Solyndra had not offered the glass tubes for sale at either one of its two asset auctions that took place in 2011. In addition, David Lucky, a buyer and seller of such equipment, told CBS that he would have bought the tubes if he had had a chance to do so. Greg Smestad, a solar scientist who had consulted for the Department of Energy, also agreed that the tubes had value, and had asked Solyndra to donate any unwanted tubes to Santa Clara University. Smestad stated, "That really makes me sad... Those tubes represent

intellectual investment. These could have had a better value to do public good. I think they owed the U.S. taxpayer that."

Solyndra was not the only "green energy" company involved in this type of fraud. After Obama gave Raser Technologies \$33 million to build a power plant, the company declared [bankruptcy](#), and owed \$1.5 million in back taxes. After Obama gave Abound Solar, Inc. a \$400 million loan guarantee to build photovoltaic panel factories, the company [halted](#) production and laid off 180 employees. After Obama gave Beacon Power a \$43 million loan guarantee to build green energy storage, the company filed for [bankruptcy](#). After Obama approved \$2.1 billion in loan guarantees for Solar Trust of America so it could build solar power plants, the company filed for [bankruptcy](#).

In April 2012, CBS News reported that Solyndra had left a substantial amount of [toxic waste](#) at its abandoned facility in Milpitas, California. In May 2014, it was [reported](#) that the building in Longmont, Colorado that had been abandoned by Abound Solar in 2012 was still contaminated with cadmium, a toxic metal which can cause cancer.

Although Obama stated that all of the "green energy" companies that received taxpayer money were chosen "based solely on their merits," the truth is that 71% of these grants and loans went to [Obama donors and fundraisers](#), who raised \$457,834 for his campaign, and were later approved for grants and loans totaling more than \$11 billion. By November 2011, the Energy Department's inspector general had begun more than 100 criminal investigations related to Obama's "[stimulus](#)." Although an "independent" review said that Obama had not done anything wrong, it was later reported that Herbert M. Allison

Jr., the person who had conducted this “independent” review, donated \$52,500 to Obama’s campaign.

26) **Had “off the record” meetings with lobbyists**

In June 2010, the New York Times reported that Obama administration officials had held hundreds of meetings with lobbyists at coffee houses near the White House, in order to avoid the disclosure requirements for White House visitors, and that these meetings “reveal a disconnect between the Obama administration’s public rhetoric — with Mr. Obama himself frequently thrashing big industries’ ‘battalions’ of lobbyists as enemies of reform — and the administration’s continuing, private dealings with them.”

27) **Falsely claimed to believe in public education**

Although Obama said, “We need to uphold the ideal of public education,” he expressed his true opinion of America’s public education system by sending his own children to private schools while living in Chicago and Washington D.C.

28) **Falsely promised that Obamacare would give people “the same kind of insurance that Senator McCain and I enjoy”**

In 2008, Obama said:

“If you don’t have health insurance, you’re going to be able to buy the same kind of insurance that Senator McCain and I enjoy as federal employees.”

However, the New York Times reported:

“No patient gets closer medical attention than the president of the United States. Wherever he goes, a

doctor, nurse or paramedic trails a few footsteps behind, ready for any medical need. It is the ultimate in concierge medicine."

29) Shut down Amish farm

In February 2012, Obama shut down an [Amish farm](#) for selling unpasteurized milk across state lines, even though the customers were happy with what they were buying.

30) Rewarded his fundraisers by giving them federal jobs

Although Obama had promised to have "the most sweeping ethics reform in history," and had often criticized the role of money in politics, the truth is that after he was elected, he [gave](#) administration jobs to more than half of his 47 biggest fundraisers.

31) Ignored constitutional requirements for appointees

In February 2009, U.S. Senator Robert Byrd (D-West Virginia) [expressed](#) concern that Obama's dozens of czars might violate the U.S. Constitution, because they were not approved by the U.S. Senate. U.S. Senator Russ Feingold (D-Wisconsin) [expressed](#) a similar concern in September 2009.

32) Gave tax dollars to corrupt private contractors to build 504 units of mice infested, slum housing, with backed up sewage

While Obama was a state Senator in Illinois, he used tax dollars to build 504 units of slum housing, which had mice and backed up sewage. Federal inspectors graded the

condition of the housing so bad that the buildings faced demolition.

33) Used tax dollars to glorify communist murderers Che Guevara and Fidel Castro

In January 2012, it was reported that the Obama administration had spent \$1.6 million of taxpayers' money to restore graffiti that glorified communist murderers Che Guevara and Fidel Castro.

34) Falsely claimed that the U.S. Supreme Court had never overturned any laws that had been passed by Congress

Despite having taught constitutional law at one of the most prestigious law schools in the country, in April 2012 Obama falsely claimed that the U.S. Supreme Court had never overturned any laws that had been passed by Congress.

35) Supported new bailouts for speculators who caused housing bubble

In March 2012, Obama announced a new set of bailouts for speculators who had caused the housing bubble.

36) Spent \$205,075 on a shrubbery which nurseries sell for \$16

During one of Obama's "stimulus" projects, \$205,075 of combined federal and local government funding was spent to relocate and care for a single specimen of *Arctostaphylos franciscana*, a shrubbery which nurseries sell for \$16.

37) Spent taxpayer money to see if using cocaine helped rats to enjoy the music of Miles Davis

Obama's administration funded a [study](#) to see whether or not rats' enjoyment of the music of Miles Davis was increased when the rats were high on cocaine.

38) Tried to outlaw family farms

In April 2012, the Obama administration [proposed](#) new regulations which would prohibit farm children under 18 from working at grain elevators, silos, feed lots, stockyards, and livestock auctions, as well as from storing, marketing and transporting farm product raw materials. Critics claimed that this would prevent children from the common practice of working on their friends' and relatives' farms, and that farm children did not need "help" from a community organizer in Washington.

39) Auctioned off ambassadorship to the Netherlands

In April 2012, Obama [nominated](#) Timothy Broas, who had "bundled" more than \$500,000 for Obama's 2012 campaign, to be U.S. ambassador to the Netherlands.

40) Claimed that written tests are a form of "racial discrimination"

The Obama administration accused fire and police departments in [Jacksonville, Florida](#), [New York City](#), and [Dayton, Ohio](#) of "racial discrimination" because they required potential firefighters and police officers to take a written test. Ten real examples of these "racist" questions from the New York test can be read [here](#).

41) Made the TSA even more abusive and ridiculous than it had been under Bush

The Obama administration gave a very invasive patdown to a [three-year-old](#) boy in a wheelchair, which caused the boy to tremble in fear. The Obama administration gave an aggressive patdown to a [seven-year-old](#) girl with cerebral palsy. The Obama administration said that a [four-year-old](#) girl was a "high security threat." The Obama administration placed an [18-month-old](#) girl on its no fly list. The Obama administration gave a patdown to [Henry Kissinger](#). The Obama administration forced a [95-year-old](#) cancer patient to remove her adult diaper and fly without it. The Obama administration ripped open the urostomy bag of a [61-year-old](#) bladder cancer survivor, and forced him to fly covered in his own urine. The Obama administration [harassed](#) a sick 3-year-old boy, and caused him to miss his flight.

42) Illegally demanded monetary payment for Freedom of Information Act request

The Obama administration demanded that the Goldwater Institute pay [\\$78,935.80](#) before it would share public records which it had requested under the Freedom of Information Act.

43) Fined public school \$15,000 for selling soda

The Obama administration [fined](#) a high school \$15,000 for selling soda to students during lunch.

44) Conducted dangerous and illegal scientific experiments on sick people without always informing them of the risks

In 2010 and 2011, the Obama administration [conducted](#) illegal scientific experiments which exposed people to dangerous levels of toxins. Some of these people had asthma and heart problems, and were exposed to levels of pollutants as high as 50 times what the EPA considers to be safe . The government did not always tell them about the risks of cancer and death.

45) Closed the Vietnam Memorial for seven hours on Memorial Day so he could have his picture taken

On Memorial Day 2012, Obama [prevented](#) Vietnam veterans and their friends and families from visiting the Vietnam Memorial for seven hours so he could have his picture taken.

46) Had the government take 60.8% ownership of General Motors

In July 2009, Obama had the government take 60.8% [ownership](#) of General Motors, and [fired](#) the CEO.

47) Forced banks to give mortgages to people who could not afford to pay them back, and collected \$23,000 in legal fees for himself for doing so

While working as a “community organizer,” Obama filed [lawsuits](#) which forced banks to give mortgages to people with bad credit and low incomes. As a result, many of these people ended up defaulting on their mortgages. As their attorney, Obama collected \$23,000 in legal fees for himself.

Then in April 2013, during Obama’s second term as President, the Washington Post [reported](#) that President

Obama was still pressuring banks “to make home loans to people with weaker credit.”

48) Stole money from retired Delphi employees

In 2009, Obama eliminated the pensions of 20,000 retired Delphi employees.

49) Used taxpayer money to buy soda for \$3.40 per can

During Obama’s presidency, the federal government repeatedly purchased soda for a cost of \$3.40 per can. Obama did not express any desire to switch to a cheaper seller, such as Costco, amazon.com, or Wal-Mart – or to an even still cheaper seller such as a wholesaler. Instead, Obama repeatedly forced taxpayers to pay these outrageous prices for soda.

50) Paid \$7 million per household to connect people to the internet

Obama’s “stimulus” paid to connect some households in Montana to the internet, at a cost of \$7 million per household.

51) Had a double standard for Bain Capital

Although Obama criticized Mitt Romney for his involvement with Bain Capital, Obama hired Jeff Zients, a former consultant at Bain (and who had an estimated personal wealth of \$200 million) to be his budget director.

52) Broke promise to teen campaign volunteers

Obama had promised to his teen campaign volunteers that if they each spent nine hours going door to door on

Obama's behalf, he would invite them to attend his speech of September 6, 2012. However, after the teens did the volunteer work, Obama broke his promise. One of these volunteers, Madeline Frank, age 16, of Charlotte, North Carolina, said of this "I've been looking forward to this for a really long time. I am just feeling really let down and like bummed. It was kind of my dream to see him speak, so definitely really sad."

53) Falsely claimed to know more about Judaism than any other President

Obama falsely claimed to know more about Judaism than any other President.

54) Exempted wind farms from the penalties that other companies get for killing birds

In May 2013, it was reported that Obama had fined oil and electric companies for illegally killing endangered birds, but that he had never fined wind power companies even though they had broken the exact same laws.

55) Falsely claimed that he had never belonged to the New Party

Obama falsely claimed that he had never belonged to the New Party, which is a third political party.

56) Supported punishing students based on their race instead of on their behavior

Obama expressed support for a proposal which would punish students based on their race instead of on their behavior.

57) Used “off the books” funding for military interventionism

In April 2009, antiwar activists who helped elect Obama accused him of using the same “off the books” funding as his predecessor George W. Bush when Obama requested an additional \$83.4 billion from Congress for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan – a provision which Obama had voted against when he was a Senator.

58) Tried to silence criticism of auto-bailouts

The Obama administration pressured Ford Motor Company to stop airing a TV ad that criticized Obama’s bailouts of General Motors and Chrysler.

59) Dismissed charges of voter intimidation, despite video evidence

In May 2009, the Obama administration dismissed charges that had been filed by the Bush administration against members of the New Black Panther Party who had been videotaped intimidating voters and brandishing a police-style baton at a Philadelphia polling station during the November 2008 election. In August 2009, the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights demanded that the Justice Department explain why it dismissed the charges. In July 2010, J. Christian Adams, a former lawyer for the Justice Department, testified before the Commission on Civil Rights that the case was dropped because the Justice Department did not want to protect the civil rights of white people.

60) Falsely claimed to support the second amendment

Although Obama stated, “I have always believed that the Second Amendment protects the right of individuals to bear

arms," the National Rifle Association gave Obama a rating of 'F' based on his voting record.

61) Nominated a communist who said 9-11 was an inside job

In September 2009, Obama's green czar Van Jones resigned after it was reported that he was a self-described "communist" and had blamed George W. Bush for the September 11 attacks.

62) Falsely said he would not raise taxes on the poor and middle class

On September 12, 2008, Obama promised:

"I can make a firm pledge. Under my plan, no family making less than \$250,000 a year will see any form of tax increase. Not your income tax, not your payroll tax, not your capital gains taxes, not any of your taxes."

However, less than three months into his Presidency, he broke that promise when he raised the cigarette tax. Studies show that poor people are more likely to smoke than rich people.

63) Falsely said he wanted to simplify the tax code, when he actually wanted to make it more complex

Although Obama said that he wanted to simplify the tax code, his proposals would actually add thousands of pages to the tax code.

64) Oversaw some of the world's worst increases in corruption

In December 2010, Transparency International [reported](#) that corruption was increasing faster in the U.S. than anywhere else except Cuba, Dominica, and Burkina Faso.

65) Falsely said “This is the most transparent administration in history”

In February 2013, Obama [said](#), “This is the most transparent administration in history.”

However, that same month, ABC News White House reporter Ann Compton, who covered Presidents Ford, Carter, Reagan, Clinton, both Bushes, and Obama, [said](#) “The president’s day-to-day policy development... is almost totally opaque to the reporters trying to do a responsible job of covering it. There are no readouts from big meetings he has with people from the outside, and many of them aren’t even on his schedule. This is different from every president I covered. This White House goes to extreme lengths to keep the press away.”

In July 2009, White House reporter Helen Thomas [criticized](#) the Obama administration for its lack of transparency.

In October 2013, ABC News correspondent Ann Compton [said](#) that Obama was the “least transparent of the seven presidents I’ve covered in terms of how he does his daily business.”

Also, this list contains a huge number of things that Obama has done which contradict his statement.

66) Falsely claimed he would wait five days before signing bills

Although Obama had promised to wait five days before signing all non-emergency bills, he [broke](#) that promise at least 10 times during his first three months in office.

67) Falsely claimed "stimulus" spending would be transparent

Although Obama had [promised](#) that the website [recovery.gov](#) would list all "stimulus" spending in detail, a 400 page report issued by the Government Accountability Office stated that only 25% of the projects listed on the website provided clear and complete information regarding their cost, schedule, purpose, location and status.

68) Announced plans to send military to Australia

In November 2011, Obama announced that he would send 2,500 Marines to [Australia](#).

69) Falsely promised to accept public campaign financing and spending limits

During the 2008 campaign, Obama [broke](#) his promise to accept public campaign financing and the spending limits that came with it.

70) Tried to silence video on YouTube

In June 2011, Obama [asked](#) a Jewish singing group to remove its video from the internet.

71) Rejected international help to clean up BP oil spill

After the BP oil spill, Obama [rejected](#) offers of cleanup help from Canada, Croatia, France, Germany, Ireland, Mexico, the Netherlands, Norway, Romania, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, the United Kingdom, and the United Nations.

72) Falsely said he opposed government waste, when he actually loved it

On September 22, 2008, Obama [said](#):

"I am not a Democrat who believes that we can or should defend every government program just because it's there... We will fire government managers who aren't getting results, we will cut funding for programs that are wasting your money and we will use technology and lessons from the private sector to improve efficiency across every level of government... The only way we can do all this without leaving our children with an even larger debt is if Washington starts taking responsibility for every dime that it spends."

However, Citizens Against Government Waste [gave](#) Obama a 2007 rating of only 10%, and a lifetime rating of only 18%.

73) Nominated past frequent user of illegal drugs to keep illegal drugs out of schools

In September 2009, it was [reported](#) that Kevin Jennings, Obama's Assistant Deputy Secretary for the Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools, had written about Jennings' own past frequent illegal drug use in his 2007 autobiography.

74) Avoids firing aides who owe back taxes

In January 2012, it was reported that 36 Obama aides owed a combined total of \$833,000 in [back taxes](#).

75) Used Abbott and Costello style economics as a basis for national policy

In 2010, Obama gave \$16.3 million to First Solar, a company that manufactures solar panels, so the company

could sell solar panels to itself.

76) Sent U.S. troops to Africa

Obama sent U.S. troops to Uganda, Congo, South Sudan and the Central African Republic.

77) Made secret plans for his second term

In March 2012, when Obama was talking to Russian President Dmitri Medvedev and did not know that the microphone was turned on, Obama stated:

"On all these issues, but particularly missile defense, this, this can be solved but it's important for him to give me space... This is my last election. After my election I have more flexibility."

78) Holds double standard for people who use crude and vulgar language toward women

Concerned Women for America accused Obama of hypocrisy after Obama criticized Rush Limbaugh for using crude and vulgar language to describe Sandra Fluke, but Obama did not criticize Bill Maher (who had donated one million dollars to an Obama PAC) for using the same kind of crude and vulgar language to describe Sarah Palin.

79) Illegally gave Obamacare exemptions to unions that supported the passage of Obamacare

Obama gave some organizations an exemption from some of the requirements of Obamacare. Many of these organizations were unions that had supported the passage of Obamacare, but now wanted exemptions from the very same law that they wanted to force everyone else to obey.

This reveals an extreme level of hypocrisy among many of the supporters of Obamacare.

In addition, these exemptions are illegal, because the Constitution requires the law to treat everyone the same.

The Washington Times [wrote](#) of this:

"Selective enforcement of the law is the first sign of tyranny. A government empowered to determine arbitrarily who may operate outside the rule of law invariably embraces favoritism as friends, allies and those with the best-funded lobbyists are rewarded. Favoritism inevitably leads to corruption, and corruption invites extortion. Ultimately, the rule of law ceases to exist in any recognizable form, and what is left is tyranny."

"The now-familiar monthly trickling down of new waivers is, at best, a tacit admission that Obamacare is a failure. So far, seven entire states and 1,372 businesses, unions and other institutions have received waivers from the law. The list includes the administration's friends and allies and, of course, those who have the best lobbyists."

"More than 50 percent of the Obamacare waiver beneficiaries are union members, which is striking because union members account for less than 12 percent of the American work force. The same unions that provided more than \$120 million to Democrats in the last two elections and, in many cases, openly campaigned in favor of the government takeover of your health care, now celebrate that Obamacare is not their problem."

80) Defended Bush administration's unconstitutional, unwarranted use of GPS device

In January 2012, when the U.S. Supreme Court ruled against the Bush administration for having put a GPS tracking device on someone's car without having a warrant, the Obama administration opposed the court ruling

81) Opposes newspapers reporting the news

Obama spokesman Jay Carney criticized the Los Angeles Times for publishing photographs of U.S. soldiers posing with corpses in Afghanistan.

82) Supported Bush administration for fining CBS for showing Janet Jackson's breast

Obama came out in favor of the FCC's fining of the CBS TV network \$550,000 for showing Janet Jackson's breast during the 2004 Super Bowl.

83) Allowed campaign contributors to bring lobbyists into White House

In April 2012, the New York Times reported, "Although Mr. Obama has made a point of not accepting contributions from registered lobbyists, a review of campaign donations and White House visitor logs shows that special interests have had little trouble making themselves heard. Many of the president's biggest donors, while not lobbyists, took lobbyists with them to the White House..."

84) Falsely said that criminal background checks constituted "racial discrimination"

In 2012, the Obama administration accused Pepsico of "race discrimination" because it used criminal background checks to screen out job applicants.

85) Was cited by nine states for committing 21 illegal acts

Attorneys General from nine states issued a report, titled "A Report on Obama Administration Violations of Law," which cited 21 illegal acts which had been committed by the Obama administration.

86) Tried to seize hotel because some of its customers had used illegal drugs

The Obama administration tried to seize a mom-and-pop bed-and-breakfast because some of its guests had used illegal drugs.

87) Falsely said his campaign was not funded by large donors

Although Obama has received many large campaign donations from corporate executives and Hollywood celebrities, his spokesperson said that his campaign was funded "not from huge donors at all."

88) Holds double standard for subsidizing solar power companies

Although Obama gave taxpayer money to numerous American solar power companies, he placed a 30% tariff on solar panels imported from China, because he was against the Chinese government giving subsidies to its own companies.

89) Tried to create an administration full of tax cheaters

Obama nominated tax cheater Tom Daschle to be Secretary of Health and Human Services. After Daschle said he didn't

want the job, Obama then nominated tax cheater [Kathleen Sebelius](#) for the same position. Obama nominated tax cheater [Nancy Killefer](#) to be his administration's Chief Performance Officer. Obama nominated tax cheater [Hilda Solis](#) to be the Secretary of Labor. Obama nominated tax cheater [Ron Kirk](#) be the White House Chief Trade Representative.

90) Hired a Communications Director who admires a mass murderer

[Anita Dunn](#), Obama's White House Communications Director, said that one of her favorite political philosophers was Mao Tse-tung, the Chinese dictator who murdered tens of millions of innocent civilians.

91) Falsely said the primary purpose of NASA was to reach out to the Muslim world

In July 2010, [Charles Bolden](#), the administrator of NASA, said that Obama had told him that the primary purpose of NASA was to reach out to the Muslim world.

92) Illegally made recess appointments when Congress was not in recess

In January 2012, Obama [violated](#) the Constitution by making four recess appointments when Congress was not in recess. Recess appointments themselves are constitutional, but only if they are made when Congress is actually in recess.

In January 2013, a federal appeals court [ruled](#) that Obama's appointments had violated the Constitution.

In May 2013, a [second](#) federal appeals court also ruled that Obama's appointments had violated the Constitution.

In July 2013, a [third](#) federal appeals court also ruled that Obama's appointments had violated the Constitution.

In June 2014, the U.S. Supreme Court [ruled](#) 9-0 that Obama's appointments had violated the Constitution.

93) Said the health insurance mandate was not a tax, but later told the Supreme Court that it was a tax

Before Obamacare was passed, Obama [said](#) the insurance mandate was

"... absolutely not a tax..."

However, after Obamacare was passed, the Obama administration [argued](#) in front of the Supreme Court that the mandate really was a tax.

94) Lied about being his "brother's keeper"

Although Barack Obama likes to cite the Bible phrase "We are our brother's keeper," when his real life poverty stricken brother George Obama needed \$1,000 for health care bills, Barack Obama [refused](#) to pay it, so conservative author Dinesh D'Souza paid it.

95) Punishes hospitals for saving the lives of patients with heart disease

Obama's health care reform contains a [provision](#) that reduces Medicare payments to hospitals with high 30-day readmission rates. Sunil Kripalani, MD, a professor with Vanderbilt University Medical Center, said of this, "Among patients with heart failure, hospitals that have higher

readmission rates actually have lower mortality rates. So, which would we rather have — a hospital readmission or a death?”

96) Supports guns for himself and his wife, but opposes them for everyone else

On January 10, 2013, President Obama signed a bill that provides armed guards to himself and his wife for the rest of the lives.

However, in 2004, when Obama was an Illinois state Senator, he voted against allowing people in their own homes to use guns to protect themselves and their families from rapists and murderers.

97) Falsely claimed that he “cut spending by over a trillion dollars in 2011”

On “Meet the Press” on December 30, 2012, Obama said:

“I cut spending by over a trillion dollars in 2011”

In reality, spending during that time period was not cut at all, and was actually increased by \$147 billion.

98) Practices environmental hypocrisy

In May 2008, Obama said, “We can’t drive our SUVs and eat as much as we want and keep our homes on 72 degrees at all times ... and then just expect that other countries are going to say OK.”

However, just one week later, Obama was photographed exiting an SUV.

In addition, Obama keeps the White House thermostat [turned up so high](#) that David Axelrod, Obama's senior adviser, said, "He likes it warm. You could grow orchids in there."

Environmentalists criticized Obama for eating [Wagyu beef](#), which was called "the [Hummer](#) of beef."

Obama had a chef [fly round trip](#) from St. Louis to Washington D.C. so he could make Obama's favorite pizza.

99) **Pressured public schools to replace *Catcher in the Rye* with a book on window insulation**

The Huffington Post [reported](#) that Obama's education policies

"... are increasingly worrying English-lovers and English teachers, who feel they must replace literary greats like The Great Gatsby and Catcher in the Rye with Common Core-suggested 'exemplars,' like the Environmental Protection Agency's Recommended Levels of Insulation."

100) **Approved giving 20 F-16 fighter jets to a Sharia dictatorship**

Obama approved giving 20 F-16 fighter jets to Egypt, which is a [Sharia dictatorship](#).

101) **Falsely claimed that his "Cash for Clunkers" program would help the environment**

Although Obama claimed that his "Cash for Clunkers" program would help the environment, it actually caused [net harm](#) to the environment. Because the program required cars to be shredded instead of recycled, it [wasted](#) 24 million

barrels of oil. Many of the cars that were destroyed were in perfectly good condition. Because the program's minimum requirement for so-called "fuel efficiency" was only 22 mpg, the reduction in pollution was negligible.

102) Violated the very same campaign finance laws that he claimed to support

In January 2013, it was reported that Obama's campaign had been fined \$375,000 by the Federal Election Commission for violating campaign finance laws.

103) Lied about how he had answered a questionnaire on gun control

In 1996, when Obama was answering a questionnaire on his political views, one of the questions was

"Do you support state legislation to: ban the manufacture, sale and possession of handguns?"

Obama's answer to the question was

"Yes."

However, in 2008, Obama said

"My writing wasn't on that particular questionnaire."

However, ABC News later reported that the questionnaire

"... appears to have Obama's handwriting."

104) Falsely claimed that his 2013 inauguration was not funded by lobbyists

Although Obama [claimed](#) that his 2013 inauguration was not funded by lobbyists, its sponsors had actually spent [\\$160 million](#) on lobbying during Obama's first presidential term.

105) **Encouraged medical device manufacturers to lay off employees**

In November 2012, it was reported that in response to the medical device tax that is part of Obamacare, some medical device manufacturers had [announced](#) plans to layoff employees, including Welch Allyn (275 planned layoffs), Stryker (1,170 planned layoffs), and Medtronic (1,000 planned layoffs).

In December 2012, Al Franken, Elizabeth Warren, John Kerry, and 15 other Democrats who supported the passage of Obamacare wrote a [letter](#) to Harry Reid, asking him to delay the tax on medical devices, claiming that the tax would hurt job creation in their districts.

In February 2014, it was [reported](#) that Obamacare's medical device tax had destroyed 14,000 jobs, and prevented an additional 19,000 new jobs from being created.

106) **Encouraged employers to switch their employees from full time to part time**

The New York Times [reported](#) that Obamacare

"sharply penalizes full-time employment in favor of part-time employment."

In response to the employer mandate of Obamacare, some restaurants have announced plans to switch some of their employees from full time to part time, including some

franchises of [Olive Garden](#), [Red Lobster](#), [Wendy's](#), [Taco Bell](#), [White Castle](#), and [Fatburger](#).

Community College of Allegheny County [switched](#) 200 professors and 200 other employees from full time to part time in response to Obamacare. Clint Benjamin, an English professor at Community College of Allegheny County, [said](#) that this would reduce his own monthly pay by \$600.

Also in response to the employer mandate of Obamacare, other colleges have [announced](#) plans to switch some of their employees from full time to part time, including Florida's Palm Beach State College, Ohio's Youngstown State University, and New Jersey's Kean University.

In Virginia, thousands of government employees had their hours [reduced](#) because of Obamacare.

