



Another Clinton Library Lockdown

The Self-Proclaimed “Most Transparent Person In Public Life” Benefits From Yet Another Convenient Library Lockdown

The University Of Arkansas Library Has Suspended *The Washington Free Beacon* From Its Archives Only Days After The Organization Published A Story About Hillary Clinton’s Legal Career. “The University of Arkansas has blocked the Washington Free Beacon from its special collections after the conservative website published audio recordings of Hillary Clinton without asking for the university's permission, the site reported on Thursday.” (Hadas Gold, “Washington Free Beacon Suspended From Clinton Archives,” [Politico](#), 6/19/14)

Library Dean Carolyn Henderson Allen Informed *The Washington Free Beacon* Of The Suspension. “Library dean Carolyn Henderson Allen informed editor-in-chief Matthew Continetti in a June 17 letter that the library had ‘officially suspended’ the Free Beacon’s research privileges. The Free Beacon published the Hillary Papers, drawn from the archive of the late Clinton confidante Diane Blair, in February. Those papers are also housed in the special collections at the University of Arkansas.” (Alana Goodman, “Clinton Donor Bans Free Beacon From University of Arkansas Archives,” [The Washington Free Beacon](#), 6/19/14)

- **Carolyn Allen’s Only Contribution On Record Is A \$500 Contribution To Hillary Clinton’s 2008 Presidential Campaign.** ([Center For Responsive Politics Website](#), Accessed 6/19/14)

FLASHBACK: Then-Sen. Hillary Clinton (D-NY) In 2008: “I’m Probably The Most Transparent Person In Public Life.” CLINTON: “I think I’m probably the most transparent person in public life. I think -- what, 60 books? -- 60 books have been written -- I mean, you know, I feel you know a lot more about me than you know about anybody else. Much of it untrue, but, nevertheless, it’s all out there. I think that actually -- this will be an exciting day for all of you. I understand that the National Archive is finally going to release 11,000 pages of my schedules tomorrow, which, as you know, has been totally their prerogative, as their process under law, which they have followed very painstakingly.” (Sen. Hillary Clinton (D-NY), Press Conference, [Philadelphia, PA](#), 3/18/08)

IT’S NOT THE FIRST LIBRARY LOCKDOWN IN ARKANSAS: THE UNIVERSITY KEPT BLAIR ARCHIVES SEALED IN 2008

During Clinton’s Last Presidential Campaign, Questions Were Raised About Why Diane Blair’s Archives Were Not “Available To The Public Until Well After Election Day 2008.” “And now questions are being raised about why another set of papers relevant to her political career at yet another Arkansas library will not be available to the public until well after election day 2008, despite earlier indications that the papers would have been released by now. Those papers were written by Diane Blair,

a close friend of Bill and Hillary Clinton, who taught and engaged in Arkansas politics until her death due to lung cancer in 2000.” (Jake Tapper, “Clinton Papers Won’t Be Released Until After Election,” [ABC News](#), 11/6/07)

In October 2007, The University Of Arkansas Made The “Questionable” Announcement That The Blair Papers Were Not Processed And Would Not Be Made Public Until 2009. “Last month the University of Arkansas announced that the Blair Papers would not be made public until 2009. Andrea Cantrell, the head of research services at the university library’s Special Collections, told reporters that the Papers were not yet processed. But that claim seems questionable, according to statements the Library itself has made obtained by ABC News.” (Jake Tapper, “Clinton Papers Won’t Be Released Until After Election,” [ABC News](#), 11/6/07)

Earlier Reports From The University Claimed The Archiving Process For The Blair Papers Was “Nearing Completion.” “In its 2005-2006 University Libraries annual report, for example, the University of Arkansas reported that the process was almost done. ‘Archivists were hired to process both the Diane Blair Papers and the records of former third district Congressman Asa Hutchinson, and both collections are nearing completion.’” (Jake Tapper, “Clinton Papers Won’t Be Released Until After Election,” [ABC News](#), 11/6/07)

The Clintons Had A Reason To Want The Blair Archives On Lockdown – The Papers Included Clinton’s Support For Single Payer And Other Controversies

