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Shit-Shovelling Shills and Their Same Old Shams, Scams and Swill: New Faces, No Changes

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Abstract

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3. Unable to take a piss?
4. Unable to take a shit?
5. Unable to believe the shit he's shoveling?

Hopefully for his physical well-being it is (5), but that, then, would only beg the question of why he's shovelling it to begin with. Oh wait...I bet you can guess why:

Some advocates within the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) community have presented a false choice between advocating for marriage equality and the proposed Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA), which would outlaw workplace discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity. The truth is that the steps we take toward one goal also bring us closer to the other goal. Equality begets equality.

In fact, this week's much-celebrated announcement by U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder in the litigation challenging the so-called Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) will likely bolster efforts to

secure equal rights both in civil marriage and in employment.

Uh huh...

That sounds a bit like:

Every gain that gays and lesbians have made has positively impacted trans people.

But of course it sounds even more like:

...the current trans-excluding ENDA, when read in conjunction with Title VII, would result in judges having no daylight between the two laws wherein they could allow discrimination against transgendered people.

But Tico Almeida, someone who I suspect has never competed against trans people for employment, can't stop himself:

[W]hat many people in the LGBT and broader communities do not realize is that under current constitutional law, transgender employees actually have stronger constitutional protections and greater chances of winning workplace discrimination cases than gay and lesbian employees who also work for state government employers.

Funny...he doesn't look like Cathy Brennan.

Or Stephen Clark, for that matter.

But, the gay marriage industry is the gay marriage industry, and all-gay-marriage-all-the-time InsidersOut blogs are all-gay-marriage-all-the-time InsidersOut blogs.

Am I the only one who finds it a bit ironic that this particular piece of gay-marriage-primacy santorum (he gets kudos, yes, for mentioning the Jim Trans Crow witness list of the Senate ENDA hearing, but santorum is santorum) materialized a few days after an on-the-outside-of-reality-and-not-even-attempting-to-look-in chunk of nonsense uncritically advanced the notion that having the temerity to notice the gay-marriage-primacy agenda in action falls under the heading of "paranoid conspiracy theories"? (The reality-centric discussion of the specifics of that controversy will never be found at Bilerico, but can be found here.)

While it is tempting to analogize the implicit illegitimate double message about trans people contained in Almeida's dogwhistle to that which a group of white men in Texas are illegitimately putting forth about themselves (after all, as gay dogma tells us, trans people are only white and really men - whether MTF or FTM), I can't think of a better way to end my analysis of Tico Almeida's entry into the hall of gay-primacy shills than by quoting Cynthia's comment to the thing:

What a total load of hooey! Trans already have more protections than LGB'S? Not even close! This seems to me to be an attempt to derail, and subvert any chances that Trans persons might have towards also gaining equality. What I still all these years fail to understand is why LGB people feel such animosity towards us.

Seems?

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