The Carnegie Museum of Pittsburgh [reduced](#) the hours of 48 of its employees in response to Obamacare.

Regal Entertainment Group, the largest chain of movie theaters in the country, [announced](#) that it would be switching thousands of its employees from full time to part time in response to the Obamacare mandate.

Utah's Granite School District [reduced](#) the hours of 1,200 of its employees in response to Obamacare.

In response to Obamacare, many Wal-Mart stores have [stopped](#) hiring full time workers.

In July 2013, leaders of the Teamsters, UFCW, and UNITE-HERE sent a [letter](#) to Harry Reid and Nancy Pelosi which said that Obamacare will

"destroy the foundation of the 40 hour work week that is the backbone of the American middle class... the law creates an incentive for employers to keep employees' work hours below 30 hours a week. Numerous employers have begun to cut workers' hours to avoid this obligation."

In response to Obamacare, Forever 21 reduced its employees' hours.

As of September 2013, more than 200 public-sector employers had reduced their employees' hours in response to Obamacare.

Sea World reduced the weekly hours of its part time employees from 32 to 28 in response to Obamacare.

Lands' End limited its part time employees to 29 hours per week in response to Obamacare.

As of September 2013, at least 34 universities and colleges had reduced some of their employees' hours in response to Obamacare.

On October 23, 2013, Investor's Business Daily wrote:

IBD has a running list that now includes 351 employers that have opted to cut work hours below 30 per week or take related steps to limit liability under ObamaCare's employer mandate. Each entry is documented with links to news sources and public records.

About 275 entries on IBD's list come from the public sector, including more than 100 school districts.

107) Broke his promise to cut the deficit in half by the end of his first term

On February 23, 2009, Obama said "Today, I'm pledging to cut the deficit we inherited in half by the end of my first term in office." Obama broke that promise.

108) Had Freedom of Information Act record worse than Bush's

In September 2012, it was reported that when it came to honoring requests under the Freedom of Information Act, Obama's record was worse than that of George W. Bush.

109) Supports installation of hidden cameras on private property without a search warrant

In October 2012, Obama's Justice Department argued in favor of installing hidden cameras on private property without a search warrant.

110) Used "stimulus" money to pay people to play cards, board games, and video games

In October 2012, it was reported that LG Chem, a lithium-ion battery plant in Holland, Michigan, was using money from Obama's "stimulus" to pay its employees to play cards, board games, and video games.

111) Spent half a million tax dollars on "Prom Week" video game

In 2012, the Obama administration spent \$516,000 on a video game called "Prom Week."

112) Hypocritically paid his female employees less than his male employees

Although Obama [claimed](#) to support equal pay for men and women, his own administration paid its female employees [18% less](#) than its male employees.

113) Falsely said that Romney's pension was bigger than his own

During a debate in October 2012, Obama [falsely stated](#) that Mitt Romney's pension was bigger than his own.

114) Has a double standard for investing in China and the Cayman Islands

Although Obama [criticized](#) Mitt Romney for having investments in China and the Cayman Islands, Obama [himself](#) has investments in both of those places.

115) Spent \$27 million on "ineffective" pottery classes in Morocco

Obama spent \$27 million on pottery classes in [Morocco](#). The class used an American teacher, but the translator who was hired did not actually know how to speak English fluently, and made many mistakes. The instructor often did not bring the right materials to class. The dyes and clays that the instructor did use were not available in Morocco, which prevented the students from being able to copy what they had learned. It was concluded that the classes were "ineffective."

116) Caused large amounts of perfectly good food to be thrown into the garbage

In 2011, in Lake County, Florida, Obama's new school lunch program caused [\\$75,000](#) of perfectly good fruits and vegetables to be thrown into the garbage.

117) Accepted illegal campaign contributions from foreign citizens

During an [experiment](#), a non-U.S. citizen attempted to make two \$5 donations to both Obama's campaign website and Mitt Romney's campaign website. While the Romney website rejected both donations, the Obama website accepted them.

118) Labels opponents of TSA sexual harassment as "domestic extremists"

The Obama administration [labels](#) anyone who objects to the TSA's sexual harassment as a "domestic extremist."

119) Lied about the Benghazi attack

In September 2012, after four U.S. citizens were killed in a [terrorist attack](#) in Benghazi, Libya, the Obama administration [falsely](#) said that the attack was a spontaneous protest against an anti-Muslim video at YouTube.

CBS News reported that although it was [obviously](#) a terrorist attack, it took an [entire week](#) before the Obama administration was willing to acknowledge it as such.

The Washington Post reported that Obama had [falsely](#) said that he had called it a terrorist attack from the very start.

After the attack began, someone (there is a debate over who this someone was) ordered the nearby U.S. military to "[stand down](#)," i.e., not offer any assistance. Obama is the Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. military. Obama later [falsely claimed](#) that the "stand down" order had not been made.

Although the Obama administration made a dozen [revisions](#) to its talking points on this incident, White House Press Secretary Jay Carney [falsely](#) stated that only a “single adjustment” had been made, and that it simply involved changing the wording of “consulate” to “diplomatic facility.” ABC News published a complete list of all the changes to the talking points, which can be read [here](#).

Among the changes was the [deletion](#) of this entire paragraph:

“The Agency has produced numerous pieces on the threat of extremists linked to al-Qa’ida in Benghazi and eastern Libya. These noted that, since April, there have been at least five other attacks against foreign interests in Benghazi by unidentified assailants, including the June attack against the British Ambassador’s convoy. We cannot rule out the individuals has previously surveilled the U.S. facilities, also contributing to the efficacy of the attacks.”

[Victoria Nuland](#), a State Department spokeswoman, played a key role in the editing of the talking points. But instead of firing her for this, Obama offered her a [promotion](#).

The Obama administration [asked](#) Fox News to stop reporting on Benghazi.

120) Paid a train carrying biofuel to cross the U.S.-Canadian border 24 times without unloading

As part of Obama’s “green energy” program, Obama used [tax money](#) to pay for a train full of biofuel to cross the U.S.-Canadian border 24 times without unloading its cargo.

121) Falsely said that “we got back every dime” of the bailout

In October 2012, Obama [said](#) that “we got back every dime” of the bailout. However, at the same time, the Congressional Budget Office that said there was still \$24 billion that had not been paid back.

122) Spent \$50,000 of taxpayer money on a George S. Patton impersonator

In the summer of 2011, the Obama administration spent [\\$50,000](#) on a George S. Patton impersonator

123) Spent \$75,000 of taxpayer money on a bicycle

The Obama administration spent [\\$75,000](#) of taxpayer money on a bicycle.

124) Complained to YouTube about an anti-Muslim video

In September 2012, the Obama administration [phoned](#) YouTube to complain about an anti-Muslim video.

Ben Wizner of the ACLU [said](#) that of this, “It does make us nervous when the government throws its weight behind any requests for censorship.”

Eva Galperin of the Electronic Frontier Foundation [said](#) of this, “I am actually kind of distressed by this... Even though there are all these great quotes from inside the White House saying they support free speech....by calling YouTube from the White House, they were sending a message no matter how much they say we don’t want them to take it

down, when the White House calls and asks you to review it, it sends a message and has a certain chilling effect.”

125) Falsely said that Fast and Furious was started when Bush was President

In September 2012, Obama [said](#) that Fast and Furious had “begun under the previous administration.” In reality, Fast and Furious began in [October 2009](#).

126) Is a “war criminal” who is “more aggressive, more illegal worldwide” than Bush, according to Ralph Nader

In September 2012, Ralph Nader [said](#) that Obama was a “war criminal” who was “more aggressive, more illegal worldwide” than George W. Bush.

127) Illegally refused to fire Kathleen Sebelius after she violated campaign finance laws

In February 2012, Kathleen Sebelius, Obama’s Secretary of Health and Human Services, [violated](#) campaign finance laws. Although federal law [required](#) Obama to fire Sebelius for her illegal activity, he [refused](#) to do so.

128) Supports policies that hurt small businesses

In September 2012, a survey of small business owners [showed](#) that 69% of them said that Obama’s regulatory policies have hurt small businesses. 55% said that they would not start a business under the current environment.

129) Continued previous presidents’ policy of using tax dollars to pay a film projectionist to work and

sleep at the White House 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

In March 2013, it was [reported](#) that Obama was continuing previous presidents' policy of using tax dollars to pay a film projectionist to work and sleep at the White House 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Why didn't Obama just use a DVD player instead?

130) Refused to fire federal employee who sent email to 17,000 people praising terrorist who wanted to destroy U.S.

In 2012, an employee of Obama's administration [sent](#) an email to more than 17,000 federal employees which praised Che Guevara, a terrorist who had wanted to destroy the U.S. Obama refused to fire the employee.

131) Called Fort Hood shooting "workplace violence" instead of "Islamic terrorism"

After Nidal Malik Hasan shouted "Allahu Akbar!" and murdered 13 people on U.S. soil, instead of referring to it as "Islamic terrorism," Obama [said](#) that it was "workplace violence."

132) Falsely said that switching to electronic medical records would make health care cheaper

Although Obama claimed that switching to electronic record keeping as part of Obamacare would make health care cheaper, it actually made it [more expensive](#).

133) Spent \$495,000 of "stimulus" money for ads on MSNBC

Obama spent \$495,000 of “stimulus” money for [commercials](#) on MSNBC.

134) **Lied about the cost of federal regulations**

In September 2012, it was [reported](#) that the cost of federal regulations to citizens and business owners was more than 20 times as much as what Obama had said it was.

135) **Broke his promise to pass immigration bill, and then lied about why he broke it**

In 2008, Obama [promised](#) that he would pass an immigration bill during his first year in office. He [broke](#) that promise. He then [blamed](#) this on Republicans, even though both the House and Senate were controlled by [Democrats](#) during Obama’s first year.

136) **Made it much harder for start ups to raise capital and create jobs**

In July 2010, Obama signed the Dodd-Frank Act. The Wall St. Journal [wrote](#) of this:

“Senator Chris Dodd’s 1,400-page financial reform bill contains many economic land mines, and here’s one of the worst: Provisions that would make it harder for business start-ups to raise seed capital.”

“Currently, wealthy individuals who want to invest directly in a new business can do so with minimum interference from regulators. The law requires only that the investor be “accredited” by meeting thresholds for net worth (\$1 million) or income (\$250,000). Entrepreneurs depend on these “angel” investors, since

many new businesses lack the collateral for bank loans and are too small to interest venture capitalists. "

"Amazon, Yahoo, Google and Facebook all benefited from angel investors, who typically target companies under five years old. According to a 2009 Kaufman Foundation study, such firms are less than 1% of all companies yet generate about 10% of new jobs. Between 1980 and 2005, companies less than five years old accounted for all net job growth in the U.S. In 2008, angels invested some \$19 billion in more than 55,000 companies. "

"Mr. Dodd's bill would change all this for the worse. Most preposterously, it would require that start-ups seeking angel investments file with the Securities and Exchange Commission and endure a 120-day review. Rare is the new company that doesn't need immediate access to the capital it raises, and a four-month delay is the kind of rule popular in banana republics that create few new businesses. "

"The Dodd bill also raises the net worth and income thresholds to \$2.3 million and \$450,000, respectively. The Angel Capital Association, a trade group, estimates that these provisions would disqualify about 77% of current accredited investors."

137) Paid six figure salaries to federal employees so they could watch pornography all day long

In April 2010, ABC News [reported](#):

"On a day when President Obama argued for more government regulation over the financial industry, a new government report reveals that some high-level

regulators have spent more time looking at porn than policing Wall Street. "

"The Securities and Exchange Commission is supposed to be the sheriff of the financial industry, looking for financial crimes like Bernard Madoff's Ponzi scheme. But the new report, obtained by ABC News, says senior employees of the SEC spent hours on the commission's computers looking at sites like naughty.com, skankwire, youporn, and others. "

"The investigation, which was conducted by the SEC's internal watchdog at the request of Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, found 31 serious offenders over the past two and a half years. Seventeen of the offenders were senior SEC officers with salaries ranging from \$100,000 to \$222,000 per year. "

"Eight Hours a Day Spent on Porn Sites"

"One senior attorney at SEC headquarters in Washington spent up to eight hours a day accessing Internet porn. When he filled all the space on his government computer with pornographic images, he downloaded more to CDs and DVDs that accumulated in boxes in his offices. "

"An SEC accountant attempted to access porn websites 1,800 times in a two-week period and had 600 pornographic images on her computer hard drive."

"Another SEC accountant attempted to access porn sites 16,000 times in a single month."

In May 2014, Bloomberg News [reported](#):

An employee at the Environmental Protection Agency downloaded more than 7,000 pornographic files onto a government computer and viewed them for two to six hours a day, according to the agency's independent watchdog.

The employee caught viewing pornography is still on the payroll, earning about \$120,000 a year.

138) Spent tax dollars on a "mindreader"

Obama used taxpayer money to hire a "mindreader."

139) Used tax dollars to build a million dollar bus stop

Obama spent federal tax dollars to pay for part of the cost of a million dollar bus stop which opened in Arlington, Virginia in March 2013. Despite its huge cost, the bus stop can only accommodate 15 people, and does not even protect them from the wind and rain.

140) Filed a lawsuit against a non-existent "monopoly" in the beer industry

Although the number of breweries in the U.S. increased from 89 to 2,336 between 1978 and 2013, the Obama administration sued Anheuser-Busch InBev, which already owned half of Mexico's Grupo Modelo, to prevent it from buying the other half, despite the fact that there were no laws on the books against such a purchase. The Obama administration's so-called justification for this lawsuit against a law abiding company was that the company might, possibly, maybe, break some unspecified law, at some unspecified, distant point in the future.

141) Falsely said the sequester would cause janitors to take a pay cut

In February 2013, while talking about the sequester, Obama [said](#)

"The folks who are cleaning the floors at the Capitol — now that Congress has left, somebody is going to be vacuuming and cleaning those floors and throwing out the garbage — they're going to have less pay... The janitors, the security guards, they just got a pay cut, and they've got to figure out how to manage that. That's real."

CBS News [reported](#) that Obama's statement was false.

142) Falsely said that he goes skeet shooting "all the time"

At the beginning of Obama's second term, he [said](#) that he goes skeet shooting "all the time." However, a witness said that when he saw Obama go skeet shooting, Obama acted as if he had never fired a gun before, that he appeared to be uncomfortable with a gun, and that he only stayed for five minutes. In addition, during his first term, the media had [never](#) reported on his alleged skeet shooting, although it never failed to cover the more than [100 rounds of golf](#) that he played during his first term.

143) Gave special access to people who raised or donated \$500,000

In February 2013, the New York Times [reported](#) that people who raised or donated at least \$500,000 to Organizing for Action, a political group that supported Obama, would be

given “the privilege of attending quarterly meetings with the president, along with other meetings at the White House.”

144) Said the deficit had gone down when it had actually gone up

In February 2013, Obama said that the federal deficit had gone down by \$2.5 trillion since he had taken office. In reality, it had actually increased by \$5.9 trillion during that time.

145) Refused to make available necessary tax forms to taxpayers

On February 21, 2013, CBS News reported that the Obama administration had not yet made available dozens of different tax forms that taxpayers would need in order to meet the legal deadline of April 15 for filing their taxes.

146) Nominated someone to be Secretary of the Treasury who had participated in “the biggest tax scam on record”

Obama nominated Jack Lew to be Secretary of the Treasury. Lew had previously invested in the Cayman Islands, which Obama had referred to as “the biggest tax scam on record.”

147) Adopted harmful new restrictions on prescription painkillers – even though the House had already voted against them

After the U.S. House voted against new restrictions on prescription painkillers, the Obama administration ignored the House’s vote, and adopted the new restrictions anyway. Dr. Lynn Webster, president-elect of the American Academy of Pain Medicine said of these new

restrictions, "It will have an impact on a lot of patients who have been receiving them for some time for legitimate purposes."

148) Rolled back union transparency rules

The Obama administration rolled back union transparency rules, which had been created so that union members could find out how their union was spending their union dues.

149) Tried to eliminate workers' right to a secret ballot when voting on whether or not to unionize

Obama supported the elimination of workers' right to a secret ballot when voting on whether or not to form a union

150) Gave "supervised release" to a convicted criminal who later went on to murder a nun

Obama gave "supervised release" to a convicted criminal, who then went on to murder a nun.

151) Falsely said that he did not propose the sequester

On October 22, 2012, Obama said, "The sequester is not something that I've proposed." However, on February 22, 2013, the Washington Post reported that "the automatic spending cuts were initiated by the White House" and that "Obama personally approved of the plan."

152) Illegally refused to submit a budget on time during four of his first five years

The President is legally required to submit a budget by the first Monday in February. Obama broke this law

during four of his first five years in office. Since 1921, no President had missed this deadline more than once.

153) Canceled White House tours for thousands of people so he could use the money to play golf with Tiger Woods

During the sequester in early 2013, the Obama administration said it would save \$18,000 per week by cancelling all White house tours, despite the fact that thousands of people had planned their vacations far in advance. However, Obama had no problem with spending more than \$1 million in tax money so he could go golfing with Tiger Woods for one weekend.

154) Falsely said the Newton shooter used a “fully automatic weapon”

In April 2013, four months after Adam Lanza murdered 26 people at Sandy Hook Elementary School, Obama falsely stated that the shooter had used a “fully automatic weapon.”

155) Broke his own deadline for creating healthcare exchanges

Three years after Obama signed Obamacare, the New York Times reported that Obama would miss his own deadline for creating some of the insurance exchanges for small businesses.

156) Falsely said that surgeons get paid between \$30,000 and \$50,000 for amputating a leg

In August 2009, while trying to justify the passage of Obamacare, Obama stated

"Let's take the example of something like diabetes, one of — a disease that's skyrocketing, partly because of obesity, partly because it's not treated as effectively as it could be. Right now if we paid a family — if a family care physician works with his or her patient to help them lose weight, modify diet, monitors whether they're taking their medications in a timely fashion, they might get reimbursed a pittance. But if that same diabetic ends up getting their foot amputated, that's \$30,000, \$40,000, \$50,000 — immediately the surgeon is reimbursed. Well, why not make sure that we're also reimbursing the care that prevents the amputation, right? That will save us money."

The American College of Surgeons responded to this by [saying](#)

"President Obama got his facts completely wrong. He stated that a surgeon gets paid \$50,000 for a leg amputation when, in fact, Medicare pays a surgeon between \$740 and \$1,140 for a leg amputation. This payment also includes the evaluation of the patient on the day of the operation plus patient follow-up care that is provided for 90 days after the operation. Private insurers pay some variation of the Medicare reimbursement for this service."

157) Falsely said that doctors perform unnecessary tonsillectomies to make more money

In July 2009, Obama [said](#)

"Right now, doctors, a lot of times, are forced to make decisions based on the fee payment schedule that's out there. So if ... your child has a bad sore throat, or has repeated sore throats, the doctor may look at the reimbursement system and say to himself, 'You know

what? I make a lot more money if I take this kid's tonsils out.'"

"Now, that may be the right thing to do. But I'd rather have that doctor making those decisions just based on whether you really need your kid's tonsils out or whether it might make more sense just to change — maybe they have allergies. Maybe they have something else that would make a difference."

The American Academy of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery responded by [saying](#)

"The AAO-HNS is disappointed by the President's portrayal of the decision making processes by the physicians who perform these surgeries. In many cases, tonsillectomy may be a more effective treatment, and less costly, than prolonged or repeated treatments for an infected throat."

158) Purchased 2,717 mine resistant armor protected vehicles for use on civilian streets in the U.S.

In March 2013 it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration had purchased 2,717 mine resistant armor protected vehicles for use on civilian streets in the U.S.

159) Spends \$277,050 per year for three professional calligraphists

In March 2013, it was [reported](#) that Obama was spending \$277,050 of tax money per year for three professional calligraphists. It was also [reported](#) that cheap computer software could produce the exact same calligraphy for a tiny fraction of that cost.

160) Allowed 311,566 federal employees and retirees to get away with \$3.5 billion in unpaid federal taxes

In 2011, Obama allowed 311,566 federal employees and retirees to get away with \$3.5 billion in unpaid federal taxes.

161) Spent \$2.6 million to teach Chinese prostitutes how to drink responsibly on the job

Obama spent \$2.6 million to teach Chinese prostitutes how to drink responsibly on the job.

162) Fined UPS \$40 million because some of its customers had used UPS to ship illegal drugs

In March 2013, Obama forced UPS to pay \$40 million because some of its customers had used UPS to ship illegal drugs.

163) Added 20,000 extra pages to Obamacare without Congressional approval

After Obamacare was passed, Obama added 20,000 extra pages to it, even though those extra 20,000 pages had not been voted on by Congress.

164) Signed health care reform law whose own authors called it a "huge train wreck" that was "beyond comprehension"

U.S. Senator Max Baucus (D-Montana), one of the authors of Obamacare, said of it, "I just see a huge train wreck coming down."

U.S. Senator Jay Rockefeller (D-West Virginia), another author of the law, said it was "beyond comprehension."

165) Eliminated disclosure requirements for most federal employees in the executive and legislative branches

In April 2013, Obama eliminated the disclosure requirements for most federal employees in the executive and legislative branches.

166) Waited until after the 2012 election to release unpopular Obamacare rules

In April 2013, the New York Times reported:

... even fervent supporters of the law admit that things are going worse than expected.

... the Obama administration didn't want to release unpopular rules before the election.

Everything is turning out to be more complicated than originally envisioned.

A law that was very confusing has become mind-boggling... Americans are just going to be overwhelmed and befuddled. Many are just going to stay away, even if they are eligible for benefits.

167) Made it easy for people to fraudulently collect \$50,000 by falsely claiming to be "farmers"

In April 2013, the New York Times reported

the Obama administration's political appointees at the Justice and Agriculture Departments engineered a stunning turnabout: they committed \$1.33 billion to compensate...

The deal... was fashioned in White House meetings... the \$50,000 payouts to black farmers had proved a magnet for fraud.

the claims process prompted allegations of widespread fraud and criticism that its very design encouraged people to lie... Agriculture Department reviewers found reams of suspicious claims, from nursery-school-age children and pockets of urban dwellers, sometimes in the same handwriting with nearly identical accounts of discrimination.

As a senator, Barack Obama supported expanding compensation for black farmers, and then as president he pressed for \$1.15 billion to pay those new claims.

In 16 ZIP codes in Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi and North Carolina, the number of successful claimants exceeded the total number of farms operated by people of any race in 1997, the year the lawsuit was filed. Those applicants received nearly \$100 million.

In Maple Hill, a struggling town in southeastern North Carolina, the number of people paid was nearly four times the total number of farms. More than one in nine African-American adults there received checks. In Little Rock, Ark., a confidential list of payments shows, 10 members of one extended family collected a total of \$500,000, and dozens of other successful claimants shared addresses, phone numbers or close family connections.

In Arkansas, prosecutors rejected a test case against a Pine Bluff police officer who had admitted lying on his claim form.

in one ZIP code in Columbus, Ohio, nearly everyone in two adjoining apartment buildings had filed, according to the former high-ranking agency official.

She cinched the claim, he said to a ripple of laughter, by asserting that her father had whispered on his deathbed, "I was discriminated against by U.S.D.A."

168) Tried to rig federal auctions of radio spectrum space

In April 2013, it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration was trying to rig federal auctions of radio spectrum space in a manner that would favor Sprint and T-Mobile, and make it harder for AT&T and Verizon.

169) Put someone in jail for making an anti-Muslim video

In May 2013, Politico [reported](#):

"Nakoula Basseley Nakoula deserves a place in American history. He is the first person in this country jailed for violating Islamic anti-blasphemy laws."

"You won't find that anywhere in the charges against him, of course. As a practical matter, though, everyone knows that Nakoula wouldn't be in jail today if he hadn't produced a video crudely lampooning the prophet Muhammad."

"In the weeks after the attack on U.S. facilities in Benghazi that killed Ambassador Chris Stevens and three others, the Obama administration claimed the terrorist assault had been the outgrowth of a demonstration against the Nakoula video. The administration ran public

service announcements in Pakistan featuring President Barack Obama saying the U.S. had nothing to do with it. In a speech at the United Nations around this time, the president declared — no doubt with Nakoula in mind — 'The future must not belong to those who slander the prophet of Islam.'"

"After Benghazi, the administration was evidently filled with a fierce resolve — to bring Nakoula Basseley Nakoula to justice. Charles Woods, the father of a Navy SEAL killed in Benghazi, said Secretary of State Hillary Clinton told him when his son's body returned to Andrews Air Force Base: 'We will make sure that the person who made that film is arrested and prosecuted.'"

"Lo and behold, Nakoula was brought in for questioning by five Los Angeles County sheriff's deputies at midnight, eventually arrested and held without bond, and finally thrown into jail for a year. He sits in La Tuna Federal Correctional Institution in Texas right now, even as the deceptive spin that blamed his video for the Benghazi attack looks more egregious by the day."

170) Oversaw IRS whose employees illegally targeted conservative groups

In May 2013, the Washington Post [reported](#) that the IRS had illegally targeted conservative groups for additional reviews. Organizations with the words "tea party" or "patriot" were singled out for harassment, such as [requiring](#) them to provide a list of donors, details about their internet postings on social networking websites, and information about their family members.

When this was first reported by the media in May 2013, Lois Lerner, who heads the IRS division that had conducted

these illegal activities, [claimed](#) that only low level employees had known about it, and that no high level IRS officials had known about it. However, soon afterward, NPR reported that an Inspector General report showed that Lerner had been [lying](#), and that she herself had actually been aware of it since June 29, 2011. Even worse, during March and April of 2012, Lerner herself had actually written such letters to [fifteen](#) different conservative groups. One of these letters can be read [here](#).

While testifying in May 2013, Lerner [said](#), "I have not done anything wrong. I have not broken any laws. I have not violated any IRS rules or regulations. And I have not provided false information to this or any other congressional committee." However, afterward, she invoked her [fifth amendment](#) right to remain silent. The Washington Post [reported](#) that there was disagreement as to whether or not Lerner's statement constituted a waiving of her fifth amendment right to remain silent. Soon afterward, she was placed on [paid](#) administrative leave. At a later hearing in March 2014, Lerner [again](#) invoked her fifth amendment right to remain silent.

In September 2013, a House committee released several of Lerner's [emails](#), which showed that she had targeted tea party groups, and that she had asked that their applications be delayed. In one of the emails from 2011, she had written "Tea Party Matter very dangerous."

In September 2013, after having been on paid leave for [four months](#), Lerner had still not been fired by Obama.

In September 2013, Lerner [retired](#) with a full pension.

In October 2013, it was [reported](#) that newly discovered emails proved that Lerner had violated federal law by giving

the Federal Election Commission confidential tax information of several Tea party groups.

The Washington Post [reported](#) that IRS officials at the IRS headquarters in Washington D.C. had sent such letters to conservatives groups. Reuters [reported](#) that higher level IRS officials had taken part in discussions about it as early as August 2011. However, 21 months later, on May 10, 2013, the Washington Post [reported](#) that President Obama had not done anything to investigate or fire the IRS employees who had engaged in this illegal harassment. As of May 14, 2013, [none](#) of the IRS employees who engaged in any of this illegal behavior had been disciplined, despite the fact that higher level IRS officials had known about their illegal behavior at least since [August 2011](#). Despite all of these media reports about the involvement of high level IRS officials, in February 2014, Obama [said](#) that these things had come from "a local office."