The Diane Blair Papers Included “Clinton’s Support For A Single Payer Health Care System, As Well As Her Thoughts On Foreign Policy.” “In addition to Hillary Clinton’s private thoughts on the Lewinsky matter, the Washington Free Beacon reported that Blair’s writing talks about Clinton’s support for a single payer health care system, as well as her thoughts on foreign policy, among other subjects.” (Dan Merica, “Report: Documents Reveal Hillary Clinton’s Private Reaction To Her Husband’s Cheating Scandal With Monica Lewinsky,” [CNN](#), 2/10/14)

In An Account About A Family Dinner At The White House, Blaire Wrote That Hillary Clinton Thinks “Single-Payer Necessary” And Could Be Added To Medicare. “On Feb. 23, 1993, Blair joined the Clintons for a family dinner at the White House. The subject of health care reform came up. ‘At dinner, [Hillary] to [Bill] at length on the complexities of health care—thinks managed competition a crock; single-payer necessary; maybe add to Medicare,’ Blair wrote.” (Alana Goodman, “The Hillary Papers,” [The Washington Free Beacon](#), 2/9/14)

THOUSANDS OF PAGES OF CLINTON LIBRARY DOCUMENTS REMAIN IN LIMBO

The Obama White House Has Extended Review Of Thousands Of Pages Of Clinton Documents Set To Be Released By The Clinton Library. “President Barack Obama’s White House is again extending its review of Clinton White House records that the National Archives has proposed making public, an Archives spokeswoman said Friday. The 30-day extension is at least the fourth the Obama White House has taken to complete the process of signing off on the release of Clinton White House files or proposing that some be held back on grounds of executive privilege.” (Josh Gerstein, “Obama White House Takes Another Delay On Clinton Records,” [Politico](#), 5/23/14)

- **“In Recent Months, About 25,000 Pages Of Previously Withheld Clinton-Era Records Were Released Online By Former President Bill Clinton’s Library In Little Rock, Arkansas.”** (Josh Gerstein, “Obama White House Takes Another Delay On Clinton Records,” [Politico](#), 5/23/14)

As Many As 8,000 Pages Could Still Be Under Review, Despite Being More Than One Year Past The Legal Deadline For The Release Of The Documents. “The Archives did not say Friday precisely how many records are still under review. At one point, it appeared that about 8,000 pages had not yet been released from the set of documents withheld earlier under legal provisions that expire 12 years after a

president leaves office — a deadline that passed in January 2013 in President Clinton's case. It's unclear whether all 8,000 unreleased pages remain under review at the White House or some of those pages have been cleared but have not yet been published by the National Archives.” (Josh Gerstein, “Obama White House Takes Another Delay On Clinton Records,” [Politico](#), 5/23/14)

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At The Height Of Clinton’s 2008 Campaign, Barely “One Half Of 1 Percent” Of The Clinton Library’s Archives Were Released To The Public. “Nearly three years after the Clinton Library opened—and more than 21 months after its trove of records became subject to the Freedom of Information Act—barely one half of 1 percent of the 78 million pages of documents and 20 million e-mail messages at the federally funded facility are public, according to the National Archives.” (Michael Isikoff, “Hillary’s Secret White House Papers,” [Newsweek](#), 10/20/07)

During Clinton’s Last Campaign, The Clinton Library Was Described As “Little Rock’s Fort Knox.” “The razor-edged rectangle of the William Jefferson Clinton Presidential Library juts from a bank on the burbling Arkansas River like a massive metal file cabinet plopped in the mud. To tourists, it's a place to ogle the 42nd president's golf clubs or the former first lady's department-store-bought wedding dress. But to the dozens of reporters, historians, anti-Clinton types and eccentrics who have filed requests for documents from the library's archive, it is Little Rock's Fort Knox.” (Glenn Thrush, “Clinton Archive A Tough Request,” [New York] [Newsday](#), 3/19/07)

“Nearly 2 Million Pages Of Documents” Covering Clinton’s White House Years Were “Locked Up In A Building” At The Clinton Library. “Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton cites her experience as a compelling reason voters should make her president, but nearly 2 million pages of documents covering her White House years are locked up in a building here, obscuring a large swath of her record as first lady.” (Peter Nicholas, “Clinton’s First Lady Records Locked Up,” [Los Angeles Times](#), 8/14/07)