

# Marco Rubio mimics Hillary Clinton's anti-cop pandering for black votes

GOP presidential hopeful Marco Rubio, one of the GOP's more moderate politicians, apparently is buying into the Democratic Party's canard that the only way to be victorious is to entice some of the Democrat voters by pandering to them.

Rubio appears to believe the Democratic Party's assertions on illegal immigration and the subject of police brutality that the GOP candidate must take liberal-left positions on those issues in order to attract black and Hispanic voters.

Law enforcement officials and unions throughout the nation – including the Fraternal Order of Police, the Border Patrol union and others – have been opposed the “Hillary for President” campaign especially in light of public statements she has made during presidential debates and public appearances.

During a recent campaign event, Hillary Clinton said: “Well, sadly it's reality, and it has been heartbreaking and incredibly outrageous to see the constant stories of young men like Walter Scott, as you said, who have been killed by police officers. There needs to be a concerted effort to address the systemic racism in our criminal justice system. And that requires a very clear agenda for retraining police officers, looking at ways to end racial profiling, finding more ways to really bring the disparities that stalk our country into high relief.”

She also suggested that America's racial bias is the only reason we're not adequately addressing the racism of law enforcement.

During a CNN televised Townhall event, Rubio was asked about his opinion on U.S. race relations in the wake of Americans electing the nation's first black president.

"You talk about race relations, it's a difficult issue in this country," Rubio replied, "And I know a lot if it is centered around law enforcement and police departments."

According to former police Detective Nelson Basquez, "Rubio should have taken the opportunity to slam how the media have created such a division between police and the people they are serving. "The old 'if it bleeds it leads' news media slogan is being tweaked to mean if the bleeder is black and the 'assailant' is wearing blue, it's prima facie evidence of a racially-motivated killing," Basquez said.

Many observers claim that Rubio missed an opportunity demonstrated the real difference between conservatives and progressives. He failed to point out that the relationship between the neighborhood residents and the police has focused on the negative rather than the positive that every cop has noticed when "working the streets."

Rubio's statements could easily be taken for those of a left-wing Democrat such as Hillary Clinton or Bernie Sanders: "In this country, a significant number particularly of young African-American males feel as if they are treated differently than the rest of society. And here's the bottom line: Whether you agree with them or not – I happen to have seen this happen – but whether you agree or not, if a significant percentage of the American family believes that they are being treated differently than everyone else, we have a problem, and we have to address it as a society and as a country. I do not believe we can fulfill our potential as a nation unless we address that," said the Senator from Florida.

Republicans should fear having a national law enforcement figure denigrating their presidential candidate as they have

done with statements by Hillary Clinton, Barack Obama and other progressives.

“Mrs. Clinton, who is the subject of an FBI corruption investigation, appears ready to continue President Barack Obama’s cop-bashing that began almost immediately when he was inaugurated. It helps to create division between the races which helps the Democrats to win elections,” said former police detective and U.S. Marine Sid Franes, one of the nation’s first African American major-city police detectives.

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