On May 15, 2013, it was [reported](#) that Steven Miller, the acting IRS commissioner, had resigned. However, it was also reported that his assignment would have ended in early June anyway. He resigned – Obama did not fire him.

The IRS gave out confidential information about conservative groups. ProPublica [wrote](#):

"The same IRS office that deliberately targeted conservative groups applying for tax-exempt status in the run-up to the 2012 election released nine pending confidential applications of conservative groups to ProPublica late last year."

"In response to a request for the applications for 67 different nonprofits last November, the Cincinnati office of the IRS sent ProPublica applications or documentation

for 31 groups. Nine of those applications had not yet been approved—meaning they were not supposed to be made public.”

“No unapproved applications from liberal groups were sent to ProPublica.”

President Obama either lied about when he first knew about this – or was too busy playing golf and attending fundraisers to read the memos that were sent to him. The Daily Caller [wrote](#):

“White House press secretary Jay Carney said in a press conference Tuesday that the White House was notified about the IRS targeting tea party groups ‘several weeks ago.’ This comes a day after President Obama said he found out about it from news reports on Friday of last week.”

“During a press conference with British Prime Minister David Cameron on Monday, President Obama was asked about the IRS scandal. He responded, ‘I first learned about it from the same news reports that I think most people learned about this. I think it was on Friday.’”

“However, Carney said Tuesday that first a report had to be compiled by the IRS’s inspector general and then when it was completed, it was passed on to the administration.”

“A notification is appropriate and routine and that is what happened and that happened several weeks ago,’ Carney said.”

When Media Trackers, a conservative organization, applied to the IRS for non-profit status, after waiting 16 months, it

got no response. But when it reapplied with a liberal sounding name, it got approval in just three weeks. Yahoo [wrote](#):

"In May 2011, Drew Ryun, a conservative activist and former Republican National Committee staffer, began filling out the Internal Revenue Service application to achieve nonprofit status for a new conservative watchdog group."

"When September 2012 arrived with still no word from the IRS, Ryun determined that Media Trackers would likely never obtain standalone nonprofit status, and he tried a new approach: He applied for permanent nonprofit status for a separate group called Greenhouse Solutions, a pre-existing organization that was reaching the end of its determination period."

"The IRS approved Greenhouse Solutions' request for permanent nonprofit status in three weeks."

Politico [reported](#):

"The same Internal Revenue Service office that singled out Tea Party groups for extra scrutiny also challenged Israel-related organizations, at least one of which filed suit over the agency's handling of its application for tax-exempt status."

"The trouble for the Israel-focused groups seems to have had different origins than that experienced by conservative groups, but at times the effort seems to have been equally ham-handed."

The IRS asked conservative groups what [books](#) they were reading.

Although the IRS went 18 months or longer without responding to conservative organizations' applications, the IRS demanded that these same organizations answer the IRS's intrusive questions within a few weeks.

After the Waco Tea Party sent an application to the IRS, the IRS waited 19 months to respond. In its response, the IRS asked for printouts of its web page and social networking sites, copies of all of its newsletters, bulletins and fliers, and copies of all stories written about it. The IRS also asked for transcripts of its radio interviews.

As one example of how the IRS treated conservative organizations differently from liberal ones, Politico reported:

"Chris Littleton, one of the co-founders of the Ohio Liberty Coalition, said the group got a grilling from the IRS when it submitted its application, in letters the group has posted on its website. The IRS also gave him so much grief when he tried to apply for tax-exempt status for another group, American Junto, that 'we just gave up on it,' he said."

"But when he submitted an application for a third group — Ohioans for Health Care Freedom, now renamed Ohio Rising — 'it went through just fine,' Littleton said. 'They never asked a single set of questions.'"

After the Greater Phoenix Tea Party Patriots sent in their application, it took two years for the IRS to respond. The IRS response included 35 questions. When the group's cofounder called the IRS, the IRS agent claimed that he had their group's file right in front of him. But when the group's cofounder asked the IRS agent a question, the IRS agent asked, "What's your group's name again?"

Tea Party groups who spoke with each other said they were all getting the same questions from the IRS.

The Washington Post reported that some IRS employees were “ignorant about tax laws, defiant of their supervisors, and blind to the appearance of impropriety.”

In 2012, the IRS leaked confidential information about Mitt Romney to the co-chairman of President Obama’s re-election committee.

For a 27 month period that began in February 2010, the IRS gave exactly zero approvals to Tea Party organizations that had sent in applications. During that same time period, numerous liberal organizations with names including words such as “progress” or “progressive” did get approval.

After True the Vote, a conservative organization which was founded by Catherine Engelbrecht, sent its application to the IRS, the IRS went three years without responding. During that three year period, Engelbrecht and her family’s small manufacturing business were audited by the IRS, and were investigated by OSHA, the ATF, and the FBI.

Democratic U.S. Senators pressured the IRS to target conservative groups. In May 2013, U.S. News & World Report wrote:

“Over the last three years, Democratic senators repeatedly and publicly pressured the IRS to engage in the very activities that they are only now condemning today. At the same time, Republicans repeatedly and publicly warned against this abuse of government power and pointed to a series of red flags that strongly suggested conservative political organizations were being targeted by the IRS. Those warnings were deliberately

ignored by the Obama administration and Democratic leaders in Congress.”

“From Max Baucus to Chuck Schumer to Jeanne Shaheen, key Senate Democrats publicly pressured the IRS to target groups that held differing political views and who, in their view, had the temerity to engage in the political process. The IRS listened to them and acted.”

In order to get approval, the IRS required members of Coalition for Life of Iowa, a pro-life organization, to sign a promise to avoid protesting in front of Planned Parenthood.

The IRS asked Christian Voices for Life, a pro-life organization, questions about its prayer vigils.

According to the official White House visitor’s log, during Obama’s first four years as President, IRS commissioner Douglas Shulman made 157 visits to the White House. This is more visits to the White House – by a very large margin – than any other cabinet member during Obama’s first term. By comparison, during the four years that Mark Everson was IRS commissioner when Bush was president, Everson made only one visit to the White House.

Shulman donated \$500 to the Democratic National Committee in October 2004.

During Congressional testimony that had taken place in March 2012, Shulman falsely said that the IRS had not targeted conservative groups.

Shulman’s wife, Susan L. Anderson, is the senior program advisor for Public Campaign, a liberal organization. The Dailer Caller wrote of this group:

Public Campaign receives "major funding" from the pro-Obamacare alliance Health Care for America NOW!, which is comprised of the labor unions AFL-CIO, AFSCME, SEIU, and the progressive activist organization Move On, among others.

Public Campaign also receives funding from the liberal Ford Foundation, the Common Cause Education Fund, and Barbra Streisand's The Streisand Foundation, among other foundations and private donors.

Stephen Seok was one of the IRS agents who wrote threatening letters to conservative groups. After doing so, he was given a [promotion](#).

In June 2013, it was reported that two IRS employees had [violated](#) government ethics rules at a 2010 conference when they received \$1,100 in free food and other items. One of them was Fred Schindler, the director of implementation oversight at the IRS Affordable Care Act office. The other was Donald Toda, a California-based employee. Obama did not fire them. Instead, he gave both of them [paid](#) leave. By comparison, in 1981, President Reagan [fired](#) 11,359 air-traffic controllers who had been illegally striking.

In June 2013, it was reported that The National Organization for Marriage, a conservative organization, had [forensic](#) evidence which proved that its donors' private information had been illegally leaked by the IRS. The IRS employees who illegally leaked this private information could get [five years](#) in prison. However, Obama [refused](#) to file any charges against these IRS criminals.

The IRS illegally [leaked](#) the private information of Christine O'Donnell the same day that she announced that she would

run for U.S. Senate as a tea party candidate.

According to White House visitor logs, Obama met with Colleen Kelley, the president of the National Treasury Employees Union, on March 31, 2010. The very next day, IRS employees who belonged to that union union started to target tea party organizations.

In June 2013, Associated Press claimed that the IRS had targeted liberal groups, but refused to actually name any of those liberal groups.

In July 2013, it was reported that Obama had met with a key IRS official who was involved in the targeting just two days before the key official had told his colleagues how to target tea party groups. The Daily Caller reported:

The Obama appointee implicated in congressional testimony in the IRS targeting scandal met with President Obama in the White House two days before offering his colleagues a new set of advice on how to scrutinize tea party and conservative groups applying for tax-exempt status.

IRS chief counsel William Wilkins, who was named in House Oversight testimony by retiring IRS agent Carter Hull as one of his supervisors in the improper targeting of conservative groups, met with Obama in the Roosevelt Room of the White House on April 23, 2012. Wilkins' boss, then-IRS commissioner Douglas Shulman, visited the Eisenhower Executive Office Building on April 24, 2012, according to White House visitor logs.

On April 25, 2012, Wilkins' office sent the exempt organizations determinations unit "additional comments on the draft guidance" for approving or denying tea party

tax-exempt applications, according to the IRS inspector general's report.

In May 2013, Jon Stewart [said](#) of the IRS's targeting of conservative groups:

*"Well, congratulations, President Barack Obama. Conspiracy theorists who generally can survive in anaerobic environments have just had an algae bloom dropped on their f***ing heads, thus removing the last arrow in your pro-governance quiver: skepticism about your opponents."*

In May 2013, Michael Macleod-Ball, chief of staff at the ACLU's Washington Legislative Office, [said](#) of the IRS's targeting of conservative groups:

"Even the appearance of playing partisan politics with the tax code is about as constitutionally troubling as it gets. With the recent push to grant federal agencies broad new powers to mandate donor disclosure for advocacy groups on both the left and the right, there must be clear checks in place to prevent this from ever happening again."

In January 2014, it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration had chosen Barbara Kay Bosserman to head the investigation of the IRS's targeting of tea party groups. Bosserman had [donated](#) more than \$6,000 to Obama's two presidential campaigns.

In January 2014, it was [reported](#) that since Sarah Palin had announced her candidacy for vice-President in 2008, the IRS had harassed her father six different times. Prior to that, the IRS had never contacted him during the 50 years that he had worked. The report did not specify how many of

these six incidents happened under President Bush, or how many happened under President Obama.

In January 2014, it was [reported](#) that during the FBI's so-called "investigation" of the IRS's harassment of tea party groups, the FBI had not actually interviewed any tea party groups.

In January 2014, it was [reported](#) that the IRS had demanded that Friends of Abe (a conservative organization whose members work in the entertainment industry) give the IRS enhanced access to its security protected website (which included its secret membership list), even though such a demand was not standard IRS procedure. In addition, even though the organization had applied to the IRS for tax free status [two years](#) earlier, the IRS had still not made a decision regarding the application.

In February 2014, Obama [said](#) that there was "not even a smidgeon of corruption" in the IRS's actions.

In February 2014, it was [reported](#) that during Obama's presidency, 100% of the established 501(c)(4) groups that had been audited by the IRS were conservative.

In February 2014, when Fox News's Bill O'Reilly asked Obama about the IRS harassment of tea party groups, Obama [said](#) "These kinds of things keep on surfacing, in part because you and your TV station will promote them."

In May 2014, it was [reported](#) that tea party donors had been audited by the IRS at ten times the rate of the general population.

In May 2014, it was [reported](#) that the IRS had illegally ignored four Freedom of Information requests from Judicial

Watch between May 2013 and October 2013. Judicial Watch filed a lawsuit in October 2013, and was finally able to get the information in May 2014. It showed that the orders for the IRS to harass tea party members had come from IRS headquarters in Washington D.C. It also showed that U.S. Senator Carl Levin (D-Michigan) had pressured the IRS to shut down tea party organizations.

In June 2014, the IRS [claimed](#) that Lerner's emails to outside agencies from January 2009 through April 2011 had been "lost" when her hard drive "crashed." Also in June 2014, the IRS [claimed](#) to have "lost" the emails from six additional IRS employees who were relevant to this scandal when their hard drives "crashed." One of these IRS employees was Nikole Flax, who had been chief of staff to former IRS commissioner Steven Miller. Flax had made 31 [visits](#) to the White House during the time that the IRS had been targeting tea party groups. However, a private company called Sonasoft had a [contract](#) with the IRS since 2005 to back up all of the IRS's emails. The company keeps multiple and redundant backup copies of all the IRS's emails. The company advertised itself by [saying](#) "If the IRS uses Sonasoft products to back up their servers why wouldn't you choose them to protect your servers?" In addition, Norman Cillo, an Army veteran who had worked in intelligence, and who had also worked as a program manager at Microsoft, listed [six reasons](#) why the IRS's claim about "losing" the emails must be false. Also, federal law [requires](#) the IRS to keep permanent, backup copies of all of its emails at an external location. And finally, the [NSA](#) has copies of all of the emails.

Although federal law [requires](#) the IRS to keep permanent, backup copies of all of its emails at an external location, in June 2014, it was [reported](#) that the IRS has canceled its

email archiving contract with Sonasoft weeks after Lerner's computer "crashed."

In June 2014, it was [reported](#) that emails showed that Lerner had suggested that the IRS audit U.S. Senator Charles Grassley (R-Iowa).

In June 2014, the IRS [admitted](#) that it had illegally given out information about the conservative group National Organization for Marriage.

In July 2014, it was [reported](#) that Lerner had called Republicans "crazies" and "assholes" in her emails.

In July 2014, it was reported that after Lerner's hard drive "crashed," the IRS deliberately [destroyed](#) it, [without](#) making any attempt to recover her emails. Top IRS officials [told](#) Congressional investigators that the hard drive was irreparably damaged before they destroyed it. However, IRS technical experts who had examined the hard drive before the IRS destroyed it [said](#) that this was not true, and that the data could have been recovered. Bruce Webster, partner at Provo, Utah-based IT consulting and expert witness firm Ironwood Experts, who has served as a consulting and IT expert in more than 80 civil lawsuits, [said](#) of this:

"... the IRS has no excuses for having handled this so poorly... This happens all the time... There are little storefront companies in just about every major city that can do this and there are forensic companies that can restore files and even do higher end recovery of data."

In August 2014, the IRS [admitted](#) in a court filing that it had deliberately destroyed Lerner's Blackberry after her computer "crashed." In addition, an IRS official admitted,

under penalty of perjury, that Lerner's Blackberry had contained the same emails that had been on her computer.

In August 2014, the IRS finally admitted, under penalty of perjury, that Lerner's emails had never really been "lost." The IRS said the "missing" emails had been on its backup system all along.

On November 5, 2014, it was reported that the IRS had admitted to the court that it had not even tried to find Lerner's "missing" emails in its backup system.

On November 21, 2014, it was reported that the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration had obtained as many as 30,000 of Lerner's "missing" emails from IRS disaster recovery tapes.

In February 2015, it was reported that Lerner had received a total of \$129,300 in bonuses between 2010 and 2013.

As of April 2015, no criminal charges had been filed against Lerner.

On June 12, 2015, when the IRS missed a court ordered deadline for releasing 6,400 newly found emails from Lerner's hard drive, the IRS said it would not be able to release those emails for another three months because it needed those three months to remove any duplicates.

In June 2015, government investigators said the IRS had "mistakenly" erased 422 backup tapes of IRS emails.

In July 2015, the House Oversight Committee released information which showed that in 2011, when Lerner's hard drive was examined by John Minsek, a senior investigative analyst with the IRS Criminal

Investigations unit, it contained “well-defined scoring creating a concentric circle in the proximity of the center of the disk.”

In July 2015, the House Oversight Committee [released](#) information which showed that the IRS had avoided searching five of six possible sources of electronic media for Lerner’s emails.

In July 2015, the House Oversight Committee [released](#) information which showed that some IRS officials, including some who were supervised by Lerner, had used a “wholly separate” instant messaging system called “Office Communication Server” that automatically erased its messages. None of these messages were archived. In an email conversation, Lerner had asked if the Office Communication Server archived its messages, and when she was told that it did not archive its messages, she responded by saying “Perfect.”

In July 2015, U.S. District Judge Emmet G. Sullivan [threatened](#) to hold IRS employees, [including](#) IRS Commissioner John Koskinen, in contempt because they had illegally ignored the judge’s orders to release some of Lerner’s emails and other IRS documents. These same IRS employees had previously illegally ignored Freedom of Information requests and lawsuits for those same emails and other documents.

In August 2015, a [report](#) by the Senate Finance Committee said that during the 40 month period from February 2009 through May 2012, only one conservative group had been granted non-profit status by the IRS. The Senate Finance Committee report [stated](#):

"Due to the circuitous process implemented by Lerner, only one conservative political advocacy organization was granted tax-exempt status between February 2009 and May 2012. Lerner's bias against these applicants unquestionably led to these delays, and is particularly evident when compared to the IRS's treatment of other applications..."

"Although applications from the Tea Party and conservative organizations languished at the IRS, this was not the case for all groups that applied. In cases where the IRS wanted to act quickly, it did – particularly for other high-profile applications that attracted political attention..."

"The IRS's treatment of these organizations was almost universally consistent with Lerner's personal political views – this is, supporting Democratic candidates and opposing conservative tax-exempt organizations..."

The Senate Finance Committee report also [said](#):

"We found evidence that Lerner's personal political views directly resulted in disparate treatment for applicants affiliated with Tea Party and other conservative causes..."

"Her influence led not only to indefinite delays in the processing of these groups' applications for tax-exempt status, but also to audits. During that same time, the IRS generally responded quickly and favorably to nonprofit organizations that were affiliated with progressive causes..."

In June 2016, the IRS [released](#) a list of names of 426 conservative organizations that it had targeted.

In June 2016, it was reported that in October 2010, at Lerner's request, 1.25 million pages of confidential tax returns had been transferred from the IRS to the Department of Justice's criminal division. The only way that this transfer could have been legal would be if the Justice Department had specifically requested it, and the only circumstances under which the Justice Department is legally allowed to make such a request is when the parties in question are under criminal investigation by the Justice Department. However, the Justice Department never requested these documents, and there was no criminal investigation of these organizations by the Justice Department. Therefore, Lerner's action was illegal. Included in this transfer were the names and address of donors to these organizations – information which is supposed to be private and confidential. Of course, as always, Obama refused to file any charges against Lerner for her illegal activity.

On July 29, 2016, a Freedom of Information lawsuit by Judicial Watch resulted in more documents being released. These documents showed that top IRS officials in Washington D.C., including Lerner, had known as early as the summer of 2011 that the IRS was targeting conservative groups because of their ideology and political affiliation. Judicial Watch wrote of this:

"These documents show that the Obama FBI and Justice Department had plenty of evidence suggesting illegal targeting, perjury, and obstruction of justice. Both the FBI and Justice Department collaborated with the Lois Lerner and the IRS to try to prosecute and jail Barack Obama's political opponents. These documents show the resulting compromised investigation looked the other way when it came to Obama's IRS criminality."

On August 1, 2016, Judicial Watch released additional documents, which [showed](#) that the IRS targeting of conservative groups had been happening since 2010, and that it had lasted through the November 2012 election. Multiple IRS employees said that applications from conservative groups had been automatically denied approval, and were placed in a special "inventory" while IRS employees awaited further instructions from IRS headquarters in Washington D.C. Multiple IRS agents said that these IRS policies guaranteed that these applications from conservative groups would not be approved before the November 2012 election.

On August 2, 2016, Judicial Watch released more documents, which [showed](#) that Justice Department attorney Barbara Bosserman, who had spent more than 1,500 hours "investigating" the IRS targeting of conservative groups, had donated a total of \$6,750 to Obama's campaigns and the DNC between 2004 and 2012, including 12 separate donations to Obama for America between 2008 and 2012. In addition, it was Attorney General Eric Holder who had assigned Bosserman to oversee this "investigation." No charges were filed as a result of this "investigation."

In August 2016, it was [reported](#) that the Albuquerque Tea Party was still waiting for approval from the IRS more than six years after it had filed its first application.

In September 2016, Judicial Watch [reported](#):

A 2013 study by scholars from the American Enterprise Institute and the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University found that, "had the Tea Party groups continued to grow at the pace seen in 2009 and 2010, and had their effect on the 2012 vote been similar to that seen in 2010, they would have brought the

Republican Party as many as 5 – 8.5 million votes compared to Obama’s victory margin of 5 million.”

In November 2016, U.S. District Judge Michael R. Barrett [said](#) that the IRS was still targeting tea party groups because the IRS was still not processing applications that the tea party groups had submitted several years earlier. He ordered the IRS to process an application that the Texas Patriots Tea Party had submitted four years earlier. He also ordered the IRS to stop targeting tea party groups. Judge Barrett [said](#):

"The evidence strongly suggests that the IRS initiated the delay because TPTP’s application was perceived at the screening stage to be a Tea Party case."

171) Spent \$402,721 on underwear that detects the presence of cigarette smoke

In May 2013, it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration had spent \$402,721 on underwear that detects the presence of cigarette smoke.

172) Rewarded one of his biggest campaign fundraisers by nominating him for the ambassadorship to Canada

In April 2013, it was [reported](#) that Obama had nominated Bruce Heyman to be the ambassador to Canada. During Obama’s election campaign, Heyman had raised more than \$1 million for Obama.

173) Hired a retarded man to sell illegal drugs and guns, and then arrested him for doing so

In April 2013, the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel [reported](#):

"ATF agents running an undercover storefront in Milwaukee used a brain-damaged man with a low IQ to set up gun and drug deals, paying him in cigarettes, merchandise and money, according to federal documents obtained by the Journal Sentinel."

"For more than six months, federal agents relied on Chauncey Wright to promote 'Fearless Distributing' by handing out fliers as he rode his bike around town recommending the store to friends, family and strangers, according to federal prosecutors and family members."

"Wright, unaware that the store was an undercover operation being run by agents with the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, also stocked shelves with shoes, clothing, drug paraphernalia and auto parts, according to his family."

"Once authorities shut down the operation, they charged the 28-year-old man with federal gun and drug counts."

"Wright's IQ measures in the 50s, about half of a normal IQ, according to those familiar with him. Wright's score is classified as mildly or moderately disabled, depending on the IQ scale used."

174) Secretly obtained phone records from Associated Press reporters and editors

In May 2013, Associated Press [reported](#):

The Justice Department secretly obtained two months of telephone records of reporters and editors for The Associated Press in what the news cooperative's top executive called a "massive and unprecedented intrusion" into how news organizations gather the news.

The records obtained by the Justice Department listed outgoing calls for the work and personal phone numbers of individual reporters, general AP office numbers in New York, Washington and Hartford, Conn., and the main number for AP reporters in the House of Representatives press gallery, according to attorneys for the AP. It was not clear if the records also included incoming calls or the duration of calls.

In all, the government seized the records for more than 20 separate telephone lines assigned to AP and its journalists in April and May of 2012. The exact number of journalists who used the phone lines during that period is unknown but more than 100 journalists work in the offices where phone records were targeted, on a wide array of stories about government and other matters.

In a letter of protest sent to Attorney General Eric Holder on Monday, AP President and Chief Executive Officer Gary Pruitt said the government sought and obtained information far beyond anything that could be justified by any specific investigation. He demanded the return of the phone records and destruction of all copies.

"There can be no possible justification for such an overbroad collection of the telephone communications of The Associated Press and its reporters. These records potentially reveal communications with confidential sources across all of the newsgathering activities undertaken by the AP during a two-month period, provide a road map to AP's newsgathering operations, and disclose information about AP's activities and operations that the government has no conceivable right to know," Pruitt said.

Soon afterward, it was [reported](#) that obtaining these phone records had required approval from Eric Holder, Obama's Attorney General.

This has had a very dangerous and harmful effect on the media's ability to report the news. In June 2013, Gary Pruitt, the president and chief executive of Associated Press [said](#):

"Some longtime trusted sources have become nervous and anxious about talking with us... In some cases, government employees we once checked in with regularly will no longer speak to us by phone. Others are reluctant to meet in person ... This chilling effect on newsgathering is not just limited to AP... Journalists from other news organizations have personally told me that it has intimidated both official and nonofficial sources from speaking to them as well."

175) Asked contractors to disclose their political donations before bidding on government contracts

In April 2011, Obama [asked](#) contractors to disclose their political donations before bidding on government contracts.

176) Tried to deport German family that had fled Germany over Hitler's ban on homeschooling

In Germany in 1938, Adolf Hitler [outlawed](#) homeschooling. He [said](#) "Give me a child when he's seven and he's mine forever."

Hitler's ban on homeschooling is [still in effect](#) today. In 2006, Katharina Plett was [arrested](#) for homeschooling her own children. Her husband and their children fled the country. In 2008, Juergen and Rosemary Dudek

were sentenced to 90 days in jail for homeschooling their own children.

Uwe and Hannelore Romeike and their homeschooled children fled Germany after the police showed up at their house to enforce Germany's ban on homeschooling. They came to the United States in 2010 and were granted political asylum, which gave them legal permission to live in the U.S. as political refugees. However, in March 2013, the Obama administration argued in federal court in favor of deporting them and sending them back to Germany. This means that Obama does not consider them to be political refugees, and that he does not consider Germany's policy of jailing homeschooling parents to be a form of persecution.

177) Illegally used social media to promote new water rule

In December 2015, it was reported that the Obama administration had illegally used social media to promote its new water rule.

178) Falsely accused a law abiding news reporter of being "an aider and abettor and/or co-conspirator" in a criminal investigation

James Rosen is a law abiding reporter for Fox News. However, the Obama administration falsely labeled him as "an aider and abettor and/or co-conspirator" in a criminal investigation when it applied for a warrant to read his emails.

The New York Times wrote of this:

With the decision to label a Fox News television reporter a possible "co-conspirator" in a criminal investigation of a

news leak, the Obama administration has moved beyond protecting government secrets to threatening fundamental freedoms of the press to gather news.

Leak investigations usually focus on the source, not the reporter. But, in this case, federal prosecutors also asked a federal judge for permission to examine Mr. Rosen's personal e-mails, arguing that "there is probable cause to believe" Mr. Rosen is "an aider and abettor and/or co-conspirator" in the leak.

Though Mr. Rosen was not charged, the F.B.I. request for his e-mail account was granted secretly in late May 2010. The government was allowed to rummage through Mr. Rosen's e-mails for at least 30 days.

Michael Clemente, the executive vice president of Fox News, said on Monday that it was "downright chilling" that Mr. Rosen "was named a criminal co-conspirator for simply doing his job as a reporter." Bruce Brown, the executive director of the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press, added on Tuesday that treating "routine news-gathering efforts as evidence of criminality is extremely troubling and corrodes time-honored understandings between the public and the government about the role of the free press."

Obama administration officials often talk about the balance between protecting secrets and protecting the constitutional rights of a free press. Accusing a reporter of being a "co-conspirator"... shows a heavy tilt toward secrecy and insufficient concern about a free press.

