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Will State Senator Tom McClintock Accept the Endorsement of Congressman John Doolittle or Not?

Brown Campaign asks McClintock to clarify recent public comments with a simple Yes or No answer:

This past week, vastly different public comments have emerged from the campaign of Southern California State Senator Tom McClintock regarding whether he would be meeting with, seeking and accepting support from FBI Corruption probe target, and outgoing 4th CD Rep. John Doolittle.

The six contradictory statements from McClintock, his campaign and his advisors along with the Doolittle office's comments are detailed below.

In response to the flip-flopping statements from the McClintock and Doolittle camps, Brown Campaign Manager Todd Stenhouse issued the following statement:

"The voters of our District have a right to know. Will Southern California Politician Tom McClintock accept the endorsement of disgraced Congressman John Doolittle, who is under investigation by the FBI in connection with Congressional bribery scandal, or not? This is a simple question and the voters deserve a simple yes or no answer."

In the past ten days, McClintock's campaign and Doolittle's office have been on record with the following contradictory statements.

"We're talking about doing a couple of events and we're putting them together," said Doolittle spokesman Dan Blankeburg....Stan Devereux, a spokesman for McClintock, confirmed that the campaign had set up a meeting to discuss Doolittle's support for McClintock." PolitickerCA, June 16, 2008;

<http://www.politickerca.com/alexisenstadt/1210/doolittle-campaign-mcclintock>

"` If you're running as an outsider why would you want anyone's endorsement?' asked John Feliz, a McClintock consultant, when asked if the campaign would be receiving Doolittle's stamp of approval." PolitickerCA.com, June 17, 2008;

<http://www.politickerca.com/alexisenstadt/1216/doolittle-prepares-exit-stage-complex-legacy-place>

"McClintock spokesman Stan Devereux told Election Central that the ongoing investigations against Doolittle would not render him a political liability: `Doolittle is still the congressman for the area, has served the district well.'" June 18, 2008 Talking Points Memo;

http://tpmelectioncentral.talkingpointsmemo.com/2008/06/john_doolittle_lives.php

“` I don't have any plans to meet with Doolittle next week and I don't have any plans to campaign with Doolittle,' McClintock said by phone from Sacramento.” June 20, 2008, Roll Call; <http://www.rollcall.com/news/26114-1.html>

“Fourth Congressional District Republican nominee Tom McClintock will meet with Rep. John Doolittle, R-Rocklin, next week to discuss his campaign, a Doolittle spokesman said Wednesday...he (McClintock) said, ...` I certainly do welcome the intimate knowledge Doolittle has with the district.’ The meeting is planned for June 27.” June 22nd 2008, El Dorado Mt. Democrat

“State Sen. Tom McClintock (R), running for the 4th district seat being vacated by Rep. John Doolittle (R), said Tuesday that he personally killed a meeting between him and the Congressman.” Roll Call, June 25, 2008;
http://www.rollcall.com/issues/53_158/atr/26236-1.html?user_id=80059435

Charlie Brown spent 26 years in the U.S. Air Force, flying rescue helicopters at the end of the Vietnam War, piloting reconnaissance missions around the world, and coordinating a variety of intelligence collection assets. His decorations include the Distinguished Flying Cross, Sikorsky Winged S, 7 Air Medals, and 5 Meritorious Service Medals. Charlie's wife Jan is also a veteran, and his son has served four rotations in Iraq with the Air Force. A graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy, Brown also owns a Masters in Aviation Management from Embry Riddle University, and a California teaching credential. He served 8 years on the Professional Staff of the Roseville Police Department, and is a candidate for Congress in California's 4th District.

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