

## **NOT AN IMMEDIATE DEAL BREAKER** by Lawrence Jones

How is sticking your hand up a woman's skirt and grabbing her private area not an immediate deal breaker?

How is bringing in Steve Bannon from Breitbart News to run your campaign not an immediate deal breaker?

How is mocking a disabled American on national television not an immediate deal breaker?

How is having 70 percent of all your statements rated as false by several different fact-checking organizations not an immediate deal breaker?

How is trump's role in fanning the flames of racial intolerance in the Central Park Five case in New York City and his birther nonsense to try and discredit the first African American president not an immediate deal breaker?

How is attacking a Muslim Goldstar family who lost a son in Iraq fighting in defense of this great nation not an immediate deal breaker?

Our country was once known as the "shining city on a hill," the election of trump immediately diminishes our standing around the world and will have severe and long lasting consequences. How does a president trump go to China and tell their leaders, they should respect the human rights of all their citizens? How does a president trump go to Russia and tell Vladimir Putin that he should respect and encourage a free press and not jail his political enemies? What moral standing do we have with the rest of the world when a president

trump says he wants to bring back torture and kill the families of terrorists? How will ISIS use this information?’

So you see, for me and millions of progressives, independents and yes even some conservatives all across the country, this is about far more than losing an election. It's about what type of nation, do we really want to be? And with the election of trump, what message did we send to our children, especially girls across the country?

To use a football analogy, trump supporters are so busy dancing in the end zone and spiking the football, they don't even realize that their star quarterback (America) is down on the field with a severe concussion and is out for the rest of the season.