The Washington Post [wrote](#) of this:

The Rosen affair is as flagrant an assault on civil liberties as anything done by George W. Bush's administration, and it uses technology to silence critics in a way Richard Nixon could only have dreamed of.

To treat a reporter as a criminal for doing his job — seeking out information the government doesn't want made public — deprives Americans of the First Amendment freedom on which all other constitutional rights are based. Guns? Privacy? Due process? Equal protection? If you can't speak out, you can't defend those rights, either.

Beyond that, the administration's actions shatter the president's credibility and discourage allies who would otherwise defend the administration against bogus accusations such as those involving the Benghazi "talking points." If the administration is spying on reporters and accusing them of criminality just for asking questions — well, who knows what else this crowd is capable of doing?

My Post colleague Ann E. Marimow, who broke the Rosen story, obtained the affidavit by FBI agent Reginald Reyes seeking access to Rosen's private e-mails. In the affidavit, Reyes stated that "there is probable cause to believe that the reporter has committed or is committing a violation" of the law against national security leaks. The affidavit detailed how the FBI had monitored Rosen's comings and goings from the State Department and tracked his various phone calls with the suspected leaker, analyst Stephen Jin-Woo Kim.

Rosen's supposed crime? Reyes got his evidence from an e-mail from the reporter: "I want to report authoritatively, and ahead of my competitors, on new

initiatives or shifts in U.S. policy, events on the ground in [North Korea], what intelligence is picking up, etc. . . . I'd love to see some internal State Department analyses. . . . In short: Let's break some news, and expose muddle-headed policy when we see it, or force the administration's hand to go in the right direction, if possible."

That is indeed compelling evidence — of good journalism.

Obama is establishing an ominous precedent.

179) Asked Attorney General Eric Holder to investigate himself for lying under oath

U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder lied under oath. He said that he had nothing to do with monitoring the emails of Fox News reporter James Rosen. But it turns out that it was Holder's own signature on the search warrant.

Even the liberal Huffington Post said that Holder should be fired over this.

Holder could get five years in prison.

So, did President Obama fire Holder?

Of course not!

Instead, Obama asked that Holder be investigated – not by an independent investigating committee – but by Holder himself!

I can see it now...

Obama: "Did you lie?"

Holder: "No."

Obama: "OK. That's good enough for me. You're cleared of any wrongdoing."

180) Used Obamacare to illegally give the IRS additional powers without approval from Congress

In May 2013 the Washington Post [wrote](#):

The law allows the Department of Health and Human Services to set up federal health exchanges in the holdout states. But the statute makes no mention of the IRS providing credits and subsidies through federal exchanges.

The IRS resolved this conundrum by denying its existence. In a May 2012 regulatory ruling, it asserted its own right to provide credits outside the state exchanges as the reasonable interpretation of an ambiguous law. But the language of the law is not ambiguous. And health scholars Jonathan Adler and Michael Cannon, in an exhaustive recent analysis, find no justification for the IRS's ruling in the legislative history of Obamacare. "The statute," they argue, "and the lack of any support for the IRS rule in the legislative record put defenders of the IRS rule in the awkward position of arguing that it was so obviously Congress' intent to offer tax credits in federal exchanges that despite a year of debate over the PPACA, it never occurred to anyone to express that intent out loud. A better explanation is that the PPACA's authors miscalculated when they assumed states would establish exchanges."

So: The IRS seized the authority to spend about \$800 billion over 10 years on benefits that were not authorized

by Congress. And the current IRS scandal puts this decision in a new light. What was the role of politics in shaping this regulatory decision? What pressure was applied?

181) Used environmental regulations to shut down an ambulance while it was taking a patient to the hospital

In May 2013 the Washington Post [reported](#):

A Wednesday shootout on the streets of Washington Highlands left a cop injured and a carjacking suspect dead. But before the suspect expired, he went on an unusual ambulance ride that involved moving him from one vehicle to another on the shoulder of Interstate 295. While this might appear to be another story of Fire and Emergency Medical Services dysfunction, the story is rather more complicated. As WUSA-TV explains, newer-model diesel engines are required by federal regulations to have emission-control features that, in some circumstances, require the motor to shut down for "regeneration" — a process in which the exhaust system burns off trapped soot. The need for regeneration can be unpredictable. The transfer to a second ambulance delayed 34-year-old Nathaniel McRae's arrival at a hospital by seven minutes. FEMS insists the wait did not play a role in his death.

182) Had "a serious management problem" with his refusal to fire bad workers

A 2011 USA Today article on federal employees [states](#):

"The federal government fired 0.55% of its workers in the budget year that ended Sept. 30 — 11,668

employees in its 2.1 million workforce.”

“White-collar federal workers have almost total job security after a few years on the job. Last year, the government fired none of its 3,000 meteorologists, 2,500 health insurance administrators, 1,000 optometrists, 800 historians or 500 industrial property managers.”

Wow! Those must be excellent workers, right?

Actually, no. The article also says:

“San Francisco State University management professor John Sullivan, an expert on employee turnover, says the low departure rates show a failure to release poor performers and those with obsolete skills. ‘Rather than indicating something positive, rates below 1% in the firing and layoff components would indicate a serious management problem,’ he says.”

A serious management problem?

So who exactly is the highest ranking manager of the federal government?

It’s President Obama.

183) Illegally solicited donations from health insurers

In May 2013, Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius solicited donations from health insurers to help pay for Obamacare. Such soliciting is illegal.

184) Chose an economic advisor who wanted roads and bridges to be built by unqualified workers

Obama chose to have Robert Reich be his economic advisor. Regarding Obama's "stimulus," Reich said:

"I am concerned, as I'm sure many of you are, that these jobs not simply go to high skilled people... And therefore, in my remarks I have suggested to you, and I'm certainly happy to talk about it more, ways in which the money can be — criteria can be set so that they money does go to others... people who are not necessarily construction workers or high-skilled professionals."

185) Pressured unions to reduce the amount of health insurance coverage for their employees

In May 2013, the New York Times reported:

Say goodbye to that \$500 deductible insurance plan and the \$20 co-payment for a doctor's office visit. They are likely to become luxuries of the past.

Expect to have your blood pressure checked or a prescription filled at a clinic at your office, rather than by your private doctor.

Then blame the so-called Cadillac tax, which penalizes companies that offer high-end health care plans to their employees.

Although the tax does not start until 2018, employers say they have to start now to meet the deadline and they are doing whatever they can to bring down the cost of their plans. Under the law, an employer or health insurer offering a plan that costs more than \$10,200 for an individual and \$27,500 for a family would typically

pay a 40 percent excise tax on the amount exceeding the threshold.

Tom Leibfried, a legislative director for the A.F.L.-C.I.O., one of the unions whose plans are vulnerable to the tax, says the demands that workers pay more for their care is a perennial aspect of labor negotiations. "We're very concerned about the hollowing out of benefits in general," he said. "What the excise tax will do is just fuel that."

186) Falsely said "We believe in the free market"

In June 2013, Obama [said](#),

"We believe in the free market."

Obama was lying. The free market means that in the business world, it is the customers, not the government, who pick winners and losers. But this list contains a huge number of instances where Obama tried to use the government to pick winners and losers in the business world.

187) Falsely said "We believe in a light touch when it comes to regulations"

In June 2013, Obama [said](#), "We believe in a light touch when it comes to regulations."

He lied. For example, after Obamacare was passed, Obama added [20,000](#) extra pages of regulations to to it.

188) Said Catholic schools are "divisive" but did not say the same thing about other religious schools

In June 2013, Obama [said](#):

"If towns remain divided – if Catholics have their schools and buildings and Protestants have theirs, if we can't see ourselves in one another and fear or resentment are allowed to harden – that too encourages division and discourages cooperation."

I can understand why a person might criticize religious schools in general – although I myself happen to think that religious schools are a superior alternative to public schools. But for Obama to single out one religion in particular as being divisive, while not saying the same thing about all religious schools in general, is a double standard.

189) Favored a new tax on Christmas trees so the money could be used to subsidize Christmas trees

In November 2011, Obama proposed a new tax on Christmas trees, so that the money could be used to subsidize Christmas trees. If this had been a Rube Goldberg cartoon it would have been funny. But to suggest it as an actual government policy is absurd.

190) Betrayed the people of the city that helped him launch his political career

As part of his effort to get Obamacare passed, Obama repeatedly promised that people could keep their current health insurance if they liked it.

More than any other city, the people of Chicago helped to get Obamacare passed. Chicago is where Obama chose to live when he first got into politics. The people there launched his political career and voted him into office.

And this is how Obama repays them. In May 2013, the Chicago Tribune reported:

Mayor Rahm Emanuel plans to start reducing health insurance coverage next year for more than 30,000 retired city workers and begin shifting them to President Barack Obama's new federal system.

The move is aimed at saving the city money

Once the phaseout is complete, those retired workers would have to pay for their own health insurance or get subsidies under the Affordable Care Act. The city-subsidized coverage is particularly important to retired workers who aren't yet eligible for Medicare

Henry Bayer, executive director of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Council 31, said the uncertainties of the Affordable Care Act and the state insurance exchanges they would create make the city's plan hard to assess.

"This uncertainty will cause anxiety and fear for tens of thousands of seniors who gave their working lives to public service — men and women whose retirement savings are already under attack in the name of 'pension reform.'" Bayer said.

191) Proposed military interventionism in Syria

In June 2013, Obama proposed that the U.S. get involved in Syria's military conflicts.

192) Planned to use military snipers to shoot innocent lions and cheetahs in the wild

In June 2013, Obama was planning to use military snipers to shoot innocent lions and cheetahs in the wild.

However, after the media reported on his plans, Obama got embarrassed, and cancelled his plans.

193) Refused to fire or prosecute more than 1,000 IRS employees who illegally used their IRS credit cards for their own personal use

During Obama's first term, more than 1,000 IRS employees illegally used their IRS credit cards for personal purchases, but Obama refused to fire or prosecute them.

194) Defended intelligence chief who lied under oath

In March 2013, James Clapper, the director of national intelligence, falsely stated under oath that the NSA was not gathering data on millions of U.S. citizens. In June 2013, after it was reported that Clapper had lied under oath, Obama defended him, instead of firing him.

195) Had the Secret Service visit a law abiding citizen who had criticized his policies on Twitter

In April 2013, Obama sent the Secret Service to visit the home of Tom Francois, a law abiding citizen who had criticized Obama's policies on Twitter.

The Secret Service admitted that Francois had not made any threats against Obama.

196) Had the IRS grant special, illegal favors for his brother's so-called "charity"

In May 2013, the Dailier Caller reported that the IRS had taken the "unprecedented" step of approving a non-profit application within just one month. In this particular case, the application was from the Barack H. Obama Foundation,

a so-called "charity" which was headed by Malik Obama, Barack Obama's brother.

In addition, the IRS illegally gave retroactive approval for the organization's tax exempt status. Prior to getting this approval, the organization had illegally solicited tax deductible donations even though it did not have legal approval to do so.

197) Raised the interest rate on student loans to pay for Obamacare

Obamacare raised the interest rate on students loans from 5.3% to 6.8%. The money is used to fund Obamacare.

198) Refused to fire or prosecute 15 IRS agents who illegally seized the medical records of 10 million people

In March 2011, 15 IRS agents illegally seized the medical records of 10 million people without a warrant. Obama refused to fire or prosecute them.

199) Hired 16,500 new IRS agents to run Obamacare

In June 2013, it was reported that Obama had hired 16,500 new IRS agents to run Obamacare.

200) Tried to reward wasteful IRS spending with an increase in funding

In June 2013, Danny Werfel, Obama's new nominee to head the IRS, asked Congress for an increase in funding. At the same time, NPR reported on this waste of taxpayer money at an IRS conference:

Some of the 2,600 attendees received benefits, including baseball tickets and stays in presidential suites that normally cost \$1,500 to \$3,500 per night. In addition, 15 outside speakers were paid a total of \$135,000 in fees, with one paid \$17,000 to talk about "leadership through art," the committee said.

Considering how the IRS wasted all that money on luxury hotel rooms and worthless speeches, Werfel really had some nerve asking Congress for more money. By proposing to reward wasteful spending with a budget increase, Werfel proved that he is incompetent to head the IRS. The fact that Obama nominated such an incompetent person does not surprise me one bit.

201) Illegally bypassed Congress to delay Obamacare's employer mandate

As the Obamacare law was written, the employer mandate was to begin in January 2014. This is what the law said when it was passed by the House and Senate, and signed by President Obama.

However, in July 2013, Obama delayed the employer mandate part of Obamacare until January 2015. Obama did this without approval from Congress.

For Obama to change a law that was passed by Congress, without first getting approval from Congress, is a violation of the Presidential oath that Obama took to uphold and defend the Constitution.

What Obama did here is an action of a dictator, not an action of a President whose power is limited by a written constitution.

If Obama can get away with this, then it sets a horribly dangerous precedent, and means that the President can arbitrarily make any change to any law that has been passed by Congress, without first getting approval from Congress.

202) **Made it too hard for some doctors to continue their practices**

In July 2013, ABC News [reported](#) that some doctors were shutting down their practices in response to Obamacare.

Dr. Robert WcWilliams, an obstetrician/gynecologist with more than 5,000 patients, [said](#):

"It's going to be run by bureaucrats – and it's going to be run by politicians – who have no idea what is in your best interests, then I'm getting out."

203) **Falsely told Africans that contaminated water is a smaller problem than global warming**

In July 2013, while speaking in Johannesburg, South Africa, President Obama [said](#) that global warming was "the biggest challenge we have environmentally" and that it was worse than "dirty water, dirty air."

However, [according](#) to the World Health Organization, while global warming kills 140,000 people each year, air pollution kills 3 million people per year.

[According](#) to UNESCO, each year, contaminated water causes 4 billion cases of diarrhea, 120,000 cases of cholera, 300 million cases of malaria, 12 million cases of typhoid, 6 million cases of trachoma, 200 million cases of

schistosomiasis, and more than 1 billion incidents of intestinal parasites.

You know what's worse than global warming? How about living your entire life without ever having access to a [toilet](#)?

The World Health Organization [says](#) that dirty water is "the leading cause of disease and death around the world."

That Obama would downplay these problems shows how scientifically illiterate he is.

That he would do so while giving a speech in Africa, which has the highest rate of water borne illness of any continent, shows how thoughtless and insensitive he is.

204) Spent \$630,000 of taxpayers' money to get more Facebook "likes"

In July 2013, it was [reported](#) that Obama had spent \$630,000 of taxpayers' money in order to get more Facebook "likes."

205) Declared that hacking was an act of war, then hacked the EU

In 2011, the Obama administration [issued](#) a statement which said that when one country hacked another country's computers, the hacking constituted an "act of war."

In July 2013, it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration had hacked computers which were owned by the European Union.

206) Said "If I had a son, he'd look like Trayvon"

In Florida, after a school security camera showed Trayvon Martin marking graffiti, a [search](#) of his backpack showed that it contained 12 pieces of women's jewelry, including silver wedding rings, and earrings with diamonds. The backpack also had a screwdriver, which is often used as a tool by burglars. Martin said that the jewelry belonged to a friend, but refused to say who that friend was.

Why would a teenage boy bring a backpack full of silver wedding rings and diamond earrings to school? Do Martin's millions of defenders really think that he was not a burglar?

The fact that Martin was in possession of stolen jewelry at school is perfectly in line with George Zimmerman's claim on the 911 call that Martin was acting suspiciously. And there had been quite a few burglaries in the area recently.

Also on the 911 call, Zimmerman had said that Martin was acting as if he was on drugs. Martin's autopsy showed that there was [THC](#) in his system. And while other parts of marijuana can stay in the system for weeks after it's smoked, the THC only stays in the person's system for a [few hours](#). Therefore, Martin was indeed high when Zimmerman saw him.

So Trayvon Martin was a burglar, used illegal drugs, [broke](#) Zimmerman's nose, and [smashed](#) Zimmerman's head against the concrete.

And how does Obama respond to all of this?

Obama [said](#):

"If I had a son, he'd look like Trayvon."

207) Falsely said that Secretary of State John Kerry had not been on his yacht during the regime change in Egypt

In July 2013, the Obama administration falsely said that Secretary of State John Kerry had not been on his yacht during the regime change in Egypt.

Even after CBS news presented the Obama administration with photographic evidence that Kerry had been on his yacht during that time, the Obama administration still continued to falsely claim that Kerry had not been on his yacht.

CBS News reported:

On Thursday night, CBS News obtained a photo of Kerry on his boat and sent it to the State Department, asking whether they still stand by their denial that Kerry was on a boat.

The response: "Yes."

208) Said "the planet will boil over" if African citizens adopt a first world standard of living

In July 2013, Obama said "the planet will boil over" if African citizens adopt a first world standard of living.

209) "Among those who Strongly Approve of the president, more fear the Tea Party than radical Muslims."

In June 2013, Rasmussen conducted a poll to find out what people considered to be the "nation's top terror threat."

Reporting on the results of the poll, Rasmussen wrote:

"Among those who Strongly Approve of the president, more fear the Tea Party than radical Muslims."

210) Illegally forced 2,200 privately owned auto dealerships to close, which destroyed 120,000 jobs

In 2009, Obama illegally forced 2,200 privately owned auto dealerships to close. These dealerships had employed 120,000 people.

211) Subsidized the production of alcoholic beverages

In June 2013, Breitbart reported:

The USDA Rural Development agency also touted a program to subsidize the Wine Barn LLC in "marketing and increasing production of its Kansas produced wine." That cost \$25,000. The USDA Rural Development also said it would hand \$300,000 to the Mackinaw Trail Winery in Michigan, \$100,000 for the Appleton Creek Winery in New York, \$162,500 for the Old Westminster Winery in Maryland, and tens of thousands of dollars to wineries in Nebraska and Iowa.

Liquor is the name of the game for the USDA, apparently – they're also subsidizing the production of vodka in North Carolina, Bloody Mary mix in West Virginia, and hard cider in Virginia.

212) Gave 23,994 tax refunds worth a total of \$46,378,040 to illegal aliens who all used the same address

In 2011, the IRS gave 23,994 tax refunds worth a total of \$46,378,040 to illegal aliens who all used the same address in Atlanta, Ga.

213) Sued private businesses for using “racist” criminal background checks to screen employees

In June 2013, the Obama administration filed [lawsuits](#) against Dollar General and BMW for using criminal background checks to screen employees. The Obama administration claimed that such background checks were “[racist](#).”

214) Used tax money to pay federal employees to organize protests against George Zimmerman

In March and April of 2012, Obama used tax money to pay federal employees to organize [protests](#) against George Zimmerman.

215) Illegally continued giving foreign aid to Egypt after it had a coup

Federal law [requires](#) that U.S. foreign aid to Egypt be ended if and when Egypt has a coup. However, after Egypt had a coup in July 2013, the Obama administration [said](#) that it would continue giving foreign aid to Egypt.

216) Broke promise to end Bush’s surveillance of U.S. citizens who were not suspected of committing a crime

In August 2007, Obama [promised](#) that he would end Bush’s surveillance of U.S. citizens who were not suspected of committing a crime. However, in June 2013, such surveillance was [still](#) being conducted.

217) Spent \$3 million to study the health risks of dating Mexican prostitutes

In July 2013, it was reported that the Obama administration had spent \$3 million to study the health risks of dating Mexican prostitutes.

218) Lied about the cost of IRS conferences

In June 2013 it was reported that the Obama administration had lied about the cost of IRS conferences. While the actual cost was \$50 million, the Obama administration had claimed that the cost was only 1% of that amount.

219) Spent \$890,000 per year on service fees for bank accounts that had no money

In April 2013, it was reported that the Obama administration was spending \$890,000 each year on service fees for bank accounts that did not have any money in them. At the time, the government had 13,712 empty accounts which it was supposed to have closed, but which it had kept open anyway.

220) Spent \$34 million to construct a new military headquarters in Afghanistan after U.S. military commanders said they did not want it

After U.S. military commanders said in 2010 that they did not want a new headquarters in Afghanistan, the Obama administration spent \$34 million to build it anyway.

221) Falsely said that his scandals were "phony"

In July 2013, Obama said

"With an endless parade of distractions, political posturing and phony scandals, Washington has taken its eye off the ball."

These scandals are not “phony.” I have cited a huge number of sources in this list to show that these scandals are real.

222) Falsely guaranteed that people could keep their doctor

Before Obamacare was passed, Obama said:

“Here is a guarantee that I’ve made... If you’ve got a doctor that you like, you will be able to keep your doctor.”

However, in July 2013, the Obama administration said that people “may” be able to keep their doctor.

223) Falsely said the auto bailouts prevented Detroit from going bankrupt

Obama falsely stated that the auto bailouts prevented Detroit from going bankrupt.

224) Illegally seized a privately owned gun from a law abiding citizen

After a jury found George Zimmerman not guilty, the Obama administration announced that it would seize his gun. This violated the double jeopardy clause of the U.S. Constitution, as well as the takings clause of the fifth amendment.

225) Broke his promise to have real time verifiability of Obamacare subsidies

In July 2013, Investor’s Business Daily wrote:

Meanwhile, the administration tacitly admitted last week that its promise of real-time verification of a consumer’s

eligibility to buy subsidized coverage at an ObamaCare exchange wasn't exactly panning out.

Under ObamaCare, only those who don't have access to "affordable" insurance at work can buy coverage in an exchange, and only those below certain income levels are eligible for tax subsidies.

Rather than a high-tech instant check, the administration told states they could simply take the applicants' word for it when it comes to their employer-provided coverage, as well as their "projected annual household income," without the need for "further verification."

226) Signed health care reform whose rules contradicted each other

Obamacare allows insurance companies to charge higher premiums for smokers. At the same time, it prohibits insurance companies from charging more than three times as much for older people as it does for younger people. In June 2013, Obama's computer programmers said that they had been unable to write a computer program that simultaneously agreed with both of these rules.

227) Signed a health care reform plan that is so horrible that even the IRS agents who run it don't want to participate in it

Obama hired 16,500 new IRS agents to run Obamacare.

But Obamacare is so awful that even the IRS agents who run it don't want to participate in it.

In July 2013, the National Treasury Employees Union, which represents the IRS employees who will be running Obamacare, provided a form letter to its members to send to their Congressmen. The letter [stated](#):

"I am very concerned about legislation that has been introduced by Congressman Dave Camp to push federal employees out of the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program and into the insurance exchanges established under the Affordable Care Act."

When asked about this, IRS chief Daniel Werfel responded by [saying](#):

"I don't want to speak for the NTEU, but I'll offer a perspective as a federal employee myself and a federal employee at the IRS. And that is, we have right now as employees of the government, of the IRS, affordable health care coverage. I think the ACA was designed to provide an option or an alternative for individuals that do not. And all else being equal, I think if you're an individual who is satisfied with your health care coverage, you're probably in a better position to stick with that coverage than go through the change of moving into a different environment and going through that process. So I think for a federal employee, I think more likely, and I would — can speak for myself, I would prefer to stay with the current policy that I'm pleased with rather than go through a change if I don't need to go through that change."

228) Tried to tax small businesses at a higher rate than corporations

Obama [raised](#) the top tax rate on small businesses to 39.6%, and [tried](#) to lower the top tax rate on corporations

to 28%.

229) Illegally prevented individual employees of small businesses from choosing their own plan during the first year of Obamacare

Obamacare requires that individual employees of small businesses be allowed to choose their own insurance plan during the first year of Obamacare. However, in March 2013, the Obama administration announced that it would not be allowing them to make this choice during the first year.

230) Falsely said that Obamacare had not hurt jobs

In July 2013, the Obama administration said that Obamacare had not hurt jobs.

However, in the real world, in response to the medical device tax that is part of Obamacare, some medical device manufacturers have announced plans to layoff employees, including Welch Allyn (275 planned layoffs), Stryker (1,170 planned layoffs), and Medtronic (1,000 planned layoffs). In December 2012, Al Franken, Elizabeth Warren, John Kerry, and 15 other Democrats who supported the passage of Obamacare wrote a letter to Harry Reid, asking him to delay the tax on medical devices, claiming that the tax would hurt job creation in their districts. The New York Times reported that Obamacare “sharply penalizes full-time employment in favor of part-time employment.” In response to the employer mandate of Obamacare, some restaurants have announced plans to switch some of their employees from full time to part time, including some franchises of Olive Garden, Red Lobster, Wendy’s, Taco Bell, White Castle, and Fatburger. Community College of Allegheny County switched 200 professors and 200 other employees

from full time to part time in response to Obamacare. Clint Benjamin, an English professor at Community College of Allegheny County, [said](#) that this would reduce his own monthly pay by \$600. Also in response to the employer mandate of Obamacare, other colleges have [announced](#) plans to switch some of their employees from full time to part time, including Florida's Palm Beach State College, Ohio's Youngstown State University, and New Jersey's Kean University. In Virginia, thousands of government employees had their hours [reduced](#) because of Obamacare. The Carnegie Museum of Pittsburgh [reduced](#) the hours of 48 of its employees in response to Obamacare. Regal Entertainment Group, the largest chain of movie theaters in the country, [announced](#) that it would be switching thousands of its employees from full time to part time in response to the Obamacare mandate. Utah's Granite School District [reduced](#) the hours of 1,200 of its employees in response to Obamacare. In response to Obamacare, many Wal-Mart stores have [stopped](#) hiring full time workers. In response to Obamacare, Forever 21 [reduced](#) its employees' hours. As of September 2013, more than 200 public-sector employers had [reduced](#) their employees' hours in response to Obamacare. Sea World [reduced](#) the weekly hours of its part time employees from 32 to 28 in response to Obamacare. Lands' End [limited](#) its part time employees to 29 hours per week in response to Obamacare. As of September 2013, at least 34 universities and colleges had [reduced](#) some of their employees' hours in response to Obamacare. In September 2013, it was [reported](#) that in response to Obamacare, Indiana University would be laying off 50 of its employees and switching them to a temp agency. In July 2013, leaders of the Teamsters, UFCW, and UNITE-HERE sent a [letter](#) to Harry Reid and Nancy Pelosi which said that Obamacare will "destroy the foundation of

the 40 hour work week that is the backbone of the American middle class... the law creates an incentive for employers to keep employees' work hours below 30 hours a week. Numerous employers have begun to cut workers' hours to avoid this obligation."

231) Falsely said that health insurance premiums would be reduced by \$2,500 per family by the end of his first term

In February 2008, Obama said:

"We are going to work with you to lower your premiums by \$2,500. We will not wait 20 years from now to do it, or 10 years from now to do it. We will do it by the end of my first term as president."

However, by the time his first term was over, family premiums had gotten bigger, not smaller. The increase was \$3,065 per family.

232) Illegally gave Obamacare waiver to Massachusetts

In August 2013, Obama gave an Obamacare waiver to Massachusetts.

This waiver was illegal for two reasons. First, the waiver was not approved by the U.S. Congress. Second, the U.S. Constitution requires that the federal government treat all states the same.

233) Betrayed the unions that helped him to get elected

In January 2013, the Wall Street Journal reported:

Some Unions Grow Wary of Health Law They Backed

Labor unions enthusiastically backed the Obama administration's health-care overhaul when it was up for debate. Now that the law is rolling out, some are turning sour.

