

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA :
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v. : 15 Cr. 317 (KMW)
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DEAN SKELOS and :
ADAM SKELOS, :
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Defendants. :
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**GOVERNMENT
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Recorded Telephone Calls

ADAM SKELOS Cellphone

Call Date: December 22, 2014
Call Time: 11:38:55 AM
Session Number: 1066
Participants: ADAM SKELOS
DEAN SKELOS

1 (Phone ringing)

2 ADAM: Hey.

3 DEAN: Hi.

4 ADAM: So I heard you left a handprint on
5 someone's ass today.

6 DEAN: You what?

7 ADAM: I heard you left a handprint on somebody's
8 ass. How'd it go?

9 DEAN: Good. It went fine.

10 ADAM: What --

11 DEAN: You know, he knows it's not going to be
12 what it used to be, but I'll give him a little -- some
13 stuff. But, I mean, that's it. I told him you lost, I
14 won.

15 ADAM: So what are you going to give him?

16 DEAN: Huh?

17 ADAM: What are you going to give him?

18 DEAN: No, we'll let him get some legislation,
19 you know, that type of stuff. You know, I said, but I have
20 to sign off on it. It's not going to be if I don't agree
21 with it.

22 ADAM: And titles?

23 DEAN: We're going to -- I'm going to be the
24 president, the majority leader, and then we're both going
25 to be co-coalition leaders.

1 ADAM: Why would you do that?

2 DEAN: Adam, because I have to think about the
3 next election. That's why.

4 ADAM: Yeah, okay. And the next election he's
5 going to say, go F yourself. It's a presidential election.
6 The Democrats do better at presidential elections.

7 DEAN: No, we'll -- we're going to do fine.

8 ADAM: Thanks for what you gave us, and he --

9 DEAN: Huh?

10 ADAM: He's going to say thanks for what you gave
11 us and he's not going to do a goddamn thing for you.

12 DEAN: He's not -- he's going to get very little.
13 Believe me. Very little. Everybody's going to know what
14 the situation is.

15 ADAM: No. The worst thing you could have done
16 is given him any sort of title.

17 DEAN: Any what?

18 ADAM: The worst thing, the worst thing that you
19 could have done was given him any sort of title, and you
20 did that. That's what you did.

21 DEAN: Yeah.

22 ADAM: That was a horrible move.

23 DEAN: Adam, I don't have -- I have old members.
24 I need --

25 ADAM: I don't care. Dad, you are not going to

1 maintain your majority by depending on them. It's --

2 DEAN: No, no, no. No. What I'm --

3 ADAM: -- never going to happen.

4 DEAN: Well, I'll explain it to you when you see
5 the rules with what we're doing. All right? I'll explain
6 it to you.

7 So you picked the right books --

8 ADAM: You're worried about --

9 DEAN: -- Oakland.

10 ADAM: Yeah, I know. Well, listen, I have
11 good -- you know, I have some good things, some good picks,
12 and sometimes that doesn't just go in football. Okay?

13 DEAN: That worked all right.

14 ADAM: No, that, that worked out really good.

15 DEAN: Did you call the guy?

16 ADAM: He emailed me this morning. He said, wow,
17 nice pick with Oakland.

18 DEAN: Did he, did he bet it?

19 ADAM: Yeah. Yeah. I, I said my advice is free
20 but we accept gratuity via a title or --

21 (Laughter)

22 DEAN: That's great. That's great.

23 ADAM: Anyway. Dad -- so, what, what is his,
24 what is his title now?

25 DEAN: It's going to be co-coalition leader,

1 which means nothing. I'm going to be president of the
2 Senate. I'm going to be majority leader. I'm going to
3 control everything. I'm going to control what gets -- who
4 gets on what committees, who -- what legislation goes to
5 the floor, what legislation comes through committees, the,
6 the budget, everything.

7 ADAM: Why couldn't you just say you could be the
8 leader of the Independent Party and that's --

9 DEAN: Well, he is.

10 ADAM: -- your only title?

11 DEAN: He is.

12 ADAM: Right. Right. But that's your only
13 title. That's all you get, Jeff.

14 DEAN: Yeah.

15 ADAM: You get whatever you agree amongst your
16 coalition because you're not with us.

17 DEAN: Yep. Well, I still have time to think
18 about it. But some of our members also want to have this
19 to keep the flexibility. We can't -- I can't afford about
20 a Bill Larkin having a heart attack or something.

21 ADAM: Your members don't understand the gravity
22 of the situation if Bill Larkin did have a heart attack, if
23 Tom Libous did die of cancer, if --

24 DEAN: Yeah.

25 ADAM: -- you know, if so and so decided to leave

1 to run for, you know, another position or go in the
2 private sector. In those situations, Jeff Klein's response
3 will be, well, now I'm going to go with the side who gives
4 me the most. And he's going to stick it to you. He's
5 going to go with the Democrats and he's going to say make
6 me the majority leader.

7 DEAN: They're not, because they will never do
8 it.

9 ADAM: He's going to say something to that
10 effect. Either way, he's going to go --

11 DEAN: But, but he can't --

12 ADAM: -- he's going to go with the best deal
13 possible.

14 DEAN: -- he's, he's not going to -- but they're
15 not going to do it. They're not going to beat -- they're
16 not going to do it. The whole idea is you got to keep them
17 separated, and that's what this is going to do, keep them
18 separated and fighting and hating each other. And that's
19 what's worked for us for the last 6 years, is keeping them
20 at each other's throats, and that's what this will do.
21 So --

22 ADAM: Well, that's -- I mean -- all right.
23 We'll see if -- how the public takes it, right?

24 DEAN: We'll see how it works out.

25 ADAM: No, no. No, now, listen, public

1 perception, right? We'll see when, when there is issues
2 before the senate on whatever it be, you know, pay raises,
3 you know, the budget -- when reporters are talking to you,
4 we'll see if they also get a comment from Jeff.

5 DEAN: Yeah. Well, they're going to have to vote
6 for it or they get nothing.

7 ADAM: But do you understand what I'm saying?

8 DEAN: Yeah. No, no, I know what you're saying.

9 ADAM: Keeping him, keeping him alive sometimes
10 is -- didn't you ever read that book that I got you, the
11 *Art of War*?

12 DEAN: No, I, I haven't.

13 ADAM: Well, you should read that.

14 DEAN: I will.

15 ADAM: Because it says when, when you, when you
16 finally have your enemy in a weak state, you don't back off
17 your enemy; you destroy your enemy, you know. Otherwise,
18 he'll come back and he'll hurt you. Then eventually he'll
19 gain strength and, and, and you -- you're just letting him
20 get stronger now.

21 DEAN: Everybody's going to know who calls the
22 shots, Adam. Believe me.

23 ADAM: Dad, that's not my concern. I'm thinking
24 ahead of that. I'm thinking if something does happen to
25 one of your senators.

1 DEAN: No, I understand. I understand what
2 you're saying with that.

3 ADAM: All right.

4 DEAN: All right. We'll see how --

5 ADAM: (Indiscernible)

6 DEAN: -- it plays out. Maybe you'll be right,
7 maybe you won't.

8 ADAM: I hope I'm wrong.

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