Union leaders say many of the law's requirements will drive up the costs for their health-care plans and make unionized workers less competitive. Among other things, the law eliminates the caps on medical benefits and prescription drugs used as cost-containment measures in many health-care plans. It also allows children to stay on their parents' plans until they turn 26.

Some 20 million Americans are covered by the health-care plans at issue

Top officers at the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, the AFL-CIO and other large labor groups plan to keep pressing the Obama administration to expand the federal subsidies to these jointly run plans, warning that unionized employers may otherwise drop coverage. A handful of unions say they already have examined whether it makes sense to shift workers off their current plans

"We are going back to the administration to say that this is not acceptable," said Ken Hall, general secretary-treasurer for the Teamsters, which has 1.6 million members and dependents in health-care plans. Other unions involved in the push include the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union and Unite Here

Sheet Metal Workers Local 85 in Atlanta, which has about 1,900 members. Next year it must lift the

\$250,000 annual cap on the amount it will pay for medical claims. The law's requirements will add between 50 cents to \$1 an hour to the cost of members' compensation package

234) Illegally changed Obamacare to benefit members of Congress and their staff

Obamacare was passed by the House and Senate, and signed by President Obama.

Three years later, members of Congress and their staff complained that Obamacare was going to cost them a lot of money, and said that this would likely cause a brain drain among their staff. In response to this, Obama made changes to Obamacare so that these things would not happen. However, Obama's actions were illegal, because he made these changes without Congress voting on them first.

The New York Times wrote of this:

... the language of the health care law requires Congressional employees to obtain health insurance through an exchange created by the law, but other parts of the federal legal code restrict the ability of the federal government to pay the usual employer share for group insurance programs approved by the Office of Personnel Management.

A straightforward reading of the law thus means that Congressional staff members, starting in January 2014, will have to obtain insurance through the Affordable Care Act but pay for it on their own without the normal contribution from their employer — Congress. This would be a multi-thousand-dollar income hit for those affected... many... would potentially feel the pain, giving

rise to concerns over a potential brain drain of Congressional staff members finding other employment.

... the federal personnel office initially ruled that Congressional staff members would not be eligible for the subsidies, and then changed this decision under pressure from the White House...

235) Told General Mills to stop making true claims about Cheerios

For quite some time, advertisements for the breakfast cereal Cheerios made the true and accurate claim that eating Cheerios lowers a person's cholesterol.

However, even though this claim is true and accurate, in May 2009, the Obama administration ordered General Mills, the maker of Cheerios, to stop making this claim in its commercials.

236) Illegally avoided enforcing the required income verification of people who receive subsidies for Obamacare exchanges

Even though Obamacare requires the government to verify the income of people who receive subsidies for Obamacare exchanges, in August 2013 it was reported that Obama would not be verifying their incomes.

237) Placed a 40% tax on so-called "Cadillac" insurance plans

Obamacare includes a 40% tax on so-called "Cadillac" insurance plans. In August 2013, unions that supported the passage of Obamacare complained about this tax.

238) Made medical care for special needs children more expensive

In August 2013, it was [reported](#) that Obamacare would make it more expensive for the parents of special needs children to pay for their children's medical equipment and specialized private schools that cater to their medical needs.

239) Responded to the Benghazi attack by going back to bed, and then later got up and headed off to Las Vegas for a fundraiser

In September 2012, after Obama found out that U.S. citizens were being killed in Benghazi, Libya, he went back to bed. After he got up in the morning, he went off to Las Vegas for a [fundraiser](#).

240) Illegally delayed the caps on out of pocket health care payments without Congressional approval

As it was passed by the House and Senate and signed by Obama, Obamacare sets caps on the out of pocket payments that people pay for health care, and these caps were legally required to take effect in January 2014.

However, in August 2013, Obama [delayed](#) these caps until January 2015.

Because Obama imposed this delay without it first being approved by Congress, Obama's action was illegal. The President does not have the legal authority to change an Act that was passed by Congress, without that change first being approved by Congress. What Obama did here is not the act of a President whose power is limited by a written constitution, but is, instead, the action of a dictator.

241) **Holds a double standard when it comes to supporting “gun free” zones**

In December 2012, a petition at whitehouse.gov [stated](#):

“Eliminate armed guards for the President, Vice-President, and their families, and establish Gun Free Zones around them”

“Gun Free Zones are supposed to protect our children, and some politicians wish to strip us of our right to keep and bear arms. Those same politicians and their families are currently under the protection of armed Secret Service agents. If Gun Free Zones are sufficient protection for our children, then Gun Free Zones should be good enough for politicians.”

The Obama administration [rejected](#) the proposal.

242) **Outlawed the low-premium, high-deductible health insurance that some people prefer**

Obamacare [bans](#) to the low-premium, high-deductible health insurance that some people prefer.

243) **Lied about how many people he had helped to protect from mortgage fraud**

In August 2013, it was [reported](#) that less than one month before the 2012 election, the Obama administration had lied about the number of people that it had helped to protect from mortgage fraud, as well as the total amount of money involved. In August 2013, when the truth was revealed, Newsbusters [reported](#):

“Thus, the number of defendants fell by 80% from what DOJ claimed less than a month before the presidential

election. The number of victims fell by 76%. The amount of losses involved dropped by over 90%."

244) Falsely said the NSA review was being conducted by an "independent" body

In August 2013, Obama [said](#) that he would establish an "independent" investigation of NSA surveillance.

However, three days later, it was [reported](#) that this so-called "independent" investigation would be run by James Clapper, who had falsely testified to Congress that the NSA was not collecting information on U.S. citizens.

245) Forced taxpayers to bail out the student debt of people with six figure incomes

Obama forced taxpayers to bail out the student debt of people with six figure incomes. In February 2015, Forbes [wrote](#):

10 Reasons Why the Cost of Obama's Student Loan Plan is Exploding

Let's say you earned an MBA from a private school and left with a loan balance of \$90,000 (with a 5 percent interest rate), including undergraduate loans. After you graduate, you land a job in the business office at an elite private university. Your starting salary is \$70,000 with annual three percent raises. Based on your debt-to-income ratio, you qualify for IBR and enroll. After a big promotion in your sixth year, your salary is bumped to \$110,000. By your 10th year you earn \$124,000, at which point your outstanding balance is forgiven under Public Service Loan Forgiveness.

Your total loan payments would be \$62,000 in principal and interest over those 10 years, but if you had fully paid off your loan over that time, they would have been \$114,000. Thanks to PSLF, the federal government just handed you a check for \$52,000. Again, you still qualify for this benefit despite having never earned less than \$70,000 a year over your repayment term and regardless of the fact that you earn a very high income when the debt is forgiven.

246) Closed off public roads so he could buy books

In August 2013, Obama had public roads closed to the public so he could go to a bookstore. Why didn't he just order the books online?

247) Gave illegal EPA exemption to one oil refinery, and would not say which refinery it was

The EPA has a very expensive ethanol mandate that applies to all oil refineries. However, in August 2013, it was reported that Obama had given one oil refinery an exemption from this mandate.

This exemption is illegal for two reasons. First, the exemption was not approved by Congress. And secondly, the Constitution requires that federal laws apply equally to everyone.

In addition, Obama refused to say which refinery it was that received this exemption, which is completely contrary to his repeated promises of "transparency."

248) Created new fines for charitable hospitals that give treatment to uninsured people

In August 2013, it was [reported](#) that Obamacare creates new fines for charitable hospitals that give treatment to uninsured people.

249) **Blamed poverty on zip codes instead of on behavior**

In July 2013, HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan [said](#):

"Unfortunately, in too many of our hardest-hit communities, no matter how hard a child or her parents work, the life chances of that child, even her lifespan, is determined by the ZIP Code she grows up in. This is simply wrong."

However, let's consider two groups of people in the U.S. The first group has a poverty rate of 2%. The second group has a poverty rate of 76%.

The first group consists of people who followed all three of these steps:

- 1) Finish high school.
- 2) Get a full-time job.
- 3) Wait until age 21 and get married before having children.

The second group consists of people who followed zero of those three steps.

Among people who follow all three of these steps, the poverty rate is 2%.

Among people who follow zero of these steps, the poverty rate is 76%.

(My source for that information is [this](#) article, which refers to [this](#) PDF, and the relevant data is on page 15 of the PDF. The study uses data from the U.S. Census Bureau.)

250) Nominated a telecommunications lobbyist and Obama fundraiser to head the FCC

In May 2013, Obama [nominated](#) Tom Wheeler to head the FCC. Wheeler had previously been the head of the National Cable and Telecommunications Association, which is a lobbying organization for the cable TV industry. He had also been the head of CTIA, a lobbying organization for cellphone carriers. In addition, he had also been a fundraiser for Obama.

251) Tried to violate defendants' right to a fair trial

In August 2013, Reuters [reported](#):

A secretive U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration unit is funneling information from intelligence intercepts, wiretaps, informants and a massive database of telephone records to authorities across the nation to help them launch criminal investigations of Americans.

Although these cases rarely involve national security issues, documents reviewed by Reuters show that law enforcement agents have been directed to conceal how such investigations truly begin – not only from defense lawyers but also sometimes from prosecutors and judges.

The undated documents show that federal agents are trained to "recreate" the investigative trail to effectively cover up where the information originated, a practice that some experts say violates a defendant's

Constitutional right to a fair trial. If defendants don't know how an investigation began, they cannot know to ask to review potential sources of exculpatory evidence – information that could reveal entrapment, mistakes or biased witnesses.

"I have never heard of anything like this at all," said Nancy Gertner, a Harvard Law School professor who served as a federal judge from 1994 to 2011. Gertner and other legal experts said the program sounds more troubling than recent disclosures that the National Security Agency has been collecting domestic phone records. The NSA effort is geared toward stopping terrorists; the DEA program targets common criminals, primarily drug dealers.

"It is one thing to create special rules for national security," Gertner said. "Ordinary crime is entirely different. It sounds like they are phonying up investigations."

252) Threatened internet service providers with contempt of court if they did not install surveillance software

In August 2013, it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration had pressured internet service providers to install surveillance software, so that it could monitor internet traffic without a warrant. Internet service providers who did not cave in to this pressure were threatened by the Obama administration with contempt of court. This violated the Constitution's ban on warrantless searches. In addition, the executive branch does not have the legal authority to declare contempt of court, as this power is reserved exclusively for the judicial branch.

253) Sued Louisiana to try to keep low income black children trapped in horrible schools, and lied about why he did it

In August 2013, the Obama administration [sued](#) Louisiana to try to bring an end to its school voucher program – a program which had just been passed in 2012.

Under the Louisiana program, both of the following [criteria](#) had to be met in order for a student to get a school voucher. First, the student must come from a family whose income is below 250% of the poverty level. And second, the current public school that the student is attending must be rated as “C” or below.

[86% of students](#) who received vouchers had used those vouchers to flee from public schools which had been rated as “D” or “F.”

Only the most vulnerable children were eligible for the vouchers – the poorest students attending the worst schools.

Obama’s [reason](#) for filing the lawsuit was that “many of those vouchers impeded the desegregation process.”

However, in response to Obama’s claim that the vouchers discriminated against blacks, Louisiana Education Superintendent John White [pointed](#) out that almost all of the students using the vouchers were black, and [said](#) that “it’s a little ridiculous” for Obama to claim that these vouchers caused discrimination against blacks. The Washington Post [reported](#) that 90% of the students who received the vouchers were black.

It's also worth noting that only students whose parents [requested](#) such vouchers were eligible to participate in the voucher program. Obama was therefore claiming that parents wanted their own children to be discriminated against. Obama was extremely wrong on this. These parents did not want their children to be discriminated against. In reality, what these parents wanted was for their children to have a chance at a better education.

This also makes Obama a hypocrite, because while he was living in both Chicago and Washington D.C., he [always](#) sent his own children to private schools. Does Obama really want us to believe that he subjected his own children to racial discrimination by sending them to private schools?

Furthermore, two different [studies](#), one by Ph.D. students at the University of Arkansas, and the other sponsored by the state of Louisiana, both found that this voucher program made racial integration better, not worse. This further proves that Obama is a liar, and that his entire claim against these vouchers is bogus.

In September 2013, the Washington Post editorial board criticized Obama in [this](#) editorial, which is titled, "The Justice Department bids to trap poor, black children in ineffective schools."

In April 2014, the Daily Signal published [this](#) article, which is titled, "Meet one of the students Eric Holder is blocking by standing in the schoolhouse door."

Fortunately, in November 2015, the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled [against](#) Obama's attempt to keep low income black children trapped in horrible government schools. The court's ruling can be read [here](#).

254) Encouraged 40,000 longshoremen to quit the AFL-CIO

In September 2013, it was [reported](#) that 40,000 longshoremen had quit the AFL-CIO, and that they had cited Obamacare as one of their reasons for doing so.

255) Paid \$67 million to so-called “volunteers”

In August 2013, it was [reported](#) that Obama has paid \$67 million to so-called “volunteers” to teach people about Obamacare.

256) Illegally used Obamacare to fund pre-K education without approval from Congress

In August 2013, it was [reported](#) that Obama had illegally used Obamacare to fund pre-K education without approval from Congress.

257) Obama’s “hunger-free” program left students feeling hungry

In December 2010, Obama [signed](#) the “Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act,” which limited school lunches to a maximum of 850 calories. Students [complained](#) that this so-called “hunger-free” program left them feeling hungry.

258) Signed health care reform that is so terrible that less than 3% of federal employees want to join it

In August 2013, it was [reported](#) that less than 3% of federal employees wanted to participate in Obamacare.

259) Avoided doing background checks on Obamacare “navigators”

In August 2013, it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration would not be doing background checks on Obamacare “navigators,” despite the fact that these “navigators” would have access to people’s personal, private, and financial information.

260) Illegally paid White House interns less than minimum wage

In June 2013, a federal court [ruled](#) that Fox Searchlight Pictures had violated the minimum wage law by using unpaid interns. Two months later, it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration was using unpaid interns. In addition to this being illegal, it also makes Obama a hypocrite, because he had previously [spoken](#) out in favor of raising the minimum wage.

261) Said broccoli was his favorite food

In July 2013, Obama [said](#) that broccoli was his favorite food. However, before he made this claim, even though the media showed many pictures of him eating, and even though there were many articles published about the foods that he ate, as far as I know, none of those pictures or articles ever showed or mentioned him eating broccoli. While this may seem trivial, it shows that there is nothing – absolutely nothing at all – that Obama is not willing to lie about.

262) Illegally missed half of Obamacare’s deadlines

In August 2013, it was [reported](#) that Obama had illegally missed 41 of Obamacare’s 82 deadlines.

263) Tried to give illegal Obamacare subsidies to unions without Congressional approval

In August 2013 it was [reported](#) that Obama was trying to give illegal Obamacare subsidies to unions, without approval from Congress.

264) Made it harder for writers, actors, artists, and musicians to obtain health insurance

In September 2013, the Weekly Standard [reported](#):

Nancy Pelosi waxed rhapsodic in 2010 as she imagined the benefits of Obamacare: "Think of an economy where people could be an artist or a photographer or a writer without worrying about keeping their day job in order to have health insurance."

But as Obamacare begins to kick in, artists, photographers, writers, and other members of the "creative class" who have access to health insurance programs through numerous professional organizations will lose that coverage.

Up until now professional organizations have worked with insurance providers to craft reduced-rate plans for their members. But thanks to the fine print in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), on January 1, 2014, many of these plans will fail to pass legal muster.

The College Art Association website posted a notice this month: "The New York Life Insurance Company recently informed CAA that it will no longer offer catastrophic healthcare coverage previously available to CAA members."

The Entertainment Industry Group Insurance Trust (TEIGIT) website posts the following notice: "All

individual and/or Sole Proprietor Health Insurance will terminate January 1, 2014. This includes plans acquired as Members of our Affiliated Associations & their groups." Those affiliated associations include the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists, the Dramatists Guild, the Graphic Arts Guild, NY Women in Film and Television, and many others.

This will affect huge numbers of freelance artists, musicians, disc jockeys, and so forth.

freelance artists, designers, and musicians forced to enter the state-run exchanges are far more likely to see their rates go up

Pelosi's vision of a world full of carefree artists, musicians, and writers is a mirage and becoming fainter the closer we get to January 1.

265) Banned the sale of flavored cigarettes, but gave an exemption to the most dangerous flavor

In September 2009, the Obama administration banned the sale of flavored cigarettes, but exempted menthol from the ban. Although I am opposed to this ban, it's this exemption that I find to be the most troubling. If Obama thinks that flavored cigarettes are so dangerous that they deserve to be banned, then why did he exempt one particular flavor?

The Obama administration later announced that menthol cigarettes were more dangerous than other flavors such as cherry, cloves, chocolate, coconut, and cinnamon, but still continued to exempt menthol from the ban. If Obama thinks that flavored cigarettes are so dangerous that they should be banned, then why did he knowingly continue to give an exemption to the most dangerous flavor?

266) Tried to censor the Washington Post

In August 2013, the Washington Post [reported](#):

The Obama administration referred all questions for this article to John DeLong, the NSA's director of compliance, who answered questions freely in a 90-minute interview. DeLong and members of the NSA communications staff said he could be quoted "by name and title" on some of his answers after an unspecified internal review. The Post said it would not permit the editing of quotes. Two days later, White House and NSA spokesmen said that none of DeLong's comments could be quoted on the record and sent instead a prepared statement in his name. The Post declines to accept the substitute language as quotations from DeLong.

267) Dumbed down math education to make wrong answers acceptable

In August 2013, the Daily Caller [reported](#):

Quick: what's 3×4 ?

If you said 11 — or, hell, if you said 7, pi, or infinity squared — that's just fine under the Common Core, the new national curriculum that the Obama administration will impose on American public school students this fall.

In a pretty amazing YouTube video, Amanda August, a curriculum coordinator in a suburb of Chicago called Grayslake, explains that getting the right answer in math just doesn't matter as long as kids can explain the necessarily faulty reasoning they used to get to that wrong answer.

"Even if they said, '3 x 4 was 11,' if they were able to explain their reasoning and explain how they came up with their answer really in, umm, words and oral explanation, and they showed it in the picture but they just got the final number wrong, we're really more focused on the how," August says in the video.

268) Broke his promise to label genetically modified food

Before the 2008 election, Obama promised to require labeling of genetically modified food. He broke that promise.

269) Asked the Supreme Court to allow warrantless cell phone searches

In August 2013, the Obama administration asked the U.S Supreme Court to allow warrantless cell phone searches.

270) Used an armed SWAT team to check for water pollution

In September 2013, the Alaska Dispatch reported:

When agents with the Alaska Environmental Crimes Task Force surged out of the wilderness around the remote community of Chicken wearing body armor and jackets emblazoned with POLICE in big, bold letters, local placer miners didn't quite know what to think.

Did it really take eight armed men and a squad-size display of paramilitary force to check for dirty water? Some of the miners, who run small businesses, say they felt intimidated.

Miners suggest it might have been better all around if officials had just shown up at the door — as they used to

do — and said they wanted to check the water.

The EPA has refused to publicly explain why it used armed officers as part of what it called a "multi-jurisdictional" investigation of possible Clean Water Act violations in the area.

271) Purchased 1.6 billion rounds of ammunition for the Department of Homeland Security to use in the U.S.

In March 2013, it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration had purchased 1.6 billion rounds of ammunition for the Department of Homeland Security to use in the U.S.

272) Released 2,837 convicted sex offenders from prison

In September 2013, the Obama administration [released](#) 2,837 convicted sex offenders from prison.

Although the Obama administration had released these sex offenders in response to a court order to alleviate prison overcrowding, it could have released non-violent drug offenders instead. See #7 on this list for how Obama has carried out the biggest war against medical marijuana of any President in history.

Apparently, Obama thinks that people with doctors' prescriptions for medical marijuana are a bigger threat than rapists and child molesters.

273) Refused to fire or prosecute Obamacare employee who released private info of 2,400 people

In September 2013, it was [reported](#) that an Obamacare employee had released the private information of 2,400 people. Obama refused to fire or prosecute this Obamacare employee.

274) Tried to monitor 80% of all credit card transactions

In September 2013, it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration was trying to monitor 80% of all credit card transactions.

275) Tried to censor the AFL-CIO

In September 2013, Associated Press [reported](#):

The AFL-CIO on Wednesday approved a resolution critical of parts of President Barack Obama's health care law in spite of efforts by White House officials to discourage the labor federation from making its concerns so prominent.

The strongly worded resolution says the Affordable Care Act will drive up the costs of union-sponsored health plans to the point that workers and employers are forced to abandon them. Labor unions still support the law's overall goals of reducing health costs and bringing coverage to all Americans, the resolution says, but adds that the law is being implemented in a way that is "highly disruptive" to union health care plans.

Some individual unions have complained about the law's impact for months. The resolution marks the first time the nation's largest labor federation has gone on record embracing that view. Unions were among the most enthusiastic backers of the law when it passed in 2010.

A labor official told The Associated Press that White House officials had been calling labor leaders for days to urge them not to voice their concerns in the form of a resolution.

276) Falsely said that he had not declared a “red line” on Syria

In August 2012, while talking about Syria, Obama said:

“A red line for us is we start seeing a whole bunch of chemical weapons moving around or being utilized.”

However, in September 2013, while talking about Syria, Obama said:

“I didn’t set a red line.”

277) Falsely gave himself credit for John Kerry’s idea about Syria

In September 2013, U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry suggested that Syria turn over all of its chemical weapons to an international body.

The Obama’s administration initially responded to Kerry’s statement by saying that Kerry had not been serious, and that his statement had just been a “rhetorical” answer to a hypothetical question.

However, after former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton said that Kerry’s idea made sense, Obama falsely stated that he had talked about the idea a week earlier.

278) Made it more difficult and bureaucratic for restaurant employees to collect automatic tips from parties of eight or more

In September 2013, the Obama administration [announced](#) new paperwork requirements for restaurants that collect automatic tips from parties of eight or more. These new regulations create additional paperwork for restaurants each and every time a party of eight or more leaves an automatic tip. It also means that restaurant employees would have to wait extra time to receive these automatic tips from parties of eight or more. In addition, in some cases, restaurant employees might not get any tip at all from some parties of eight or more, because their employer might decide that the paperwork is too burdensome, and stop collecting automatic tips altogether.

There's also the fact that Obama imposed these new regulations without approval from Congress, which means that Obama's actions were illegal.

279) Secretly and illegally reversed NSA restrictions without approval from Congress

In September 2013, the Washington Post [reported](#):

The Obama administration secretly won permission from a surveillance court in 2011 to reverse restrictions on the National Security Agency's use of intercepted phone calls and e-mails, permitting the agency to search deliberately for Americans' communications in its massive databases, according to interviews with government officials and recently declassified material.

In addition, the court extended the length of time that the NSA is allowed to retain intercepted U.S. communications from five years to six years — and more under special circumstances, according to the documents, which include a recently released 2011

opinion by U.S. District Judge John D. Bates, then chief judge of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court.

Together the permission to search and to keep data longer expanded the NSA's authority in significant ways without public debate or any specific authority from Congress. The enlarged authority is part of a fundamental shift in the government's approach to surveillance: collecting first, and protecting Americans' privacy later.

The court decision allowed the NSA "to query the vast majority" of its e-mail and phone call databases using the e-mail addresses and phone numbers of Americans and legal residents without a warrant, according to Bates's opinion.

The court in 2008 imposed a wholesale ban on such searches at the government's request, said Alex Joel, civil liberties protection officer at the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI). The government included this restriction "to remain consistent with NSA policies and procedures that NSA applied to other authorized collection activities," he said.

280) Encouraged employers to use temp agencies

In September 2013, it was [reported](#) that in response to Obamacare, Indiana University would be laying off 50 of its employees and switching them to a temp agency.

In June 2013, Time magazine [wrote](#):

Why Temp Agencies Are Learning to Love the Affordable Care Act

Staffing companies like Robert Half International and On Assignment have seen their stock prices soar since President Obama's reelection in November, as the election made it nearly certain that the implementation of the law would continue as planned. "In general [Obamacare] is viewed as something that will lead to increases in the penetration rate of temporary workers," says Tobey Sommer, an analyst with SunTrust Robinson Humphrey. Firms like Robert Half International are especially well positioned to benefit from the law, Sommer says, because they specialize in small and medium-sized companies, the very sort that may be using temporary workers to help them stay below that all-important 50-worker mark.

There's also an opening for staffing companies to present themselves as experts in the labor rules of the Obamacare law, and as a resource that other businesses can turn to for help with its many rules and regulations. "The increasing burden of these regulations will cause some clients to throw up their hands and say, 'I can't deal with all of this,'" says Sommer. And when that happens, a full-service staffing company could be the perfect place to seek help navigating the unknown waters of Obamacare.

281) Encouraged layoffs of health care workers

In September 2013, it was reported that in response to Obamacare, Emory Healthcare, which is in Georgia, would be laying off more than 100 of its employees.

In September 2013, it was reported that in response to Obamacare, the Cleveland Clinic would be laying off some of its employees.

282) Encouraged insurance companies to reduce their customers' choices of doctors and hospitals

In September 2013, the Los Angeles Times [reported](#):

The doctor can't see you now.

Consumers may hear that a lot more often after getting health insurance under President Obama's Affordable Care Act.

To hold down premiums, major insurers in California have sharply limited the number of doctors and hospitals available to patients in the state's new health insurance market opening Oct. 1.

New data reveal the extent of those cuts in California, a crucial test bed for the federal healthcare law.

These diminished medical networks are fueling growing concerns that many patients will still struggle to get care despite the nation's biggest healthcare expansion in half a century.

Consumers could see long wait times, a scarcity of specialists and loss of a longtime doctor.

In September 2013, the New York Times [reported](#):

... under President Obama's health care law... many insurers are significantly limiting the choices of doctors and hospitals available to consumers.

From California to Illinois to New Hampshire, and in many states in between, insurers are... restricting the number of providers who will treat patients in their new health plans.

... insurers... have created smaller networks of doctors and hospitals than are typically found in commercial insurance.

Consumers should be prepared for "much tighter, narrower networks" of doctors and hospitals, said Adam M. Linker, a health policy analyst at the North Carolina Justice Center, a statewide advocacy group.

In a new study, the Health Research Institute of PricewaterhouseCoopers, the consulting company, says that "insurers passed over major medical centers" when selecting providers in California, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky and Tennessee, among other states.

Juan Carlos Davila, an executive vice president of Blue Shield of California, said the network for its exchange plans... did not include the five medical centers of the University of California.

Daniel R. Hawkins Jr., a senior vice president of the National Association of Community Health Centers, which represents 9,000 clinics around the country, said: "... insurers have shown little interest in including us in their provider networks."

Dr. Bruce Siegel, the president of America's Essential Hospitals, formerly known as the National Association of Public Hospitals and Health Systems, said insurers were telling his members: "We don't want you in our network. We are worried about having your patients, who are sick and have complicated conditions."

In New Hampshire, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, a unit of WellPoint, one of the nation's largest insurers, has touched off a furor by excluding 10 of the state's 26

hospitals from the health plans that it will sell through the insurance exchange.

283) Encouraged a hospital to close

In September 2013, WCYB reported:

Jonesville, Va. – A local hospital is closing its doors.

Wellmont Health System is citing unprecedented changes in health care as the reason for closing Lee Regional Medical Center.

Company officials say three reasons led to the decision reimbursement cuts associated with the Affordable Care Act, extremely low community use of the hospital and a lack of consistent physician coverage.

Lee Regional will cease all operations on October 1.

284) Required doctors to ask patients sexual questions and put their answers in an electronic database

In September 2013, it was reported that Obamacare requires doctors to ask patients personal questions about their sex lives, and to put their answers into an electronic database. Doctors who avoid doing this will be penalized.

Dr. Adam Budzikowski, a New York cardiologist, said these sex question were “insensitive, stupid and very intrusive,” and that he could not think of any reason why a cardiologist would need such information.

Dr. Richard Amerling, an associate professor of medicine at Albert Einstein Medical College, said that a patient’s medical record should be “a story created by you and your doctor

solely for your treatment and benefit,” and that Obamacare turns doctor appointments “into an interrogation, and the data will not be confidential.”

The New York Civil Liberties Union [said](#) that these requirements were a violation of patients’ privacy.

The Obama administration [said](#) that patients who wished to keep their information out of the electronic database should pay in cash.

285) Listed wrong prices for Obamacare

On September 20, 2013, just 10 days before the Obamacare exchanges were legally required to be ready, it was [reported](#) that they had the wrong prices.

286) Made it easier for people to commit health care fraud

In September 2013, CNBC [reported](#):

Deep staff cuts are hitting a federal agency responsible for investigating health care fraud just as Obamacare is due to kick in, leaving less people to investigate an ever-growing crime that costs taxpayers billions of dollars.

And in a perverse twist, the funding cuts at the Health and Human Services Department’s Inspector General’s Office might save money in the short term for the U.S. taxpayer. But over the long run, more money that could have been recouped from the fraud cases now going unpursued, is being left on the table, the agency said.

For every \$1 spent on health-care fraud probes, nearly \$8 is recouped in fines, restitution or settlements, according to HHS.

287) Included a so-called "family glitch" in his health care reform

In September 2013, USA Today [reported](#):

A so-called "family glitch" in the 2010 health care law threatens to cost some families thousands of dollars in health insurance costs and leave up to 500,000 children without coverage, insurance and health care analysts say.

That's unless Congress fixes the problem, which seems unlikely given the House's latest move Friday to strip funding from the law, which is also called the Affordable Care Act.

Congress defined "affordable" as 9.5% or less of an employee's household income, mostly to make sure people did not leave their workplace plans for subsidized coverage through the exchanges. But the "error" was that it only applies to the employee — and not his or her family. So, if an employer offers a woman affordable insurance, but doesn't provide it for her family, they cannot get subsidized help through the state health exchanges.

That can make a huge difference; the Kaiser Family Foundation said an average plan for an individual is about \$5,600, but it goes up to \$15,700 for families.

288) Made it harder for Canadian politicians to get health care

Canada has had so-called "universal health care" for a long time.

However, when Robert Bourassa, the premier of Quebec, Canada, needed [cancer treatment](#), he came to the United States and paid for his health care with his own money.

And when Canadian Liberal MP Belinda Stronach needed [cancer treatment](#), she also came to the United States and paid for her health care with her own money.

And when Newfoundland and Labrador Premier Danny Williams needed [heart surgery](#), he, too, came to the United States and paid for his health care with his own money.

Now that Obama has given the U.S. so-called "universal health care," where will Canadian politicians go when they get sick?

289) Gave married couples an annual tax of up to \$11,028 for being married instead of single

In front of the U.S. Supreme Court, the Obama administration [argued](#) that Obamacare is a tax.

According to the Obamacare calculator, Obamacare places an [annual tax](#) on married couples for being married instead of single. The amount of this tax depends upon the ages, incomes, and parental status of the married couple.

According to the Obamacare calculator, the extreme case of this tax occurs with a 60-year-old married couple with no children, where the two spouses have identical incomes totaling \$62,041 per year. Under this scenario, according to the Obamacare calculator, Obamacare gives them an annual tax of [\\$11,028](#) for being married instead of single.

290) Gave people an annual tax increase of up to \$12,214 for earning one more dollar of income

In front of the U.S. Supreme Court, the Obama administration argued that Obamacare is a tax.

Obamacare gives some people a tax increase if they increase their income by one dollar. The amount of this tax increase depends upon the person's age, income, and marital status.

According to the Obamacare calculator, the extreme case of this occurs with a 64-year-old married couple with a combined income of \$62,041. Under this scenario, according to the Obamacare calculator, Obamacare gives them an annual tax increase of \$12,214 when their income increases by one dollar, in the case of their income going from \$62,040 to \$62,041.

This amounts to a marginal tax rate of 1,221,400%. That's not a typo – the marginal tax rate on that one dollar of additional income is more than one million per cent.

291) Refused to fire IRS employees who "lost" \$67 million from Obamacare "slush fund"

In September 2013, it was reported that IRS employees had "lost" \$67 million from a "slush fund." Obama refused to fire those employees. Obama had created the "slush fund" as part of Obamacare.

292) Refused to fire ATF employees who "lost" 420 million cigarettes

In September 2013, it was reported that ATF employees had "lost" 420 million cigarettes. Obama refused to fire them.

293) Falsely said his mother's insurance company had refused to pay for her cancer treatment

During the 2008 election campaign, Obama [falsely](#) said that his mother's health insurance company had refused to pay for her cancer treatment.

294) Had 19.5 million fake Twitter followers

As of September 2013, Obama had 19.5 million [fake](#) Twitter followers.

295) Illegally delayed online registration of Obamacare for small businesses

Obamacare requires that the online registration for small businesses be ready by October 1, 2013. However, five days before that date, Associated Press [reported](#) that this deadline would not be met.

296) Encouraged 30,000 Puget Sound grocery workers to vote in favor of authorizing a strike

In September 2013, a union representing 30,000 employees at Safeway, Fred Meyer, QFC, and Albertson's in the Puget Sound area of Washington state [voted](#) in favor of authorizing a strike. Union members said that one of their reasons for voting in favor of the strike was that their employers were trying to switch their part time employees from employer provided insurance to the Obamacare exchanges.

297) Waived the U.S. ban on arming terrorists

In September 2013, the Washington Examiner [reported](#):

Obama waives ban on arming terrorists to allow aid to Syrian opposition

President Obama waived a provision of federal law designed to prevent the supply of arms to terrorist groups to clear the way for the U.S. to provide military assistance to "vetted" opposition groups fighting Syrian dictator Bashar Assad.

Some elements of the Syrian opposition are associated with radical Islamic terrorist groups, including al Qaeda

The law allows the president to waive those prohibitions if he "determines that the transaction is essential to the national security interests of the United States."

298) Caused a family's monthly insurance premium to increase from \$333 to \$965

Andy and Amy Mangione and their two sons live in Louisville, Kentucky. In September 2013, they received a letter from Humana, their insurance company, which said that Obamacare would be causing their monthly premium to increase from \$333 to \$965.

299) Caused Michelle Malkin's family to lose their health insurance policy

In September 2013, conservative writer Michelle Malkin, who has always opposed Obamacare, wrote:

Like an estimated 22 million other Americans, I am a self-employed small-business owner who buys health insurance for my family directly on the individual market. We have a high-deductible PPO plan that allows us to choose from a wide range of doctors.

Or rather, we had such a plan.

Last week, our family received notice from Anthem BlueCross BlueShield of Colorado that we can no longer keep the plan we like because of "changes from health care reform (also called the Affordable Care Act or ACA)." The letter informed us that "(t)o meet the requirements of the new laws, your current plan can no longer be continued beyond your 2014 renewal date."

This isn't just partisan business. It's personal. Our cancellation letter states that Anthem is "not going to be selling new individual PPO plans." When we asked whether we could keep our children's doctors, an agent for Anthem told my husband and me she didn't know.

300) Tried to force Little Sisters of the Poor and other Catholic organizations to violate their religious principles

In September 2013, Becket Fund for Religious Liberty [sued](#) the Obama administration on behalf of Little Sisters of the Poor, a Catholic charity. Other Catholic organizations were also represented in the lawsuit.

Sister Loraine Marie [said](#) of this lawsuit:

"We cannot violate our vows by participating in the government's program to provide access to abortion-inducing drugs."

Mark Rienzi, one of the lawyers representing these Catholic organizations, [said](#):

"These women just want to take care of the elderly poor without being forced to violate the faith that animates

their work. The money they collect should be used to care for the poor like it always has — and not to pay the IRS.”

301) Signed health care reform that broke his promise not to increase taxes on families making less than \$250,000 a year

On September 12, 2008, Obama promised:

“I can make a firm pledge. Under my plan, no family making less than \$250,000 a year will see any form of tax increase. Not your income tax, not your payroll tax, not your capital gains taxes, not any of your taxes.”

In 2010, Obama signed Obamacare.

In 2012, in front of the U.S. Supreme Court, the Obama administration argued that Obamacare is a tax.

302) Pushed millions of working people “into a regulatory health coverage no man’s land”

In February 2013, U.S. Senator Ron Wyden (Democrat-Oregon) said:

“We’ve got millions of people — working-class, middle-class people — who are going to be pushed into a regulatory health coverage no man’s land. They are unable to afford the family coverage through their employer and ineligible for the subsidy that could be used by dependents on the exchange.”

303) “Unfairly” forced federal lawmakers and their aides to participate in the same health care reform as everyone else

In June 2013, U.S. Congressman John Larson (Democrat-Connecticut) said that it is “not fair” to force federal lawmakers and their aides to participate in the same health care reform as everyone else.

304) Encouraged SEIU union to go on strike

The Service Employees International Union supported Obama in both elections, and also supported the passage of Obamacare.

However, in September 2013, member of the Chicago chapter of the SEIU went on strike over jobs cuts that were caused by Obamacare.

305) Removed promise of “free” health care from Obamacare website

In September 2013, the Obamacare website removed its promise of “free” health care.

306) Exposed the hypocrisy of MSNBC host Ed Schultz

After Obamacare was passed, MSNBC host Ed Schultz praised it almost every day for three years. However, on September 26, 2013, just five days before the Obamacare exchanges were to begin, Schultz said that unions should be exempt from it.

307) Punished people who were unable to accurately predict their income a year in advance

Obamacare requires people to predict their income a year in advance. If their prediction is wrong, they can be punished by the IRS.

308) Created Obamacare website where less than 1% of the people who visited on its first day actually registered for Obamacare

U.S. Congressman Congressman Jim Himes (Democrat-Connecticut) said that out of the 28,000 people from Connecticut who had visited the Obamacare website on its first day, only [167](#) had actually signed up for Obamacare.

309) Obama administration falsely said it did not know how many people had enrolled in Obamacare

On October 3, 2013, the third day that the Obamacare website was in operation, White House spokesman Jay Carney [said](#) that "7 million" people had visited the Obamacare website so far. However, when asked how many of those people had actually enrolled in Obamacare, he [said](#), "We don't have that data."

Carney was lying. Of course the Obama administration had that data. CBS News was able to get a copy of that data, and [reported](#) that during the first 24 hours after the Obamacare website went online, only [six](#) people had used the website to enroll in Obamacare.

310) Broke promise that Obamacare "navigators" would not go door to door

On October 1, 2013, the very first day that Obamacare registration was taking place, the Obama administration [broke](#) its promise that Obamacare "navigators" would not go door to door.

311) Created Obamacare website where reporters from various news agencies were unable to register on its first day

On October 1, 2013, a CNN reporter was [unable](#) to register at the Obamacare website.

On October 1, 2013, an MSNBC reporter was [unable](#) to register at the Obamacare website.

On October 1, 2013, a reporter from the Tennessean was [unable](#) to register at the Obamacare website.

312) Created Obamacare phone line that was answered by “navigators” who had no training

President Obama signed Obamacare in March 2010. The Obama administration had three and a half years to hire and train the “navigators” who answer the Obamacare phone line.

However, on October 1, 2013, one of the “navigators” who answered the Obamacare phone line [said](#) “We have not been trained yet.”

313) Created Obamacare website that can't handle as much traffic as a website which is run by one guy in his pajamas from his apartment

[drudgereport.com](#) is run by Matt Drudge, who runs the website in his pajamas from his apartment. I've visited his website just about every day since the late 20th century. It runs very well. His website has gotten as many as [45 million](#) hits per day.

On the first day of the Obamacare website, it had [5 million](#) visitors. It could not handle that amount of traffic.

314) Created Obamacare phone line where “navigators” told people to go to a building that turned out to be empty

Obamacare “navigators” who answered the Obamacare phone line told people to go to a building that turned out to be empty.

315) Created Obamacare phone line with a number that when spelled out is “F* YO”**

When spelled out, the Obamacare phone number is “F*** YO.”

This is not a complaint on my part. On the contrary, I consider this to be truth in advertising. For once, the Obama administration is telling us the truth about Obamacare.

316) Tried to censor a book about the “Fast and Furious” scandal

In October 2013, the ACLU announced that it would be defending John Dodson’s first amendment right to free speech, against the Obama administration, which was trying to prevent Dodson from publishing a book about Obama’s “Fast and Furious” scandal.

317) Michelle Obama said she could not tweet as often after the federal shutdown caused layoffs of her 16 “assistants,” who have salaries as high as \$172,200

Michelle Obama has 16 taxpayer funded “assistants,” whose salaries are as high as \$172,200.

During the government shutdown in October 2013, her 16 “assistants” were laid off, and her twitter account said:

“Due to Congress’s failure to pass legislation to fund the government, updates to this account will be limited.”

318) Hypocritically blocked Texas's voter ID law for being "racist"

In March 2012, Obama's Justice Department [blocked](#) Texas's voter ID law, claiming that it was "racist."

However, the very same Obama Justice Department that did this, also [requires](#) photo ID for everyone who enters it. In [this video](#), beginning at 2:39, we see that a security guard at Obama's Justice Department requires photo ID for everyone who enters.

319) Falsely said that his negotiating over the debt ceiling would be unprecedented

In October 2013, Obama falsely [said](#) that his negotiating over the debt ceiling would be unprecedented.

320) Blocked access to outdoor memorials and monuments during the government shutdown, even though it would have been cheaper to leave them open

During the government shutdown in October 2013, Obama shut down the Vietnam Memorial, despite the fact that it would have been [cheaper](#) to leave it open.

Obama also [shut down](#) the World War II Memorial. Obama used metal fences and yellow police tape to block the entrances.

Obama put up orange cones to [prevent](#) drivers from stopping and taking pictures of Mount Rushmore.

Obama put up yellow [police tape](#) in front of the Lincoln Memorial to prevent people from entering.

During previous government shutdowns, these memorials and monuments had remained open.

Since it's more expensive to close these outdoor memorials and monuments than it is to leave them open, I have to wonder what Obama's reason was for shutting them down.

321) Kicked people out of their privately owned vacation homes on federal land during government shutdown

During the government shutdown in October 2013, Obama forced people to leave their privately owned vacation homes along Lake Mead. The privately owned homes were situated on land owned by the federal government. All of the homes in question were vacation homes, not primary residences, so no one was forced into homelessness. Nevertheless, there was no legitimate justification for Obama to do this.

322) Forced private businesses on federal land to close during government shutdown

During the October 2013 government shutdown, Obama forced privately owned marinas, restaurants, inns, and concessions stands which were situated on federal land to close. Although the Obama administration claimed that this was done because the government did not have enough money to allow them to stay open, the government actually spent extra money to have federal guards prevent people from entering these private businesses.

323) Kept one of his favorite golf courses open during government shutdown

During the October 2013 government shutdown, while Obama was busying closing federal parks, monuments, and memorials, he made one exception – he allowed one of his favorite [golf courses](#) to stay open.

324) Spent \$98,670 to build an outhouse

In September 2013, the Obama administration [spent](#) \$98,670 to build an outhouse at the Swede Park Trail Head in Alaska.

325) Engages in “a sign of leadership failure”

In March 2006, Senator Obama [said](#):

“The fact that we are here today to debate raising America’s debt limit is a sign of leadership failure.”

However, in September 2013, President Obama argued [in favor](#) of raising the debt ceiling.

326) Used armed guards to imprison law abiding tourists inside a locked building at Yellowstone National Park

During the October 2013 government shutdown, Obama used [armed guards](#) to imprison law abiding tourists inside a locked building at Yellowstone National Park.

327) Obama used the October 2013 government shutdown as an excuse to deny death benefits to the families of dead U.S. soldiers, even though the funding had already been previously authorized by law

During the October 2013 government shutdown, Obama [denied](#) death benefits to the families of dead U.S.

soldiers, even though the funding for this had [already](#) been previously authorized by law.

328) Ordered a \$47,174 mechanical bull during the October 2013 government shutdown

During the October 2013 government shutdown, while Obama was busy closing parks, memorials, and monuments (even though it would have been [cheaper](#) to leave them open because they are outdoors), and denying death benefits to the families of dead U.S. military personnel (even though the funding for this had [already](#) been previously authorized by law), the Utah National Guard (which is a component of the [United States](#) Army and the United States National Guard) ordered a \$47,174 [mechanical bull](#). However, after being embarrassed by reports of this from Fox News, Drudge Report, and CNS News, the [federal government](#) canceled the order.

329) Seized \$35,000 from a law abiding owner of a grocery store without any warning , explanation, or charges

For 30 years, Terry Dehko has been legally operating a grocery store near Detroit, Michigan. In January 2013, the Obama administration [seized](#) \$35,000 from Dehko's bank account, without giving any warning or explanation, and without charging Dehko with any crime.

330) Ran "the most closed, control-freak administration I've ever covered"

For the past 20 years, David Sanger has been a New York Times reporter stationed in Washington, D.C. In October 2013, he [said](#):

"This is the most closed, control-freak administration I've ever covered."

331) Fined a runner \$100 for running in Valley Forge

During the October 2013 government shutdown, the Obama administration fined a runner \$100 for running in Valley Forge.

332) Ordered Claude Moore Colonial Farm to shut down, even though it was privately funded

During the October 2013 government shutdown, the Obama administration ordered Claude Moore Colonial Farm to shut down, even though it was privately funded.

333) Ordered a volunteer to stop cleaning up the National Mall

During the October 2013 government shutdown, the Obama administration ordered Chris Cox, a volunteer, to stop cleaning up the National Mall.

334) Told students to remove two amendments from the "outdated" Bill of Rights

As part of Obama's "Common Core" education program, students in a sixth-grade history class in Bryant, Arkansas, were told to removed two amendments from the "outdated" Bill of Rights.

335) Ordered people to appear in federal court because they had entered the Grand Canyon

During the October 2013 government shutdown, the Obama administration ordered people to appear in federal court because they had entered the Grand Canyon.

336) Ordered volunteers to stop bringing therapy dogs to visit sick children in the hospital

During the October 2013 government shutdown, the Obama administration [ordered](#) volunteers to stop bringing therapy dogs to visit sick children in the hospital.

337) Had veterans arrested for visiting the Vietnam Memorial

During the October 2013 government shutdown, Obama had veterans [arrested](#) for visiting the Vietnam Memorial

338) A "lead navigator" for Obamacare falsely told applicants that they must provide their credit score

In October 2013, Anne Packham, a "lead navigator" for Obamacare, falsely [told](#) applicants that they had to provide their credit score.

339) Created Obamacare website which "looks like nobody tested it"

President Obama signed Obamacare in March 2010. He had three and a half years to create and test the Obamacare website.

However, in October 2013, CBS News [quoted](#) Luke Chung, an online database programmer who supports Obamacare, as saying the following about the Obamacare website:

"It wasn't designed well, it wasn't implemented well, and it looks like nobody tested it... It's not even close. It's not even ready for beta testing for my book. I would be ashamed and embarrassed if my organization delivered something like that."

340) **Obamacare's first publicized "enrollee" turned out to be a Democratic activist who had not actually enrolled in Obamacare**

After the Obamacare website went online, the media tried and tried to find someone who had actually enrolled, but could not find anyone, because the website was so badly designed.

After much searching, they finally reported that they had found someone – a 21-year-old guy from Georgia named Chad Henderson.

On October 3, 2013, the Washington Post reported:

Meet Chad Henderson, the Obamacare enrollee tons of reporters are calling

Ask and, apparently, you shall receive.

Just moments after writing a blog post Thursday morning, about the lack of information on Obamacare enrollees, Enroll America reached out with contact information for Chad Henderson, a 21-year-old in Georgia who had successfully enrolled in coverage on the federal marketplace.

It was a little difficult to reach Henderson, mostly because so many other reporters wanted to talk to him. "I'm supposed to talk to the Chattanooga Times Free Press in a half hour," Henderson said. "And The Wall Street Journal is supposed to call."

Luckily, Henderson managed to squeeze me in for a few minutes. He's a student at Chattanooga State University who lives across the state border in Flintstone, Ga.

Politico reported:

Rare health exchange enrollee gets 15 minutes of Obamacare fame

Chad Henderson, a college student who is one of the few people to have signed up for health insurance on a federal exchange, is having his 15 minutes of Obamacare fame.

But wait.

It turns out that Henderson had not actually enrolled in Obamacare.

In addition, Henderson is actually a member of Organizing for Action, the organization that ran Obama's election campaign.

341) Said it's "unfair" to ask for Obamacare enrollment numbers just one week after Obamacare website went online

U.S. Congressional representative Debbie Wasserman Schultz (Democrat-Florida) is the chairperson for the Democratic National Committee. When a reporter asked her how many people had enrolled in Obamacare during its first week, she said it was "unfair" to ask that question so early.

When a new movie comes out, we know how many people bought tickets in the first week. When a new video game, or a new CD, or a new book comes out, we know how many people bought it in the first week.

But when a news reporter asks "the most transparent administration in history" how many people signed up for its

new health care program during its first week, we are told that such a question is “unfair.”

342) Declined to identify the private contractors who screwed up the Obamacare website

When the New York Times asked the Obama administration to identify the private contractors who had screwed up the Obamacare website, the Obama administration refused to answer.

343) Refused to answer why businesses, but not individuals, were able to delay the Obamacare mandate for a year

When Jon Stewart asked Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius why businesses, but not individuals, were able to delay the Obamacare mandate for a year, Sebelius refused to answer.

344) Gave people Obamacare “rate shock”

Many news sources, including the Washington Post, the Christian Science Monitor, Investor’s Business Daily, the Daily Caller, CBS News, Forbes, CNN, the San Jose Mercury News, and the San Francisco Chronicle, have been reporting on something called Obamacare “rate shock.”

For example, Tom Waschura, a self employed engineer who lives in Portola Valley, California, said that he supports Obamacare, and that he voted for Obama in both elections.

However, on October 5, 2013, Waschura said:

“I was laughing at Boehner — until the mail came today.”

"I really don't like the Republican tactics, but at least now I can understand why they are so pissed about this. When you take \$10,000 out of my family's pocket each year, that's otherwise disposable income or retirement savings that will not be going into our local economy."

This next quote is one of the funniest things that I've heard anyone say about Obamacare so far. It comes from Cindy Vinson, a retired teacher from San Jose, California, who [said](#) that she supports Obamacare, and that she voted for Obama in both elections. This is what she [said](#) in October 2013, after she found out that Obamacare would be causing her insurance premium to increase:

"Of course, I want people to have health care. I just didn't realize I would be the one who was going to pay for it personally."

CNN [reported](#):

One North Carolina reader was upset to learn her current \$267 a month plan was being canceled and the cheapest option on the exchange would cost her family \$750 a month. They don't qualify for a subsidy.

"Obamacare is a nightmare for my family," she wrote.

345) Made sure that Obamacare "rate shock" did not happen until after the 2012 election

Obamacare was deliberately written so that Obamacare "rate shock" would not occur until [after](#) the 2012 election.

On October 9, 2013, Obama's [approval](#) rating was only 37%. Obamacare "rate shock" was a significant factor in this low approval rating. If Obamacare "rate shock" had

happened in October 2012 instead of in October 2013, it's highly unlikely that Obama would have won the 2012 election.

346) Had the Obamacare website built by cronies instead of by qualified programmers

Obama had the Obamacare website built by [cronies](#) instead of by qualified programmers.

347) Used 55 different contractors to build the Obamacare website

Instead of choosing just one contractor or a few contractors who could properly build the Obamacare website, Obama [decided](#) to spread the work out over 55 different contractors, which made it much harder to get all the parts to run together properly.

348) Waited until after the 2012 election to issue major rules for the Obamacare website

Obama signed the Obamacare law in March 2010. The law requires the online exchanges to be up and running by October 2013. So Obama had three and a half years to get the website ready.

However, Obama [waited](#) until after the 2012 election to release some of the major rules for how the website was supposed to be designed. So instead of having three and a half years to get the website ready, Obama made sure the programmers had less than one year.

349) New York Times reporter was never able to log in to Obamamacare website during more than 40 attempts over 11 days

During more than 40 attempts to log in to the Obamacare website over a period of 11 days beginning on October 1, 2013, a New York Times reporter who was never able to log in.

350) Hired illegal immigrant as Obamacare "navigator"

Obama hired an illegal immigrant to work as an Obamacare "navigator."

351) Hired someone with an outstanding arrest warrant as Obamacare "navigator"

Obama hired someone with an outstanding arrest warrant to work as an Obamacare "navigator."

352) IRS collected taxes but did not send out refunds during government shutdown

During the October 2013 government shutdown, the IRS collected taxes but did not send out tax refunds.

353) Prevented Catholic volunteers from practicing their religion at military bases during government shutdown

During the October 2013 government shutdown, the Obama administration prevented Catholic volunteers from practicing their religion on military bases.

354) Spent more than \$500 million to build unusable Obamacare website

Obama spent more than \$500 million of taxpayers' money to build the unusable Obamacare website.

355) Refused to fire Kathleen Sebelius, even after the failure of the Obamacare website

Even after the Obamacare website failed, Obama still [refused](#) to fire Secretary of Health and Human Services Kathleen Sebelius.

356) There is "no reasonable expectation of privacy" at Obamacare website

The source code for the Obamacare website [states](#):

"You have no reasonable expectation of privacy regarding any communication or data transiting or stored on this information system. At any time, and for any lawful Government purpose, the government may monitor, intercept, and search and seize any communication or data transiting or stored on this information system. Any communication or data transiting or stored on this information system may be disclosed or used for any lawful Government purpose."

357) Requires users to reveal private info before shopping at Obamacare website

Legitimate shopping websites such as amazon.com allow users to browse merchandise without having to enter their personal information. However, the Obamacare website [requires](#) users to enter their name, social security number, and other personal information before they are allowed to look at the insurance plans.

358) Michelle Obama refused to pick vegetables from her own garden without federal help

During the October 2013 government shutdown, Michelle Obama decided to avoid picking her own vegetables from her own garden, and instead, allowed them to rot.

Reuters [reported](#):

In the famous White House kitchen garden, tomatoes are rotting on the vine. Herbs have gone to seed. And the sweet potatoes – a favorite of President Barack Obama – have become worm food.

It's another impact of the government shutdown, one that only the fox and the many squirrels that live on the White House grounds could love.

359) The Obamacare website is "a hacker's wet dream"

John McAfee, the computer programmer who founded McAfee, Inc., [said](#) the Obamacare website is "a hacker's wet dream."

360) Caused a leukemia patient to lose his insurance

Michael Cerpok lives in Fountain Hills, Arizona. He has [leukemia](#).

In 2012, his health care cost more than \$350,000. But because he had [insurance](#), he only had to pay \$4,500 of that amount.

However, in October 2013, his insurance company sent him a letter which said that because of Obamacare, his insurance policy would be [canceled](#) on January 1, 2014.

361) Added 11 million words of regulations to Obamacare, which is 30 times as many words as the

law itself

The regulations that Obama added to Obamacare after he signed it are [11 million words](#) long. That's 30 times as many words as the actual Obamacare law that Obama signed in March 2010. Because Obama added these 11 million words without approval from Congress, his actions are illegal.

362) Threatened to arrest people for telling jokes

In October 2013, the Obama administration [announced](#) the following on loudspeakers at George Bush Intercontinental Airport in Houston, Texas:

"Inappropriate remarks or jokes concerning security may result in your arrest."

363) Changed Obamacare registration deadline at the last minute

For three and a half years, the Obama administration repeatedly [said](#) that people had to register for Obamacare by March 31, 2014.

However, in October 2013, the Obama administration [changed](#) that deadline to February 14, 2014.

364) Ignored the successful methods of eHealthInsurance.com

The website [eHealthInsurance.com](#) has been [successfully](#) selling health insurance since [1998](#). The website is simple and easy to use.

However, when Obama created the Obamacare website, he chose to [ignore](#) the successful methods that are used by eHealthInsurance.com.

365) For two weeks, CNN reporter was never able to log in to Obamacare website

During the first two weeks of October 2013, a reporter from CNN repeatedly tried to log in to the Obamacare website, and was never able to log in.

366) Paid \$500 per gallon for gasoline

In October 2013 it was reported that the Obama administration had paid \$500 per gallon for gasoline.

367) Referred people to uncertified Obamacare "navigators" and "assisters"

In October 2013, the Obamacare website referred people to uncertified "navigators" and "assisters."

368) While the Obamacare website was not working, 700 counterfeit Obamacare websites were working

It's not Obama's fault that criminals created 700 counterfeit Obamacare websites. However, it is interesting to note that while the Obamacare website was not working, those 700 counterfeit websites were working.

369) Asked Blue Cross Blue Shield not to release Obamacare exchange numbers

On October 22, 2013, three weeks after the failed Obamacare website went online, the Obama administration asked Blue Cross Blue Shield not to release information on the number of people who had signed up for their policies through the Obamacare website.

370) 100% of Senate Democrats up for reelection planned to support a delay in Obamacare's individual

mandate

On October 23, 2013, CNN's Dana Bash [tweeted](#):

"new: senior dem source tells me to expect every sen dem running in 2014 to back @JeanneShaheen proposal to delay #ACA enrollment deadline"

371) Sold aircraft carrier for scrap metal for one cent

In October 2013 it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration had sold the 1,067-foot long U.S. Navy aircraft carrier Forrestal for scrap metal for one cent, to a Texas company called All Star Metals.

372) Obamacare website gave wrong prices

In October 2013, CBS News [reported](#):

A new online feature can dramatically underestimate the cost of insurance.

In some cases, people could end up paying double of what they see on the website.

Industry executives CBS News spoke with could not believe the government is providing these estimates, which they said were useless and could easily mislead consumers. They also said that the website repeatedly states the actual prices could be lower, but it makes no mention that they could be higher.

373) Obamacare website sent false information to insurance companies

In October 2013, it was [reported](#) that the Obamacare website was sending false information to insurance

companies

374) Threatened to punish people for not buying health insurance from a website that wasn't even working

The Obama administration threatened to impose tax penalties on people who did not buy health insurance from the Obamacare website, even though the website was not working.

375) In the first two weeks of the Obamacare website, "no more than 5,000" enrollees had successfully completed the enrollment process

Two weeks after the Obamacare website went online, it was reported that "no more than 5,000" enrollees had successfully completed the enrollment process.

376) Falsely said "No one is more frustrated than I am" regarding the Obamacare website

On October 21, 2013, regarding the failure of the Obamacare website, Obama said:

"No one is more frustrated than I am."

Obama has absolutely no right to be "frustrated" about any of the Obamacare website's problems, because he is the person who chose to cause those problems in the first place.

It was Obama who signed a 2,600 page law that he hadn't read.

It was Obama who added an additional 20,000 pages of regulations that he hadn't read to Obamacare without

Congressional approval.

It was Obama who chose to hire cronies instead of competent programmers to create the Obamacare website.

It was Obama who waited until after the 2012 election to issue some of the main rules for the Obamacare website, which gave the programmers less than one year to comply with those rules, instead of the three and half years they would have had if Obama hadn't waited.

It was Obama who falsely said that the price of annual family insurance premiums would fall by \$2,500.

It was Obama who falsely told people that they could keep their insurance if they were happy with it.

It was Obama who gave employers a huge financial incentive to switch their full time employees to a part time, 29 hour week.

It was Obama who refused to fire Secretary of Health and Human Services Kathleen Sebelius after the Obamacare website failed.

Every thing that's bad about the Obamacare website is the direct result of choices that Obama made.

Obama has no right to be "frustrated" at the website's failure.

You want to know the people who really do have the right to be "frustrated" at Obamacare's problems? It's the people who have opposed Obamacare from the start. It's the people who predicted that these problems would happen. It's the people who called the bluff from the very start on Obama's many lies about Obamacare. These are the people

who have the right to be “frustrated” at Obamacare’s problems.

And yet somehow, not only does Obama falsely say that he is “frustrated,” but he also falsely says that he is more frustrated than anyone else.

The people who are truly “frustrated” are the millions of people who were against Obamacare but are now being forced to participate in it.

Obama owns this – he created it. He has no right to be “frustrated” about it.

377) Obamacare website was built using 10-year-old technology

The Obamacare website was built using 10-year-old technology.

378) Required note from doctor for a mother to feed her own child

A federal preschool program sent a note home to the parents of the students. The note said:

Dear Parents,

I have received word from Federal Programs Preschool pertaining to lunches from home. Parents are to be informed that students can only bring lunches from home if there is a medical condition meriting a specific diet, along with a physicians note to that regard.

I am sorry for any inconvenience. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact [name

*redacted], the Health Coordinator for Federal Programs
Preschool at [number redacted].*

379) Obamacare website violates copyright laws

The Obamacare website [violates](#) copyright laws.

380) Repeatedly promised that the Obamacare website would be ready on October 1, 2013

[This video](#) shows Kathleen Sebelius, Obama's Secretary of Health and Human Services, repeatedly promising that the Obamacare website would be ready on October 1, 2013.

381) Called the Obamacare website "the easiest, most consumer friendly website to use"

Beginning at 0:44 in [this video](#), Kathleen Sebelius, Obama's Secretary of Health and Human Services, calls the Obamacare website "the easiest, most consumer friendly website to use."

382) Obamacare website had between 10 and 20 times as many lines of code as it should have had

The Obamacare website has [500 million](#) lines of code.

Dave Kennedy, the CEO of information-security company Trusted Sec, said that a website for a project on the scale of Obamacare should [actually](#) have between 25 million and 50 million lines of code.

383) Jared Polis opposes delaying Obamacare's individual mandate for the entire country, but favors such a delay for his own district

U.S. Congressional representative Jared Polis (Democrat-Colorado) voted against delaying Obamacare's individual mandate for the entire country, but later requested such a delay for his own district.

When Polis requested a special delay for his own district, he said:

"We will be encouraging a waiver. It will be difficult for Summit County residents to become insured. For the vast majority, it's too high a price to pay."

384) Gave a no-bid contract to CGI Federal to build the Obamacare website

Obama gave a no-bid contract to CGI Federal to build the Obamacare website.

385) Broke promise to have Spanish version of Obamacare website up and running on October 1, 2013

Obama broke his promise to have a Spanish version of the Obamacare website up and running by October 1, 2013.

386) Broke promise that Spanish version of Obamacare website would be up and running by "mid October" 2013

After Obama broke his promise to have the Spanish version of the Obamacare website up running by October 1, 2013, his administration made a new promise to have it up and running by "mid-October." However, Obama broke that promise too – as of October 25, 2013, the Spanish version of the website was still not up and running.

387) Fired an Obamacare phone operator for truthfully answering a caller's question

In October 2013, a caller to the Obama phone line [asked](#):

"Have you ever gotten anyone who really likes it yet?"

The phone operator, a woman named Earline Davis, [answered](#):

"Um, not really."

Davis was [fired](#) for her answer.

388) Gave contract for Obamacare website to Michelle Obama's college classmate

Instead of having the Obamacare website built by someone who was qualified, Obama had it built by CGI Federal, a company that was run by [Toni Townes-Whitley](#), who attended Princeton University with Michelle Obama.

389) Spent \$634 million for Obamacare website as of October 1, 2013, even though it was only supposed to cost \$94 million

The Obamacare website was originally supposed to cost [\\$94 million](#). However, when it went online on October 1, 2013, it had already cost [\\$634 million](#).

390) New York Times writer gave Obama a grade of 'F' for rollout of Obamacare website

On October 25, 2013, New York Times writer Uwe E. Reinhardt [wrote](#):

"... who exactly should be assigned the F for the troubled rollout of HealthCare.gov?"

"Once elected, a president becomes chief executive of a giant federal enterprise. Anyone familiar with corporate management would have thought that for as ambitious and technically a complex project as the initial rollout of HealthCare.gov – so important to many uninsured Americans and so politically important to the White House – the chief executive would have remained in very close touch with the management team overseeing the project and thus would have been briefed daily or at least weekly on the progress of the project and especially on any problems with it."

"... the blame for the disastrous rollout of HealthCare.gov goes to its entire management team, to be sure, but primarily to the chief executive on top of that project. In my view, not only the proverbial buck stops on the chief executive's desk, but, for the management of this particular project, the grade of F goes there as well."

391) Said "Don't believe what you've heard" regarding criticism of Obamacare

On October 25, 2013, regarding the various criticisms of Obamacare, Health and Human Services secretary Kathleen Sebelius [said](#):

"Don't believe what you've heard."

In other words, the Obama administration says we shouldn't believe the [Washington Post](#), the [New York Times](#), the [San Francisco Chronicle](#), [Associated Press](#), [Reuters](#), [CNN](#), [MSNBC](#), [ABC](#), [CBS](#), [NBC](#), [PBS](#), [NPR](#), [Politico](#), the [Wall St. Journal](#), the [Christian Science](#)

[Monitor](#), [Investor's Business Daily](#), [Forbes](#), the [BBC](#), [Huffington Post](#), the [Nation](#), [Mother Jones](#), or [New Republic](#).

392) Closed a public beach and prevented a private charity from raising money for art in the schools

For the past 30 years, a privately run charity in San Francisco called Leap has had a [charity](#) event where they build sand castles to raise money to support art in the schools. In [2012](#), this contest raised more than \$250,000 for art in the schools.

However, during the October 2013 government shutdown, Obama [closed](#) the public beach where the charity event was to take place, and [prevented](#) it from happening.

393) Monitored phone calls of 35 world leaders

In October 2013, it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration had monitored the phone calls of 35 world leaders.

394) Refused to answer question about whether or not Obama administration had monitored Angela Merkel's phone

In October 2013, the New York Times [wrote](#):

... yesterday, Der Spiegel reported that German Chancellor Angela Merkel asked Mr. Obama "for a thorough explanation of serious indications that U.S. intelligence agencies had declared her private mobile phone to be a target in their operations."

The White House press secretary, Jay Carney said, "The president assured [Merkel] that the United States is not

monitoring and will not monitor the communications” of the chancellor.” Please note: IS not monitoring and WILL NOT monitor. The allegation, unaddressed, was that the United States HAD been monitoring her calls (until it was caught in the act).

395) Hacked the email of Mexican presidential candidate

In October 2013, it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration had hacked the email account of Mexican presidential candidate Enrique Peña Nieto, who later won the election.

396) Illegally seized documents from reporter Audrey Hudson

[Audrey Hudson](#) is a reporter who lives in Shady Side, Maryland. In 1986, her husband, Paul Flanagan, was convicted of resisting arrest. Because of this, he is legally prohibited from possessing a firearm.

In August 2013, federal agents entered their home, with a warrant that specifically said they were allowed to search for firearms. However, the federal agents illegally seized documents that belonged to Hudson, which were [not](#) listed on the warrant.

397) Required law abiding citizens to purchase insurance coverage for treatment for heroin addiction

Obamacare requires [law abiding citizens](#) to purchase coverage for treatment for heroin addiction.

398) Required men to purchase insurance coverage for maternity care

Obamacare requires [men](#) to purchase coverage for maternity care.

399) **Obamacare website could not even handle “just a few hundred people” at the same time**

The Washington Post [reported](#) that during testing, the Obamacare website could not even handle “just a few hundred people” at the same time.

400) **Falsely blamed the Obamacare website’s problems on too much traffic**

The Obama administration [blamed](#) the problems of the Obamacare website on too much traffic.

However, the Washington Post [reported](#) that during testing, the Obamacare website could not even handle “just a few hundred people” at the same time.

In addition, CBS News [quoted](#) Luke Chung, an online database programmer who supports Obamacare, as saying the following about the Obamacare website:

“It wasn’t designed well, it wasn’t implemented well, and it looks like nobody tested it... It’s not even close. It’s not even ready for beta testing for my book. I would be ashamed and embarrassed if my organization delivered something like that.”

401) **“Health insurance cancellation notices soar above Obamacare enrollment rates”**

On October 24, 2013, the Daily Caller [reported](#):

Health insurance cancellation notices soar above Obamacare enrollment rates

Hundreds of thousands of Americans who purchase their own health insurance have received cancellation notices since August because the plans do not meet Obamacare's requirements.

The number of cancellation notices greatly exceed the number of Obamacare enrollees.

402) Was still falsely claiming that people could keep their insurance on October 28, 2013

Even as late as October 28, 2013, the Obama administration was [still](#) falsely claiming that people could keep their insurance if they liked it.

403) Kathleen Sebelius falsely said that Obama did not know about the Obamacare website's problems before October 1, 2013

On October 22, 2013, Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius [said](#) that Obama did not know about the Obamacare website's problem's before October 1, 2013.

However, on October 30, 2013, CNN [reported](#) that Obama had known about the defective Obamacare website a month before it went online.

404) Before Kathleen Sebelius ran Obamacare website, she had long track record of failure at running websites in Kansas

In October 2013, the Daily Caller [reported](#) that before Obama hired Kathleen Sebelius to run the Obamacare website, she had had a [long track record](#) of failure at running websites when she was governor of Kansas.

Kansas state representative Scott Schwab said of [this](#):

"We pretty much expected HealthCare.gov to fail, because she has a pattern of failing on these big initiatives."

405) Federal employees who tested Obamacare website gave it their approval

Federal employees who had tested the Obamacare website before October 1, 2013, gave it their [approval](#).

406) Said he was "mad" over botched Obamacare website, but refused to fire anyone

Obama said he was "[mad](#)" over the botched Obamacare website, but refused to actually fire anyone over it.

407) Kathleen Sebelius said "I don't work for" the people whose taxes pay her salary

On October 24, 2013, Health and Human Services secretary Kathleen Sebelius [said](#):

"The majority of people calling for me to resign I would say are people who I don't work for."

408) Obamacare website had only six enrollments in the first 24 hours

During the first 24 hours after the Obamacare website went online, only [six](#) people used the website to enroll in Obamacare.

409) Obama falsely blamed insurance companies for canceling policies that did not meet Obamacare's minimum requirements

Obamacare requires all insurance policies to cover pre-existing conditions, maternity care, treatment for heroin addiction, and certain other things.

Therefore, based on simple logic, any policies that do not cover these things are rendered illegal by Obamacare, and must be canceled.

The Washington Post said of this:

"Beginning Jan. 1, the new plans must cover 10 essential benefits including pediatric care, prescription drugs, mental-health services and maternity care. In general, policies that don't offer those can't be sold after 2013."

However, after insurance companies canceled these policies, Obama blamed the cancellations on the insurance companies instead of on Obamacare.

410) Obama administration told insurance company executives not to criticize Obamacare

On October 30, 2013, CNN reported that the Obama administration had told insurance company executives not to criticize Obamacare.

411) In July 2010, Obama knew that Obamacare would cause millions of people to lose their insurance, but he continued to falsely say they could keep it

On October 28, 2013, NBC reported that in July 2010, Obama had known that Obamacare would cause millions of people to lose their insurance, but that he continued to falsely say that they could keep it.

412) Obamacare covers “a narrow network of doctors and hospitals”

On October 29, 2013, CNN [reported](#) that Obamacare covers “a narrow network of doctors and hospitals.”

413) Obama knew about the defective Obamacare website a month before it went online, but he let it go online anyway

On October 30, 2013, CNN [reported](#) that Obama had known about the defective Obamacare website a month before it went online.

414) Valerie Jarrett falsely said “Nothing in Obamacare forces people out of their health plans”

On October 28, 2013, Valerie Jarrett, Obama’s senior advisor, [tweeted](#):

“Nothing in Obamacare forces people out of their health plans.”

However, the very next day, CBS News [reported](#):

CBS News has learned more than two million Americans have been told they cannot renew their current insurance policies — more than triple the number of people said to be buying insurance under the new Affordable Care Act, commonly known as Obamacare.

415) Kathleen Sebelius said the Obamacare website “has never crashed” at the exact same time that it was crashing

On October 30, 2013, while giving federal testimony on the Obamacare website, Health and Human Services Secretary

Kathleen Sebelius [said](#) that the Obamacare website

"has never crashed."

However, at the exact same time that Sebelius was making her statement, the Obamacare website [said](#):

"The system is down at the moment."

"We are experiencing technical difficulties and hope to have them resolved soon. Please try again later."

416) **"Top Hospitals Opt Out of Obamacare"**

On October 30, 2013, U.S. News and World Report [reported](#) that "Top Hospitals Opt Out of Obamacare"

417) **Obama falsely said that using the Obamacare website would be like shopping at amazon.com**

Before the Obamacare website went online, Obama falsely [said](#) that using it would be like shopping at amazon.com.

418) **Obama said Obamacare could cause premiums to "fall by as much as 3,000%"**

At 1:17 in [this video](#), Obama says:

"your employer, it's estimated, would see premiums fall by as much as 3,000%"

419) **Threatened to prosecute someone for selling "Department of Homeland Stupidity" coffee mugs**

Merchant Dan McCall [sells](#) items that parody the U.S. government, such as coffee mugs that say "Department of

Homeland Stupidity.” Although such parody speech is protected by the first amendment, the Obama administration sent him a “cease and desist” letter, and threatened to prosecute him if he did not stop selling the products.

420) Monitored phone calls and emails regarding future Pope Francis

In October 2013, it was reported that during late 2012 and early 2013, the Obama administration had monitored phone calls and emails which concerned future Pope Francis before and during the Vatican conclave at which he was chosen to be the next Pope.

421) Used drones to kill dozens of civilians in Yemen and Pakistan

In October 2013, the Washington Post reported that Obama, the Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. military, had used drones to kill at least 57 civilians in Yemen, and at least 31 civilians in Pakistan. In December 2013, the Guardian reported that an additional 15 civilians in Yemen had been killed by a U.S. drone.

422) High ranking Obama administration official said the U.S. is an “Islamic country with an Islamically compliant constitution”

Mohamed Elbiary is a member of the Department of Homeland Security Advisory Council. In October 2013, a Twitter user asked him:

“show me just ONE example of an Islamic country where non Muslims are treated with equality.”

Elibiary [responded](#) by Tweeting:

"America and yes I do consider the United States of America an Islamic country with an Islamically compliant constitution. Move On!"

423) Obama "puts a chill on what is really a healthy discourse between journalists and their sources"

In October 2013, New York Times executive editor Jill Abramson [said](#):

"... the Obama administration has initiated seven criminal leak investigations... these seven leak investigations are more than double, all of the criminal leak investigations in all administrations before the Obama administration. And it puts a chill on what is really a healthy discourse between journalists and their sources. And it's our sources who mainly risk going to prison."

424) Obamacare website sent some people the eligibility letters of other people

In November 2013, it was [reported](#) that the Obamacare website had sent some people the eligibility letters of other people – people who were total strangers, who lived in other states.

425) Falsely said that his promise of letting people keep their insurance had included the words "if it hasn't changed since the law passed"

On June 15, 2009, Obama [said](#):

"That means that no matter how we reform health care, we will keep this promise to the American people: If you like your doctor, you will be able to keep your doctor,

period. If you like your health care plan, you'll be able to keep your health care plan, period. No one will take it away, no matter what."

However, on November 4, 2013, Obama said:

"Now, if you have or had one of these plans before the Affordable Care Act came into law and you really liked that plan, what we said was you can keep it if it hasn't changed since the law passed."

426) Three people built a healthcare exchange website that works

On November 2, 2013, it was reported that three people in San Francisco – George Kalogeropoulos, Ning Liang, and Michael Wasser – had read about the defective Obamacare website – which had cost \$634 million – and decided to try and build their own health care exchange website that actually worked. And they succeeded. Their website actually works. It's located at <http://www.thehealthsherpa.com/>

427) White House gave itself waiver which allowed the Obamacare website to go online, despite the fact that it was deemed to be a high security risk

Four days before the defective Obamacare website went online, the White House gave itself a waiver which allowed the website to go online, despite the fact that it was deemed to be a high security risk.

428) Denied saying that people could keep their insurance even though it was on video from more than 20 different occasions

Obama denied saying that people could keep their insurance even though it was on video from more than 20 different occasions. The video of him saying it more than 20 different times can be seen at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JCUpJDzyRnY>

429) Broke his promise to “call out” people who lie about Obamacare

In September 2009, Obama said:

“If you misrepresent what’s in this plan, we will call you out.”

However, as of November 2013, Obama has not “called himself out” for lying about what was in Obamacare. He has not “called himself out” for falsely saying that people could keep their insurance. He has not “called himself out” for falsely saying that families’ premiums would fall by \$2,500 by the end of his first term. He has not “called himself out” on any of his many Obamacare lies that are on this list.

430) Gave CGI Federal new contracts after the launch of its defective Obamacare website

CGI Federal is the company that created the defective Obamacare website, which went online October 1, 2013. After that date, the Obama administration gave new contracts to the company.

431) Obama apologized – not for lying – but for the fact that people believed his lie

On November 7, 2013, NBC News reported:

President Obama said Thursday that he is "sorry" that some Americans are losing their current health insurance plans as a result of the Affordable Care Act, despite his promise that no one would have to give up a health plan they liked.

"I am sorry that they are finding themselves in this situation based on assurances they got from me," he told NBC News in an exclusive interview at the White House.

"We've got to work hard to make sure that they know we hear them and we are going to do everything we can to deal with folks who find themselves in a tough position as a consequence of this."

432) On November 8, 2013, the White House website still said, "If you like your plan you can keep it"

On November 8, 2013, the White House website [still](#) said, "If you like your plan you can keep it"

433) Obama used fraudulent accounting to overstate the number of people who had "enrolled" in Obamacare

In November 2013, the Washington Post [reported](#):

Who counts as an Obamacare enrollee? The Obama administration settles on a definition.

The fight over how to define the new health law's success is coming down to one question: Who counts as an Obamacare enrollee?

Health insurance plans only count subscribers as enrolled in a health plan once they've submitted a payment. That

is when the carrier sends out a member card and begins paying doctor bills.

When the Obama administration releases health law enrollment figures later this week, though, it will use a more expansive definition. It will count people who have purchased a plan as well as those who have a plan sitting in their online shopping cart but have not yet paid.

434) In June 2010, the Obama administration estimated that 93 million people would lose their insurance because of Obamacare

In June 2010, the Obama administration estimated that 93 million people would lose their insurance because of Obamacare.

435) Obamacare czar Ezekiel J. Emanuel said people should skip their free annual Obamacare physical exam because it was "basically worthless"

Before Obamacare was passed, Obama said that it would provide a free annual physical exam for everyone. However, after Obamacare was passed, Obamacare czar Ezekiel J. Emanuel said that people should skip this exam because it was "basically worthless."

436) Five minute CNN video of Obamacare supporter complaining and complaining and complaining about her insurance being canceled

Here's a five minute CNN video of an Obamacare supporter complaining and complaining and complaining about her insurance being canceled: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-F0z-Hxi5s8>

437) In December 2013, Obama gave unions even more illegal exemptions from Obamacare

In December 2013, it was [reported](#) that Obama had illegally exempted some unions from some of the Obamacare fees, without approval from Congress.

438) Obamacare website gave someone's password, address, and social security number to three complete strangers

In November 2013, MKOV [reported](#) that the Obamacare website had given the password, address, and social security number of a woman in St. Louis, Missouri, to three complete strangers.

439) Obamacare "navigators" encouraged applicants to lie about their income and smoking

In November 2013, undercover video footage [showed](#) Obamacare navigators encouraging applicants to lie about their income and smoking status. A [second video](#) with more examples was also released.

440) "4 Things The US Government Accomplished In Less Time Than A Working Obamacare Website"

In November 2013, camharris.us [reported](#):

4 Things The US Government Accomplished In Less Time Than A Working Obamacare Website

From the day that the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act went into effect to the morning that the federal healthcare exchange went live, 1288 days passed. 3 years, 6 months, and 8 days. In all that time, our federal

government could not construct a website that actually worked, and we are still waiting for a final product.

Here are 4 things the United States government accomplished in less time than it has taken to build a working website:

1. We Fought World War I

April 6, 1917-November 11, 1918

1 years, 7 months, 6 days

2. We Fought A Bigger War

December 7, 1941-May 8, 1945

3 years, 5 months, 2 days

3. We Built The Bomb

June 17, 1942-July 16, 1945

3 years, 1 month

4. We Orbited A Man Around The Earth

October 7, 1958-February 20, 1962

3 years, 4 months, 13 days

441) Falsely claimed credit for the increase in domestic oil production

During Obama's Presidency, domestic oil production increased, and the Obama administration claimed credit for it. However, this increase only happened on privately owned land and state owned

land, which Obama had no control over. On land that is owned by the federal government, oil production actually went down.

442) **Falsely said "I actually respect the Constitution."**

In 2007, Obama said:

"I actually respect the Constitution."

However, this list contains a huge number of examples which prove that Obama's statement is false.

443) **Senator Obama repeatedly voted in favor of funding the Iraq War**

In March 2007, the Boston Globe reported:

Obama defends votes in favor of Iraq funding

Senator Barack Obama yesterday defended his votes on behalf of funding the Iraq war

Obama has voted for all of the president's war funding requests since coming to the Senate

444) **Banned Navy SEALs from wearing the "Don't Tread on Me" Navy Jack patch on their uniforms**

For more than 200 years, the "Don't Tread on Me" Navy Jack flag has been a well respected symbol of the U.S. Navy.

However, in October 2013, the Obama administration banned Navy SEALs from wearing a patch of it on their uniforms.

445) Gave 655 “tax refunds” to a single address in Lithuania, and 343 to a single address in Shanghai

In 2012, the Obama administration gave 655 “tax refunds” to a single address in Lithuania, and 343 to a single address in Shanghai.

446) Banned the linking of terrorism to radical Islam during training of anti-terrorism agents

Although the Fort Hood shooter, the shoe bomber, and underwear bomber, and 100% of the 9-11 terrorists were all radical Muslims, the Obama administration enacted a ban on associating terrorism with radical Islam during training exercises of anti-terrorism agents.

447) During Obamacare’s first month, only 106,185 people enrolled

On November 12, 2013, it was reported that during October 2013, only 106,185 people had enrolled in Obamacare. And even this pathetically low number is fraudulently overstated, because it includes people who had left insurance policies in their shopping cart without paying for them. No legitimate online retailer counts unpaid items left in the shopping cart as a sale.

448) Less than 1% of Massachusetts citizens who lost their insurance because of Obamacare have signed up for a new policy at the Obamacare website

On November 9, 2013, the Boston Herald reported:

Just weeks before a Jan. 1 enrollment deadline, state officials admitted yesterday that just 1 percent of the

150,000 Bay Staters facing canceled health insurance under Obamacare rules have signed up for new plans.

Massachusetts Health Connector officials told the Herald that only 549 applicants — out of the 150,000 Bay Staters forced to switch their health plans to comply with Obamacare rules — are poised to receive insurance through the new system.

449) “The Obamacare Exchange Scorecard: Around 100,000 Enrollees And Five Million Cancellations”

On November 12, 2013, Forbes [reported](#):

The Obamacare Exchange Scorecard: Around 100,000 Enrollees And Five Million Cancellations

HHS has released the official numbers here. The HHS report states that only 26,794 people enrolled in the federal exchange—which amounts to 23 per state per day—and 79,391 enrolled in the state-based exchanges, for a total of 106,185.

In the market for individually-purchased health insurance, more than 4.8 million Americans have received notices that their preexisting plans are soon to be illegal, and will be cancelled. Many more cancellation notices are imminent.

450) Obama told insurance companies to break the law

On November 14, 2013, after insurance companies had canceled policies that did not meet the minimum requirements of Obamacare, Obama [told](#) them to restore these policies. However, he did this without Congress voting

to approve these changes to Obamacare. The President does not have the legal authority to change a law that was passed by Congress, without those changes first being approved by Congress.

451) Obama falsely said “In the first month alone, we’ve seen more than 100 million Americans already successfully enroll in the new insurance plans”

On November 18, 2013, Obama said:

“In the first month alone, we’ve seen more than 100 million Americans already successfully enroll in the new insurance plans.”

In reality, the actual number was 106,185.

452) Jessica Sanford, whom Obama had cited as an Obamacare success story, later said she could not afford to buy an Obamacare policy

Jessica Sanford is a self-employed single mother from Washington state, who earns slightly less than \$50,000 a year, and has not had health insurance for 15 years.

On October 21, 2013, Obama cited Sanford as an Obamacare success story, because she would be able to purchase an Obamacare policy for herself and her son for only \$169 per month.

However, a month later, it was reported that the Obamacare website had quoted the wrong price for Sanford. Her true, actual price was \$621. She said that she could not afford this, and that she would just pay the penalty instead.

453) Video shows students at historically black college complaining that Obamacare caused them to

lose their insurance

Bowie University is a historically black college in Maryland. This video shows students from the college complaining about how Obamacare caused them to lose their insurance: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PPuFt6g_0a8

454) "Obama brings chilling effect on journalism"

In October 2013, Associated Press reported:

Obama brings chilling effect on journalism

A report finds the U.S. government's aggressive prosecution of leaks and efforts to control information are having a chilling effect on journalists and government whistle-blowers.

The Committee to Protect Journalists released its first examination of U.S. press freedoms Thursday, focusing on changes under the Obama administration.

Leonard Downie Jr., a former executive editor of The Washington Post, wrote the 30-page analysis entitled "The Obama Administration and the Press." Downie interviewed reporters and editors who described a chilling effect in which "government officials are increasingly afraid to talk to the press."

Those suspected of discussing classified information are subject to investigation, lie-detector tests and scrutiny of telephone and email records.

455) Sued a trucking company that fired Muslim truck drivers for refusing to drive trucks carrying alcoholic beverages

In May 2013, the Obama administration [sued](#) Star Transport, Inc., a trucking company based in Morton, Illinois, because it fired Muslim truck drivers who had refused to drive trucks that were carrying alcoholic beverages.

456) Gave personal information of thousands of bookstore customers to dozens of federal agencies

In November 2013, it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration had given the names, social security numbers, and other personal information of thousands of bookstore customers to dozens of federal agencies, including the IRS, CIA, NSA, and FDA.

457) Created fake unemployment statistics before the 2012 election

Soon before the 2012 election, the Obama administration [created](#) fake statistics to make the unemployment rate appear lower than it actually was.

458) "White House blocks access to Obama events, news groups say"

In November 2013, McClatchy [reported](#):

White House blocks access to Obama events, news groups say

The nation's largest news organizations lodged a complaint Thursday against the White House for imposing unprecedented limitations on photojournalists covering President Barack Obama, which they say have harmed the public's ability to monitor its own government.

The organizations accuse the White House of banning photojournalists from covering Obama at some events, and then later releasing its own photos and videos of the same events.

"Journalists are routinely being denied the right to photograph or videotape the president while he is performing his official duties," according to a letter the organizations sent to the White House. "As surely as if they were placing a hand over a journalist's camera lens, officials in this administration are blocking the public from having an independent view of important functions of the executive branch of government."

"You are only seeing what they want you to see," said Lucy Dalglish, the dean of the Philip Merrill College of Journalism at the University of Maryland.

the news organizations stressed that they're referring only to presidential activities of a "fundamentally public nature," not private or restricted events, including ones that may affect national security.

Examples cited in the letter are Obama's meetings with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus on July 10, former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton on July 29 and Pakistani human rights activist Malala Yousafzai on Oct. 11.

In each case, journalists weren't allowed – and sometimes were unaware – of the event. The White House later released written summaries of the events, along with photos taken by a government photographer.

On Thursday, the presidents of the American Society of News Editors and the Associated Press Media Editors sent

a letter to their members urging them to stop using handout photos and video from the White House.

"We must accept that we, the press, have been enablers," the letter says. "We urge those of you in news organizations to immediately refrain from publishing any of the photographs or videos released by the White House, just as you would refuse to run verbatim a press release from them."

Harry Walker, the director of the McClatchy-Tribune Photo Service, said opening access to events was "the foundation for journalism, not just photojournalism."

The letter was signed by 38 news organizations, including all the major broadcast and cable networks, wire services, online services and newspapers, including The New York Times, The Washington Post and the McClatchy Co., which owns 30 daily newspapers across the nation.

459) Three days after the Egyptian government murdered dozens of Egyptian civilians, the Obama administration announced it would give military aid to the Egyptian government, which, soon afterward, murdered hundreds of additional Egyptian civilians

On April 12, 2013, it was [reported](#) that the Obama administration had just given four F-16 fighter jets to Egypt, and that it had also given them eight others on earlier dates.

On July 8, 2013, it was [reported](#) that the Egyptian government had murdered at least 51 Egyptian civilians who had been protesting against the Egyptian government.

Three days later, it was reported that the Obama administration would be giving four additional F-16 fighter jets to the Egyptian government.

On July 27, 2013, it was reported that the Egyptian government had murdered at least 72 additional Egyptian civilians who had been protesting against the Egyptian government.

On August 15, 2013, it was reported that the Egyptian government had murdered more than 600 additional Egyptian civilians who had been protesting against the Egyptian government.

460) Spent \$1.5 million to help women in Brazil quit smoking

In August 2013, it was reported that the Obama administration would be spending \$1.5 million to help women in Brazil quit smoking.

461) "NSA broke privacy rules thousands of times per year, audit finds"

In August 2013, the Washington Post reported:

NSA broke privacy rules thousands of times per year, audit finds

The National Security Agency has broken privacy rules or overstepped its legal authority thousands of times each year since Congress granted the agency broad new powers in 2008, according to an internal audit and other top-secret documents.

Most of the infractions involve unauthorized surveillance of Americans or foreign intelligence targets in the United

States, both of which are restricted by statute and executive order.

The NSA audit obtained by The Post, dated May 2012, counted 2,776 incidents in the preceding 12 months of unauthorized collection, storage, access to or distribution of legally protected communications.

462) Announced plans to illegally regulate greenhouse gas emissions without approval from Congress

In August 2013, the Obama administration [announced](#) that it planned to regulate greenhouse gas emissions without approval from Congress. Without approval from Congress, Obama's actions would be illegal.

463) Refused to answer question about whether or not people who don't buy insurance should be put in jail

The Obama administration [argued](#) in front of the Supreme Court that the Obamacare mandate was a tax. Obama hired [16,500](#) new IRS agents to run Obamacare. In [this video](#), ABC News asked Obama whether or not he thinks that people who don't buy insurance should be put in jail. Obama refused to answer the question. Even after the interviewer asked Obama the question a second time, Obama still refused to answer it.

464) An estimated 70% of California doctors will not participate in Obamacare

In December 2013, the California Medical Association [estimated](#) that 70% of California doctors would not be participating in Obamacare.

465) California's Obamacare website gave out the contact information of tens of thousands of people without their permission

In December 2013, it was [reported](#) that California's Obamacare website had given private insurance agents the names, addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses of tens of thousands of people without their permission.

466) Made it easy for a future Republican President to give every U.S. citizen a permanent Obamacare waiver, without approval from Congress

The President does not have any legal authority to change the law without those changes first being approved by Congress. However, this list contains many examples of Obama making changes to Obamacare without approval from Congress. Some of these changes involve Obama giving Obamacare [waivers](#) to unions who supported the passage of Obamacare. Other changes include Obama [delaying](#) certain parts of Obamacare. Obama made these changes illegally, because they were not approved by Congress. With a small number of exceptions, Democrats have not criticized Obama for doing this.

Therefore, in the future, if a [Republican President](#) were to give permanent Obamacare waivers to every U.S. citizens without approval from Congress, the vast majority of Democrats would be hypocrites if they objected to it.

467) Obamacare encourages patients to rig the system to rip off doctors, repeatedly, year after year after year

In November 2013, Forbes [reported](#):

Obamacare has... a 90-day grace period. This means people can buy an Obamacare policy, have costly procedures done and then cancel the policy within 90 days. If the cancellation comes during the first 30 days, the insurer is responsible for trying to collect payment, but after that, doctors are on their own. They would have to spend time and money chasing patients for payments. California Healthline reported that deadbeats "would not receive a fine, a premium rate increase or a repayment order. They also would not be barred from purchasing another subsidized plan during the next enrollment period." No other type of health insurance has a 90-day grace period like this.

468) Tech experts said that a properly working Obamacare website should not have cost more than \$10 million, whereas the defective version built by Michelle Obama's incompetent Princeton classmate had actually cost \$634 million

Instead of hiring competent programmers to create the Obamacare website, Obama hired CGI Federal, a company that was run by [Toni Townes-Whitley](#), who attended Princeton University with Michelle Obama. When the defective Obamacare website went online on October 1, 2013, it had already cost [\\$634 million](#).

However, David Kennedy, president of the technology firm TrustedSec, [said](#) that even if the Obamacare website had worked properly, it should not have cost more than \$10 million. Luke Chung, president and founder of the technology firm FMS, [said](#) he agreed with Mr. Kennedy.

469) Harry Reid, Barbara Boxer, and several other Democratic Senators who voted for Obamacare, have exempted their own staff from Obamacare

In December 2013, Yahoo News [reported](#):

Harry Reid exempts some of his Senate staff from Obamacare exchanges

One of the biggest public supporters of the Affordable Care Act has reportedly decided that some of his staff should be exempted from the new law.

CNN reports that Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid is the only top congressional leader to exempt some of his staff from having to buy insurance through the Affordable Care Act exchanges.

Yahoo News has reached out to the offices of all 100 U.S. senators to see if any other members have exempted committee staff from the federal exchange. So far, the offices of 42 senators have responded to our inquiry, with 37 saying that the senator and their entire staff will switch over to the exchanges in January.

The offices of Ron Wyden, Tim Johnson, Barbara Boxer, Patty Murray and Thomas Carper, all Democrats, said they were exempting some of their staff. Reid, a Democrat from Nevada, has not responded.

470) In a contest for videos to promote Obamacare, the Obama administration gave first prize to a video called "Forget About the Price Tag"

The Obama administration held a [contest](#) where it asked people to make videos to support Obamacare. The Obama administration awarded [first prize](#) to a video called "Forget About the Price Tag." The video can be seen at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wpRNAkG-Nx0>

471) **Broke his promise to have the Obamacare website fixed by November 30, 2013**

On October 25, 2013, White House spokesman Jeffrey Zients [said](#):

"By the end of November, the vast majority of consumers will be able to successfully and smoothly enroll through Healthcare.gov"

However, on December 1, 2013, the New York Times [reported](#):

Insurers Claim Health Website Is Still Flawed

The problem is that the systems that are supposed to deliver consumer information to insurers still have not been fixed. And with coverage for many people scheduled to begin in just 30 days, insurers are worried the repairs may not be completed in time.

"Until the enrollment process is working from end to end, many consumers will not be able to enroll in coverage," said Karen M. Ignagni, president of America's Health Insurance Plans, a trade group.

The issues are vexing and complex. Some insurers say they have been deluged with phone calls from people who believe they have signed up for a particular health plan, only to find that the company has no record of the enrollment.

472) **Democratic aides who supported the passage of Obamacare said their new Obamacare premiums are "simply unacceptable"**

In December 2013, Politico [reported](#):

Older Hill aides shocked by Obamacare prices

Veteran House Democratic aides are sick over the insurance prices they'll pay under Obamacare, and they're scrambling to find a cure.

"In a shock to the system, the older staff in my office (folks over 59) have now found out their personal health insurance costs (even with the government contribution) have gone up 3-4 times what they were paying before," Minh Ta, chief of staff to Rep. Gwen Moore (D-Wis.), wrote to fellow Democratic chiefs of staff in an email message obtained by POLITICO. "Simply unacceptable."

In the email, Ta noted that older congressional staffs may leave their jobs because of the change to their health insurance.

473) Members of Congress and their staff are exempt from the income limits for Obamacare subsidies that apply to everyone else

Most people are eligible for Obamacare subsidies only if their income is no more than 400% of the poverty level. For a family of four, 400% of the poverty level is \$94,200. A family of four with income higher than that amount it not eligible for an Obamacare subsidy.

However, members of Congress and their staff are exempt from this limit. Members of Congress are paid \$174,000 a year. Because of their special exemption, a middle aged member of Congress who is married and has children, will get a special Obamacare subsidy of \$10,000.

474) Obamacare website often doesn't tell insurance companies about customers who "bought" insurance

On December 1, 2013, the New York Times [reported](#):

Some insurers say they have been deluged with phone calls from people who believe they have signed up for a particular health plan, only to find that the company has no record of the enrollment.

475) Obama's nominee to head the IRS has "little tax experience"

In December 2013, Reuters [reported](#):

WASHINGTON (Reuters) – A Senate panel hearing on President Barack Obama's nominee to head the Internal Revenue Service was set to resume Wednesday after it was abruptly halted on Tuesday at a Republican senator's request, committee aides said.

John Koskinen, a 74-year-old lawyer with little tax experience chosen by Obama to take over the beleaguered IRS, traveled up to Capitol Hill to face the Senate Finance Committee, but the session did not last long.

476) Obama said we should raise the minimum wage, but barackobama.com advertised for "unpaid" interns

In February 2013, Obama [said](#):

"Tonight, let's declare that in the wealthiest nation on Earth, no one who works full-time should have to live in poverty, and raise the federal minimum wage to \$9.00 an hour. This single step would raise the incomes of millions of working families. It could mean the difference between groceries or the food bank; rent or eviction; scraping by or finally getting ahead. For businesses

across the country, it would mean customers with more money in their pockets. In fact, working folks shouldn't have to wait year after year for the minimum wage to go up while CEO pay has never been higher. So here's an idea that Governor Romney and I actually agreed on last year: let's tie the minimum wage to the cost of living, so that it finally becomes a wage you can live on."

However, barackobama.com advertised for "unpaid" interns. The bolding is mine:

<https://my.barackobama.com/page/s/organizing-for-action-hq-internship-chicago>

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*OFA is now accepting applications for full-time and part-time HQ Interns for the Spring 2014 and Summer 2014 HQ Internship Programs in Chicago, IL. HQ Interns will have the unique opportunity to work closely with staff in advancing the President's agenda. Departmental placements available include Grassroots Organizing, Training, Issue Campaigns, Digital, Press and Finance. Please include your departmental placement preferences in your cover letter. Accepted HQ Interns will be paired with departments based on their stated interest, qualifications and availability. **This is a 14-week, unpaid internship program.***

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477) Falsely said that he had never lived with his drunk driving, illegal alien uncle

In 2011, the Obama administration said that Obama had never lived with his drunk driving, illegal alien uncle.

However, in December 2013, it was reported that Obama actually had lived with him.

478) In New York City, thousands of Obama voting, well educated, upper class professionals complained about losing their insurance because of Obamacare

In December 2013, the New York Times [reported](#):

With Affordable Care Act, Canceled Policies for New York Professionals

Many in New York's professional and cultural elite have long supported President Obama's health care plan. But now, to their surprise, thousands of writers, opera singers, music teachers, photographers, doctors, lawyers and others are learning that their health insurance plans are being canceled and they may have to pay more to get comparable coverage, if they can find it.

"I couldn't sleep because of it," said Barbara Meinwald, a solo practitioner lawyer in Manhattan.

Ms. Meinwald, 61, has been paying \$10,000 a year for her insurance through the New York City Bar. A broker told her that a new temporary plan with fewer doctors would cost \$5,000 more, after factoring in the cost of her medications.

Roy Lyons, managing director of Marsh U.S. Consumer, an insurance brokerage, said he had heard complaints from physicians, lawyers, pharmacists and optometrists.

Among those affected are members of the Authors Guild; the Advertising Photographers of America; the Suzuki Association of the Americas, a music teachers organization; the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators; the New York City Bar Association; and the New York County Medical Society.

It is not lost on many of the professionals that they are exactly the sort of people — liberal, concerned with social justice — who supported the Obama health plan in

the first place. Ms. Meinwald, the lawyer, said she was a lifelong Democrat who still supported better health care for all, but had she known what was in store for her, she would have voted for Mitt Romney.

It is an uncomfortable position for many members of the creative classes to be in.

"We are the Obama people," said Camille Sweeney, a New York writer and member of the Authors Guild. Her insurance is being canceled, and she is dismayed that neither her pediatrician nor her general practitioner appears to be on the exchange plans. What to do has become a hot topic on Facebook and at dinner parties frequented by her fellow writers and artists.

"I'm for it," she said. "But what is the reality of it?"

479) Washington state's Obamacare website stole money from people's checking accounts

In December 2013, KGW [reported](#) that the Obamacare website for Washington state had stolen money from people's checking accounts.

480) Illegally ordered insurance companies to cover "customers" who had never paid any premiums

In December 2013, Obama [ordered](#) insurance companies to cover "customers" who had never paid any premiums. Obama's action was illegal because it violated the [takings](#) clause of the Fifth Amendment. It was also illegal because he did not have [approval](#) from Congress.

481) Millennials who voted for Obama and supported the passage of Obamacare did not want to purchase

Obamacare insurance for themselves

In December 2013, it was [reported](#) that most of the Millennials who had voted for Obama and had supported the passage of Obamacare did not want to purchase Obamacare insurance for themselves.

482) Obamcare website violated federal security laws

In December 2013, it was [reported](#) that the Obamacare website was in violation of federal security laws.

483) Refused to answer questions about how many of Obamacare's so-called "enrollees" had actually paid their first month's premium

On December 11, 2013, more than two months after the Obamacare website had gone online, the Obama administration still [refused](#) to answer questions about how many of Obamacare's so-called "enrollees" had actually paid their first month's premium. Instead, the Obama administration was still fraudulently counting as "enrollees" people who had put Obamacare policies into their shopping cart without actually paying for them. No legitimate online retailer counts unpaid items left in the shopping cart as sales.

484) Illegally delayed Obamacare's online SHOP enrollment by one year

In November 2013, it was [reported](#) that Obama had delayed Obamacare's online SHOP enrollment by one year. Because Obama did this without approval from Congress, his action was illegal.

485) Ten different Obamacare “customer service” representatives refused to let cancer survivor Lynn Baklor sign up for Obamacare

Lynn Baklor lives in Maryland, and is a survivor of breast cancer. Over a period of two months, she spoke on the phone with ten different “customer service” representatives from Obamacare, and none of them allowed her to sign up for Obamacare. The Obamacare website was not working either. A WBAL news report on her situation can be seen at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F79acewkZ78>

486) Obama’s nominee to head the defense department said he did not know much about the military

In January 2013, Chuck Hagel, Obama’s nominee to head the defense department, [said](#) he did not know much about the military.

487) Federal judge said Obama’s bulk collection of phone records was unconstitutional

In December 2013, U.S. District Court Judge Richard Leon [said](#) that Obama’s bulk collection of phone records violated the fourth amendment’s prohibition against unreasonable searches. It was [Edward Snowden](#), a former NSA employee, who had first revealed to the public that Obama had been engaging in this unconstitutional activity.

488) Gave out even more illegal Obamacare waivers

On December 19, 2013, Obama [gave](#) exemptions from the Obamacare mandate to people whose insurance had been canceled due to Obamacare. Because Obama gave out

these exemptions without approval from Congress, his action was illegal.

489) Obamacare creates a new 2% tax on every insurance plan

Obamacare creates a new [2% tax](#) on every insurance plan. This breaks Obama's [promise](#) that he would not raise taxes on families making less than \$250,000 per year.

490) Obamacare requires some people to pay 19% of their income for premiums

In December 2013, the New York Times [reported](#):

A 60-year-old living in Polk County, in northwestern Wisconsin, and earning \$50,000 a year, for example, would have to spend more than 19 percent of his income, or \$9,801 annually, to buy one of the cheapest plans available there.

491) Six Democratic Senators who voted for Obamacare complained that it was causing voters in their districts to lose insurance

In December 2013, six Democratic Senators who had voted for Obamacare wrote a [letter](#) to Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius, complaining that Obamacare was causing voters in their districts to lose insurance.

492) Admitted that the so-called "Affordable" Care Act was actually "unaffordable" for some people

In December 2013, the Obama administration [admitted](#) that the so-called "Affordable" Care Act was actually "unaffordable" for some people.

493) **53% of people without insurance disapprove of Obamacare**

In December 2013, the New York Times [reported](#):

Americans who lack medical coverage disapprove of President Obama's health care law at roughly the same rate as the insured, even though most say they struggle to pay for basic care, according to the latest New York Times/CBS News poll.

Fifty-three percent of the uninsured disapprove of the law, the poll found, compared with 51 percent of those who have health coverage. A third of the uninsured say the law will help them personally, but about the same number think it will hurt them, with cost a leading concern.

494) **Under certain circumstances, Obamacare recipients between the ages of 55 and 64 can have their homes seized by the government after they die**

Under certain circumstances, when someone between the ages of 55 and 64 participates in Obamacare, then after they die, the government can [seize](#) their home, preventing their children from inheriting it.

495) **PolitiFact repeatedly changed its rating of Obama's promise that people could keep their insurance, based on how many Presidential elections he still had left**

PolitiFact is a left wing organization that rates the truthfulness of statements made by politicians. Regarding Obama's promise that people could keep their insurance, PolitiFact has given out three different ratings.

In October 2008, when Obama still had two Presidential elections coming up, PolitiFact [rated](#) his statement as “true.”

In June 2012, when Obama only had one more Presidential election coming up, PolitiFact [rated](#) his statement as “half true.”

In December 2013, when Obama could no longer run for President ever again, PolitiFact [rated](#) his statement as “lie of the year.”

In all three of these cases, PolitiFact was rating the exact same statement. So why did they keep changing their rating? The best explanation that I can think of is that as Obama had fewer and fewer Presidential elections coming up, they were willing to be more and more accurate in their ratings. So only when he was no longer able to run for President again, were they finally willing to admit the truth about his statement.

496) Obamacare supporters at Democratic Underground later complained about it

For some really hilarious displays of shock and outrage by supporters of Obamacare at how it’s harming people, check out these threads at Democratic Underground: [one](#), [two](#), [three](#), [four](#), [five](#), [six](#), and [seven](#).

497) Commander-in-Chief Obama adopted lower military standards so unqualified women could serve in combat

In December 2013, NPR [reported](#):

Starting Jan. 1, every woman in the Marines Corps was supposed to meet a new physical standard by performing

three pullups. But that has been put off.

The three pullups is already the minimum required for all male Marines. Now the Marine Corps has postponed the plan, and that's raising questions about whether women have the physical strength to handle ground combat, which they'll be allowed to do beginning in 2016.

Why does this matter?

Well, the same NPR article [continued](#):

The Marine Corps has been using it to test upper body strength for men for more than 40 years. And that upper body strength, they say, is necessary to serve in ground combat: to pull yourself out of a canal in Afghanistan, to climb over a mud wall, to carry an ammunition box.

And a CNS News article on the subject [stated](#):

Pull-ups have been used to test Marines' upper body strength for over 40 years. The ability to pull-up one's own body weight over a bar shows the upper body strength that, in combat, is needed to lift fallen comrades, pull one's self over a wall, and carry heavy munitions. Combat Marines also carry a pack that weighs around 90 pounds, with gunners carrying an additional 50 or 60 pounds.

In other words, this qualification is by no means trivial. On the contrary, this involves skills that are necessary in combat – necessary for saving the soldier's own life, as well as for saving the lives of other soldiers.

Obama, who is Commander-in-Chief of the military, is saying that he's perfectly OK with allowing unqualified

women to go into combat, even if it means that their lack of qualifications could end up killing them, as well as killing other U.S. soldiers who depend on them.

498) Had double standard for hate crime laws

When someone participated in the so-called “knockout game,” the Obama administration filed [hate crime](#) charges when a white person attacked a black person, but not when a black person attacked a white person.

499) Tried to prevent federal judge from ruling on NSA surveillance

In December 2013, the Obama administration [tried](#) to prevent a federal judge from ruling on NSA surveillance efforts.

500) Illegally tried to avoid disclosure of a foreign aid directive that he had signed

In December 2013, a federal judge [ruled](#) that Obama’s attempt to avoid disclosure of a foreign aid directive that he had signed in 2010 was illegal.

Note:

Items 501 through 1,000 can be found at <https://danfromsquirrelhill.wordpress.com/2015/12/04/obama-part-2/>

Items 1,001 through 1,366 can be found at <https://danfromsquirrelhill.wordpress.com/2015/12/04/obama-part-3/>